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SUSPENSION ASKED BY FIRE RATING BOARD

MAJORITY WANTS INSURANCE COMPANIES TO AWAIT MEETING JUNE 21.

MR. HAWKINS PROTESTS

Chairman Says There Is No Authority for Such Action—Session Behind Closed Doors.

Austin, June 11.—Responding to the appeal of the citizens of El Paso, represented in conference by Mayor W. F. Robinson, former Mayor J. U. Sweeney and Senator Claud B. Hudspeth and acting at the instance of Gov. Campbell, sustained by Attorney General Lightfoot, a majority of the State Fire Rating Board addressed a letter to all the fire insurance companies doing business in Texas requesting that they defer the collection of the difference between the old fire insurance rates previous to the passage of the fire rating board and the new rates under the fire rating board law on all policies in the State, until the board at its hearing, June 21, passes upon the question of the reduction of the rates.

William E. Hawkins, Commissioner of Insurance and Banking and chairman of the Fire Rating Board, issued a statement holding that the board is without authority to make such a request upon the insurance companies, that companies which comply with it are subject to forfeiture of certificates of authority and agents who comply with it are guilty of misdemeanor. Further than this, he gave notice that he intends to enforce his views of the matter.

The representatives of El Paso then departed for home at once. Senator Hudspeth and Mayor Robinson gave notice that they will return to the board's hearing June 21.

Following the adjournment of the meeting Commissioner Hawkins issued his statement.

The request of the board for a suspension of the new rates until after the board's hearing upon them on June 21 follows:

"To All Fire Insurance Companies Doing Business in Texas: Gentlemen—A protest has been filed by the citizens of El Paso, Houston, Orange, Dallas, Fort Worth, Wichita Falls, Amarillo, Austin and many other cities throughout the state, complaining of the specific rates promulgated by the fire insurance companies for all of these cities. The specific rates for these cities were promulgated a considerable time after the time specified by law.

"On account of the impracticability of writing risks according to the general basis of schedules, and on account of the difficulty in ascertaining the specific rates by Jan. 1, the board consented that you should have this additional time within which to ascertain and apply the specific rates on the risks written since Jan. 1, this being regarded as a reasonable request in view of the difficulty of complying with the requirements of the law.

"The board has set June 21 as the date for a hearing, at which time the question as to the reasonableness of these rates will be before the board for consideration. A number of these cities have requested that you do not attempt to enforce a collection of the new specific rates promulgated, either upon policies heretofore written or upon those hereafter written, until after a decision has been reached upon the matters pending before said board.

"We request that you defer the collection of the difference between the old rate and the new rate on all policies which have heretofore been written and which may be written prior to a determination of the questions.

LONE HIGHWAYMAN ROBS TRAIN

He Goes Through El Paso and Southwestern Train.

El Paso, Tex.: A lone highway held up El Paso and Southwestern train No. 2, eastbound, shortly before midnight Thursday. The train was stopped one mile east of Robsart, near Carrizozo, and one Pullman car was robbed. The bandit then left the train and headed for the mountains.

Some of the Pullman passengers were without money and the conductor wired to the superintendent in Kansas for instructions to be sent him at Dalhart. The highwayman forced the passengers in Superintendent G. W. Hawk's private car, which was attached to the train, where he made them all, including the superintendent, deliver their valuables and money.

TO TEACH HOG RAISING IN TEXAS

Ft. Worth Stock Yards Company Has Novel Plan.

Fort Worth: The value of the hog to the hog raiser, the merchant, the railways, the packer and the stockyards will be demonstrated by the Ft. Worth Stockyards Company in about the most practical way, next to the actual handling of the hog from the piggery to the butcher's block, when its two demonstration trains start out for the work of spreading the gospel of hog raising to the people in East and Southeast Texas. It is largely an educational work on the part of the Fort Worth Stock Yards Company, for a long time must elapse before any tangible good will follow. It will involve the expenditure of tens of thousands of dollars—it may reach \$40,000 or \$50,000—and will, primarily, mostly benefit farmers, railways and packers.

THE ELECTION PROCLAMATION

Vacancies in Texas Senate and House to Be Filled.

Austin: On the 23d inst. the Governor will issue his proclamation to fill the unexpired terms of members of the Legislature who have died or resigned and for the election of a Congressman in the Third District, now represented by Gordon Russell of Tyler, who will become a Federal Judge. There is something peculiar in regard to filling that vacancy. The election on July 23, the date of the general primaries, will be to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Russell. It expires on March 4, 1911. On the same day the primaries will be used to select a nominee for the regular term for that Congressional District. The nominee is to be elected in the general November election and will take his seat on March 4, 1911.

RUSSELL APPOINTS J. R. BLADES

Citizen of Athens to Be Clerk in Eastern District of Texas Court.

Washington: Representative Gordon Russell of Tyler, Texas, will probably telegraph his resignation to Gov. Campbell Monday and later in the week leave Washington for Texas to qualify as United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas. Judge Russell will at once appoint J. R. Blades of Athens clerk of his court. Mr. Blades served four years as District Clerk at Athens and was County Judge eight years. During the last two years he has served as Judge Russell's secretary in Congress. Mr. Blades is rapidly closing up Judge Russell's office here and expects to leave for Texas at once.

MEXICO AGREES TO TERMS

Proposition for Settlement of Boundary in El Paso.

Washington: Mexico has agreed to the terms of arbitration proposed by the United States for the settlement of Chamizal zone controversy, which arose over the question of a portion of the boundary between this country and Mexico in the vicinity of El Paso, Tex. Senor De La Barra, the Mexican Ambassador, informed Secretary of State Knox of Mexico's acceptance of the arbitration agreement. The terms of the proposition have been defined only in a general tentative form for the present time and the details of the agreement will be formulated by Secretary Knox and Senor De La Barra in the near future. A Canadian jurist, whose name has not been announced, it is said, will be the arbitrator.

NEW OIL WELL FOR HENRIETTA

Excitement Runs High—Well 1700 Feet Deep.

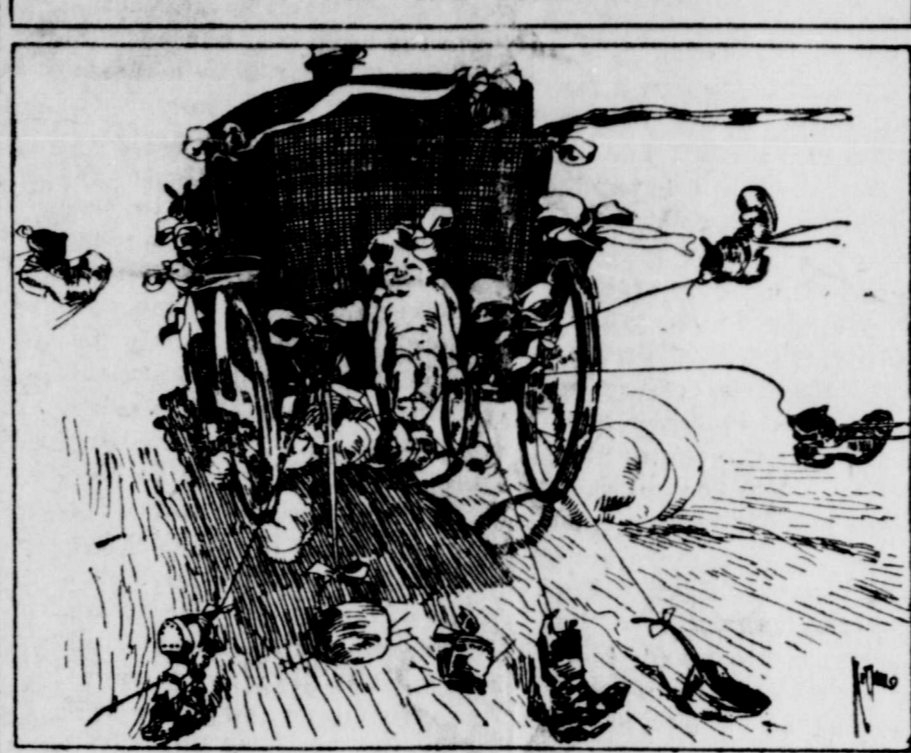
Henrietta, Texas: There is a renewal of excitement in the Henrietta oil fields, caused by the bringing in of a flowing well on what is known as the Taylor tract of land. Nothing definite could be learned as to the strength of the well until a test was made, and the flow filled a 100-barrel tank in forty minutes. The well was brought in at a depth of about 1,700 feet and is the first in the field to be drilled through the stratum of gas sand. Many leases have been taken and large bonuses paid, two small tracts bringing over \$20,000 bonus, in addition to one-eighth royalty.

CONFIRMS TEXAS CENTRAL SALE

Col. Baker of Austin Pays \$4,000,000 For Railway.

Waco, Tex.: Col. Charles Hamilton, vice president and general manager of the Texas Central Railroad, has received advices from New York confirming the purchase of the line by R. H. Baker of Austin for \$4,000,000.

NOW FOR THE JUNE BRIDES



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SAVINGS BANK BILL PASSES THE HOUSE

MONEY ORDER OFFICES WILL BE DESIGNATED BY POSTMASTER GENERAL.

PROVISIONS OF THE BILL

Every President from Grant Down Recommended Passage of This or Similar Law.

Washington, June 10.—By a vote of 195 to 101 the House passed the postal savings bank bill. Every Republican, including all of the insurgents, and twenty-six Democrats voted for the adoption of the bill.

The passage of the postal savings bank bill concludes one of the most interesting chapters in the history of legislation. Such a bill was recommended by every President of the United States in a message to Congress, from President Grant down, yet every attempt at its enactment was defeated either in one branch or the other of Congress. It was only through the new arousing of public interest in such affairs of legislation within recent years that public sentiment sufficiently asserted itself to compel an unwilling Congress to establish this institution.

Salient Features of Bill.

The salient features of the bill which the House adopted are as follows: The Postmaster General will designate as rapidly as consistent with good administration the money order offices as places for the receipt of saving deposits, and he is empowered to designate such other offices as he deems advisable. There are approximately 50,000 money order postoffices so that the Postmaster General may at first restrict the depositories to postoffice of the Presidential grade, of which there are about 7,500.

Accounts may be opened by any person 10 years or more of age.

Married women may have accounts free from interference by their husbands.

No person can have more than one account.

The minimum deposit which will be accepted is \$1.

Interest is to be allowed at a rate not exceeding 2 per cent per annum, an evidence of the intention of the Government not to compete with banks.

No account may have a total credit exceeding \$500, exclusive of accumulated interest, and not more than \$100 may be deposited in any one month.

Withdrawals may be made under rules and regulations to be prescribed.

Postal savings funds, so far as practicable, will be deposited by the Postmaster General in banks located nearest to the postoffices at which the money is received at interest of not less than 2 1/2 per cent per annum.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC RY. BILL

Sum of \$773,647 Asked for Repairs Made On Colorado River.

Washington: Senator Smoot reported to the Senate Committee on Claims a bill to pay the Southern Pacific Railway \$773,647 on account of the expenditures made by it in repairing the break in the Colorado River, which threatened to overflow the great Imperial Valley in the fall of 1906. The railroad's claim was \$1,663,136. The work was done by the railroad as the result of a request made by former President Roosevelt to the late E. H. Harriman.

HEIKE CONVICTED ON ONE COUNT

Government Makes Case Against Sugar Company Secretary.

