

W. F. KELLIS, Editor

STERLING CITY, TEXAS

Vacation over, the chase of the elusive dollar is resumed.

A man may be a weather prophet and still pay his debts.

Soon it will be time to do the Christmas shopping early.

Chicago is now worth \$2,601,269,088, and not in watered stock, either.

It is a good railroad that manages to retain the respect of the blasé vacationist.

Switzerland prohibits kissing in public, but that is not much of a deprivation.

Cornell's historic clubhouse was destroyed by fire, but the college yell was saved.

Another invention needed is a non-skid apparatus for women who get off the car backward.

Everybody seems to be running for something or other—a train or an office or a policeman.

A New York man recently died of old age at 25. It takes money to die of old age so early in life.

There are still old-fashioned souls who contend that aviation is flying in the face of Providence.

On the other hand, how would the women like it if the men never scolded about the feminine fashions?

The actress who played the leading role in "Is Marriage a Failure" is suing for a divorce. She knows now.

A chauffeur who killed a man was "censured" by a coroner's jury. A slap on the wrist probably seemed too severe.

Anthracite will fall short only 5,000,000 tons this fall, they say. Anthracite is a good deal like the Michigan peach crop.

A New York newsboy was struck on the head with a bomb that failed to explode. Beyond question he didn't know it was loaded.

Aviators are showing a distaste for meets in which they are killed in considerable numbers. Glory and life insurance hardly suffice.

It took four Chicago policemen the best part of an hour to kill one mad cat; which is rather tenacious, even for a nine-lived critter.

When some means whereby a molecule can be seen is perfected, it will be possible to find the man who walked off with that umbrella.

"I'd die if I'd stop work," declares a Long Island chauffeur who has fallen heir to \$37,000 and refuses to quit his job. Many will die if he don't.

Up to date no Burbank of the kitchen has succeeded in producing a satisfactory vegetable substitute for the porterhouse steak of commerce.

A handle for safety razor blades has been designed so that they may be used as kitchen knives. But who wants to shave with a kitchen knife?

German scientists have discovered a way to make artificial daylight. Lady shoppers will not have to wait for a clear day to match dress material.

Approximately 26,000,000 persons will be eligible to vote in the United States next November, including the man who is too lazy to make up his mind.

Somebody has discovered how to "age" wine by giving it electric treatment. All that is necessary now is to train spiders to spin cobwebs upon the new bottles.

If the sun's rays can be stored in vegetation in unlimited quantities by the nitrogen method the anthracite trust is going to be severely jolted one of these centuries.

Philadelphia is "trying out" women as street car conductors. Philadelphia is historic and in every way worthy, but never before has been rated as adventurous.

Members of the women's party are planning luncheons in order to capture the men. The women are especially delighted when they remember that ancient saw, "Feed the brute."

Some ingenious person has invented a handle for safety razor blades, so they can be used for paring potatoes, trimming—er—excrescences, or for other purposes that will occur to the thrifty housewife.

The baby bureau of the department of commerce and labor has started. But the innovation cannot make the babies more important than they already are in their own eyes or in those of their families.

At Venice, Cal., policemen will carry needles and thread, powder rags and manicuring utensils for the use of the ladies who may find it necessary to use such things in a hurry. We can hardly believe that this is one of the first results of the California woman's rise to political power.

A Norwegian professor has invented a way of extracting fertilizer from the air. Perhaps the famous scheme for extracting sunshine from cucumbers may yet come to pass. In the meantime, the commercial problem of the apparent impossibility of monopolizing a product of the air will be created by such an invention.

In Washington they are trying a jag atmosphere, charged with alcohol, to kill flies. After they have breathed a few whiffs, the flies don't care whether they are swatted or not.

NOMINATED BY NEW YORK REPUBLICANS



OUR photograph shows, from left to right, Job E. Hedges, Republican candidate for governor of New York; Mrs. James W. Wadsworth, Jr., and her husband, the Republican nominee for lieutenant governor.

BANKERS FEEL PINCH

Society to Be Organized to Relieve Pressure of High Prices.

Will Buy All Supplies From Producers and They Will Be Handled at Minimum Cost—Has 1,000 Members.

Boston—Even the fellows through whose hands flow each year millions in good, hard cash feel the pinch of mounting prices. Like the rest, they have contemplated with disgust and chagrin the bill of the butcher, the grocer and the other dealers in household necessities and have grown tired of its constantly growing proportions. They have not been content, however, to sit still under the burden; they have decided that the time has come to do something and the Co-Operative Society of Bank Men is the result. It is, generally speaking, a plan to bring back the so-called 60 cent dollar to something like its face value.

The new organization, which was incorporated recently under the laws of Massachusetts with a capital of \$25,000, will start with a membership of 1,000 and will eventually take in a membership in excess of 2,000. Primarily it was founded for the benefit of those who are connected with banks and kindred financial institutions, but its scope may be extended a little to take in others who may prove satisfactory to the original members.

On the whole, the association prefers to do business with the producer, and has already made arrangements to that end in a number of lines. It has been figured that at the outset a large amount may be saved by cutting off the small profits which accrue to a number of agencies before goods reach the average retailer.

In the beginning, the society will endeavor to confine itself to a staple line of goods which may be turned over quickly so that the capital may not be tied up for any long period.

These staples will, naturally, embrace meat and groceries, but will not be confined exclusively to them. As the demand arises, a wide variety of articles for household and general use will be added. While the nature of all the merchandise has not been decided upon, it is sure to have a wide enough range to satisfy the calls from customers. There are possibilities in many fields of retail trade. For instance, it has even been suggested that the younger members might be supplied with some sort of sporting goods and might be able to cut down expenditures on such semi-luxuries as golf and tennis balls.

A sizeable economy, of course, will be effected in the selling as well as the buying end. The society has no idea of starting anything like a general store, but will maintain a distributing station at some point convenient to the financial district. Here the goods will be stored not with an intent to display, but for easy and rapid handling.

One element which will be insisted upon will be the handling of only such goods as give reasonable assurance of a quick "turnover." The society will avoid from the start those things which are familiarly known in the retail trade as "stickers." The stock of merchandise must be cleaned up rapidly and a new stock bought. Nothing that will lie on the shelves from season to season will be included in the list of articles in which the corporation proposes to deal. All goods will be sold at a safe margin of profit so that it will be impossible for the society to be caught in even temporary difficulties.

Curiously enough, two men in the financial district were working out plans for some sort of concerted effort among their fellow employees. For some time past Frank W. Chase of the United States treasury had been making an investigation into co-operative methods of buying and had been interesting his friends in the advantages of the scheme. At the same time Charles E. North of the New England Trust company had been perfecting a similar plan. Neither had at the outset any conception that his ideas

life in oriental headquarters the sergeants have developed what is politely termed embonpoint, otherwise paunch. To this the inspector general objects strenuously. He recommends that the offending sergeants be forced to desert the headquarters hammocks and exercise and demands that a suitable walking test be prescribed for the island division.

General Garlington criticizes the general standard of instruction in the army and recommends that instruction regulations in fencing, bayonet exer-

FINDS ARMY MEN TOO FAT

General Garlington Recommends United States Staff Sergeants Take More Exercise.

Washington—Uncle Sam's staff sergeants in the Philippines have waxed fat and the army subscribes to the dictum: "Nobody loves a fat man." So General Garlington in his annual report to the secretary of war recommends that the fat be eliminated. Lapped in the lazy luxury of military

LEAVES MAN HALF SHAVED

Barber Told of Sudden Fortune Quits Work and Walks Out of Shop.

Haverhill, Mass.—Only one man had reason to regret that Joseph Naymalis, a Haverhill barber, inherited \$30,000. Naymalis was shaving Jerry Waite when a postman brought him a special delivery letter telling of his good fortune.

Naymalis tossed his razor out of the window, threw his barber's coat into a waste basket and left his customer half shaved. He didn't even say "good-by." The money was left him by an uncle. Naymalis immediately packed his valise and left for Indiana, where he hopes to enter the state university. And Jerry Waite had to go to another shop to have the other side of his face shaved.

FAVORS ESKIMO QUARANTINE

Explorer Stefansson Would Keep Civilization From Blond Men of North.

