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All's Well that Ends Well

Rousing Road Meeting.

Mr. Charles H. Johnson and Mrs. Elizabeth Noll were married at the Methodist parsonage by the pastor, Rev. S. J. Drake, Monday evening, and the young couple are receiving the congratulations of their many friends. The bridegroom is a young business man, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Johnson, and has a position as clerk in the Supreme state. His bride is the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Noll, and has a beautiful home in Kerr county. The happy pair are planning to spend their honeymoon in the beautiful city of San Antonio.

### Telegram Locals.

One morning at Westport, Tex., a young man named... (text continues with various local news items, including reports on road construction, local events, and community news).

Mr. James W. ... (text continues with more local news, including reports on local businesses and community activities).

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### A Happy Woman

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## Best Place in Kerrville to Buy Gifts

We have the Biggest and Best Stock of Solid Gold Jewelry ever shown in this city. Jewelry that will ornament and add charm to a lady's toilet---jewelry that can be depended upon to give a good account of itself.

WHAT TO GIVE HER	WHAT TO GIVE HIM	FOR THE FAMILY
<b>BRACELETS</b> Solid Gold, gift prices, \$24.00, \$20.00, 17.00, 15.00 and \$7.50. Gold Filled, gift prices, \$8.00, \$7.50, 7.00, 6.00 and 5.00.	<b>CUFF LINKS</b> Solid Gold, we have the new "They-Can't-Lose" style, gift prices, \$3.25, 4.50, 5.00, 5.25, and 6.00. Gold End, Gold Front and Gold-Filled, gift prices, \$3.75, 3.00, 2.00, 1.75, 1.00, 75c and 25c.	<b>CLOCKS</b> We are making a specialty of fine eight-day clocks this year; we have the chime clock, the half hour strike on cup bell and the hour on cathedral gong, the plain black enameled clock and the ornamented clock; gift prices, \$5 to \$8.00. The ordinary Nickel Alarm Clocks, the musical alarm, the eight-day alarm and last, but not least, the BEN; gift prices, \$1.25 to 2.50.
<b>GOLD NECKCHAINS</b> In curb, rope and fancy patterns; gift prices, \$12.50, 12.00, 8.75, 7.50, 5.00 and 3.50.	<b>SCARF PINS</b> Signet Pins, Cameo Pins, Fancy Set Pins; gift prices, \$3.75, 3.00, 2.50, 2.00 and 1.25.	<b>CLOCKS</b> The ordinary Nickel Alarm Clocks, the musical alarm, the eight-day alarm and last, but not least, the BEN; gift prices, \$1.25 to 2.50.
<b>LA TAUSCA BEAD NECKLACE</b> with Gold Mountings, a beautiful present, gift price 7.50.	<b>COLLAR BUTTONS</b> The "One-Piece Never-Break" kind in Solid Gold and Gold-Filled gift prices, 25c, 1.25, 1.75 and 2.25.	<b>KNIVES and FORKS</b> The best in Rogers goods, also Sterling Silver.
<b>SET RINGS</b> Mounted with Pearls, Opals, Rubies, Garnets, Topazes and other stones; gift prices, \$2.25, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00 and up to 15.00.	<b>MANICURE SETS</b> Sterling Silver, mounted; gift prices, 6.00 and 10.00.	<b>KNIVES and FORKS</b> The best in Rogers goods, also Sterling Silver.
<b>WATCHES</b> In Solid Gold, fitted with Elgin, Waltham and South Bend Movements; gift prices, \$20.00, 28.50 and up to 38.50.	<b>JEWEL BOXES</b> In Ormolu Gold and Quadruple Silver; gift prices, 5.00 and 9.00.	<b>KNIVES and FORKS</b> The best in Rogers goods, also Sterling Silver.
<b>WHIST WATCHES</b> , gift prices 7.00 and 14.00.	<b>Watches</b> , gift prices 22.50 and 27.50, 8.00 and 12.00.	<b>KNIVES and FORKS</b> The best in Rogers goods, also Sterling Silver.
<b>UMBRELLAS</b> Silk Tops with beautiful Gold Filled Handles, a very appropriate article for any lady; gift prices, \$7.50, 8.00 and 12.00.	<b>Watches</b> , gift prices 10.00 and 12.50.	<b>KNIVES and FORKS</b> The best in Rogers goods, also Sterling Silver.
<b>LOCKETS</b> Solid Gold, round and heart shapes; gift prices, \$5.00, 6.00, 7.50, 8.00, 10.00 and 14.00.	<b>Watches</b> , gift prices 5.00 and 12.00.	<b>KNIVES and FORKS</b> The best in Rogers goods, also Sterling Silver.
<b>LOCKETS</b> Gold Shell and Filled, Roman and bright; gift prices, \$2.00, 2.25, 3.00, 4.00 and 5.00.	<b>Watches</b> , gift prices 12.50 and 15.00.	<b>KNIVES and FORKS</b> The best in Rogers goods, also Sterling Silver.
<b>LOCKETS</b> Some handsome designs in genuine diamonds and pearls; gift prices, \$11.00, 12.00 and 15.00.	<b>Watches</b> , gift prices 15.00 and 20.00.	<b>KNIVES and FORKS</b> The best in Rogers goods, also Sterling Silver.
<b>LOCKETS</b> The links of the chains are all hard soldered---not cheap stuff; they are just the thing for the little lady; gift prices, \$2.25, 2.55, 2.65 and 3.50.	<b>Watches</b> , gift prices 20.00 and 25.00.	<b>KNIVES and FORKS</b> The best in Rogers goods, also Sterling Silver.