New York: Charles R. Heike, the white-haired secretary of the American Sugar Refining Company, was convicted on one count of an indictment charging conspiracy to defraud the Government of customs duties on sugar.

Ernest W. Gerbracht, former superintendent of the Williamsburg (Brooklyn) refinery, was convicted on all six counts.

This ends the Government's second attempt to imprison the group of men held responsible for the vast underweighing frauds to which the so-called trust has virtually confessed by the restitution of more than \$2,000,000 in duty.

Heike is the highest official of the company upon whom blame has been fixed, and he now faces a possible sentence of two years in the Federal penitentiary and a fine of \$10,000. He is 65 years of age and broken in health and spirits. His counsel in summing up declared repeatedly that a prison term meant nothing less than death.

Convicted on all six counts, Gerbracht can be sentenced to twelve years in prison with a maximum fine of \$10,000. Like Heike, he is past middle age, being 63 years old.

OIL FUEL TESTS SATISFACTORY

Found to Produce More Steam Than Coal.

Washington: Tests to compare the efficiency of oil fuel and coal for naval vessels, which have been completed at the Puget Sound Navy Yard, show very material advantages for oil fuel all along the line. Oil evaporates nearly twice as much water at a given temperature, is more economical and in other respects is found more advantageous, added to the all-important military advantage of oil over coal for use aboard ship, are highly gratifying to the Navy Department, which has received a full report of the Puget Sound tests. The tests were made at the power house at Puget Sound. The central power plant was used, and it was found that about fifteen pounds of water was evaporated to the pound of fuel oil, as compared with nine pounds of water to the pound of coal. The fuel oil was shown to have 60 per cent greater efficiency. The cost of evaporating 1,000 pounds of water by using oil fuel was 21 1/2¢ and by using coal 35 6-10¢.

TEST AEROPLANE FOR WARFARE

Will Be Made By Troops at Military Encampment.

Chattanooga, Tenn.: Tests of the utility of the aeroplane in warfare will be made at the military encampment of United States troops and the National Guard of several Southern States at Chickamauga Park this summer.

The Government has closed a contract with Charles K. Hamilton to conduct the most extensive reconnaissance and bombardment ever attempted. In addition to Hamilton's machine, which is a duplicate of the machine which Glenn H. Curtiss flew from Albany to New York, there will be present at the maneuvers the Wright biplane and the dirigible balloon sold to the War Department by Capt. Thomas S. Baldwin.

In executing the work laid out for him Hamilton will carry aloft from 200 to 300 pounds of highly explosive nitroglycerin bombs. Racing at a speed varying from forty-five to fifty-five miles an hour, he will release this deadly cargo at a height of a quarter of a mile above the earth, raining it down upon targets in the two-mile square area below in seventy-five installations. The targets underneath will consist of dummy fortifications, batteries, arsenals, bridges, trains and troops.

IF MONEY WAS DIVIDED EQUALLY

Treasury Officials Figure Each Man, Woman and Child \$34.69.

Washington: The treasury officials figure out that if all the money in circulation in the United States were divided equally, every American, man, woman and child, would have \$34.69. This is 14¢ per capita more than they would have had by the same process of reasoning a month ago. Compared with a year ago, there was on June 1 \$14,000,000 more money in circulation and yet, strange as it may seem, the per capita was 42¢ less. This, it is said, is due to the increase in population, it being proportionately more than the growth of the circulating medium. The general stock of money in the United States June 1 was \$2,419,382,284, of which \$298,076,537 was held in the treasury as assets of the Government.

COURT NOT HONORED BY GOV. HASKELL

SAYS HE IS IN OKLAHOMA CITY TO STAY—ESTABLISHES EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

GUARDS ARE ON DUTY

Stationed at Logan County Court House in Guthrie—Seal of State Has Been Removed.

Oklahoma City, Okla., June 16.—Gov. C. N. Haskell will not recognize authority of the Logan County District Court to issue injunctions or restraining orders against him as Chief Executive of the State of Oklahoma.

Sheriff John Mahoney of Guthrie arrived on a late train Sunday night for the purpose of carrying out the court's order and secured service upon the Governor in the matter of the injunction issued there.

Gov. Haskell was seated in the parlor of the Lee Hotel, conversing with Dr. A. E. Davenport of Oklahoma City, when Sheriff Mahoney appeared with that in one hand and with the other holding two documents. The Governor was told that the papers were from the District Court of Guthrie, replying to which the Governor told the Sheriff he had no authority to serve papers in this county, and the court had no authority to issue them against a Governor.

Documents Fail to Floor.

The Sheriff passed the documents to the Governor as the latter spoke, but instead of taking them, he shoved them to one side. One of the documents fell to the floor, the other passed over the balustrade and flitted to the tiled lobby below.

"The Governor told me to get out," said Sheriff Mahoney, after he came down the stairs, "or that he would put me in the guard house. He said that the court would find itself there, too."

Gov. Haskell came to Oklahoma City Sunday, traveling in a special train from Tulsa. He immediately announced that he was here to stay, and set up what people call the executive office in parlor D of the Lee Hotel. During the night, after results of the election became known, W. B. Anthony of Marlow, private secretary to the Governor, was dispatched to Guthrie by automobile, and returned via the same conveyance, carrying the Governor's seal of State.

Oklahoma City: Judging from reports gathered by the Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce, the initiated bill proposing to locate the permanent state capital has prevailed by between 30,000 and 40,000 majority, and Oklahoma City as the place appears to have prevailed over Shawnee and Guthrie by about three to one. When this became apparent Guthrie people applied to the Logan County District Court for an injunction to prevent removal of the records. It had been quietly understood that as soon as it developed Oklahoma City had won orders would be given to transfer the seat of government to this city.

While not alarmed over the situation, the Governor, as a matter of precaution, he said, established by order, through Adj. Gen. Canton, a military guard around the Logan County courthouse in Guthrie, where a portion of the executive branch of the government is housed. The orders are to place in the guardhouse any one interfering with the transaction of business or with the carrying out of any order issued from headquarters here.

GALVESTON COTTON CARNIVAL

\$20,000 in Cash Prizes Will Be Distributed Among Competitors.

Galveston: The official announcement of the executive committee of the coming Galveston Cotton Carnival shows that \$20,000 in cash prizes will be distributed among the successful exhibitors in the various departments. The directors have decided that the substantial cash award is the best means of insuring the quality of the exhibit. Of the \$20,000 set aside for prizes the amount of \$5,000 goes into the fund of prizes for the automobile races on the Galveston beach. The balance of \$15,000 will be devoted to the exhibits of other departments.

Of special interest to the poultry raiser is the poultry department and pigeon department of the carnival. A new building, christened the "Poultry Palace," and devoted exclusively to the exhibit, is now in process of construction. The structure is built for a permanent addition to the carnival grounds and will be used year after year for this purpose only.

W. F. Kellis, Editor and Proprietor.

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ISSUED EVERY FRIDAY AT STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

Subscribers failing to get their paper on time, will confer a favor by reporting same to us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce Jno. B. Ayres a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sterling county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce J. H. Alhard a candidate for the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sterling county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce J. L. Glass a candidate for election to the office of County Judge of Sterling county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce B. F. Brown a candidate for County Judge of Sterling county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce Leon B. Cole a candidate for re-election to the office of District and County Clerk of Sterling county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Ed L. Gilmore a candidate for re-election to the office of Treasurer of Sterling county, subject to the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce D. C. Durham a candidate for re-election to the office of Tax Assessor of Sterling county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce R. F. Roberts a candidate for the office of Commissioner and Justice of the Peace of Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce S. L. Hula a candidate for the office of Commissioner and Justice of the Peace of Precinct No. 3, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries.

We are authorized to announce J. S. Johnston a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 4, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

Five big stone buildings, all going up at the same time within a stone's throw of each other, is a noise like building.

There is so much hammering, sawing and rattling of wagons in Sterling that you must talk loud if you would be heard.

Nine wooden buildings, facing the public square, have recently been moved away to make room for substantial stone buildings.

Dry! Sure, but we fellows here in Sterling are so busy building that we have no time to think of it. But the poor fellow with cold feet is scared through.

How about the court yard? When is the crossing on Willow Creek going to be fixed?

When are those culverts on the San Angelo road going to be repaired?

How long are we going to use that old brush arbor?

Reckon we'd better grade that street from the depot to town.

Have you got your premises cleaned up? How about that pig pen?

Are you doing your part toward ridding the knockers out of our town?

Alleged Gang of Swindlers

The San Angelo Standard is making a timely crusade against a gang of swindlers who are alleged to be operating in West Texas. We have reason to believe that such a combination exists and that The Standard is doing a good work in putting the public "next" to such things.

Last Wednesday's Standard gave an account of three vendor's lien notes secured by an supposed section of land in Sterling county. This reminds the writer of hearing two citizens of Sterling county complain of being "bagged" out of their lands and goods by the use of the seductive vendor's lien notes which proved to be no good. One of the alleged victims turned the matter over to the grand jury and that body promptly returned an indictment, and the court changed the venue to San Angelo for disposal. Whether or not this matter has any connection with that which the Standard is dealing remains to be developed later on.

But it is high time that the public was looking out for skin games. The man who buys a vendor's lien note or a paper town lot had better keep his eyes peeled. They may be all right, then again they may not.

More than once the writer has observed a town map hung up on the streets, and choice lots in the coming metropolis of Gettichou offered at a bargain—and sold, too, for good, hard money. In vain did he look for the county clerk's certificate showing that the streets and alleys had been dedicated, or the county surveyor's certificate showing that it had been officially surveyed, platted and recorded according to law—these things which are so vital to the purchaser's title were entirely lacking. Now these town lot vendors may be alright. They may be perfectly honest, but before you part with your money you had better look "a leetle ood" and ask a whole lot of questions about these things.

The man who offers to sell you a piece of land or a town lot from a map without a certificate showing that it has been officially platted and duly recorded, is in the same light as the who offers his deed of conveyance without seal and acknowledgement. He who buys under these circumstances opens the doors of future litigation and loses his purchase, for the lot may be where the map shows it, and then it may not for who is behind it to back it up with his official bond?

These hints are given to our friends as a warning, and if from now on they are "skinned" it will not be for the reason they were not put "next" to the game.

KENDIG BUYS PROPERTY IN STERLING ADDITION

Traveling Passenger Agent, S. A. Kendig, of the Santa Fe, was the guest of the Park Heights Realty Company on an automobile to Sterling City Tuesday, and the genial official was so impressed with the rapidly developing little City that on his return to San Angelo he immediately closed papers for the purchase of several lots in the local realty firm's beautiful new Sterling addition.

"It's a much prettier town than I expected to find," said Mr. Kendig, whose initials stand for San Angelo, "and without doubt it's to be one of the West Texas commercial centers after the extension is completed. I shouldn't be a bit surprised to find a city there of two or three thousand inhabitants within a year or so."

Mr. Kendig left Wednesday morning for Galveston. All of the high officials of the G. C. & S. F. now own property in Sterling addition.—San Angelo Standard.

TO THE VOTERS

The date being near for the final closing of announcements for County offices, and noting that our office of County Commissioner and Justice of the Peace for Precinct No. 1 had not been filled with an application, and knowing it to be our most important county office (yet bearing the legal pay) and realizing that this, the next few years, is a changing and vital time for our county, and noticing the situation as a strong one would whenever one chanced to cast his lot with us, knowing that our Precinct No. 1 needed great improvements which we can successfully acquire through our Commissioner of this precinct, and knowing that to get these improvements, which this precinct is justly due and necessary for our development into one of the best counties of this state, which we must be and will be by us all as citizens pulling, working, improving and staying together in one accord for the upbuilding of our county and town.