New York—Vilhjalm Stefansson, who discovered the blond Eskimo in the Coronation gulf region, hopes to find a way to keep all kinds of civilization, including religion, away from them. He fears their speedy extinction if civilization gets to them, and he will go to Ottawa to ask the Canadian government to issue a proclamation of perpetual quarantine of the whole district.

"I want to shut out the missionary as well as the trader," said Doctor Stefansson, who is himself a graduate of the Harvard divinity school. "The blond Eskimos do not need the trader and they have a religion of their own which answers their purpose very well. The most deadly disease that ever struck the Eskimo anywhere was the measles. The missionaries and their supply ships are as likely to carry measles as are the fur traders. The only intelligently governed Eskimo country in the world is Greenland, where Denmark maintains a strict quarantine, no one being permitted to land without investigation."

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FIREMEN SAVE NEGRO BABY

Then They Wrangle Over Job of Being Nurse—Mother Takes Charge of Tot.

Kansas City, Mo.—Dense clouds of black smoke issuing from the second-story windows of a frame house brought the Kansas City fire department to 1302 North Third street, Kansas City, Kan. Mrs. Carrie Pennell, a negro, thirty-eight years old, and her seventeen-year-old daughter Daisy ran down the stairs, leaving behind the week-old infant of the latter.

Without hesitation Archie Clark and Capt. Charles Abraham of No. 1 hose company pulled their helmets down over their ears, took a long breath and disappeared into the black smoke. A moment later they emerged, sneezing and rubbing their eyes. Clark carrying what appeared to be a bundle of clothes. When they reached the street the mother and grandmother had gone and the bundle began to wriggle and emit smothered howls.

"Here, Charley, you take it," Clark said, offering his find to Abraham. "I want to wipe my eyes."

"I ain't a nurse," Abraham said, backing away. "Keep it yourself. You found it." A heated dispute over the custody of the child was interrupted by the return of the mother and grandmother, who took charge of it. It had been protected by the coverings, but was slightly scorched about the head. It was taken to St. Margaret's hospital, but was later taken home. The fire was limited to a bed, which the two women said caught from an oil stove. Burning straw and feathers made the black smoke, but the damage was not more than \$25.

Tiger Grieves for Mate. Geneva—Sympathy of visitors to the zoo is centered on a splendid specimen of the Indian tiger, which lost his mate three weeks ago and since then has refused to eat. The most tempting morsels of meat are placed in his cage but he refuses to touch them and he has grown steadily thinner. The beast drinks a little water occasionally and has so far forgotten his savage nature that anyone can pet him.

Monstrosity From the Deep. Venice, Cal.—A fisherman here has landed a deep sea creature that has a tail like a shark, a mouth like a gila monster and forefeet like a parrot.

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Washington City Expects to Pay All Expenses by Agricultural Venture.

Tacoma, Wash.—Wilbur, the only town in Washington and probably the only one in the United States doing a regular farming business for profit, has cut a hay crop valued at \$1,800. The town next year expects to pay all the administrative expenses with the farm profits and, if plans now made mature as expected, not only will cease levying taxes for city government but will actually have dividends to pay the taxpayers.

Pleasant Dream. If a man thought he was in love. It was about as pleasant a dream as he could have, anyway.—Manchester Union.

SWIMS TIED HAND AND FOOT

A Young Boston Woman Made Feat Record in Crossing the Delaware.

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THROWS \$1,100 AT A DOG

Baby Picks Up Satchel Containing That Amount Which Had Fallen From Buggy.

New York—Four-year-old May Barrett of Scarsdale played with \$1,100 she picked up on the street and, not realizing its value, scattered part of it over the lawn. The money belonged to Mrs. John A. Pryor of Greenville. She had placed the amount, mostly in five and ten-dollar bills, in a small grip and driven to Scarsdale to buy a farm. While passing the Barrett home the satchel fell from the buggy seat and was not missed until several minutes later.

The Barrett child, playing near by, picked up the grip and opened it. The rolls of greenbacks meant nothing to her. Finally she threw the bag at the family watchdog and some of the money fell out. Mrs. Howard Barrett, the girl's mother, espied the greenbacks on the ground and gathered them up. A short distance away she found the satchel. In it were papers bearing Mrs. Pryor's name and address. Mrs. Barrett later found the owner searching for her money, and returned it to her.

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How Scales Are Made to Cheat

MAGAZINES and newspapers have given much space in late years to the question of weights and measures, which has resulted in the passage of legislation in many states putting the supervision of this particular branch of work under a defined department of state government. There are numerous ways of cheating in the use of scales, regardless of the size or make. The art of scale building has advanced rapidly in the last quarter century, but investigation by various departments of weights and measures, both national and state, has disclosed the fact that the inventive minds of those whose unfortunate mental arrangement leads them to defraud their fellow men, has kept pace with this advance. The most astounding fraud ever perpetrated was that of the famous sugar trust fraud, in which the United States government was robbed of many millions in import tax duty, by the use of a small piece of umbrella steel to throw the scales out of balance. But with most cases of deception, the perpetrator becomes overconfident, and through carelessness leaves a slight clue, which eventually leads to discovery. Rubber bands have been employed to throw scales off correct balance, but as these are hard to apply they are not so commonly used. A common method of cheating is to overload the scale counter weights with lead and throw the balance to the credit of the scale owner. But the most pernicious and ingenious of these is a device recently discovered by the department of weights and measures which is under the jurisdiction of the railroad and warehouse commission of Minnesota. This is a small piece of tempered steel weighing 1.32 of an ounce, and is used in scales for the purpose of adding to or shrinking the weight of an article. It can be carried in the vest pocket and placed in position on the scale in a few seconds. It has the advantage to the user of being reversible, that is to say, he can take more in buying or give less in selling, than the just and proper weight. The device is in the nature of a false knife-edge pivot. It has a small projection on one side, which when applied to a scale with the projection towards the back end of the scale beam the effect will be to make a load weigh less than correct, and the reverse is true when applied with the projection toward the front end of the scale beam. These devices are made so that the use of them on a scale does not affect the beam action whereby an observer could tell that the scale was not weighing correctly, as they allow the beam free action. The percentage of error in the use of this device would differ, depending upon the make of scale and the multiplying power of the scale beam. All scale beams have not the same measurements, and on one scale the effect was 2 1/2 per cent either in excess or deficiency, depending upon how the device was placed, and on another scale the effect was 5 per cent either way. On some of the new type stock scales with full capacity beams, having no counterweights, the effect would easily be 10 per cent of the load. These figures are based upon the assumption that the scale would be put into perfect balance after the device was inserted, but if by neglect or desire the scale should not be balanced after the device was put under the fulcrum pivot of the beam, the effect would be to give a false weight of about 200 pounds on any size load in addition to the 2 1/2, 5, or 10 per cent as the case might be. If one of these devices were used on a scale beam for fraudulent purposes, it would undoubtedly be inserted in the loop from the rear of the beam, and thus could not be seen from the position in which one stands to do the weighing, hence the necessity of looking into the beam loops from the rear of the beam to prove that such a device is not being used. At a large stock shipping point in Minnesota many complaints had been received relative to the weights over a certain stock scale. On investigation of the scale it was discovered that one of these "shrinkers" was in use. The commission immediately started its special agent out to trace it. The remarkable part of the investigation is that in the endeavor to find the rights of this device, the trail led through the states of Minnesota, Iowa, Illinois, South Dakota and Wisconsin, and going on the old theory, "where there is much smoke there



must be some fire." It is safe to assume that when continual rumors of "shrinkers" were prevalent, the shrinker device must have been doing some shrinking, and in the case of this particular form of shrinker, which could be used on heavy scales, such as stock scales and grain scales, it has been the farmer and producer who were the victims. The evidence obtained by the agent of the Minnesota commission disclosed the fact that the man who had made these devices had procured from \$8 to \$75 each for them.

At Booth's First Meeting

Old Londoner Tells of the Beginning of Real Work of the Salvation Army.