## SELF'S JEWELRY and KODAK STORE

### Death of Mrs. N. H. James.

Death, which has all seasons for its own, has saddened many hearts on the eve of the holiday season by removing from this life Mrs. Eugenia M. Pyatt James, the beloved wife of N. H. James, one of the oldest and most highly esteemed citizens of Kerr county. Mrs. James had been ill for several weeks and her condition becoming more serious she was on Friday last removed to the city hospital in the hope that an operation would restore her health. But the best medical skill and most tender nursing could not stay the malady, and on Saturday evening she entered the peaceful sleep of death. Her body was removed to the family home six miles north of Kerrville and on Sunday afternoon was laid at rest in the Nichols cemetery.

Religious services were held by Rev. S. J. Drake, pastor of the Methodist Church at Kerrville, and the burial services of the Eastern Star were also read at the grave. Mrs. James was a devoted member of the Methodist church and also of the Order of Eastern Star, and the esteem in which she was held by the members of the Eastern Star lodge of Kerrville and other friends from other portions of the county who attended the burial.

Mrs. James was born in Panola County, Texas, May 2, 1863, and was married February 13, 1884. Besides her devoted husband she leaves three sons, Frank, Sam and Henry and one daughter, Miss Mattie, and they have the heartfelt sympathy of all their neighbors and of people wherever the family is known.

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On motion of Arthur Real the thanks of the meeting were tendered to Judge Kone for his splendid address and for his kindness in having the contents to keep his appointment. The Judge responded that it was a great pleasure to him to come and be thanked, and present for their undivided attention given him.

There was not a dissident note, a dissenting voice. The city of Kerrville has voted a bond issue of \$20,000 and its streets are now being put in line condition from the proceeds. The city has the best and most equipped school buildings at any city in the State of its population and will soon have public high schools to boot. And the people of Kerrville feel a pride in their city as well as in their own beautiful city, which would prosper without the aid of the farmers and ranchmen, and we feel reasonably assured that they will heartily support the movement for good roads throughout the county so judiciously begun by the united action of the public spirited Farmers Institute.

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Judge Ed R. Kone, Commissioner of Agriculture, always meets old friends when he visits Kerrville. When a young lawyer, 25 years ago, he attended court here. Mrs. Kone is a sister of Judge W. W. Martin, who formerly resided at Kerrville. Judge Kone was county judge of Hays county 25 years, and from this position he was promoted to his present position.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK

INTERESTING ITEMS OF PRESENT  
IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS.

## STATE, NATIONAL AND FOREIGN

Short Items Telling of the Latest In-  
teresting Doings and Happenings  
on Our Globe.

### WASHINGTON.

Secretary Stimson told the house committee on military affairs Wednesday about the plans of the government for fortifications of Hawaii through work back of Pearl Harbor, and about plans for guarding the Panama canal on land by troops stationed along it, as well as its two ends. The protecting force would muster 10,000 or 15,000 men.

Denunciation of the legal procedure under which "a brown-skinned, black-skinned, thick-lipped, brutal-hearted African can walk into an office of the law and demand an edict granting him legal marriage to a white woman," was one of many salient features of a speech in the house Wednesday by Representative Roddenberry of Georgia in favor of a resolution he had introduced earlier to prohibit intermarriage of whites and negroes. Mr. Roddenberry prophesied that the legal sanction of mixed marriages ultimately might bring this country to a conflict. He declared that "no brutality, infamy or degradation in all the days of Southern slavery possessed such villainous characteristics and atrocious qualities as the permission of that marriage by the laws of this country."

An understanding for a recess of congress for the Christmas holidays, from December 19 until January 2, was reached Wednesday between senate and house leaders.

Representative Smith of Texas Wednesday introduced a bill to appropriate \$40,000 for barracks at Fort Bliss, so as to enable that post to quarter a full regiment of cavalry.

The treasury department Tuesday drew a warrant for \$120,000 to pay for the purchase of the Franklin canal at El Paso. This canal is needed by the reclamation service as part of the Elephant Butte dam project, and will be part of the distributing system through El Paso County.

All persons convicted in the United States courts and later pardoned or acquitted would have the right to apply for pecuniary indemnification for defamation of character brought about by their conviction by the terms of a bill introduced Wednesday by Senator Sutherland. The amount to be paid would be determined by the court of claims, but in no instance would they exceed \$5,000.

E. L. Cornelius, assistant sergeant at arms of the senate, was made sergeant at arms Wednesday to succeed the late Colonel Daniel M. Damsell of Indianapolis.

The Kentucky delegation in the house Monday took action in the matter of organizing what at a caucus of the delegation Champ Clark was endorsed for speaker, Oscar Underwood for chairman of the committee on ways and means, Representative Henry of Texas for chairman of the committee on rules, and Representative Stanley of Kentucky as a member of the ways and means committee to fill the vacancy caused by the election of Representative Ollie James to the United States senate.

Great Britain's formal note of protest against that section of the Panama canal act which exempts American coastwise shipping from payment of tolls for passing through the Panama canal, a document written by Sir Edward Grey, British minister for foreign affairs, was presented to Secretary of State Knox Monday by the British ambassador.

### STATE AND DOMESTIC NEWS.

Several hundred striking New York, Susquehanna and other Eastern railroad employes, ambushed under the palisades overlooking the lower Hudson river at Hackensack, N. J., opened fire with shotguns and rifles on a boatload of strikebreakers landing at coal docks in Edgewater Wednesday, and in a pitched battle which ensued two railway detectives were killed, William Glass, inspector of detectives, probably will die, and a dozen other men were wounded.