Believing, realizing and knowing the above facts to be true, and knowing my ability, on the 14th inst. I announced for the aforesaid office, thinking and believing there would be no other announcement. I did not want the office except only for one reason, viz that during this vital changing period we might through the proper efforts secure those improvements that our precinct is justly due as the fountain head and hope of every citizen of our beloved county.

Since announcing I have learned that our friend, E. F. Roberts, whose well known throughout the county, had consented to allow his name to appear as a candidate for the above office. Now, believing that Mr. Roberts is a

very suitable and strong man, and fully in line with our desires and needs, I respectfully withdrew and ask a unanimous vote for our friend, E. F. Roberts, who has well served you, the voters of this precinct and the good people of this county, in another line. I desire to call the voters' attention to a few facts that ought to interest every citizen of our county.

Our court house is the home of every man, woman, and child within the bounds of our county. Would you like or enjoy a home that was built out in an open space, surrounded by an unsightly fence, trash and rocks—rough ragged and displeasing to the eyes, or would it better be a nice, magnificent structure, which we can have in our court house, one that our citizens can justly be proud of, surrounded by cement walks, with the same kind of walks leading to outer doorways, a yard of nice Bermuda grass, with a nice young tree growing here and there, with a row of nice cedar or iron posts around the Court square with strong chains strung in them, making a desirable and convenient place for every one to hitch their horses and giving protection to the beautiful, clean walks? This home is the first object that a stranger coming among us desires and disapproves.

It has truly been said that each court house and its surroundings is an index for the stranger; if favorable, we are likely to gain a good citizen; if unfavorable, the chances are against us.

It is the duty of every good citizen who loves our county and desires to have other good citizens locate with us, to urge each and every one of our county commissioners to see that such needed improvements are made. These improvements and good roads would greatly benefit every citizen and every citizen's property within the bounds of our county.

A Citizen, LEWIS E. ALEXANDER

NOTICE

The shirt that fits is the shirt to buy. We have at our store a complete line of Men's and Boy's E & W Shirts, of every size from 12 to 18, priced at from 50c to \$2.50, and we would be glad to have every Man and Boy in Sterling and surrounding counties to call and look over our complete stock of Shirts, and we feel sure that after looking over our stock of new styles and patterns, that we will have no trouble in selling you. We also have a complete line of Ladies' and Gents' underwear, of all sizes and styles. Remember we still have about 20 pictures and mirrors to be given away with each \$40 cash purchase—ask the salesman to explain it to you and give you a card.

Remember! We always carry a line of fresh Groceries.

H. Q. LYLES

NEW GOODS

If you want anything in the late styles and up-to-date Spring fabrics, just call and see my new goods

- Tanjour Tussah, Kanoko Silk, Silk Striped Crepe, Egyptian Tissue, Plaxton Checks, Fancy Madras, Percales, English Poplin, Costume Chiffon, Victoria Silk, Slupee, Puritan Galletea, Soisette, Priscilla Poplin, Gingham.

Ladies white Tailored and Fancy Waists, Skirts and Ties, and many other things too numerous to mention.

Get my prices, buy, be happy

B. F. Roberts

Railroad Notes

The tracklaying gang is due to reach Cox Hollow today, where a day or two will be consumed in building a bridge across the run.

The spotlacing gang is working this side of Watervalley, and is making fairly good time.

The fencing gang is moving along up the line in good shape, and it is hoped that by the time the whistle blows in Sterling City most of the stock guards will be in place.

Both pile drivers suffered minor breakdowns this morning, but they will be repaired and put to work this afternoon.

No special time is set for coming into town, but it is predicted that it will be about the first of July.

FOR SALE

One piece of residence property in Sterling City, consisting of a six room house, splendid well of water, with two good tanks, good windmill, one hundred bearing fruit trees, and one acre of land, close in with south and west exposure on corner of two principal streets of the town. Price, right.

One residence, six rooms, well finished throughout, good well with windmill, tanks and complete system of piping; good chicken, horse, over one hundred fruit trees now loaded with fruit, and the finest collection of roses and other flowers in the county. All on four lots of 50x140 each, two blocks from court house square.

Two residences, three rooms, good wells, windmills and out houses, on two lots each, two and one-half blocks from square.

One residence, four room house good well of fine water, brand new windmill and tower, on four lots nicely located, two and one-half blocks from court house square. This can be had at a bargain if taken at once.

Also all sorts of farm, ranch and city property, from a 25 foot lot to a 25 section ranch.

For particulars see or write, CUMMINS & DUNN

SILVER ECHOES

Quality counts at the best store in the best town in the best county in the best state, and the best people are coming to my store for the best Goods at the best prices.

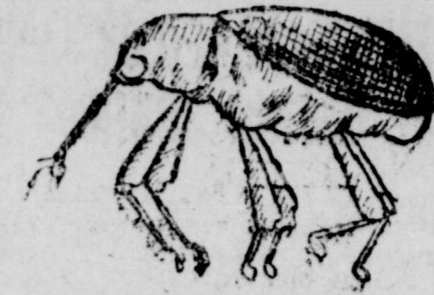
And remember, when you spend a dollar in cash with me, you get a change at a beautiful dining room set, consisting of a set of Rodger's silver knives, forks and spoons, a 42-piece set of china dishes, and an elegant, six-foot oak extension dining table, ALL WITHOUT COST!

These facts are startling all competition, but let 'er go, Gallagher! I want your best wishes and a bunch of your business.

Yours for a square deal, N. A. Austin

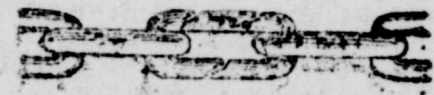
Public Highways

The ravages of the boll weevil in Texas are estimated at millions of dollars, but the mud hole has been a more costly foe to the producer than the boll weevil. The Federal government has spent over a million dollars in trying to find a way of eradicating the boll weevil, but we do not have to spend money to learn how to eradicate bad roads—build good ones.

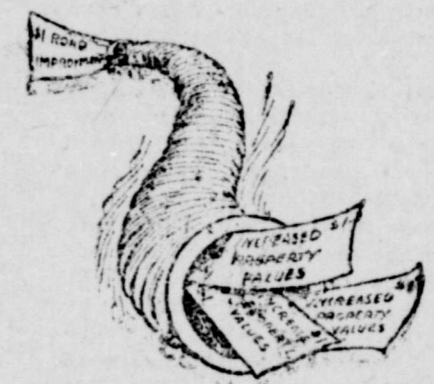


Boll Weevil \$1,000,000.

The boll weevil in destroying cotton decreases production and consequently increases the price of the remaining product, but had 1908's levy their heads against the producer and destroy the value of the remaining roads. A chain is no stronger than its weakest link, and a mud hole of a hill between a farm and town reduces the carrying capacity of the wagon to the level of the bog of grade.



The improvement of public highways add three times their cost to adjoining property, and every argument that applies to the improvement of public property will apply with multiplied force to the improvement of public highways, as every farmer must use the public roads.



As individuals we are ready to make any investment that will return \$3 for \$1, but as a community we sometimes hesitate to make such transactions, comments the Texas Commercial Secretaries' Association.

The farmer has the railroad into the farm, the manufacturer has the railroad into the factory and the merchant has paved streets to the railroads, but the farmer must use the highways, and his time is too valuable to spend in pulling wagons out of bog holes.

Improved public highways make communities prosperous, happy and contented.

EYES TESTED AND



GLASSES FITTED

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W. F. KELLIS, Editor

STERLING CITY, - - TEXAS

Catch the fly; then kill it.

Mother's day is generally wash day

A group of scientists can prove anything.

Some people's idea of liberty is to bother others.

"Paris is safe," announces M. De Rochefort. And Seine?

Kissing does not spread germs. Let's not spread any.

Is all this talk really having any effect on the kissing game as played?

Starch factories have resumed operations. Indications point to a stiff season's work.

There is war in the hog market, but the hog gets the worst of it no matter who wins.

New Jersey is suffering from a plague of rats. Here is work for the redoubtable Jersey mosquito.

It would be interesting to hear what that Maryland auctioneer has to say when he auctions off those Rising Sun old maids.

While doctors in conference discussed the bad effects of tobacco, the room was thick with smoke from their own cigars.

Now the world will never be altogether satisfied until some aeroplane expert catches an eagle in full flight and salts its tail.

Launching of the battleship Florida calls attention to the fact that international peace is becoming more expensively armed all the time.

The anticipated dispute of an aeroplane and an automobile for right of way has occurred with the expected result. The automobile won.

Now the desiccated egg is scientifically ascertained to be a shade more malodorous than the antique cold storage variety—which is supererogatory.

Scientists say that America will be reduced to Asia's food standards if we are not careful. Some persons have fallen for chop suey already.

"College girl compelled to eat oysters blindfolded." Where was the S. P. C. A. when the wretched hazers were blindfolding those helpless oysters?

A New York woman lived to be ninety-nine years old before she took her first drink. It was merely a case of curiosity getting the best of her at the end.

The oyster recently found with 54 pearls in its internal department seems to be in a higher class than the one which contains one million typhoid germs.

Theater galleries being places of amusement, they should be so arranged that school girls could not fall out of them into the orchestra pit, as did one in New York the other day.

New York society women are fasting for the purpose of reducing their weight and improving their health. It will be a terrible blow to the proprietors of some of the high-class restaurants if this sort of thing becomes the latest fashion.

A new idea for raising money for charitable purposes has been devised at Witham, England. Invitations were issued to a "Stock Exchange Sale," and every guest brought an article which had to be sold to another guest, and the purchase money handed over to the fund.

The western neighborliness advertised by the fact that the friends of a North Dakota farmer joined hands while he was ill in bed and plowed and sowed 100 acres of his farm in a single day, was not an isolated example. The spirit displayed by the friends of the stricken farmer revealed a pleasant phase of pioneer enterprise which blazed the way for settlement to the base of the Rocky mountains. The pioneer is a man who is willing to help himself, and to put in time for others if by so doing he can promote individual and communal happiness.

The navy department having ordered a series of experiments to determine the capability of submarines in independent action, it will be the duty of the department if the presence of tenders is abolished to provide means by which submerged boats may be located in the event of failure of the apparatus. Submarines are provided with eye-bolts for wrecking operations, and some means should be devised by which brave men who are imprisoned beneath the sea may be located so that wrecking operations may be instituted with promptitude that will insure the saving of life.

A young French physician, M. Georges Rosenthal, thinks he has discovered a serum cure for rheumatic fever, and the Paris Academy of Sciences has appointed a committee to report upon it. The treatment consists of injections of the serum in the region of the stomach. Here's hoping, in the interest of humanity, that the committee may find reason for rendering a favorable report.

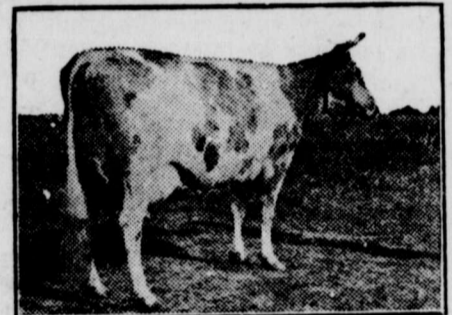
A nice couple fell out while on their honeymoon. They were riding in an airship.