Standing at the salute by a big tombstone in Abney Park cemetery was an old soldier of the Salvation Army. As the procession filed past him General and Mrs. Bramwell Booth gave him a glance of kindly recognition. The old man, who is seventy-five years of age, and named Peter Monks, was the late general's first convert in London. One day nearly fifty years ago, before William Booth had started on his mission work, he was walking down a squallid little back street near the London docks when he met Peter Monks outside a notorious drinking house. "The general came up and spoke to me," said Monks to the Daily Mirror, "no doubt because I looked the bad character that I was then. 'I am looking for work,' he said to me. He went on to say that he had left a congregation just before 'be cause,' he said, 'they thought more about me than him.' 'Presently Booth told me he was going to try to hold a meeting on the Mile End Waste—a most daring thing to do in those times—and he asked me to come to it. 'I said I would, wondering what had come over me. 'I went down to the meeting at the Mile End Waste, and found that some of the worst characters from Spitalfields and Whitechapel had gathered round Booth's rough platform and were giving him a very bad time, throwing cabbage stumps and dirt at him. 'Something seemed to 'rise up' in me, and instead of joining in the horseplay, as I usually did, I clenched my fists and simply 'walked round' the crowd. 'The lads knew who I was—I had a bit of reputation as a boxer in those days—and surprised by my taking up the preacher's side and from fear of my fists, they became quiet, and Booth got a hearing, for which he thanked me many times. 'I did not become actually converted for some time, but I went to all the meetings and helped to keep order. When the Salvation Army was finally formed I joined.'—London Daily Mirror.

New Acquisition. "Pop, get me a little wagon to hitch your goat to." "I've got no goat, child." "Yes you have, pop. Billy Smith's father says you've got his."

Women Are for Peace

One of the fruits of sex equality will be the decline of war—international strife, industrial strife and sex strife. Women may not know how to play fair, at first, but they will be more apt pupils than the men. In masculine contests the rules are often more important than the game. What is fair in war? Murder, but not torture. What is fair in industrial war? Starvation, but not murder. Dynamit-

ing is not fair, but blacklisting is, evicting is, monopolizing food is, maintaining tuberculosis tenements is. These rules won't pass, boys, when the girls learn to play the game. The tyrannical employer will have to go, syndicalism and sabotage (the logical answers to arbitrary capitalism) will have to go. We already have the children's bureau with a real statesman, Julia Lathrop, at the head. We are

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

The biggest booster in Teddy's campaign is the fool who shot him last Monday.

The man who is liable to road duty and fails to vote for the bond issue is simply standing in his own light.

Between now and January 1, 1913, every subscriber to this paper will receive a statement of his account with us. It is our duty to do so, so you will know how we stand.

Let every man who is liable to road duty vote for the bond issue. In this way every man will bear the burden of working the roads instead of a few who happen to be of a certain age.

If the largest taxpayers of the county are in favor of working the roads by taxation, why should not the man who does not own even a burro, and who must work the road without pay, be in favor of it?

Heretofore, when the time came to elect a president, our commerce and business went to pieces; but, if you will notice, this year makes no difference. It is conceded that Mr. Wilson will be elected; and it is agreed by all political parties that he is a safe man, hence, everybody feels safe.

Elsewhere we publish a statement required by the U. S. Postoffice Department. We do not blame the officials for enforcing this requirement, but we have our private opinion of the men who enacted the law. Some of the newspapers are bucking against the measure, but as we do not have to lie about our little paper to give it life and circulation we have no kick coming, except giving space to the statement.

If you fellows who are liable to work on the public roads five days in the year want us old fellows to join you on the job, vote for the bond issue; but if you are stuck on your job and don't need our help, then vote against it and we will sit on your case when you fail to do your duty. It is rank injustice to compel men, who do not own even a burro, to build roads for those who own buggies, wagons and automobiles; but if they see fit to do so when they have the opportunity to remedy the evil, the fault is all their own.

The fool who shot Col. Roosevelt last Monday, was, no doubt, one of those Smart Alex's who had hung around and heard other fools say that Colonel Roosevelt ought to be shot, and he felt himself called on to do the job. It is likely he thought that Mr. Roosevelt was a very bad man, but after sending a bullet into the chest of his victim and the people were about to break his neck, and the Colonel kept them from doing so, it is likely that he came to the conclusion that Roosevelt was the best man in the crowd. Suffering the pangs of almost a mortal wound, Col. Roosevelt showed almost super-human forbearance in preventing the destruction of his would-be murderer.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3rd day of October, 1912. PAT KELLIS, Notary Public, Sterling County, Texas. (Seal) My commission expires June 1st, 1913.

ROOSEVELT IS SHOT

Last Monday, at Milwaukee, while entering an automobile, Ex-president Roosevelt was shot by a man named John Schrank. The bullet entered the chest and lodged near the tenth rib, making a bad flesh wound, but not necessarily a serious one. If blood poisoning does not set up, Mr. Roosevelt will be up in a week or two. The fact that the bullet passed through a lot of papers in the Colonel's breast pocket, no doubt, saved his life.

The would-be murderer was quickly pounced upon and disarmed by Mr. Roosevelt's stenographer, Elbert Martin, and only for the Colonel's interference Schrank would have been torn to pieces by the crowd.

Latest advices say that Mr. Roosevelt is getting along all right.

J. B. Westbrook is Dead

J. B. Westbrook died at Robert last Tuesday, and was buried with masonic honors at Sterling City the following day at 3:30 o'clock, p. m.

Deceased was born in Cherokee county, Ala. in 1845. He served as a Confederate soldier during the civil war, and was in many bloody conflicts.

He came to Texas in 1869, and resided most of the time in Johnson county, where he has a host of friends who will grieve when they learn that he is no more.

He was a consistent Christian and a devout unit of the Cumberland Presbyterian church. He was a Royal Arch Mason, and was a true and faithful brother, who was never lacking in fidelity to his duty.

He leaves a wife and four children to mourn the death of a true and loving husband and father.

The widow resides at Robert Lee. The children are, Emette and Curry Westbrook, of Sterling City; Bonnie Westbrook, of Temple; and Mrs. Dr. Ramsey, of Robert Lee.

We join the bereaved ones in mourning for their beloved dead.

Stokes Gets New Trial

Plenny Stokes, who was convicted in Arizona, last year, on a charge of murder and given death sentence, had his case reversed and remanded for new trial last week. It is alleged that the killing for which he was charged occurred at Globe, Ariz., in January, 1911. He was soon afterward tried and convicted. He claims that the man killed was a deputy sheriff, who was trying to arrest him, and that the officer's pistol was accidentally discharged with fatal results.

Young Stokes is the son of E. W. Stokes, who once resided in this town, and who afterward moved to Coke county. The well known firm of Cox & Cox, of San Angelo, are defending the young man.

A CARD OF THANKS

To all the good people of Sterling, who have by word or deed expressed so much sympathy and rendered such valuable assistance in the burial of our beloved husband and father, we desire to express our sincere thanks and gratitude.

May the Father of us all, in His kind providence, make your sorrows light and bestow upon you His richest blessings.

Mrs. J. B. Westbrook & Family

Letter to Sterling Realty Co. Sterling City, Texas.

Dear Sir: Here's the gist of the paint question: 1st. Every job painted Devote takes less gallons than of any other paint.

2nd. The paint that takes least gallons wears longest; Always we can't help it.

Yours truly, F. W. DEVOTE & CO. P. S.: Butler Drug Co. sells our paint.

POSTED

Our pasture is posted and all persons are hereby put upon legal notice that any one who shall hunt, cut or haul wood or otherwise trespass upon any of the lands owned or controlled by us will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law, 10-26-01 Eisbei Bros.

ELECTION NOTICE

Whereas, a petition signed by W. T. Conger and 50 property tax-paying voters of Sterling County has been presented to the Commissioners Court of said county praying said Court to order an election for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of Sterling county the question of issuing the bonds of said county in the sum of \$20,000.00, for the purpose of constructing, improving and maintaining the public roads of said Sterling county; and

Whereas, the Commissioners Court of Sterling county, Texas, deems it advisable and expedient to issue Bonds of said county for such purpose, as will more fully hereinafter appear.

Therefore, it is hereby ordered by the Commissioners Court of Sterling County, Texas, that an election be held on the 5th day of November, 1912, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted:

Shall the Commissioners Court of Sterling County, Texas, be authorized to issue the Bonds of said county in the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars, payable in forty years after date thereof, with the option of redeeming same at any time after ten years from the date thereof, bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum, payable annually, and to annually thereafter levy, assess and collect a tax sufficient to pay the interest on said bonds and create a sinking fund sufficient to redeem them at maturity, for the purpose of constructing, improving and maintaining the public roads of Sterling county, Texas.