An East Texas Good Roads Association was organized at a rousing convention held at Longview, Texas, Tuesday.

A new motor car service will be inaugurated soon by the Santa Fe, possibly between Cleburne and Dallas.

Bay City strawberries are ripening and the first of the season were exhibited on the streets of that Texas city Wednesday.

Discussion at the Panama canal conference, which brought business men from all over the South to Atlanta, Ga., Wednesday, crystallized into a well-developed sentiment in favor of a ship subsidy. While the conference did not place itself on record as favoring a subsidy, an effort was made to have a committee on resolutions appointed to consider a resolution in advocacy of such legislation.

Carl Morris of Oklahoma, the original "white hope," knocked out Bob Williams of New York in the third round of their stated eight-round bout at Chattanooga, Tenn., Tuesday.

Mayor Blankenburg of Philadelphia, when presented with a petition Wednesday signed by more than 500,000 children of California, asking that the Liberty Bell be placed on exhibition at San Francisco during the Panama Exposition, said that he personally was in favor of the project.

Luther McCarty of Springfield, Mo., won the heavyweight championship elimination contest at Vernon arena, Los Angeles, Cal., Tuesday night from Jim Flynn, the Pueblo fireman. The battle ended in the sixteenth round.

Twenty thousand dollars in gold was the haul of two robbers who held up the express car of the Sunset western train, bound from Bakersfield to Taft, Cal., Monday night. The money was consigned to the First National bank of Taft by the First National bank of Bakersfield.

The governor of Texas has prepared an employers' liability bill which he will send to the legislature. He is giving the measure careful study. Probably the main feature in the proposed law is that no lawyer shall collect a fee of more than 10 per cent of the amount recovered.

The Texas State canvassing board Saturday completed the work of canvassing the returns for presidential electors in the November election. The total vote was 301,788. The total vote of each party, taking the vote of the highest elector of each, was as follows: Democratic, 219,483; republican, 28,530; progressive, 26,745; socialist, 24,896 prohibition, 1,698; socialist labor, 430. George D. Armistead of San Antonio, democratic elector at large, received the highest vote, 219,483. Felix J. McCord, democratic elector at large, was second with 219,334. The Taft republicans were second in the race, receiving a majority of 1,788 over the progressives.

Albert T. Patrick is on the verge of a nervous collapse at the country home of John T. Milliken, his millionaire brother-in-law in St. Louis, who spent more than \$150,000 to obtain a pardon for the attorney, who was serving a life sentence in Sing Sing for the murder of William Marsh Rice, a Texas millionaire.

With foreign exports totaling \$55,037,426 during November of the present year, a new record in the value of one month's business was established at the port of Galveston. It is probable also that it is the largest month's business in values that has ever been done at any American port, exclusive of New York, and indicates the importance of Galveston among the ports of the country.

The total value of the production of the mines and wells in Texas during the month of November was approximately \$1,925,909, a decrease under the preceding month of \$23,900, or 1.53 per cent. The mines in the State produced 90,000 tons of coal, while the wells produced 1,045,000 barrels of oil.

According to the annual report of W. G. Sterett, game, fish and oyster commissioner, there were 103,370 barrels of oysters and 2,673,267 pounds of fish gathered during the season of 1912 in Texas. The value of the 1912 catch is estimated at \$10,250,000, a slight decrease under 1911.

Roosevelt carried California by 174 votes, according to complete returns at hand Saturday.

The gross wealth of Texas increased \$80,785,000 during the month of November, a decrease of \$70,618,650, or 46.6 per cent under the preceding month, according to statistics compiled by the Texas Commercial Secretaries and Business Men's Association. Agriculture, which was the leading source of increased wealth during the month, shows a total of \$53,990,000, a decrease under October of \$70,225,650, or 56.5 per cent.

### FOREIGN NEWS.

Rebel forces mobilized below Juarez, Mexico, have evaded the two federal columns moving against them.

The British steamer Morien, with a crew of twenty men, is believed to have been lost in one of the recent storms. No news of the steamer has been received since she left Louisville, Quebec, November 16 with a cargo of coal for Placentia, N. F.

Owing to the refusal of the governor of Soutari to recognize the armistice, the Montenegrins have also decided to disregard it. As a consequence, hostilities were resumed Monday at Tara-bosch, where the Turks were repulsed with losses.

Important changes have taken place in the Austria-Hungarian war department. General Auffenberg, the minister of war, resigned Monday.

Nine men are believed to have been killed Monday when a snow slide on Copper mountain, Colorado, Alaska, carried away eleven buildings of the Great Northern Development Company. Eleven men were buried under the avalanche and only two have been recovered alive.

All doubts were swept away Monday of the possibility of Great Britain curtailing her own naval program because of the gift by Canada, to the British empire of three powerful battleships at a cost of \$35,000,000.

A sensation has been created in British scientific circles by advices received from Sir Martin Conway, Professor William Niven and Senor Ramon Mena of the discovery of absolute Mongolism remains only a couple of hours' walk from the City of Mexico, thereby confirming the hypothesis that has long been held that the ancient civilizations of Mexico and Peru proceeded that of the Toltecs and the Aztecs were of Mongolian origin.

The government factory at Dynamita, thirty miles northwest of Torreon, Mexico, fell into the hands of rebels Friday. A train for Dynamita was turned back and communication with the place has been cut.

The mausoleum of the house of Savoy in the Superga, the royal burial church at Turin, has been broken into and the tomb of the dowager duchess of Genoa profaned. The dowager duchess was the mother of Queen Margherita and the grandmother of King Victor Emmanuel. She died last August.