PROFITABLE DAIRYING

By HUGH G. VAN PELT
Dairy Expert Iowa State Dairy Association

What State Dairymen's Associations Can Do

Knowing the possibilities in store for dairy farming and realizing the possibility of doubling the income from the dairy products and in this manner adding to the wealth of the Iowa farmer nearly half as many dollars as a bumper crop of corn in a year of high prices, all forces are at work to accomplish the result. The last general assembly appropriated \$10,000 to the Iowa State Dairymen's association to enable them to do more effective work along educational lines in dairying. With this money they have hired dairy experts to conduct a campaign with the one end in view—increasing the butter products of the Iowa cow. To accomplish this result no stones are being left unturned. Special dairy trains have been run and more will be run over the state, carrying to the farmer's door the facts relative to the care and selection of his herd that will mean to him

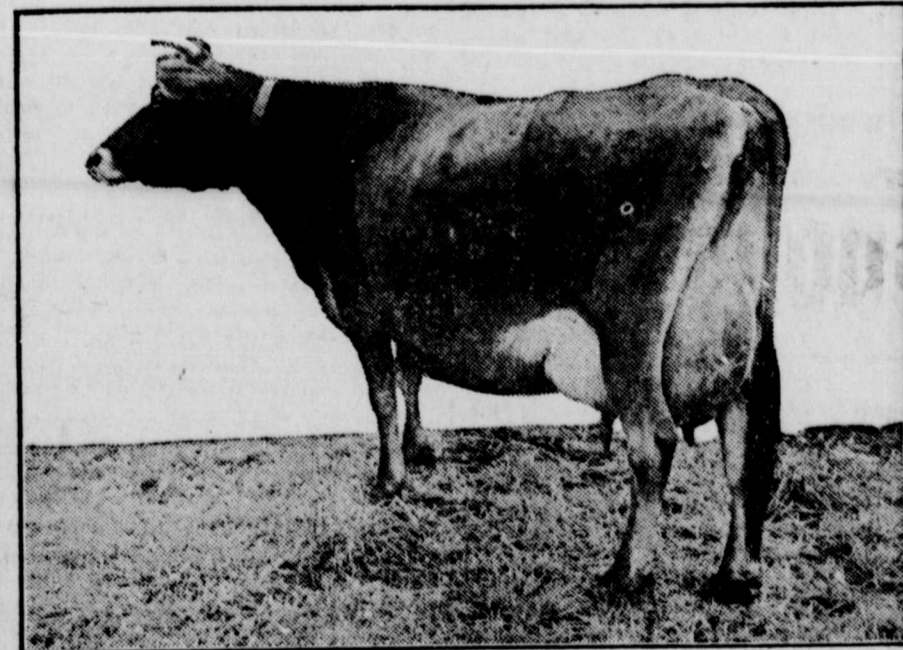


"Glencoe Bopeep," Guernsey Cow That Will Make Over 600 Pounds of Butter This Year in Iowa Cow Contest.

more profitable products and an interest in the work that will cause him, too, to realize that there is a bright future for the dairy business on his farm if conducted along proper lines.

Short Courses in Dairying.

Short course schools are probably one of the very best means of educating the farmer dairymen, although it is impossible to reach so many during a short period of time. But those to whom education is carried through this channel have an opportunity to learn a great deal more that will be a benefit to them because the corps of instructors remains with the one class for a week at a time and during this course dairy animals of proper form, conformation and working ability are brought before them and the essential points to be observed in selecting dairy animals are pointed out and practically demonstrated with the live animal. Methods of securing the very best animals for the production of milk and butter fat are discussed, and of course this brings up the study of breeding, raising and developing dairy cattle. Feeding the dairy cow is an all-important point, and this matter is discussed every day during the week with the students. Caring for milk and cream on the farm is a real live question at the present time. There is another possibility here in that, by the proper care of the milk and cream from the time it is milked until it reaches the creamery, it will not be difficult to increase the price per pound of butter shipped out of Iowa by one cent and this means an income in itself of over \$10,000 per year. Practical demonstration of the proper methods of milking the cow are given and it will probably be a



"Aggie Clothilde Bawn 4th," Holstein Cow.

surprise to the dairyman to realize that there is as much to be learned regarding the proper way to milk the dairy cow as there was to be learned regarding the growing of corn five or six years ago. After the cow has been milked at these short courses the milk is weighed, then a sample taken and tested with the Babcock tester to determine the percentage of butter fat found in the milk; and after all this is probably the very most important thing to be learned by the dairy farmer at the present time, because it enables him to find out which of his cows are good ones and which of them are the unprofitable kind, and this certainly must be the first consideration in building up the herd. He must get rid of his poor cows and

keep the good cows and by the use of good sires produce daughters that are still better, save them, rear them under the best conditions for growth and development and each generation make better the herd from the standpoint of milk and butter production, never falling to sort out by the use of the scales and the Babcock test those individuals which do not pay for their care and feed and yield a reasonable profit besides.

Farmers Are Interested.

It is surprising the interest that these short-course students take in their work, for, as a matter of fact, they do better work during the five or six days while the opportunity is presented than do the real college students, who feel that their opportunities for education are to last for a period of four years instead of for one short week.

The Iowa State Dairy association also furnishes lecturers for farmers' institutes, one of which is held in every county in Iowa, supported to an extent by the appropriation from the state. In the past there has been very little encouragement to the farmer, who attended the institutes, along lines of dairying because the available lecturers were few, but now that the state has come to the assistance of the State Dairymen's association it is possible for the latter institution to supply speakers free of cost except for their traveling expenses to every farmer's institute in the state that signifies its interest in the real business of dairying.

Probably one of the best opportunities to do good is found at the annual meetings of the patrons of the 500 creameries located in Iowa. At this time the treasurer reports to the patrons—numbering from 50 to 500—what the financial condition of their creamery is and what the profits have been during the past year. On such an occasion more interest is displayed than at any other time, because the patron feels that the business is largely his—which is a fact. If it is possible, and usually it is, to show him where his organization can be more successful and pay larger prices to the patrons for their butter fat during the coming year, he feels that it is to his advantage to grasp the opportunity and in this way much good results to the patrons in the community. Probably the best manner of assisting these creameries is to form associations and already in Worth county the North Iowa Dairy Improvement association has been organized with ten creameries co-operating. The butter made by these ten creameries is taxed by the organization one-tenth produces in her creameries over 1,000,000 pounds of butter, and in this respect leads, as a rule, all other states in the Union. Judging from this butter income, together with the income from the city milk supplies and from other by-products of the dairy cow, it has been carefully estimated that the dairy business of Iowa means an annual income of \$60,000,000, and it is a fact that the chief factory to be found in nearly 500 towns in the state is the factory where the cream produced on the farm is manufactured in butter and shipped to market.

Possibilities of the Iowa Cow.

Owing to the fact that a great portion of the butter produced in Iowa

found in many states. Many are the herds that produce an average of over 400 pounds of butter a year, and this means that each cow on the average is returning to her owner an income of over \$100 annually for the butter she produces. There is a possibility that the production of even these better herds can be gradually increased, and this is best proven by the fact that in these herds are to be found many cows that are producing much more than 400 pounds of butter, while others are producing a lesser amount. One is not surprised nowadays to find cows that have produced from 700 pounds to 1,000 pounds of butter a year, and a few cows already have produced over 1,100 pounds of butter in 365 days. There is a possibility of doubling the average production of the cows with very little expense. In fact, only three things are needed to accomplish this, namely: Better dairymen, better cows and better methods of caring for and feeding them. To double the average production of the cow would mean that she must produce an average of 250 pounds of butter annually, and no doubt the time will come when she will be doing this, for as a matter of fact her present production is not making for her owner any great amount of net profit even at the high price of butter fat.

In older countries we find the cows' average in production even more than 280 pounds of butter per year. Among these countries are Denmark, Holland, New Zealand, the Jersey and Guernsey islands and other countries.

Little Improvement in the Average Dairy Cow.

In most lines of agriculture the American farmer is most progressive and leads the world. During the past number of years he has been busy improving his herds of horses, hogs and beef cattle as well as his farm equipment, and has overlooked the importance of the dairy cow. Likely this is the reason that we find him today milking cows that are no better than the cows he was milking 25 years ago, and in many cases of a quality even poorer. He has considered the dairy cow as more or less a side issue and as sort of a troublesome necessity. At this time, however, with the great advancement in the price of land and the problem of making his farm better instead of farming it to death, he has looked around him and found that of all farm animals the good dairy cow is at the present time returning to her owner more net profit from her dairy product, helping in making the farm better, and that her calves are selling for a higher price than ever before, and at a greater profit than any other animal on the farm. He has found that there is a vast difference between the cows that he is keeping, and in many instances



Good Type of Jersey Cow.

he finds standing side by side under exactly the same conditions and receiving the same feed both in quantity and quality, two cows, one of which is producing 100 pounds of butter a year while the other is producing 500 pounds of butter in a year. It takes only a moment's consideration to discover, when his attention is drawn to this fact, that one of these cows—even though she consumes five times as much feed—requires five times as much labor to care for her and milk her; even though she might occupy five times as much space in the barn or pasture, is five times the more profitable cow of the two.

Doubling the Production of Butter.

This is a fact that is found on nearly every farm at the present time, and right now the dairyman is struggling to get rid of the poor cows and keep a larger number of cows, but it is difficult for him to find them because during these same years his neighbors have paid very little attention to the building up of their own dairy herds and the same conditions are found upon their farms—a few real good cows and a number of real poor cows. He, too, has discovered the difference between good cows and poor cows, and the result is that to build up at once good herds of dairy cows is practically an impossibility, and it will take a considerable length of time to make the great necessary improvement in our herds. Nevertheless, the necessity of bettering our dairy conditions is apparent. It is a possibility to double the production of dairy products with the same number of cows in milk, which means that there is a possibility of producing annually in Iowa instead \$60,000,000 worth of dairy products, \$120,000,000 worth, which lack a very little of amounting to as much as does the annual corn crop of the state.

This, no doubt, will be a surprise to the reader, as it is a matter of Iowa history that the corn crop is by far the most important of all Iowa industries. There is, however, no area the size of Iowa in the world that is better fitted for a large, economical and profitable production of dairy products. Everything except the good cow is present. There is no better feed than corn when fed in proper amounts and proportions, and there is an abundance of pasture grasses, clovers, good climatic conditions, fresh water, intelligent farmers and good markets.

A RECIPE FOR CROQUETTES

May Be Made From Left Overs With Out Much Effort or Expense.

The foundation for croquettes is a thick cream sauce in the proportion of two even tablespoonfuls butter, four heaping tablespoonfuls flour, or two heaping tablespoonfuls cornstarch, one pint rich milk or thin cream, a half-teaspoonful each salt and celery salt and pepper or cayenne to season. Scald the milk, melt the butter, add the flour or cornstarch and stir until "bubbly." Add part of the hot milk and keep stirring as it boils and thickens. Add more milk until all has been used. Then add the seasoning and mix the sauce while hot with the chopped meat, fowl or fish, allowing from one cupful to two, according to the kind and the amount you have on hand.

If desired, one beaten egg may be added just as the mixture is taken from the fire. Spread on a shallow plate to cool.

Shape into rolls or pear-shaped ovals, roll lightly in fine bread crumbs, dip in beaten egg mixed with a tablespoonful of milk, then in crumbs, and fry in smoking hot fat.