Said election shall be held at the following places in said county, viz: in the District Court room of the Sterling county court house, in the town of Sterling City, in voting precinct No. 1; at Mulberry school house, voting precinct No. 2; at China Valley school house, voting precinct No. 3; at Divide school house, voting precinct No. 4; at Kellis school house, voting precinct No. 5; at Iolanthe school house, voting precinct No. 6; at Lacy school house, voting precinct No. 7; at Sterling Creek school house, voting precinct No. 8; at Morrow school house, voting precinct No. 9; and the following named persons are hereby appointed managers of said election, viz: W. L. Foster, presiding judge; Emette Westbrook, assistant judge; L. E. Alexander, N. L. Douglas, W. F. Latham and R. L. Lowe, clerks for precinct No. 1; G. A. Hodges, presiding judge; G. G. Ainsworth, assistant judge; Fred Hodges and Joe House, clerks for voting precinct No. 2; D. D. Davis, presiding judge; J. W. Wood, assistant judge; Dr. J. T. Brannan and L. P. Grimes, clerks, for voting precinct No. 3; J. L. Copeland, presiding judge; Neil Munn, assistant judge; Jerry Brown and R. J. Welch, clerks, for voting precinct No. 4; T. G. Brennaud, presiding judge; J. S. Augustine, assistant judge; W. E. Beyer and G. B. Slaton, clerks, for voting precinct No. 5; T. M. Jackson, presiding judge; R. L. Boswell, assistant judge; J. W. Thomas and S. L. Hull, clerks, for voting precinct No. 6; J. L. Glass, presiding judge; W. T. Brown, assistant judge; P. E. Reynolds and Stewart Pearce, clerks, for voting precinct No. 7; F. M. Askey, presiding judge; W. T. Conger, assistant judge; Harry Tweedle and M. J. Askey, clerks, for voting precinct No. 8; D. D. Parramore, presiding judge; Joe Clifton, assistant judge; G. A. Stockton and J. J. Morrow, clerks, for voting precinct No. 9.

Said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter 149, Acts of the Twenty-sixth Legislature, Laws of 1899, and only qualified voters, who are property taxpayers of Sterling county, Texas, shall be allowed to vote at said election; and all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue said bonds, shall have printed on their ballots the words, "For the issuance of the Bonds and the Tax;" and those desiring to oppose said proposition shall have printed on their ballots the words, "Against the issuance of the Bonds and the Tax." The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the Laws of the State of Texas governing general elections.

A copy of this order, signed by the County Judge of Sterling county, Texas, shall serve as proper notice of said election; and the county judge of said county is hereby directed to cause a copy of said notice to be posted up at each of the several places hereinbefore designated for holding said election at least Twenty days prior to the date of holding said election; and shall further cause a copy of said notice to be published for four consecutive weeks in some newspaper published in Sterling county, Texas—the first of such publication to appear not less than thirty days immediately preceding the date of said election.

B. F. Brown, County Judge, Sterling County, Texas.

NOTICE OF SALE

State of Oklahoma } Bryan County }

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to an order of the United States District Court of the Eastern District of Oklahoma sitting in bankruptcy made on the 8th day of July, 1912, the undersigned trustee in bankruptcy of the estate of C. F. Pope and W. A. Pope, bankrupts, will on the 3rd day of December, 1912, between the hours of ten o'clock

NOTICE OF SALE

in the forenoon and four o'clock in the afternoon at Sterling County Court House Door in the city of Sterling City, State of Texas, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand the following described real estate belonging to said bankrupts, described as follows, to-wit:

Lots five (5) and nine (9) in block eighteen (18) in the town of Sterling City, Sterling County, Texas, as shown by the Map or Plat of town of Sterling City, recorded in

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Whereas, the county commissioners of the County of Sterling, State of Texas, deem it advisable to issue the bonds of said county for such purpose, as will more fully hereinafter appear.

Therefore, it is hereby ordered by the commissioners court of Sterling county, Texas, that an election be held on the 5th day of November, 1912, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted:

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B. F. Brown, County Judge, Sterling County, Texas.

Book 1, page 478, Deed Records of Sterling County, Texas.

Together with all improvements thereon, said property being sold subject to any taxes that may be assessed and due upon said property.

Signed this September 14th, 1912 Tom Benson, Trustee in Bankruptcy of the Estate of C. F. Pope, a bankrupt and of the estate of W. A. Pope, a bankrupt.

The Electoral Vote

The electoral vote of the several states will be as follows:

Table listing electoral votes for various states: Alabama 12, Arizona 3, Arkansas 9, California 13, Colorado 6, Connecticut 7, Delaware 3, Florida 6, Georgia 14, Idaho 4, Illinois 29, Indiana 15, Iowa 13, Kansas 10, Kentucky 13, Louisiana 10, Maine 6, Maryland 8, Massachusetts 18, Michigan 15, Minnesota 12, Mississippi 10, Missouri 18, Montana 4, Nebraska 4, Nevada 3, New Hampshire 4, New Jersey 14, New Mexico 3, New York 45, North Carolina 12, North Dakota 2, Ohio 25, Oklahoma 10, Oregon 5, Pennsylvania 38, Rhode Island 5, South Carolina 9, South Dakota 5, Tennessee 10, Texas 12, Utah 4, Vermont 4, Virginia 12, Washington 7, West Virginia 8, Wisconsin 13, Wyoming 3, Total 531. Necessary to elect 266.

LIFE SAVED BY YOUNG HERO.

By sucking the poison from a wound in his brother's foot, inflicted by a copperhead snake, Roller Driver, a 12-year-old boy of Rockingham county, Va., a few days ago saved a life. The boys were in the mountain hunting squirrels when the older one, 14 years of age, was bitten. Taking in the situation in a moment, the younger boy ripped off his suspenders and tied them tightly around his brother's ankle to stop the circulation of blood and then applied himself to extracting the venom. Making his brother comfortable, the little hero ran down the mountain, where he summoned his parents and the physicians.

MORTALITY IN WAR.

War, called by the great Erasmus, "the malady of princes," has had so many victims we will never be able to reckon them up. However, it is computed that up to the middle of the nineteenth century no less than 6,850,000 men perished on the field of battle. In all probability the estimate is under, rather than over, the mark. You may be correct in thinking that "wars are practically over" among civilized people, but from the present-day armaments of the so-called civilized peoples it would look as though those in authority had not yet gotten over the fear of the old terror.

PEDANTIC.

"What sort of person is Professor Scoggins?" "Very tiresome. He calls an ordinary 'tough house' an emeute."

A SIMILARITY.

"They say babies smile in their sleep when they dream of angels." "That's nothing. So do musical comedy stars."

THE PRESENT ISSUE.

"Hallo, Smithers, where are you hurrying so fast?" "I am going to take some of my rentals to the new money laundry."

LOUD VOICE.

"You ought to hear Spouts make a campaign speech." "The only way I can keep from hearing him is to leave town."

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The forest of Compeigne, France, though a realm of beauty and enchantment to its lovers, is yet made by the state to yield an annual income of 100,000,000 francs (\$20,000,000). For this purpose it appoints 7 brigadiers and 27 gendarmes, besides several garden-cantonniers. The cantonniers look after the roads, the guards protect the rights-tened to the sportsman and wood cutter—the two great clients from whom these revenues are derived—200,000 francs a year being paid by the sportsman and 800,000 francs by the wood merchant. The guards must also see that these two groups of clients never encroach on each other's rights, for though the sportsman may hunt on the wood merchant's land, he cannot carry from it a splinter of green wood; while the wood merchant would have a suit brought against him if he were to pocket so much as a rabbit found burrowing under one of his dearly bought trees. And some of these trunks are dear, one of oak frequently costing him 1,000 francs.

TAKING A CHANCE.



Miss Antique—Just think of the nerve of that impetuous fellow to propose to me. Miss Caustique—Nerve? Why, it was absolute recklessness.

CITIZEN PAPERS.