The first regiment of the Greek army landed Saturday at Sani Quaranta, on the coast of Epirus, opposite Corfu, under the protection of the fleet. The Greek flag was hoisted. The Turkish authorities submitted without resistance.

Oil producers and refiners in the Tampico, Mexico, fields will lose many thousands of dollars because millions of wild ducks have migrated to Mexico since the advent of cold weather and hundreds of thousands of them have alighted in the great lakes of oil and perished there. These unnumbered flocks of dead water fowl have ruined the crude oil, which because of the decomposed animal matter can not be refined.

Fourteen soldiers and civilians were injured Friday in England by the bursting of a 3.5-inch gun which was being tested on the Gentry ranges.

## MAKING FOR HEALTH

SYSTEMATIC DAILY EXERCISE A NECESSITY OF LIFE.

Future Health of Children Depends Largely Upon the First Years of Their Upbuilding—Fresh Air the Vital Point.

It is really pathetic to see young girls and women who for the want of a little systematic daily exercise are thin, pallid and weak. Many women are really not what they make themselves believe they are. At the slightest exertion they say they are fatigued—all fagged-out, unable to do anything else for the rest of the day. This feeling is really just a habit that they have acquired and should get rid of as soon as possible. If you want to live long and be healthy get the notion out of your head that every little thing tires you all out, and that it is impossible to do more than a few regular, necessary little duties every day.

Unless a woman is bodily ill or crippled there is no reason why she cannot send the blood bounding through all her veins in such a manner as to stamp the glow of health upon her entire body. Mothers of large families with a household to superintend have not much time, I know, but it is their duty to see that their children take some form of exercise daily aside from the regular routine. Their future health and life depend upon it. Dozens and dozens of sickly and consumptive children are being saved yearly by hygienic habits, fresh air, sunshine and exercise.

It is not necessary to adopt exercises which take up a great deal of time unless one wishes to and has the time to give, nor is it necessary to have all sorts of apparatus to obtain the best results in exercising. One of the best built women I ever saw told me the other day that she exercised ever since she could remember, and never had any bought instruments for her work. Everything was home-made. To their use and to sunshine and pure, fresh air, she owes all that she is today.

It is an easy thing to add a simple exercise to one's regular toilet work in the morning and again a little at night before retiring. It may be just learning to breathe properly. Yet this alone can save you from a cold or perhaps something more serious. In the morning when you awake, if possible, have someone come into your room before you rise and throw wide your windows if they have not been fully open throughout the night. Lie limp in bed. Inhale through the nose. Fill your lungs to their fullest capacity, and then slowly exhale. Do this at least four times or six if you wish. Just before retiring at night, and without any restrictive clothing, stand at an open window with hands on hips, thumbs pointed backward and while inhaling rise slowly upon the toes; hold the breath while counting three, and slowly, while exhaling, drop back upon the feet. Repeat a half dozen times. Six minutes night and morning is all that is necessary. The true value of that twelve minutes of exercise every day, if continued for five or six months, will be so fully apparent that if it required twice the amount of time you could not be tempted to give it up.

If the coming generation is to be strong and healthy the present one must pave the way and to do this parents and children alike must take some active exercise.

## IN VELVET AND VELVETEEN

Gorgeous Wraps Are to Be a Feature of Styles That Will Mark the Coming Season.

Velvet and velveteen are to be used again this winter in the composition of comfortable and handsome outer wraps. These have many points of usefulness, which fully accounted for their great popularity last year and in the spring. They are, however, only suitable for wearing over short skirts which do not need hooding, and even so they are apt to be in the way on muddy days, for it is very difficult to cleanse mud stains from velvet.

On the other hand, they frequently save the trouble of changing the dress, since they lend a sufficiently afternoon appearance to the figure even when they are worn over comparatively plain costumes. They also form an admirable background for furs, with a glimpse of lace at the throat.

A smart model has a turned-back collar of sailor shape not extended in fold revers to the waist, which forms a pleasant change. On the waist line is fastened by a motif of folded black velvet and braid, and to this fastening it is drawn slightly up in fullness from the right to the left side. This gives it a very up-to-date air for anybody who has the patience to be eternally brushing.

### Face of Serge.

If any who are puzzled to determine which is the right side of serge will follow this rule, given me some years ago by a worker in cloth, the difficulty will vanish, says a contributor to Needlecraft. Whenever there are diagonal lines in the weave, as in serge, or in the pattern, as in some suitings, these lines run from the upper right-hand corner to the lower left-hand, on the right side. In many materials other than serge, these diagonal lines may be seen, such as merino, cashmere, and even broadcloth, though not so evident in the latter.

### Window Basket.

A beautiful yet inexpensive hanging basket can be made by cutting off a good-sized carrot about four inches from the top; hollow out the cut end to form a sort of cup; put a small stick through the carrot and hang the carrot filled with water and in a short time the beautiful fern-like leaves will appear and grow up over the carrot, says the Ladies' World. Try this now and have an attractive bit of green in your window next winter.

## Social Forms and Entertainments



### A Budget of Queries.

Will you please tell me if it is necessary to thank or express your pleasure to a young gentleman each time after he has taken you to a place of amusement providing you have been going with him steady?

Also, is it proper for a girl of eighteen to allow a young man to kiss her good night if she has been going with him steady for only four months?

Should a gentleman ask to call on a girl each time he wishes to see her, or is it a girl's privilege to ask him to come and see her.—E. S. H. and P. J. H.