If you have not enough of any one kind of meat, you can make combinations, according to the contents of the ice box. Mushrooms, boiled rice, veal or pork can be mixed with chicken. Sweetbreads and oysters can be combined, also sweetbreads, boiled rice and mushrooms, fish and rice, ham and macaroni.

EMMA PADDOCK TELFORD.

A TASTY HOME-MADE ICE

Simple Way of Preparing Them That Will Please the Little Folks.

The hostess who does not feel she can afford individual ices for her children's party will delight them by buying the tiny red flower pots in which seedlings are grown.

These are carefully scrubbed or lined with paraffin paper and filled with ice cream to represent soil. Use either chocolate or coffee flavors or vanilla sprinkled over the top layer with cinnamon or macarons finely grated.

The decoration of the pots can be varied, one or two short-stemmed flowers in color to match decoration, a twig of a flowering bush as deutzia or mock orange, or sprigs of box or myrtle. Wrap the stems in paraffin paper before insertion in the ice cream.

The pots can be stood on lace doilies on bread and butter plate. This can be festooned with vines or with a wreath of flowers like those in pot.

Carving Meat.

To successfully carve meat one must know how to control the knife. When carving a slice of meat, after the first incision has been made the angle at which the knife is held must never be altered, or a jagged slice will be the result.

The cut should be direct, sharp and incisive. The sawlike motion should not enter into the operation.

As a rule, the knife should be held firmly, but applied lightly, so that too much juice will not be squeezed out from the meat. By using the point of the knife lightly as a wedge and the fork as a lever, even a big fowl may be easily jointed, provided the carver is aware of how the joint is exactly situated and held together.

Economical Omelet.

To the well beaten yolks of three eggs add one-half cupful of milk, one cupful of bread crumbs, which have been well softened in the milk, and one-fourth teaspoonful of salt; mix thoroughly; then fold in the whites of the eggs beaten to a stiff froth. Turn at once into a well-heated frying pan in which is a tablespoonful of hot butter. Cook slowly until set and nicely browned. Its lightness is better retained by cutting in sections and turning each part separately.

Strawberry Cheese.

Line little patty pans with puff paste and fill with uncooked rice; bake in a hot oven; cook in a double boiler until the mixture thickens the yolks of three eggs, the grated rind and juice of half a lemon, one cupful of butter; remove from the fire, and when partially cooled stir in one cupful of crushed strawberries; when cool, fill into the pastry shells and cover with a soft boiled icing. These are delicious, but must be eaten fresh.

Corn Muffins.

Sift together a pint and a half of flour, one cupful of cornmeal, three teaspoonfuls of baking powder, one teaspoonful of salt and one tablespoonful of sugar. Add two tablespoonfuls of butter or lard, heated to soften (the lard makes more tender gems); one pint of milk and two beaten eggs. Have muffin tins hot and well greased and fill with the batter. Bake in a hot oven.

Preserving Hint.

To keep small fruit, such as strawberries, from rising to the top after canning, and thus becoming tasteless, turn the cans three times a week till the fruit is saturated with the sirup and will remain in the bottom of the can. I learned this from experience.

Dustless Duster.

A dustless duster is made by sprinkling cheesecloth with kerosene and shutting it up in a can or rolling tight in newspapers. This will take up dust without scattering.

Children. Listen to this opinion from David Starr Jordan:

"There is nothing in all the world so important as children, nothing so interesting. If you ever wish to go in for some philanthropy, if you ever wish to be of any real use in the world, do something for children. If you ever yearn to be truly wise, study children. We can dress the sore, bandage the wounded, imprison the criminal, heal the sick and bury the dead, but there is always a chance that we can save a child. If the great army of philanthropists ever exterminate sin and pestilence, ever work out our race's salvation, it will be because a little child has led them."—Nautlius.

How About "Lift Thine Eyes?"

The English Tourist—Excuse me, my friend and I cannot agree as to the name of that range of hills. Can you tell—

The Scot (severely)—Mon, the Saw-bath is na the day for spelring hills whatever!—Sketch.

Restore Your Health

It is the privilege of most men and women to be strong and healthy and if you are suffering from any weakness of the Stomach, Liver or Bowels take the Bitters just now. It is for Poor Appetite, Headache, Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Costiveness, Malaria, Fever and Ague. Try a bottle today, but be sure and get the genuine with Private Stamp on neck.



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We are authorized to announce Leonce B. Cole a candidate for re-election to the office of District and County Clerk, of Sterling county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Ed L. Gilmore a candidate for re-election to the office of Treasurer of Sterling county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce D. C. Durham a candidate for re-election to the office of Tax Assessor of Sterling county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce B. F. Roberts a candidate for the office of Commissioner and Justice of the Peace of Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

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We are authorized to announce J. S. Johnston a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 4, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

Five big stone buildings, all going up at the same time within a stone's throw of each other, is a noise like building.

There is so much hammering, sawing and rattling of wagons in Sterling that you must talk loud if you would be heard.

Nine wooden buildings, facing the public square, have recently been moved away to make room for substantial stone buildings.

Dry! Sure, but we fellows here in Sterling are so busy building that we have no time to think of it. But the poor fellow with cold feet is scared through.

How about the court yard? When is the crossing on Willow Creek going to be fixed?

When are those culverts on the San Angelo road going to be repaired?

How long are we going to use that old brush arbor?

Reckon we'd better grade that street from the depot to town.

Have you got your premises cleaned up? How about that pig pen?

Are you doing your part toward ranning the knockers out of our town?

Alleged Gang of Swindlers

The San Angelo Standard is making a timely crusade against a gang of swindlers who are alleged to be operating in West Texas. We have reason to believe that such a combination exists and that The Standard is doing a good work in putting the public "next" to such things.

Last Wednesday's Standard gave an account of three vendors' lien notes secured by an supposed section of land in Sterling county. This reminds the writer of hearing two citizens of Sterling county complain of being "bagged" out of their lands and goods by the use of the seductive vendor's lien notes which proved to be no good. One of the alleged victims turned the matter over to the grand jury and that body promptly returned an indictment, and the court changed the venue to San Angelo for disposal. Whether or not this matter has any connection with that which the Standard is dealing remains to be developed later on.

But it is high time that the public was looking out for skin games. The man who buys a vendor's lien note or a paper town lot had better keep his eyes peeled. They may be all right, then again they may not.

More than once the writer has observed a town map hung up on the streets, and choice lots in the coming metropolis of Gettichou offered at a bargain—and sold, too, for good, hard money. In vain did he look for the county clerk's certificate showing that the streets and alleys had been dedicated, or the county surveyor's certificate showing that it had been officially surveyed, platted and recorded according to law—these things which are so vital to the purchaser's title were entirely lacking. Now these town lot vendors may be alright. They may be perfectly honest, but before you part with your money you had better look "a leedle odd" and ask a whole lot of questions about these things.

The man who offers to sell you a piece of land or a town lot from a map without a certificate showing that it has been officially platted and duly recorded, is in the same light as he who offers his deed of conveyance without seal and acknowledgement. He who buys under these circumstances opens the doors of future litigation and loses his purchase, for the lot may be where the map shows it, and then it may not; for who is behind it to back it up with his official bond?

These hints are given to our friends as a warning, and if from now on they are "skinned" it will not be for the reason they were not put "next" to the game.

KENDIG BUYS PROPERTY IN STERLING ADDITION

Traveling Passenger Agent, S. A. Kendig, of the Santa Fe, was the guest of the Park Heights Realty Company on an automobile to Sterling City Tuesday, and the genial official was so impressed with the rapidly developing little City that on his return to San Angelo he immediately closed papers for the purchase of several lots in the local realty firm's beautiful new Sterling addition.

"It's a much prettier town than I expected to find," said Mr. Kendig, whose initials stand for San Angelo, "and without doubt it's to be one of the West Texas commercial centers after the extension is completed. I shouldn't be a bit surprised to find a city there of two or three thousand inhabitants within a year or so." Mr. Kendig left Wednesday morning for Galveston. All of the high officials of the G. C. & S. F. now own property in Sterling addition.—San Angelo Standard.

TO THE VOTERS

The date being near for the final or closing of announcements for County offices, and noting that our office of County Commissioner and Justice of the Peace for Precinct No. 1 had not been filled with an application, and knowing it to be our most important county office (yet bearing the less pay) and realizing that this, the next few years, is a changing and vital time for our county, and noticing the situation as a strong er would whenever one chanced to cast his lot with us, knowing that our Precinct No. 1 needed great improvements which we can successfully acquire through our Commissioner of this precinct, and knowing that to get these improvements which this precinct is justly due and necessary for our development into one of the best counties of this state, which we must be and will be by us all as citizens pulling, working, improving and staying together in one accord for the upbuilding of our county and town.

Believing, realizing and knowing the above facts to be true, and knowing my ability, on the 14th inst. I announced for the aforesaid office, thinking and believing there would be no other announcement. I did not want the office except only for one reason, viz: that during this vital changing period we might through the proper efforts secure those improvements that our precinct is justly due as the fountain head and hope of every citizen of our beloved county.

Since announcing I have learned that our friend, E. F. Roberts, who is well known throughout the county, had consented to allow his name to appear as a candidate for the above office. Now, believing that Mr. Roberts is a

very suitable and strong man, and fully in line with our desires and needs, I respectfully withdrew and ask a unanimous vote for our friend, E. F. Roberts, who has well served you, the voters of this precinct and the good people of this county, in another line. I desire to call the voters' attention to a few facts that ought to interest every citizen of our county.

Our court house is the home of every man, woman, and child within the bounds of our county. Would you like or enjoy a home that was built out in an open space, surrounded by an unsightly fence, trash and rocks—rough ragged and displeasing to the eyes, or would it better be a nice, magnificent structure, which we can have in our court house, one that our citizens can justly be proud of, surrounded by cement walks, with the same kind of walks leading to outer doorways, a yard of nice Bermuda grass, with a nice young tree growing here and there, with a row of nice cedar or iron posts around the Court square with strong chains strung in them, making a desirable and convenient place for every one to hitch their horses and giving protection to the beautiful, clean walks? This home is the first object that a stranger coming among us admires and disapproves.

It has truly been said that each court house and its surroundings is an index for the stranger; if favorable, we are likely to gain a good citizen; if unfavorable, the chances are against us.

It is the duty of every good citizen who loves our county and desires to have other good citizens locate with us, to urge each and every one of our county commissioners to see that such needed improvements are made. These improvements and good roads would greatly benefit every citizen and every citizen's property within the bounds of our county.

A Citizen. LEWIS E. ALEXANDER

Railroad Notes

The tracklaying gang is due to reach Cox Hollow today, where a day or two will be consumed in building a bridge across the run.

The splicing gang is working this side of Watervalley, and is making fairly good time.

The fencing gang is moving along up the line in good shape, and it is hoped that by the time the whistle blows in Sterling City most of the stock guards will be in place.

Both pile drivers suffered minor breakdowns this morning, but they will be repaired and put to work this afternoon.

No special time is set for coming into town, but it is predicted that it will be about the first of July.

FOR SALE

One piece of residence property in Sterling City, consisting of a six room house, splendid well of water, with two good tanks, good windmill, one hundred bearing fruit trees, and one acre of land, close in with south and west exposure on corner of two principal streets of the town. Price, right.

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Two residences, three rooms, good wells, windmills and out houses, on two lots each, two and one-half blocks from square.