A man "must have the same witnesses on his second visit for his citizen papers that he had on his first." Such is the plain demand of the law in the case. The men who begin with you must see you through to the end. If you take new witnesses on the second visit no attention will be paid to them by the court. You can see how, were the law other than it is, a world of trouble could arise. The final papers make you a full-fledged citizen, as much so as though you had lived here all your life. With such papers no foreign nation can "impress" you into the service.—Exchange.

WANTED HER HUSBAND.

Algot Lange, who is exploring the Amazon river for the University of Pennsylvania, is authority for the statement that savage races can no longer be tempted to part with valuable articles in exchange for brilliant-colored cloth and beads, and that guns, knives, hammers, axes and other useful articles must be carried in the explorer's pack, if he expects to secure samples of native handicraft in the unexplored regions of the world.—Popular Mechanics.

AGREED.

Hokus—Toothache, eh? Pd have the blamed thing pulled if it were mine. Pokus—So would I, if it were yours.—Puck.

NOT WITH A RELISH.

"You don't like corn on the cob?" "Not very much, but how did you know?" "You eat it so gracefully."

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TRESPASS NOTICE. Any person hauling wood, digging, hunting, or in any way trespassing on any lands owned or controlled by us, will be prosecuted. W. R. McKintire & Son

ARE THESE CIRCASSIANS?

Two quaint doggers—the pair belong in one death, and are worn slung across the body from the right shoulder—are believed to be Circassians, and are owned by George W. Rhoades. The bone-handled weapons have been blades, eight inches long. One handle is wrapped with brass wire, and the other with copper.

Circassian, or Tcherkess, is a general term applied to the northwestern group of peoples inhabiting the region of the Caucasus, not included in Prussian territory. There are many tribes and the blood is much mixed. They have few manufactures, but they have skill in making rugs, weapons and the like. Many of their women have beautiful beauty. Circassians are brave and hospitable, but vindictive. Their subjugation was completed in 1864, when many thousands of them emigrated to Turkey.

BABY SEA ELEPHANT.

A baby sea elephant weighing 900 pounds and valued at \$5,000 was seized by the customs officers at San Diego, Cal., a short time ago, when it was brought there on the schooner Santa Barbara from Guadalupe Island, off Lower California. The animal is owned by John Ramsey of Los Angeles. Ramsey produced payment of duty and had given orders to leave the sea elephant in charge of the government when a compromise was effected. The animal was captured after a hard battle with its mother on the shores of Guadalupe.

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out the first of October I will on sale a consignment of first New Mexico coal. Those who buy coal at a reasonable price, will find it to their place their order with an early date.
—A. A. Gamble.

R. P. BROWN
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LOCALS

Some nice cottages to rent at reduced prices. R. B. CUMMINS.
H. Davis returned from Marlin last Saturday.
W. F. Latham and Dee Davis are in Dallas.
Sam Richards, of Odessa, is here as a prospective cattle buyer.
C. M. Cauble, of Albany, is here looking after his cattle interests.
Mrs. W. P. Walling and daughter, Miss Effie, visited relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. B. Ayres are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ayres at Pampa, Texas.
MONEY TO LOAN—On 1 or 2 years time, interest payable semi-annually. Apply at this office.

Now is the time to order that new fall suit. See Norman, the tailor. He gives you fits.
Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Butler left this morning for Dallas, where they will attend the fair.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sparkman were visiting relatives here last Saturday and Sunday.

NEW Cozy Barber Shop is now open on West Side in Sterling City. Now come on and try him. It paid.
Rue Cole came over from Robert Lee Wednesday to attend the funeral of J. B. Westbrook.

Why go around with your suit run down when Norman, the tailor, can make it look as good as new.

For Sale or Trade—A No. 4, Densmore Typewriter, in fine shape. See H. W. Stoneham, Sterling City.

J. F. Morrow and family, of Robert Lee, attended the funeral of J. B. Westbrook here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Rogers left this morning for Miles, where they will spend a season visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Coulson left this morning for Dallas, where they intend seeing the sights at the fair.

J. S. Johnston went to Concho county, this week, to make a deal for the Tom Henderson steer calves.

\$100,000.00 to loan on farms and ranches in Sterling County. See Lewis E. Alexander at Court House.

Mesdames D. P. Glass and W. F. Kellis and Miss Effie Walling were guests of the J. L. Glass ranch this week.

Will buy first class Vendor's Lein notes in amounts of \$1000.00 and up. Lewis E. Alexander at Court House.

If you want to buy or sell land or livestock in Sterling county or Sterling City, see or write R. B. Cummins.

A special barber, on West Side of square. He's there when it comes to Hair cuts and Shaves. He's there today.

Grover Potts says it is time to have your winter suits and overcoats cleaned up and made to look as good as new. All work guaranteed. With B. F. Roberts.

W. F. Kellis was surveying a portion of the W. E. Brownfield ranch Monday and Tuesday. Mr. Brownfield intends to take out a patent on this land in the near future.

Remember, it don't pay to throw your old clothes away when Grover can make them look as good as new. If you have't any to clean, get your order in for new ones. All work guaranteed. With B. F. Roberts.

Plenty of money to loan on ranch lands in sums from three thousand dollars to a hundred thousand dollars. If interested write at once as this ad. will not appear again. I am yours truly, G. B. Harness, Colorado, Texas.

R. P. Brown and Andrew, Davis went to Robert Lee Wednesday in the latter's automobile to bring over the remains of J. B. Westbrook for burial here. Notwithstanding the bad roads, they made the trip to this place in three hours without mishap.

When you approach an automobile with a lantern, you run the risk of burning it and yourself up. Don't do it. Use a pocket electric flash light. They cost no more than a good lantern and can be carried in your vest pocket. Lowe & Durham have them in stock, together with extra batteries. 2t

Leave your laundry with Norman, the tailor.
Money for Sterling County people. Will make loans of \$1000.00 and up. Lewis E. Alexander at Court House.

Mrs. T. J. Kellis has been confined to her bed for the past week as a result of riding under the limb of a tree, which caught her in such a position as to almost crush her spine. She managed to ride to the house and dismounted, but when she touched the ground she found herself helpless. She lay on the ground for nearly three hours, when Mr. Kellis came home and carried her in the house. She is improving and will soon be up again.

I have made arrangements to place loans to the amount of \$100,000.00 on lands in Sterling County. If you want to borrow money or sell Vendor's Lein notes see Lewis E. Alexander at Court House.

McEntire & Son, 1 car of cows to Fort Worth; Lane & Smith 2 cars of cows to Fort Worth; Steve Calvary, 1 car of cows to Fort Worth.

March & Cawley, 28 cars of steers to Albany. These cattle were sold to Woodward & Boog-Scott, of Coleman.

Brennan & Millsbaugh shipped in 10 cars of stock cattle from Merzon, which they had bought of R. F. Tankersley.

D. D. Parramore shipped in a car of cows from Fort Worth.

NOTICE—KEEP OUT.
Notice is hereby given that any person who shall hunt, fish, use or haul wood or otherwise trespass on any of the lands owned or controlled by me will be prosecuted by the full extent of the law.
G. W. Allaire

General Directory.

District Officers.
Judge—J. W. Timmons.
Attorney—Alec Collins.
Clerk—L. B. Cole.
Court meets 4th Monday after 2nd Monday in February and September.

County Officers.
Judge—B. F. Brown.
Attorney—Pat Kellis.
Clerk—L. B. Cole.
Sheriff—Jno. B. Ayres.
Treasurer—E. L. Gilmore.
Assessor—D. C. Durham.
Surveyor—W. F. Kellis.
Court meets first Monday in February, May, August and November.

County Commissioners.
Com'r. Pre. No. 1—B. F. Roberts
" " " 2—E. F. Atkinson
" " " 3—S. L. Hull
" " " 4—J. S. Johnston

Justice Court.
Court, Precinct No. 1, meets 3rd Saturday in each month. B. F. Roberts, J. J.

CHURCHES.
M. E. Church—Preaching every second and fourth Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., and fourth Sunday at 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. every Sunday.

SOCIETIES.
Masonic—Sterling lodge No. 734, A. F. & A. M., meets Saturday nights on or before the full moon in each month.
D. L. Sinton, Secretary
B. F. Brown, W. M.