It is always polite to thank a person who has shown you any attention, even if that person be a well-known friend. I consider it decidedly improper to kiss a man good night, and respectfully in him to ask it. He has no right to your kisses and will respect you much more if you hold yourself in reserve. It is not necessary to ask permission to call every time, for among good friends it is understood that they are welcome.

### Questions From "Brown Eyes."

I am very much interested in your corner of the paper and would like to ask you a few questions.

My birthday is in December, on the 15th. I would like to invite a few of my girl friends in the afternoon and some of my boy friends in the evening. I will be sixteen and will have them come on either Saturday or Monday.

How should I word the invitations?

What shall I have for refreshments for the girls and boys after supper? How should I entertain them?

For this party I think I would ask the guests, tell the girls you want them to come in the afternoon and the boys in the evening for the ice cream and birthday cake.

After all have arrived why not have charades, acting out the words, coffee (cough fee), dramatic (dram-atic), strouce (str-e-cure). You will find this makes good fun.

### A Suitable Toast.

Please give me a good toast to give at a Christian Endeavor society gathering.—X. Y. Z.

Try this, seems to me it ought to do very nicely:

To those who have passed me on the highway and gave greeting.

To the possible friends who have come my way whose eyes lingered as they fell on mine.

May they ever be eager with youth, and strong with fellowship.

May they never miss a welcome or want a comrade.—McGee.

### Engaging the Minister.

Have read your valuable information in answer to questions, and I want to ask you a few questions myself. When both parties concerned in a marriage attend the same church, which should engage the minister to perform the ceremony?—A. M. H.

In the instance mentioned, where both go to the same church, I think it would be best for the two to call together, or the "man in the case" may go alone, or the arrangements could be made by a letter to the minister from the bridegroom-elect.

### Luncheon Menu.

I would be most grateful if you would outline for me a simple but correct luncheon menu.—Janet.

Bullion. Breadsticks.  
Chicken Croquettes. Green Peas.  
Creamed Potatoes. Finger Rolls.  
Waldorf Salad.  
Wafers. Neufchatel Cheese.  
Ice Cream. Claret Sauce.  
Small Angel Cakes.  
Coffee.

### Guest Book Verses.

Kindly give me through your column verses suitable for a guest book.—A Daily Reader.

I think either of these quotations suitable:

"Dear Lord, I thank thee for my friends."

"Give to the world the best you have, and the best will come back to you."

### To Use Advertisements.

Will you kindly tell me how to use advertisements at a party as a contest? By using a picture, should they know the manufacturer?—J. A.

Use just the picture with the name of manufacturer left off. It is astonishing how much we do not know when it comes to guessing "ads," although they may be seen every day and all are familiar.

### Large Flowers Worn.

In the spring we were all wearing tiny bunches of flowers. Now, with a graceful incongruity, we are pinning larger bunches on our tailored coats and among our furs. Whenever possible these breast bouquets are of real flowers—a cluster of carnations or roses. Even chrysanthemums and asters have been worn, though these are generally used to adorn the muff rather than the person of the wearer. A very pretty and delightfully unseasonable posy was made up from brown pansies. It is an odd notion to wear artificial flowers in summer and real in winter, but fashion has its whims and this is rather a charming one.

## RAISING OF CHICKENS

South Has Many Advantages Over North in Poultry.

Best Results Obtained by Knowledge of Business and Keeping Good Stock, Comfortably Housed and Given Proper Food.

The advantages of the south over the north for the raising of poultry are many. Among these advantages are a longer growing season, insuring more insects and green feed for the fowls in range, more moderate winter climate, which enables the poultryman or farmer to put up cheaper buildings, and an abundance of cheap land well adapted to poultry-keeping. These natural advantages, however, require the fulfillment of other conditions in order to achieve success in the poultry industry or make poultry-keeping pay.

For the best results a knowledge of the poultry business and the keeping of good stock, comfortably housed and properly fed are necessary. On southern farms a large part of the profit which may be made from poultry comes by the utilization of waste products which the fowls should find for themselves, and though the general-purpose breeds, such as the Plymouth Rocks, Wyandottes and Rhode Island Reds, are not so good foragers as the Leghorns, they are better adapted to farms. Fowls should have free range, preferably a range providing both upland and lowland. This gives ideal conditions, for the fowls will choose their own ground to suit the season. The important conditions relating to poultry houses are dryness, plenty of sunlight, good ventilation and movable appliances. Portable houses are very useful on southern farms and have given good results. Whatever kind of house is used, it should be thoroughly disinfected at least once a year. For the best development of the stock and the highest production of eggs fowls should be provided with grains and their products, green feeds and animal feeds. In winter sprouted oats and skim milk or buttermilk makes a

good animal feed for egg production any time of the year.

Hens are preferred to incubators on southern farms for hatching chicks, and only the strongest and best stock should be used for breeding purposes. A profitable line of the industry that is capable of greater development in the south is the production of broilers for market. Chickens intended for this purpose should have a fattening ration, with plenty of corn meal and a limited green range. In sorting the stock at this time, the farmer very often makes a serious mistake in taking the largest and best developed chickens for market and keeping the smaller and poorer chickens for his own use. This may bring better money returns for the time being, but a few generations of this practice will bring the whole flock to the level of the culls. Against this common practice in the south farmers cannot be too earnestly cautioned.



Pair of White Plymouth Rocks.

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## GROW SOY BEAN FOR SILAGE

Combined With Corn Makes Better Balanced Than Litter Alone—May Be Grown in Mixture.