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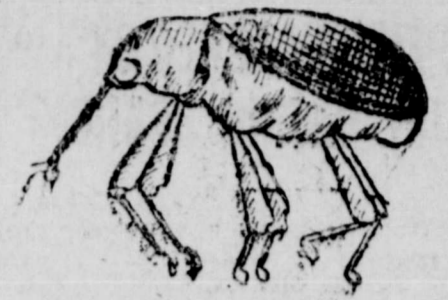
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Yours for a square deal, N. A. Austin

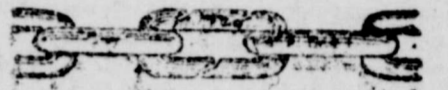
Public Highways

The ravages of the boll weevil in Texas are estimated at millions of dollars, but the mud hole has been a more costly foe to the producer than the boll weevil. The Federal government has spent over a million dollars in trying to find a way of eradicating the boll weevil, but we do not have to spend money to learn how to eradicate bad roads—build good ones.



Boll Weevil \$1,000,000.

The boll weevil is destroying cotton, decreases production and consequently increases the price of the remaining product, but bad roads levy their deadly toll against the producer and destroy the value of the remaining goods. A chain is no stronger than its weakest link, and a mud hole of a hill between a farm and town reduces the carrying capacity of the wagon to the level of the bog or bog hole.



The improvement of public highways add three times their cost to a farming property, and every argument that applies to the improvement of private property will apply with multiplied force to the improvement of public property, and especially to public highways, as every farmer must use the public road.



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W. F. KELLIS, Editor

STERLING CITY, - - TEXAS

Catch the fly; then kill it.

Mother's day is generally wash day.

A group of scientists can prove anything.

Some people's idea of liberty is to bother others.

"Paris is safe," announces M. De Rochefort. And Seine?

Kissing does not spread germs. Let's not spread any.

Is all this talk really having any effect on the kissing game as played?

Starch factories have resumed operations. Indications point to a stiff season's work.

There is war in the hog market, but the hog gets the worst of it no matter who wins.

New Jersey is suffering from a plague of rats. Here is work for the redoubtable Jersey mosquito.

It would be interesting to hear what that Maryland auctioneer has to say when he auctions off those Rising Sun old maids.

While doctors in conference discussed the bad effects of tobacco, the room was thick with smoke from their own cigars.

Now the world will never be altogether satisfied until some aeroplane expert catches an eagle in full flight and salts its tail.

Launching of the battleship Florida calls attention to the fact that international peace is becoming more expensively armed all the time.

The anticipated dispute of an aeroplane and an automobile for right of way has occurred with the expected result. The automobile won.

Now the desiccated egg is scientifically ascertained to be a shade more malodorous than the antique cold storage variety—which is supererogatory.

Scientists say that America will be reduced to Asia's food standards if we are not careful. Some persons have fallen for chop suey already.

"College girl compelled to eat oysters blindfolded." Where was the S. P. C. A. when the wretched hazers were blindfolding those helpless oysters?

A New York woman lived to be ninety-nine years old before she took her first drink. It was merely a case of curiosity getting the best of her at the end.

The oyster recently found with 54 pearls in its internal department seems to be in a higher class than the one which contains one million typhoid germs.

Theater galleries being places of amusement, they should be so arranged that school girls could not fall out of them into the orchestra pit, as did one in New York the other day.

New York society women are fasting for the purpose of reducing their weight and improving their health. It will be a terrible blow to the proprietors of some of the high-class restaurants if this sort of thing becomes the latest fashion.

A new idea of raising money for charitable purposes has been devised at Witham, England. Invitations were issued to a "Stock Exchange Sale," and every guest brought an article which had to be sold to another guest, and the purchase money handed over to the fund.

The western neighborliness advertised by the fact that the friends of a North Dakota farmer joined hands while he was ill in bed and plowed and sowed 100 acres of his farm in a single day, was not an isolated example. The spirit displayed by the friends of the stricken farmer revealed a pleasant phase of pioneer enterprise which blazed the way for settlement to the base of the Rocky mountains. The pioneer is a man who is willing to help himself, and to put in time for others if by so doing he can promote individual and communal happiness.

The navy department having ordered a series of experiments to determine the capability of submarines in independent action, it will be the duty of the department if the presence of tenders is abolished to provide means by which submerged boats may be located in the event of failure of the apparatus. Submarines are provided with eye-bolts for wrecking operations, and some means should be devised by which brave men who are imprisoned beneath the sea may be located so that wrecking operations may be instituted with promptitude that will insure the saving of life.

A young French physician, M. Georges Rosenthal, thinks he has discovered a serum cure for rheumatic fever, and the Paris Academy of Sciences has appointed a committee to report upon it. The treatment consists of injections of the serum in the region of the stomach. Here's hoping, in the interest of humanity, that the committee may find reason for rendering a favorable report.

A nice couple fell out while on their honeymoon. They were riding in an jalorship.

PROFITABLE DAIRYING

By HUGH G. VAN PELT
Dairy Expert Iowa State Dairy Association

What State Dairymen's Associations Can Do

Knowing the possibilities in store for dairy farming and realizing the possibility of doubling the income from the dairy products and in this manner adding to the wealth of the Iowa farmer nearly half as many dollars as a bumper crop of corn in a year of high prices, all forces are at work to accomplish the result. The last general assembly appropriated \$10,000 to the Iowa State Dairymen's association to enable them to do more effective work along educational lines in dairying. With this money they have hired dairy experts to conduct a campaign with the one end in view—increasing the butter products of the Iowa cow. To accomplish this result no stones are being left unturned. Special dairy trains have been run and more will be run over the state, carrying to the farmer's door the facts relative to the care and selection of his herd that will mean to him

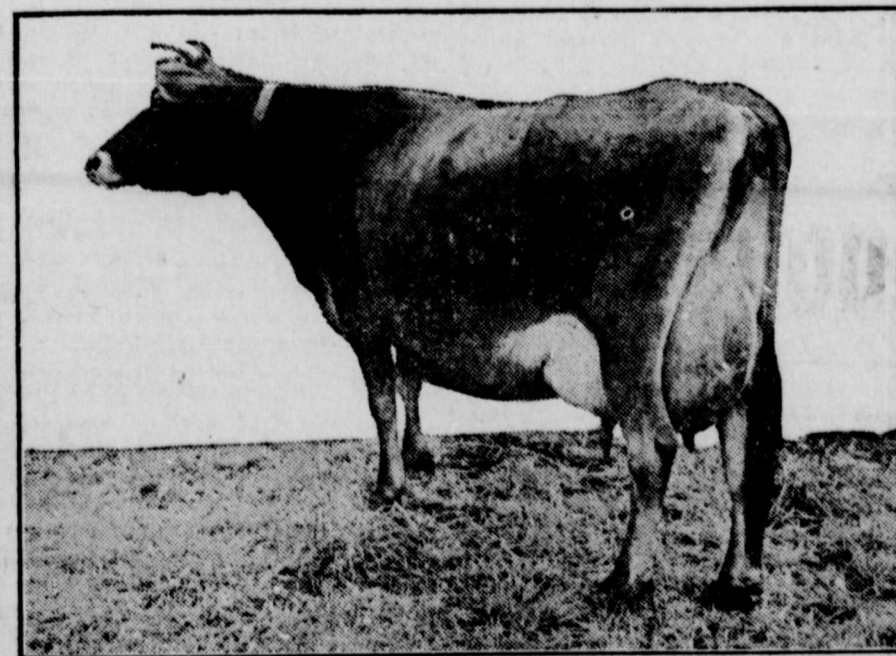


"Glencoe Bopeep," Guernsey Cow That Will Make Over 600 Pounds of Butter This Year in Iowa Cow Contest.

more profitable products and an interest in the work that will cause him, too, to realize that there is a bright future for the dairy business on his farm if conducted along proper lines.

Short Courses in Dairying.

Short course schools are probably one of the very best means of educating the farmer dairyman, although it is impossible to reach so many during a short period of time. But those to whom education is carried through this channel have an opportunity to learn a great deal more that will be a benefit to them because the corps of instructors remains with the one class for a week at a time and during this course dairy animals of proper form, conformation and working ability are brought before them and the essential points to be observed in selecting dairy animals are pointed out and practically demonstrated with the live animal. Methods of securing the very best animals for the production of milk and butter fat are discussed, and of course this brings up the study of breeding, raising and developing dairy cattle. Feeding the dairy cow is an all-important point, and this matter is discussed every day during the week with the students. Caring for milk and cream on the farm is a real live question at the present time. There is another possibility here in that, by the proper care of the milk and cream from the time it is milked until it reaches the creamery, it will not be difficult to increase the price per pound of butter shipped out of Iowa by one cent and this means an income in itself of over \$10,000 per year. Practical demonstration of the proper methods of milking the cow are given and it will probably be a



"Aggie Clothilde Bawn 4th," Holstein Cow.

surprise to the dairyman to realize that there is as much to be learned regarding the proper way to milk the dairy cow as there was to be learned regarding the growing of corn five or six years ago. After the cow has been milked at these short courses the milk is weighed, then a sample taken and tested with the Babcock tester to determine the percentage of butter fat found in the milk; and after all this is probably the very most important thing to be learned by the dairy farmer at the present time, because it enables him to find out which of his cows are good ones and which of them are the unprofitable kind, and this certainly must be the first consideration in building up the herd. He must get rid of his poor cows and

keep the good cows and by the use of good sires produce daughters that are still better, save them, rear them under the best conditions for growth and development and each generation make better the herd from the standpoint of milk and butter production, never failing to sort out by the use of the scales and the Babcock test those individuals which do not pay for their care and feed and yield a reasonable profit besides.

Farmers Are Interested.

It is surprising the interest that these short-course students take in their work, for, as a matter of fact, they do better work during the five or six days while the opportunity is presented than do the real college students, who feel that their opportunities for education are to last for a period of four years instead of for one short week.

The Iowa State Dairy association also furnishes lecturers for farmers' institutes, one of which is held in every county in Iowa, supported to an extent by the appropriation from the state. In the past there has been very little encouragement to the farmer, who attended the institutes, along lines of dairying because the available lecturers were few, but now that the state has come to the assistance of the State Dairymen's association it is possible for the latter institution to supply speakers free of cost except for their traveling expenses to every farmer's institute in the state that signifies its interest in the real business of dairying.

Probably one of the best opportunities to do good is found at the annual meetings of the patrons of the 500 creameries located in Iowa. At this time the treasurer reports to the patrons—numbering from 50 to 500—what the financial condition of their creamery is and what the profits have been during the past year. On such an occasion more interest is displayed than at any other time, because the patron feels that the business is largely his—which is a fact. If it is possible, and usually it is, to show him where his organization can be more successful and pay larger prices to the patrons for their butter fat during the coming year, he feels that it is to his advantage to grasp the opportunity and in this way much good results to the patrons in the community. Probably the best manner of assisting these creameries is to form associations and already in Worth county the North Iowa Dairy Improvement association has been organized with ten creameries co-operating. The butter made by these ten creameries is taxed by the organization one-tenth produces in her creameries over 1,000,000 pounds of butter, and in this respect leads, as a rule, all other states in the Union. Judging from this butter income, together with the income from the city milk supplies and from other by-products of the dairy cow, it has been carefully estimated that the dairy business of Iowa means an annual income of \$60,000,000, and it is a fact that the chief factory to be found in nearly 500 towns in the state is the factory where the cream produced on the farm is manufactured in butter and shipped to market.