Eastern Star—Meets Saturday P. M. 3 o'clock on or before the full moon in each month.
Mrs. N. L. Douglas, W. M.
Mrs. O. H. Graham, Secretary.

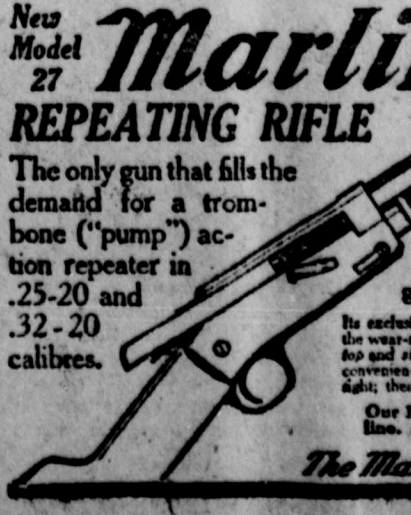
St. John's
Masses meet 1st Saturday night after full moon in each month.—B. F. Brown, H. P., N. L. Douglas, recty.

Sterling City Council No. 269 R & S
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Figures Explode Idea That Strip Across Continent Was a Thing to Be Dreaded.
One of the most potent arguments against the construction of the canal at Panama, in the days when the building of this work by the United States was under discussion, was the frightful number of fatalities which were supposed to have attended the construction of the Panama railroad in the middle of the nineteenth century. "A dead man for each cross tie" was a favorite theme with the magazine writer and the politician. Gen. George W. Davis, U. S. A., first governor of the canal zone, has exploded this time-honored story by showing that whereas the number of ties amounted to 140,000, the road never employed, during its five years of construction, more than 7,000 laborers. In its first four years of operation the railroad carried 196,000 passengers, not one of whom contracted illness as the result of crossing the isthmus.

THINGS THAT ARE PRACTICAL

Matters of Real Use That Are Being Taught Women in the City of London.
A school instructing women in the practical details of everyday life has just been established in London. Students are taught how to open a window and put up a shade in a railway carriage, how to get off and on a street car, the proper method of doing up umbrellas, how to fill a fountain pen and trim a lamp. Other courses taught include opening packing cases and tin cans, how to drive nails, how to fold clothes, how to pull cork, how to light a fire and the kind of shoe to wear to conserve health, and when to wear them. A specialty is made of the feeding and care of dogs and other animals, and the theories of sanitation. Lectures are given on the prices of food, materials for clothing and the quantities needed for a stated number of persons.

HONOR ST. PATRICK.

Thousands of people from many parts of Ireland and other countries went, a recent Sunday, on the annual pilgrimage to Croagh's Patrick, the mountain to the south of Clew Bay, which is associated with the life of St. Patrick. It is the subject of a striking legend concerning the saint's banishing of toads and adders and other noxious creatures by the ringing of his bell. The railway company ran special excursion trains for the pilgrims to Westport, whence it is an excursion of about eight miles to the "sacred mountain," which has always been a place of pilgrimage for religious exercises, the chief of these being held at the little oratory on the summit.

THREE CHAMPIONS.

"So they are married?"
"Yes. They were married last Friday in East Liverpool."
"He is a champion golfer, I understand."
"Yes. He is."
"And the girl?"
"Is a champion bridge player."
"Where do they propose to live?"
"With the girl's father. He's a champion bricklayer."—Pittsburgh Post.

IN THE DRUG STORE.

"Have you any 5-cent cigars?"
asked the man.
"No," replied the druggist; "but we have something just as good. Here's a 10-cent cigar."

A PARADOX.

"Did you ever notice one thing?"
"What's that?"
"How hard cash is always associated with soft things."

THE PROBABILITY.

"Does that actor sink his personality in his part?"
"I don't know whether he does, but it is heavy enough to sink."

HIS STYLE.

"Strange man, Deats."
"Why is he strange?"
"He makes no bones about the skeleton in his closet."

ALWAYS WORTH THE LIVING

Dependancy Only of the Moment, and Life is Bound to Resume Its Cheerfulness.
Of course we have all heard the query, "Is life worth living?" Perhaps we've asked it of ourselves many times, in moments of discouragement, when all things seemed to be working for the darker side, and the sunlight of hope was for the time being obscured by heavy clouds.

Many are the answers—in fact, all humanity from the very beginning has been responding to the great challenge—and we are today the living exponents of the problem.

If my life, your life and the life of our neighbor has been "lived" and holds the power to keep on doing so, then yes, a thousand times, our lives are worth living!

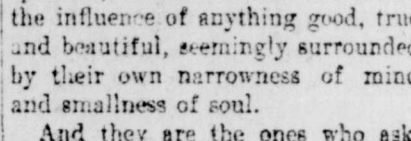
But if, for some or many reasons, these lives have been spent in days of illness, or worse, the answer is to be found on the face of the undeniably failures which are the outcome of such waste.

People who are in earnest about whatever they are engaged in doing seldom have time to stop and ask such questions; they are too busy making their own and the lives of those with whom they are associated really worth while to withdraw from life's great army of workers thinkers and "livers"—merely to stand by the roadside and say, "Is it all worth while?"

Some people remind us of "insulated" bodies; they are wholly unresponsive, cut off—as it were—from the influence of anything good, true and beautiful, seemingly surrounded by their own narrowness of mind and smallness of soul.

And they are the ones who ask, "Is life worth living?"—Exchange.

RATTLING ALL RIGHT!



Speedleigh—I've just bought an automobile for \$225. It's a rattling car.
Needleigh—Oh! I've heard it.
NOT MANY RATS FOUND.

The offer of the government of Jamaica of 1d for each dead rat delivered at the pumping station in Kingston, is not producing much fruit. In three weeks only 80 rats were delivered at the station, viz: for the week ending 20th July, 15; week ending July 27th, 30; week ending August 3rd, 35. About a score more dead rodents were also sent to the pumping station, but afterwards transferred to the government bacteriologist.

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"I can tell you how to do it," replied the philosopher.
"How? Tell me, man, and I will make it worth your while."
"Look back over your career, find out just how much of your success was due to your own genius and how much of it resulted from sheer luck and make a public acknowledgment of it."

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Patience—My! How my ears burn! Somebody must be talking about me.
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"So the old miser recovered after all! What was it saved him?"
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COULD NO LONGER FIND FOOD

Birds That Nested on Strasburg Cathedral Forced From Haunts to Which They Were Accustomed.
At a meeting of the Linnæan society of London, Professor Poulton presiding, a letter was read from Herr Paul Scherdlin, as follows: "For hundreds of years pigeons have nested on the spire of Strasburg cathedral. They increased so much that many attempts have been made to extirpate them, but in vain. During the last few years there has been a sudden and startling diminution in the number of these cathedral pigeons. I am of opinion that this manifold reduction is due to the asphaltizing of the streets round the cathedral. Between the stone set of the pavement the pigeons were able to pick up food in quantity. In consequence of the asphaltizing and daily watering and cleaning of the places in the immediate neighborhood the birds have gone."—London Chronicle.

WOMEN KEPT IN SUBJECTION

Savages Refuse to Accord Wives Any Rights of Which They Can Be Deprived.
Some of the savages in South America exclude women folk from every sort of public amusement, such as dancing, feasting, celebrating and other outside carrying-on. At such times the women are kept busy serving the savages with roasted mussels, stewed turtles and crude intoxicating drinks, which the women make by primitive processes of fermentation. If they can afford it, the savages have several wives each, some of them carrying on the custom of stealing young girls from neighboring tribes. The savage explains his having several wives this way: "This one does only garden work, and does it so well I keep her at it." Of another, he will say that she is fine at making intoxicating beverages, and so on.—New York Press.

WANTED HER.

Fifteen minutes late, because of a large, fat woman who stood upon the first cabin gangplank and would not let it be hauled ashore until her husband had been hustled aboard, a steamer sailed from New York for Bremen, the other day. The large woman arrived on the gangplank just as it was being hauled in and announced that her husband had deserted her and that the ship should not sail until he was found. A search of the pier disclosed a meek individual hurrying toward the vessel with what speed he might under half a dozen bags and packages. He was finally hauled aboard and the express steamer allowed to proceed.