A number of farmers have been successful in growing soy beans for silage, supplementing corn silage. The advantage of such a combination lies in the fact that soy beans are richer in nitrogen than corn. A combination of corn and soy bean silage therefore makes a more evenly balanced feed than corn silage alone. It should not be inferred that a mixture of the two crops will make unnecessary or unprofitable to feed grain in the ration; but in practice it has been found possible to reduce the amount of grain fed to dairy cows and maintain the milk flow if a portion of the ensilage consists of soy bean fodder. The digestibility of soy beans compares favorably with that of alfalfa and clover. Ensilage made from corn and soy beans has been found more digestible than that made from Dent corn alone.

The corn and soy beans may be grown for silage separately, or in mixture. Many farmers follow and advocate the latter practice, but it has been found, that the beans are apt to be crowded out in the competition with corn when the two are grown together.

## Corn Silage.

The fermentation of corn silage is essentially the change of sugar into several acids. The most important change is the conversion of the sugar by lactic acid bacteria into lactic acid.

## Drafts in Barns.

The little, speaking, sitting passages of air that come into the dairy barn through the small cracks chill the cows and check the milk flow worse than if the animals were right out in the open.

## Ground Charcoal.

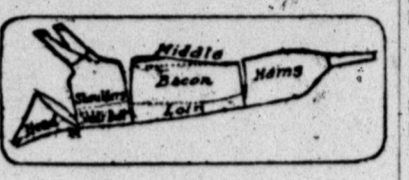
There is nothing better than ground charcoal to correct slight bowel trouble in chickens.

## PUT UP MEAT SUPPLY

Farmers Can Save Money by Providing for Next Year.

Of Two Methods of Treatment Dry Cure is Considered Superior for Securing Highest Quality and Richest Flavor.

Pieces of all kinds of meat are likely to be higher than ever next year. This winter farmer folks can make a big saving by putting up their own meat supply for next year. There are two methods in curing meat, the dry cure and the brine cure. Both are good, but for production of the highest quality and richest flavor the dry



Cutting Up a Hog.

cure is superior. Brine destroys a considerable quantity of the soluble protein in meat, and that is what gives the flavor. Any piece of meat soaked, or even wet, is never again as good as it was. This is the approved dry cure used by President Waters of Kansas Agricultural College, whose home-cured hams are famous.

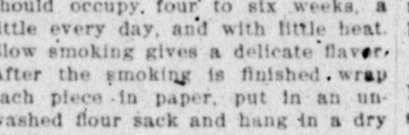
To 1,000 pounds of meat take the following: Common salt, 40 pounds; New-Orleans sugar, 10 pounds; black



One Man Hog Hoister.

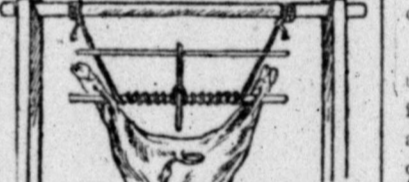
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Hog Hoisted.

2 pounds brown sugar and 2 ounces saltpeper. Dissolve in 4 gallons of water and cover the meat with it. Thin slices should remain in this four to six weeks and hams six to eight weeks. After it has dried thoroughly smoke as in the dry cure.



Hog Hoisted.

A bean in the windpipe caused the death of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Allen of McLean. The child was under surgical treatment almost a week at Amarillo, Texas, but all efforts to dislodge the foreign substance proved futile.

The contract for the building of a sewage and water plant at Nuevo Laredo has been let and work will soon begin. The improvement will call for an expenditure of \$100,000 gold.

The methods now prevailing in the delivery of bread to consumers will be changed all over Texas if the purposes of Dr. James S. Abbott, state chemist, are not frustrated. It is probable that the new regulation will require the wrapping of every loaf and package in clean paper before being loaded into the wagons which take it to the consumer.

On behalf of the Longview Motor and Good Roads club, the county commissioners' court and the Longview chamber of commerce, an invitation will be extended to the county judges of several East Texas counties to meet at Longview December 10 to hold a good roads convention.

The board of municipal commissioners of Dallas gave its approval to a petition submitted by the Dallas Automatic Telephone company to increase its capital stock \$200,000 and to issue additional bonds to the extent of \$250,000.

The city commissioners of Fort Worth unanimously accepted an offer of \$20,000 for 951 acres of land in Parker county, purchased several years ago for the reservoir site for a sum of \$50,000.

The Austro-American steamer Lucia sailed Monday from Galveston for Barcelona, Venice and Trieste, carrying what is said to be the largest cargo of cotton ever taken out of Galveston to these ports. The cargo consists of about 21,000 bales of cotton and sixty standards of lumber. The value of the cargo runs over \$1,000,000.

A new industry that promises much for Comanche county has just been developed. Some time since J. P. Kearby sent off a sample of sand to be tested as a glass sand, and it was discovered that the sand was a fine quality of glass sand. It is found in inexhaustible quantities near Comanche, and as a result, some twenty cars of this glass sand has already been shipped, and he is now shipping glass sand at the rate of a car a day, and plans are under way to establish a plant here to manufacture glass.

## TEXAS NEWS

GATHERED EVERYWHERE

Waco has raised a bonus of \$50,000 for a new hotel in that city.

Work has begun on the Tyler Electric street railway system.

It is reported that parties at Gainesville have secured a site for an iron foundry there.

A movement is on at Bonham to secure an interurban line from that city to Greenville.

It is understood that Beaumont will get a five-story modern brick office building to cost about \$200,000.

Work is progressing on the new Cleburne post office, which will cost \$77,815, not including furniture or lock boxes.

The Texas and Pacific railroad has established an agricultural demonstration farm near Marshall. The farm will consist of 40 acres.