Possibilities of the Iowa Cow.

Owing to the fact that a great proportion of the butter produced in Iowa

found in many states. Many are the herds that produce an average of over 400 pounds of butter a year, and this means that each cow on the average is returning to her owner an income of over \$100 annually for the butter she produces. There is a possibility that the production of even these better herds can be gradually increased, and this is best proven by the fact that in these herds are to be found many cows that are producing much more than 400 pounds of butter, while others are producing a lesser amount. One is not surprised nowadays to find cows that have produced from 700 pounds to 1,000 pounds of butter a year, and a few cows already have produced over 1,100 pounds of butter in 365 days. There is a possibility of doubling the average production of the cows with very little expense. In fact, only three things are needed to accomplish this, namely: Better dairymen, better cows and better methods of caring for and feeding them. To double the average production of the cow would mean that she must produce an average of 280 pounds of butter annually, and no doubt the time will come when she will be doing this, for as a matter of fact her present production is not making for her owner any great amount of net profit even at the high price of butter fat.

In older countries we find the cows' average in production even more than 280 pounds of butter per year. Among these countries are Denmark, Holland, New Zealand, the Jersey and Guernsey islands and other countries.

Little Improvement in the Average Dairy Cow.

In most lines of agriculture the American farmer is most progressive and leads the world. During the past number of years he has been busy improving his herds of horses, hogs and beef cattle as well as his farm equipment, and has overlooked the importance of the dairy cow. Likely this is the reason that we find him today milking cows that are no better than the cows he was milking 25 years ago, and in many cases of a quality even poorer. He has considered the dairy cow as more or less a side issue and as sort of a troublesome necessity. At this time, however, with the great advancement in the price of land and the problem of making his farm better instead of farming it to death, he has looked around him and found that of all farm animals the good dairy cow is at the present time returning to her owner more net profit from her dairy product, helping in making the farm better, and that her calves are selling for a higher price than ever before, and at a greater profit than any other animal on the farm. He has found that there is a vast difference between the cows that he is keeping, and in many instances



Good Type of Jersey Cow.

he finds standing side by side under exactly the same conditions and receiving the same feed both in quantity and quality, two cows, one of which is producing 100 pounds of butter a year while the other is producing 500 pounds of butter in a year. It takes only a moment's consideration to discover, when his attention is drawn to this fact, that one of these cows—even though she consumes five times as much feed—requires five times as much labor to care for her and milk her; even though she might occupy five times as much space in the barn or pasture, is five times the more profitable cow of the two.

Doubling the Production of Butter.

This is a fact that is found on nearly every farm at the present time, and right now the dairyman is struggling to get rid of the poor cows and keep a larger number of cows, but it is difficult for him to find them because during these same years his neighbors have paid very little attention to the building up of their own dairy herds and the same conditions are found upon their farms—a few real good cows and a number of real poor cows. He, too, has discovered the difference between good cows and poor cows, and the result is that to build up at once good herds of dairy cows is practically an impossibility, and it will take a considerable length of time to make the great necessary improvement in our herds. Nevertheless, the necessity of bettering our dairy conditions is apparent. It is a possibility to double the production of dairy products with the same number of cows in milk, which means that there is a possibility of producing annually in Iowa instead \$60,000,000 worth of dairy products, \$120,000,000 worth, which lack a very little of amounting to as much as does the annual corn crop of the state.

This, no doubt, will be a surprise to the reader, as it is a matter of Iowa history that the corn crop is by far the most important of all Iowa industries. There is, however, no area the size of Iowa in the world that is better fitted for a large, economical and profitable production of dairy products. Everything except the good cow is present. There is no better feed than corn when fed in proper amounts and proportions, and there is an abundance of pasture grasses, clovers, good climatic conditions, fresh water, intelligent farmers and good markets.

A RECIPE FOR CROQUETTES

May Be Made From Left Overs Without Much Effort or Expense.

The foundation for croquettes is a thick cream sauce in the proportion of two even tablespoonsfuls butter, four heaping tablespoonsfuls flour, or two heaping tablespoonsfuls cornstarch, one pint rich milk or thin cream, a half-teaspoonful each salt and celery salt and pepper or cayenne to season. Scald the milk, melt the butter, add the flour or cornstarch and stir until "bubbly." Add part of the hot milk and keep stirring as it boils and thickens. Add more milk until all has been used. Then add the seasoning and mix the sauce while hot with the chopped meat, fowl or fish, allowing from one cupful to two, according to the kind and the amount you have on hand.

If desired, one beaten egg may be added just as the mixture is taken from the fire. Spread on a shallow plate to cool.

Shape into rolls or pear-shaped ovals, roll lightly in fine bread crumbs, dip in beaten egg mixed with a tablespoonful of milk, then in crumbs, and fry in smoking hot fat.

If you have not enough of any one kind of meat, you can make combinations, according to the contents of the ice box. Mushrooms, boiled rice, veal or pork can be mixed with chicken. Sweetbreads and oysters can be combined, also sweetbreads, boiled rice and macaroni, fish and rice, ham and macaroni.

EMMA PADDOCK TELFORD.

A TASTY HOME-MADE ICE

Simple Way of Preparing Them That Will Please the Little Folks.

The hostess who does not feel she can afford individual ices for her children's party will delight them by buying the tiny red flower pots in which seedlings are grown.

These are carefully scrubbed or lined with paraffin paper and filled with ice cream to represent soil. Use either chocolate or coffee flavors or vanilla sprinkled over the top layer with cinnamon or macaroons finely grated.

The decoration of the pots can be varied, one or two short-stemmed flowers in color to match decoration, a twig of a flowering bush as deutzia or mock orange, or sprigs of box or myrtle. Wrap the stems in paraffin paper before insertion in the ice cream.

The pots can be stood on lace doilies on bread and butter plate. This can be festooned with vines or with a wreath of flowers like those in pot.

Carving Meat.

To successfully carve meat one must know how to control the knife. When carving a slice of meat, after the first incision has been made the angle at which the knife is held must never be altered, or a jagged slice will be the result.

The cut should be direct, sharp and incisive. The sawlike motion should not enter into the operation.

As a rule, the knife should be held firmly, but applied lightly, so that too much juice will not be squeezed out from the meat. By using the point of the knife lightly as a wedge and the fork as a lever, even a big fowl may be easily jointed, provided the carver is aware of how the joint is exactly situated and held together.

Economical Omelet.

To the well beaten yolks of three eggs add one-half cupful of milk, one cupful of bread crumbs, which have been well softened in the milk, and one-fourth teaspoonful of salt; mix thoroughly; then fold in the whites of the eggs beaten to a stiff froth. Turn at once into a well-heated frying pan in which is a tablespoonful of hot butter. Cook slowly until set and nicely browned. Its lightness is better retained by cutting in sections and turning each part separately.

Strawberry Cheese.

Line little patty pans with puff paste and fill with uncooked rice; bake in a hot oven; cook in a double boiler until the mixture thickens the yolks of three eggs, the grated rind and juice of half a lemon, one cupful of butter; remove from the fire, and when partially cooled stir in one cupful of crushed strawberries; when cool, fill into the pastry shells and cover with a soft hulled icing. These are delicious, but must be eaten fresh.

Corn Muffins.

Sift together a pint and a half of flour, one cupful of cornmeal, three teaspoonfuls of baking powder, one teaspoonful of salt and one tablespoonful of sugar. Add two tablespoonfuls of butter or lard, heated to soften (the lard makes more tender gems); one pint of milk and two beaten eggs. Have muffin tins hot and well greased and fill with the batter. Bake in a hot oven.

Preserving Hint.

To keep small fruit, such as strawberries, from rising to the top after canning, and thus becoming tasteless, turn the cans three times a week till the fruit is saturated with the sirup and will remain in the bottom of the can. I learned this from experience.

Dustless Duster.

A dustless duster is made by sprinkling cheesecloth with kerosene and shutting it up in a can or rolling tight in newspapers. This will take up dust without scattering.

Children.
Listen to this opinion from David Starr Jordan:
"There is nothing in all the world so important as children, nothing so interesting. If you ever wish to go in for some philanthropy, if you ever wish to be of any real use in the world, do something for children. If you ever yearn to be truly wise, study children. We can dress the sore, bandage the wounded, imprison the criminal, heal the sick and bury the dead, but there is always a chance that we can save a child. If the great army of philanthropists ever exterminate sin and pestilence, ever work out our race's salvation, it will be because a little child has led them."—Nautlius.

How About "Lift Thine Eyes?"
The English Tourist—Excuse me, my friend and I cannot agree as to the name of that range of hills. Can you tell—
The Scot (severely)—Mon, the Saw-bath is na the day for speiring hills whatever!—Sketch.

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NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT

Complacent Smoker Had No Use for the Bands, so What Was the Difference.

There were four of them on the rear platform of a car, thrown together, so to speak, by a rough track. All were smoking. An odor, not of cigars, detracted somewhat from interest in the general conversation.

The odor became pronounced. One of the quartette cast about for a reason. He saw one of his companions complacently smoking a cigar that had burned down past the flaring red band that girdled it. There remained no question of the source of the odor.

"Excuse me," the discoverer said to the complacent one, "your cigar band is burning."

"That's all right, old man," the complacent one replied, "I'm not saving them."

The Laughing Barber.
Jim Rice, the coach of the Columbia crew, was praising a stalwart freshman.

"He's so young and tender," said the coach, "you'd never think he could row. Why, they laugh at him at the barber's."

"As he was getting his hair cut the other day he said to the barber wistfully:

"Do you think I'll have a strong beard? My father has a very strong one."

"It looks to me," said the barber, "as though you took after your mother."

A DOCTOR'S EXPERIENCE
Medicine Not Needed in This Case.

It is hard to convince some people that coffee does them an injury! They lay their bad feelings to almost every cause but the true and unsuspected one.

But the doctor knows. His wide experience has proven to him that to some systems, coffee is an insidious poison that undermines the health.

Ask the doctor if coffee is the cause of constipation, stomach and nervous trouble.

"I have been a coffee drinker all my life. I am now 42 years old and when taken sick two years ago with nervous prostration, the doctor said that my nervous system was broken down and that I would have to give up coffee.

"I got so weak and shaky I could not work, and reading your advertisement of Postum, I asked my grocer if he had any of it. He said: 'Yes,' and that he used it in his family, and it was all it claimed to be.

"So I quit coffee and commenced to use Postum steadily and found in about two weeks' time I could sleep soundly at night and get up in the morning feeling fresh. In about two months I began to gain flesh. I weighed only 146 pounds when I commenced on Postum, and now I weigh 167 and feel better than I did at 20 years of age.

"I am working every day and sleep well at night. My two children were great coffee drinkers, but they have not drunk any since Postum came into the house, and are far more healthy than they were before."

Read "The Road to Wellville," found in pkgs. "There's a reason." Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

ROOSEVELT'S HUNT FOR AFRICAN GAME

Lions and Other Animals Shot in Large Numbers.

YEAR ON DARK CONTINENT

Naturalists Collected Hundreds of Specimens for the Smithsonian Institution—Kermit Photographer of the Party.

Theodore Roosevelt's hunting trip in Africa, officially known as the Smithsonian African expedition, lasted nearly eleven months and was most successful in every way. The colonel's desire to hunt big game was not all that was back of the trip, for the Smithsonian Institution wanted specimens of the fauna and flora of the Dark Continent and commissioned the expedition to obtain them. For this reason, a part of the expenses were borne by the institution, but Mr. Roosevelt paid all the expenses of himself and his son Kermit, presumably earning much of them by his articles in a magazine for which he received a record-breaking price.