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H. R. Hatch, 2514 Cedar St., Everett, Wash., says: "Severe pains in my back made me miserable. The kidney ailments burned in passing and looked like blood. My back got so bad I could hardly walk and my feet were almost numb through me. After specialists failed, Doan's Kidney Pills completely cured me."

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Accounted For.

"The piece was very raw."

"Then it deserved a roasting."

Unappreciated.

"Darling," said the fond youth, producing a ring, "which is the right finger?"

"For goodness sake, Algy!" responded the maiden, "don't you know? Nineteen years old and never been engaged to a girl before!"

Neglect and Cruelty.

"So you want a divorce?" said the lawyer.

"Yes," replied the woman with tear-stained cheeks. "He has been guilty of neglect and cruelty."

"In what respects?"

"He neglected to feed the bird while I was away and says the cruelest things he can think of about Fido."

Takes Ugliness Philosophically.

A man whose face is heavily pitted through a case of smallpox in his infancy, has been able to extract amusement from his appearance. Once he gave an explanation of it by saying that he had fallen down a shot tower.

Asked how he was able to shave himself, he answered:

"With a belt punch."

Mooted Question.

"How's Willie getting on at that free thought Sunday school you're sending him to?"

"First rate, from last accounts. He asked his pretty lady teacher who it was that first bit the apple in the Garden of Eden. Willie says she looked him straight in the eye and said nobody knew; that they'd been trying to figure it out for the last 6,000 years."

Call to Arms.

"Bang!" went the rifles at the maneuvers.

"Oo-oo!" screamed the pretty girl—a nice, decorous, surprised little scream. She stepped backward into the surprised arms of a young man.

"Oh," said she, blushing, "I was frightened by the rifles. I beg your pardon."

"Not at all," said the young man. "Let's go over and watch the artillery."

Explains the Undertaker's Grouch.

"Who is that fellow sitting humped up and muttering to himself out there on the horse block?"

"Aw, that's Ezra Toombs, the undertaker," replied the landlord of the Skeedee tavern. "He's feeling sore over the way his business has been going of late. You see, the doctor gave Judge Peebles two weeks to live; that was six weeks ago, and the judge is up and around now and figgerin' on marryin' again. Every time Ezra meets the doctor he asks him, 'How about it, hey?' and they have a row. And now he's sittin' out there watching a tramp painter gilding the weather vane of the church across the street. Ezra says, by Heck, he's about ready to move away, things is so dead here."—Kansas City Star.

"GOOD STUFF"

A Confirmed Coffee Drinker Takes to Postum.

A housewife was recently surprised when cook served Postum instead of coffee. She says:

"For the last five or six years I have been troubled with nervousness, indigestion and heart trouble. I couldn't get any benefit from the doctor's medicine so finally he ordered me to stop drinking coffee, which I did."

"I drank hot water while taking the doctor's medicine, with some improvement, then went back to coffee with the same old trouble as before."

"A new servant girl told me about Postum—said her folks used it and liked it in place of coffee. We got a package but I told her I did not believe my husband would like it, as he was a great coffee drinker."

"To my surprise he called for a third cup, said it was 'good stuff' and wanted to know what it was. We have used Postum ever since and both feel better than we have in years."

"My husband used to have bad spells with his stomach and would be sick three or four days, during which time he could not eat or drink anything. But since he gave up coffee and took to Postum, he has had no more trouble, and we now fully believe it was all caused by coffee."

"I have not had any return of my former troubles since drinking Postum, and feel better and can do more work than in the last ten years. We tell everyone about it—some say they tried it and did not like it. I tell them it makes all the difference as to how it's made. It should be made according to directions—then it is delicious."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read the book, "The Road to Wellville," 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. Adv.

THE SERI INDIANS of TIBURON ISLAND

THE Seri are a distinctive tribe in habits, customs and language from all of the North American Indians, and though they have been known for a considerable time both to Mexicans and Americans, they have remained uncontacted and uncivilized up to the present time. Tiburon Island, which is their real home, lies close to the coast of Sonora, Mexico, in the Gulf of California, and is separated from the mainland by a narrow strip of sea called El Infiernillo, so named because of the turbulent water and dangerous rapids that flow between. It is some thirty miles long from north to south and approximately twenty miles across at the widest part. Due east across the straits in Sonora is a limited strip of land, in which are situated the Seri mountains, and here also are found a few scattered families belonging to the same tribe. The whole of their country is rugged and desolate in the extreme, consisting chiefly of naked sand and desert mountain rock, with permanent fresh water in one or two places only. Separated from the rest of Sonora by an almost impassable desert, and containing nothing to excite the interest or curiosity of the prospector or Mexican, it has remained unexplored and unvisited until quite recent times.

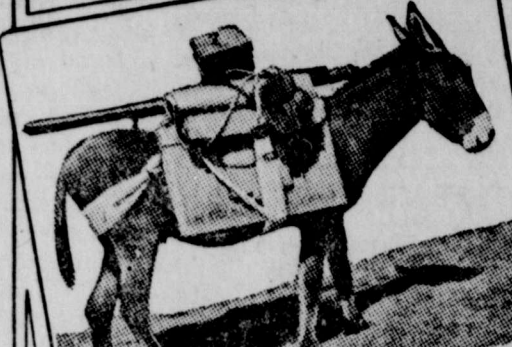
Though in the surrounding country there are many traces of an ancient civilization, in Seri land itself there are no remains nor any evidence to show that any other race, markedly distinct either in habits or customs from its present inhabitants, had ever made their home there. Hence it may be assumed that the Seri did not migrate to this part of the world, but are indigenous to the land. The Seri Indians are physically a fine race, rather above the medium height, though somewhat slightly made. They are very dark, with long, coarse hair, but when young are by no means ugly. They have low, quiet voices, and their language is much more melodious than that of the Yuma or Papago Indians. Their clothing is somewhat unusual, for they wear a kind of robe of pelican skins over a short kilt or skirt. These pelican rugs are beautifully made of between four and eight skins sewn together with sinews or deerkin, and are used as bedding at night. Their belts are of woven human hair or vegetable fiber, though snake and lizard skins are also used for the same purpose. The arms, bust, legs and feet are usually bare. When it is remembered that these people own no domestic animals of any kind, except dogs that are really coyotes, and do not cultivate or till the land at all, it will be seen that they have to depend entirely on hunting to supply them with dress and food. Pelicans are found literally by the thousand, especially round the little Isla Tassne, and provide the Indians with amply sufficient material to make all the clothing and blankets they are likely to need in that hot and almost rainless climate. As regards food, they subsist chiefly on turtles, fish, mollusks and water-fowl, which are eaten raw and during the proper seasons they feed on the fruits of the various cacti and mesquite beans which grow fairly plentifully in the Seri mountains. Scattered over the greater portion of the island are charred oyster shells, which show that they are very partial to this form of food, and that they use fire to open shell-fish of all kinds, as they do not possess any knives. They catch the turtles by harpooning them with a very primitive kind of spear; the latter is made in two parts connected by a fiber rope, to the front one of which a rough point of hardened wood, stone, or, if possible, iron, is attached. As soon as the sea turtle approaches noiselessly from behind and thrust the spear through the shell. The front portion of the spear remains in the animal, but the turtle cannot escape because of the rope, and it is soon towed to the shore and there broken open, when it is roasted or eaten raw. Fish, which abound in these waters, are caught by means of a fiber line and primitive hook, the latter being very often made from a thorn or piece of bone, though sometimes the larger kinds of fish are killed with a bow and arrow, a weapon much in use among the Seri. Their huts are of the most primitive description, being made merely of dried brushwood and roofed with turtle shells and sponges. They afford some slight shelter from the sun, which is their main purpose, for the heat is always intense the year round, and I suppose that there are few hotter places on earth.

The foregoing facts are sufficient to mark the Seri as very distinct from other North American Indians; but there are many other curious and peculiar customs which they do not share with any other tribes. Their religion is exceedingly interesting, though somewhat obscure, and the local character of their gods is a convincing proof of their long residence in that locality. Their chief deity, for instance, is the "Ancient of Pelicans," a mythical bird of marvelous wisdom and melodious song, and their lesser gods are supernatural beings in similar familiar forms. Every year, before starting out on their annual expeditions to gather fruit of the cacti, they hold their one important religious festival, at which they make many ceremonial offerings in order that the supply may be plentiful. Their dead are buried in their most elaborate garments, with their weapons beside them under a mound of stones. These graves are to be seen all over the Seri country, and bear eloquent, if silent, testimony to the valiant defense they have made against their enemies; for of the several thousand Seri Indians that were known to exist some thirty years ago, there are but three hundred and seventy-five left now, of which not more than seventy-two are adult males.