The citizens of San Antonio are organizing and planning a campaign to carry the \$5,000,000 proposed bond issue for public improvements.

Temple's new postoffice building has been completed and occupied. The structure cost \$66,884.91, exclusive of the site, furniture or lock boxes.

The Carnegie Library commission of New York has agreed to donate \$15,000 for a library in Gainesville, provided the city raises \$1,500 a year as maintenance.

The city council of Paris has employed an engineer to draw plans and specifications for a garbage disposal plant in that city, to cost about \$4,500.

Contracts for street improvements at Sherman have been let that call for an expenditure of over \$100,000.

The trustees of Baylor college at Waco have decided to expend \$20,000 for additional dormitory room and other needs.

Fire destroyed 200 bales of cotton on the platform of the Wichita compress at Wichita Falls. Six thousand bales were saved. The damage totaled about \$10,000.

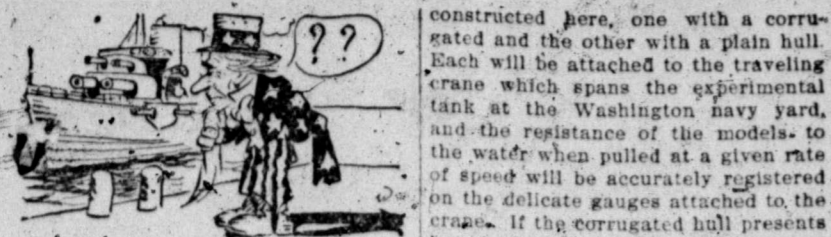
A large warehouse containing about 800 sacks of rough rice, 2,000 bushels of corn and a number of farm implements, on the Harmon rice canal, six miles west of Orange, was destroyed by fire.

The machinery and building of the Missouri, Oklahoma and Gulf railroad shops with two new locomotives burned at Muskogee, Okla., causing a loss of \$25,000. Insurance was carried



# NATIONAL CAPITAL AFFAIRS

## Navy to Test Battleships With Corrugated Hulls

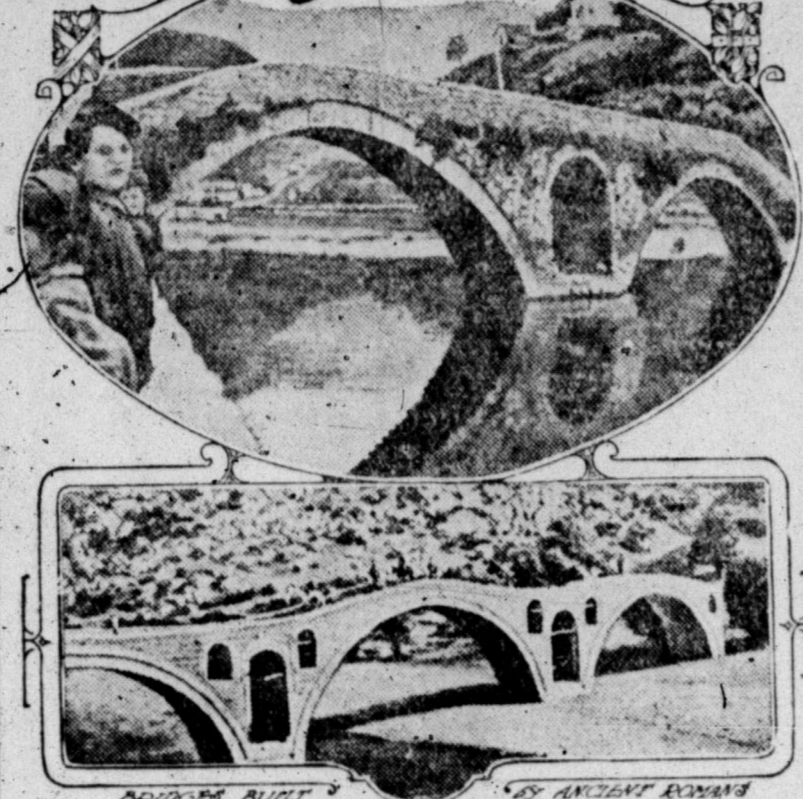


WASHINGTON—Corrugated battleships will be the subject of tests this winter by Naval Constructor David W. Taylor, on duty in the bureau of construction and repair, in the naval testing tank at the Washington yard. Four vessels for the intercast service have been built in England on this plan. Two outward curves, 22 inches deep, run the length of the ships between the load line and the bilge. Between the convex curves is a concave surface of equal depth. This partial application of the tube principle greatly increases the strength of the hull. So much strength is added that the stringer plates may be dispensed with. This increases the space available for bulk cargo. In addition, however, it is said that the corrugated hull saves fuel and lessens the effect of the steadiness of the ship.

English reports indicate that a corrugated hull will save 16 per cent in fuel over the cost of driving a smooth hull of equal displacement. Two models, of equal weight and dimensions, each about twenty feet long, will be constructed here, one with a corrugated and the other with a plain hull. Each will be attached to the traveling crane which spans the experimental tank at the Washington navy yard, and the resistance of the models, to the water when pulled at a given rate of speed will be accurately registered on the delicate gauges attached to the crane. If the corrugated hull presents less resistance to the water the fact will be instantly indicated on the gauges. No vessel of this type has yet been constructed in this country. The first corrugated vessel was built in England in 1909.