Not wasting much time after leaving the White House, Colonel Roosevelt sailed from New York on the steamship Hamburg, headed for Naples. With him were Kermit and three naturalists, Major Mearns, Edmund Heller and J. Aiden Loring, and stowed in the hold was most of their elaborate outfit for killing or photographing the animals of East Africa and for preserving the specimens destined for the Smithsonian Institution. Kermit had trained himself to be the

game came fast and cheetahs, gazelles, rhinoceroses and more lions were added to the list, in all 14 varieties of animals being secured. Meanwhile Kermit was busy with his cameras and the naturalists prepared the specimens.

George McMillan, an American, was the next host of the hunters, and several weeks were spent on his fine Ju Ja ranch and in the surrounding country. There the game was very plentiful and many fine specimens were bagged. Members of the party made several extensive trips of exploration, notably on and around Mount Kenya.

The expedition left East Africa December 19, crossed Uganda and went down the White Nile, getting back to comparative civilization at Gondokoro. There they went aboard a steamer put at their disposal by the sirdar, and journeyed to Khartoum, where Mrs. Roosevelt met her husband, and accompanied him in a leisurely trip to Cairo. During his stay in Egypt Colonel Roosevelt was the recipient of many honors and made several speeches. One of them, in which he praised the administration of the British, gave considerable offense to the native Nationalists. At the end of March the Roosevelts sailed for Italy.

In a preliminary report to the Smithsonian Institution Mr. Roosevelt summarized the material results of the expedition as follows:

"On the trip Mr. Heller has prepared 1,020 specimens of mammals, the majority of large size; Mr. Loring has prepared 3,163, and Doctor Mearns 714—a total of 4,897 mammals. Of birds, Doctor Mearns has prepared nearly 3,100, Mr. Loring 899, and Mr. Heller about fifty—a total of about 4,000 birds.

"Of reptiles and batrachians, Messrs. Mearns, Loring and Heller collected about 2,000.

"Of fishes, about 500 were collected. Doctor Mearns collected marine fishes near Mombasa, and fresh water fishes elsewhere in British East Africa, and



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IN THE AFRICAN JUNGLE

chief photographer of the expedition, but he also turned out to be considerable of a hunter.

A great throng of friends and admirers bade the colonel farewell, and he sailed away, but could not entirely separate himself from the world, for practically all the way across the Atlantic wireless communication with the Hamburg was maintained. Moreover, at the Azores and again at Gibraltar, he found the officials and people insisted on doing him honor, and when he reached Naples on April 5 the entire populace turned out to greet him with flowers and cheers.

Boarding the German steamship Admiral for Mombasa, Mr. Roosevelt found in his cabin a quantity of flowers and a letter from Emperor William wishing him "good hunting." At Messina a stop was made to view the earthquake ruins, and there, at King Victor Emmanuel's request, Mr. Roosevelt and Kermit visited the Italian monarch on board the battleship Rex Umberto. The party arrived at Mombasa April 21 and was received by Acting Governor Jackson, who had been instructed by the British government to do all in his power to further the plans of the expedition. Unusual privileges were granted the hunters, and Mr. Roosevelt and Kermit were licensed to kill lions.

At Mombasa the party was joined by R. J. Cunningham, a veteran African hunter and explorer, and Leslie J. Tarleton, and these two managed the expedition in a most able manner. Taking train to Kapiti plains, the party became the guests of Sir Alfred Pease on his ranch. An immense caravan of 260 persons was organized and on April 25 Colonel Roosevelt had his first African hunt. On this occasion he bagged two wildebeests and a Thompson's gazelle. April 30 was a notable day in the camp on the Athi, for on that day the first lions fell victims to the marksmanship of the Roosevelts. Theodore shot two and Kermit one, and there was great rejoicing among the natives who made up the caravan. After that the big

be and Cunningham collected fishes in the White Nile.

"This makes, in all, of vertebrates: Mammals..... 4,897 Birds (about)..... 4,000 Reptiles and batrachians (about)..... 2,000 Fishes (about)..... 500 Total..... 11,297

"The invertebrates were collected chiefly by Doctor Mearns, with some assistance from Messrs. Cunningham and Kermit Roosevelt.

"A few marine shells were collected near Mombasa, and land and fresh-water shells throughout the regions visited, as well as crabs, beetles, millipedes, and other invertebrates.

"Several thousand plants were collected throughout the regions visited by Doctor Mearns, who employed and trained for the work a M'nyumzei named Makangari, who soon learned how to make very good specimens, and turned out an excellent man in every way.

"Anthropological materials were gathered by Doctor Mearns, with some assistance from others; a collection was contributed by Major Ross, an American in the government service at Nairobi."

E. WEBSTER.

To Remove a Paint Stain.

To remove the unsightly stain of paint spilled on the doorstep, try the following plan: Make a strong solution of potash and wet the stain well with this, keeping it wet until the paint becomes soft. In a short time it will readily rub loose and it may then be washed off with soap and water. If any color has penetrated the fibers of the wood keep the spot wet with the solution, and it will shortly disappear. Paint which has been left on for some time will yield to this treatment.

Well Supplied.
Benevolent Lady (to showgirl)—And, dear child, have you no home? Showgirl—Yes, indeed. My father and mother have both married again and I am welcome at either place.—Life.

FARM AND GARDEN

TIMELY FARM NOTES.

Every farm should have its patch of popcorn.

Carnations are not usually bothered much by insects.

The maize crop of Argentine has almost trebled in the past 15 years.

Spring and early summer cultivation, where it does not disturb plant roots, should be fairly deep.

Cultivate with a cultivator having small teeth, close together, so as to break up the soil into fine particles.

Weeds not only take moisture from the soil, but they extract plant food which should be used for the growing crop.

Asparagus takes the place of new peas in taste and is a sovereign remedy for latent kidney troubles of every kind.

Soy beans will grow on all kinds of soil, rich or poor, clay, black or sand, limestone or freestone, dry soils or well-drained soils.

In a village garden the owners must often put up with the inconvenience of growing berries and vegetables on the same little plot.

When aphid attack garden plants use tobacco water or kerosene emulsion just as soon as the insects appear. Repeat if necessary.

A good time to kill weeds is the day before you see them. A seed which has just thrown out a sprout is very easy to kill, simply moving it does the trick.

From 300 acres of alfalfa a Kansas farmer obtained 300 bushels of seed, which brought an average of \$10 per bushel. The seed was threshed from the third crop.

The value of the farm products of the country for the year was estimated at \$8,760,000,000, the highest on record, in the annual report of Secretary of Agriculture Wilson.

For potato blight use bordeaux mixture from July 1 to 15, again two weeks later. Watch the plants carefully and if any blight is noticed spray the third time without waiting two weeks.

FROG, TURTLE AND TERRAPIN

Demand for These Delicacies Growing Stronger in All Eastern Markets—Bring Fancy Prices.

(By W. D. NEALE, ELSBERRY, MO.)
The demand for frogs, turtles and terrapins is growing stronger in the eastern cities of the United States. Quite a good deal of money is being made by those who have undertaken to supply these markets.

The state of Missouri alone shipped \$445,998 worth to eastern buyers last year.

This state holds first rank as a producer of frogs, and none other ships so many to the east.

The flesh of the frog is white and tender and to many people it is more toothsome than that of fish. Their skins are also valuable, as they are used for making fancy purses and other leather novelties. The Missouri turtle has become famous for its tenderness and delicacy. Many of the streams in Missouri abound with them and it is said when they are shipped to the cities they often become the basis of many green turtle soups.

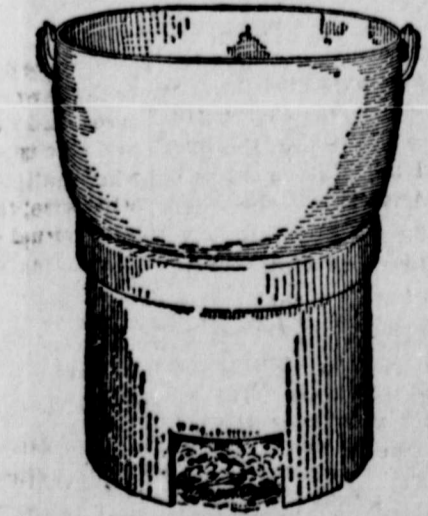
Most of the terrapins exported from Missouri are products of Dunklin, Pemiscot and New Madrid counties. There is a great area of swampy land in these counties, and here the terrapins grow and multiply very rapidly.

They always meet with ready sales on the market, and bring fancy prices in New York, Boston and other large eastern cities. Many claim that when Missouri terrapin is properly prepared he is as delicious as the salt water variety.

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Proves Excellent Where Kettle is Used for Heating Water—Made of Ordinary Tile.

When a kettle is used in the open air for heating water, or boiling maple sirup, there is considerable of the heat wasted, unless a furnace of some kind is built about the fire. The accompanying sketch illustrates a furnace made of an ordinary drain or sewer tile. The diameter of the tile must be of such a size as to let the largest part of the rounding bottom sit inside. Dig out a hole in the earth under the tile or break a piece out of the tile to make an opening to feed the fire and for the draft.

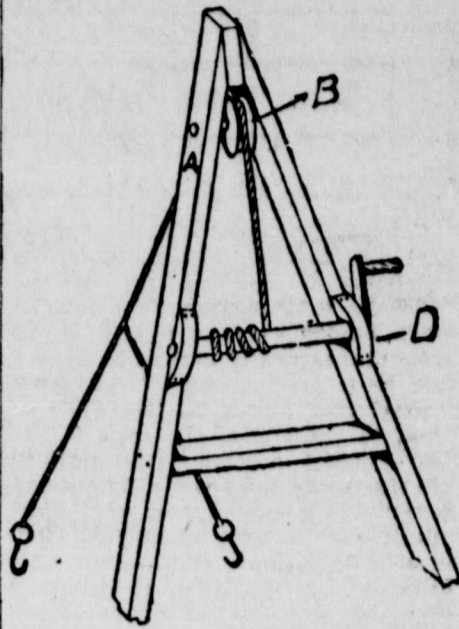


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"HANDY JACK" FOR HAY RACK

Excellent Arrangement for Those Having Heavy Grain Tanks, Racks or Boxes to Lift.

For the benefit of those having heavy grain tanks, hayracks or boxes to lift off or on wagons or sleighs, and in answer to request of a reader



"Handy Jack" for Lifting.

wanting a plan of device for this purpose, I send herewith rough sketch of a simple but convenient article, says a writer in an exchange. The two upright pieces, "A," are 2 by 4 inches, 8 feet long, spread 2 feet 6 inches at bottom and taper towards the top with a grooved wheel, one out of a tackle block, fitted in at top end, B. The roller C can be made of 1 1/2 inch gas pipe with a crank fitted to one end. Cut half diameter of pipe in upright posts, then fit boxes over same at D, fasten your rope to this roller and pass through grooved wheel at top, fasten two hooks to this rope, as per cut and your "Handy Jack" is ready. To use, place this jack as nearly upright as possible at one end of wagon and lean against your rack.

Fasten the two blocks at each side and raise it to the required height, (posts having been set and cross pieces provided to receive same); place your cross piece and lower rack to its place. A hole should be bored through frame near end of crank with a bolt or pin provided to hold the crank while placing or removing cross pieces under rack.

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