The country is no less unusual than its inhabitants, for it contains many remarkable trees and plants. It would be natural to suppose that



SERI WOMEN IN PELICAN SKIN ROBES



WOMEN WITH PEACE OFFERINGS AND TRUCE FLAG

ONE OF THE RARE ANIMALS

IN THE DESERT



HE SAVED THREE STATES.

Result of a Stormy Meeting in Oregon Territory in 1843.

In a land where there is practically no rain, vegetation would be very scarce, and the term "desert" generally conveys the idea of large sand plains devoid of all plant growth to those who have not seen them. But this is quite a wrong impression, for there is hardly a square mile anywhere in Seri land where some kind of tree or cactus cannot be found, though there may not be any water for miles around. This fact makes the botany of this region a most interesting study, for if the vegetation were not provided with special means of obtaining and storing water, it could not survive. All the trees and plants are perennials and have enormously long roots. The mesquite tree (*Prosopis juliflora*) and the paloverde (*Parkinsonia torreyana*) are the most common, and the former bears a kind of fruit or bean, which the Indians grind into corn. I remember once when traveling in the "Malpais" of Sonora I was obliged to rely for a whole month on these mesquite beans alone to feed my horses and pack animals, for grass is practically absent on these plains except for a very coarse variety called "galleta" by the natives, which is sometimes found in small patches. It says much for the nutritive value of the mesquite bean that I lost none of my animals, and only one mule seemed to be suffering towards the end of the time. Most of the low-lying country is covered with the Sonoran grease-wood (*Larrea tridentata*), a small green bush of no value at all; but it is ubiquitous throughout Sonora, except in the mountains. But the really characteristic plant in Seri land is the cactus, which abounds in a variety of forms. They all have very long roots, some of which descend thirty feet to fifty feet to reach water. The stem itself is formed of pulp, that grows round a wooden core, and this serves as storehouse for the water they obtain, while they are covered with a kind of glazed epidermis to prevent evaporation, and are furnished with thorns, which effectually prevent animals from feeding on them. The "saguarro" or giant cactus (*Cereus giganteus*) is the most imposing, rising often to a height of fifty or sixty feet. It may be seen in vast numbers over the plains and on the lower part of the mountain slopes, and it assumes an endless variety of shapes, ranging from the single straight stem to those which are in flower, for at the end of each of those containing fifteen or twenty arms. To those who see them for the first time they certainly present a remarkable sight, especially when they are in flower, for at the end of each branch they bear a wreath or crown of fragrant yellow, rose or purple flowers. No less unusual are the organ-pipe cactus, or "pithahaya" (*Cereus shotii*). They grow in clumps of eighteen or twenty stems, and reach a height of fifteen feet to twenty feet. A rarer cactus is the bisnaga, a smaller form of the saguarro; but it has one peculiar quality, which makes it very valuable both to the Indians and to travelers in the country, for it is the only plant from which water fit to drink may be obtained. The best way is to cut off the top and to crush the pulp within with a piece of wood or stone. Two to four cups of water can then be scooped out with a cup, the amount depending on the size of the plant. Except for a rather sickly taste, the water is not unpleasant.

There is another unusual plant also found in this region—the "ocotillo" (*Fouquieria splendens*). This remarkable shrub, which sometimes attains a height of fifteen feet, is composed of a number of long, thin branches, covered with thorns, and bears the most brilliant scarlet flowers.

Once each year, just after the short summer rains, the country wakes from its long drought to be bedewed by a spring. Day-colored flowers nod among the rocks, and the cactus blossoms relieve the otherwise somber landscape. But this change in the face of the country is as transient as it is

beautiful, and the fresh verdure soon fades to the neutral tints of its accustomed hopeless aridity.

A few words must be said about the fauna. Tiburon Island is so named because of the immense number of sharks that swarm the sea surrounding it. Pearl oysters are found near the Punta Tepopa, but the warlike character of the Seri has prevented any fishery from being established there. There are many porpoises and immense numbers of green turtles, while sea-birds of all kinds abound.

As regards mammals, there are said to be some sheep in the Seri mountains; but I very much doubt if they descend so far south, but there are one or two scattered bands of antelope and a few deer. To counterbalance this lack of big game, there are thousands of black-backed rattlesnakes, sidewinders, Gila monsters (*Hilodermis horridum*), horned toads and ants. But in traveling through the country there is little life to be seen except an occasional turkey buzzard or a coyote slinking through the cactus. The whole country is desolate and forbidding. Here and there are clusters of ruined huts, sadly reminding us that the Seri were once numerous but are now fast dying out.

Day by day the sun passes in blinding splendor over the plains and over the deserted homes, and evening by evening the after-glow lays its long fingers of rose and amethyst over the landscape, transforming the scene for a moment into evanescent beauty till night wraps it softly in a pall of velvet black oblivion.

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Collect a number of fresh pine needles and fill a bag with them; carefully rip open your pillow and place the bag amidst the feathers in the pillow. The perfume of the pines is often an excellent soporific.

A bag of dried hops used in the same way is just as good. Dried rose leaves, mixed with dried clover heads, give out a delicious perfume and help a weary one to woo the god of sleep.

A teaspoonful of eau de cologne in a warm bath is most refreshing, while scent placed on the forehead of any one who suffers from headache generally gives relief.

SHE COULD ANSWER FOR HIM

Little Comfort for Candidate in Reason Assigned by Wife for Her Being Confident.

Mr. Williams, one of five candidates for the office of sheriff in one of the northern counties of Wisconsin, was making a house-to-house canvass of rural districts soliciting votes. Coming to the house of Farmer Thompson, he was met at the door by the good housewife, and the following dialogue ensued:

"Is Mr. Thompson at home?"

"No, he has gone to town."

"I am very sorry, as I would have liked to talk to him."

"Is there anything I can tell him for you?"

"My name is Williams, candidate for sheriff, and I wanted to exact a promise from him to vote for me at the coming election."

"Oh, that will be all right. I know he will promise, for he has already promised four other candidates the same thing."—Norman E. Mack's National Monthly.

Absorbed.

A college professor noted for his concentration of thought, returned home from a scientific meeting one night, still pondering deeply upon the subject that had been discussed. As he entered his room he heard a noise that seemed to come from under the bed.

"Is there someone there?" he asked, absently.

"No, professor," answered the intruder, who knew his peculiarities.

"That's strange," muttered the professor. "I was almost sure I heard someone under the bed."

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SUGARED.



Kitty (blushing)—I am awfully sorry, Horace, and I only gave you that through revenge.

Harry (laughing)—It reminded me of revenge.

Kitty—In what way?

Harry—Well, you know, "revenge is sweet."

BACKACHE NOT A DISEASE

But a Symptom, a Dangerous Sign Which Every Woman Should Heed.

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roof of This is the Hard Work Necessary to Make Clear Some New Thought.

To the student of thought it is interesting to see how long a theory persists after its foundations have been undermined. One can almost say of theories that, like superstitions, they never die; says Professor Simon N.atten in the Popular Science month-

ly. They have at least nine lives and are killed again and again before their adherents can give them up. And the worst of it is that disproved theories have an especial attraction for the best minds. It is not poor thinkers, but good ones, that try to square a circle or to create perpetual motion.

Old thought is also well-formulated thought. It has a complete terminology and its shades of meaning can be expressed with accuracy. New thought must use terms that are unfamiliar to the public or are twisted somewhat from their popular meaning. A logical thinker let loose on a new topic can play havoc with the printed page of his opponent who has the facts, but does not have the language to express his view.

Only when one has tried to state some new thought does he realize how poor a vehicle language really is. He finds that most words are synonyms used to express old ideas in many

ways. None of them is free from implications that turn the reader back to the older view instead of helping him to break new ground. New thought does not get into the printed page until long after it is a reality to those who study nature instead of books.

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