Capt. G. S. MacLachlan of the British navy recently asked the admiralty to make a test of corrugated ships. He spent a month on the Baltic in a ship in which the ordinary stiff keel keel is replaced by a keel bearing deep horizontal corrugations. His observations convince him that the corrugated ship is vastly superior to the ordinary type in strength, stability, speed and carrying capacity. Captain MacLachlan claimed that the idea of the corrugated ship was worked out by Arthur H. Haver, a naval architect. The seventh vessel of the kind to come into existence is now being built for Norway. The British officer says that a corrugated vessel is carried about twenty per cent further with the same amount of coal than a plain ship of similar dimensions. This is a warship means either increase in effective range or increase of armor, armament, etc.

# Tragic History of Old Byzantium



THE present struggle with Turkey calls one's mind back to an earlier world when all the countries now engaged in forcible, disputations were included in the Byzantine empire, which is also popularly known as the Greek empire and was founded in 285 A. D. when Theodosius the Great at his death divided the Roman Empire between his two sons, one of whom, Arcadius, was the first emperor of the Byzantine empire. This empire lasted for more than 1,000 years. Its capital was Byzantium, now Constantinople. Its greatest names are Justinian, who reigned from 527 to 565, and Leo the Isaurian, who seized the throne in 716. During the succeeding ages there were constant struggles with the Saracens and the Bulgarians. It was in the eleventh century that the Byzantine empire was threatened and its power broken by the Seljuk Turks. In 1204 the Franks and the Venetians captured Constantinople, and there was a period of western rule for nearly 50 years. The Turks did not place a permanent settlement in Europe by the taking of Gallipoli in 1354. In 1361 the Sultan "Amurath took Adrianople, and made it the seat of government. Ultimately Constantinople was captured by Mohammed II on May 29, 1453, when the Byzantine empire came to an end. From that time to this the Turkish empire in Europe has been a well-established fact, with many dramatic chapters, the last of which may perhaps be told in our day.

History of Ada-Kaleh. One of the oddities of Turkish history is the possession by the Ottoman Turks of an island in the Danube. It lies just where the southwest of Hungary near Roumania and Serbia. This little island fortress of Ada-Kaleh is Turkish territory. Its inhabitants are Turks, who are naturally Turkish. The jurisdiction of the sultan, yet the fortress on the island belongs to Austria-Hungary, who provides the garrison. The island, which is of great strategic importance, is situated in the middle of the Danube, just where it flows through high cliffs about half an hour's journey from the Iron Gates. In the center of the island is the Turkish settlement with its Oriental shops and coffee houses. These coffee houses are the scene of considerable life, especially on Fridays. The seven daughters of the Mohammedans. Though the tables are thickly thronged, there is no noise; little conversation is indulged in, most of the men merely quietly smoking their long pipes or drinking their Turkish coffee. Pretty girls sit about, maidens as yet unweaned, with beaded-remained fingernails and flowers in their hair. From the minaret of the mosque floats the Turkish flag.

Ada-Kaleh has had an interesting history, and played an important part in the Turkish wars of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. When Ludwig the Great thought of erecting a fortress at Orsova in 1717 the question of the island was considered, but was rejected, leaving it to its primitive forest, which served as a hiding place for robbers and river pirates. But in the year 1657, when the Turks were driven back from Vienna and pursued by Karl of Lothringen and Sobieski of Poland, these two great commanders were struck by the position of the island and ordered it to be fortified.

An interesting story in the Balkan Nation's Historical Figure Heard of Defeat Instead of Victory He Expected. Charles M. Harvey, describing some of the breathless moments in election history, recalls the almost forgotten excitement of Lincoln's nomination, when Lincoln was running against Seward, with the odds overwhelming in his favor. The World's Work says: Harvey pictures Seward at his home in Auburn, N. Y., waiting for the returns from the Chicago convention. "An immense throng had gathered in his grounds and on the streets near by to acclaim their distinguished fellow citizen. Democrats were there as well as Republicans. On the porch of his house, surrounded by many of his immediate friends, sat Seward, calm and confident. At their halcyon days flagged for permission to rise. Cannon, loaded, awaited the word from Thurlow Weed, Seward's manager at Chicago.

One Way of Killing a Flea. "To kill a flea," says the Scientific American, "the surest way would be to place him on one of those impenetrable tables used in naval warfare, and confine him there by means of cables fastened securely to each of his several legs; then to train upon him from as near a distance as would be feasible, an irresistible projectile from one of those twelve-inch guns."

Lemon Hint. Instead of throwing away hard dry lemons, put them in a pan of hot water and set it where it will maintain about the same degree of heat without boiling for two hours. When it is done, dried the lemons will be as soft and juicy and rich in flavor as though they had never grown hard—McCall's Magazine.

A Mere Surprise. "I see where the stork recently paid a visit to a sleeping porch." "Well! Well! I guess rich folk will now have their sleeping porches more thickly screened than ever."

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# NEW REGULATIONS FOR PARCELS POST

SYSTEM TO BE EFFECTIVE THROUGHOUT ENTIRE POSTAL SERVICE JANUARY 1.

## HIGHEST RATE IS 12C A POUND

Eleven Pounds—Maximum Weight. To Use Distinctive Postage Stamps. Mailed at Any Office—Maps to Be Sold.

Washington—Regulations to cover workings of the new parcel post system, which is to go into operation January 1 next, were made public by Postmaster General Hitchcock Friday.

The new system will be effective throughout the entire postal service at the same time and will affect every mail transportation route in the country. Every precaution will be taken by the postoffice department to have the mails moved with the usual dispatch and all postmasters, superintendents and inspectors have been directed to thoroughly familiarize themselves and their subordinates with every phase of the new system.

Mailed at Any Postoffice. The regulations provide that parcels of merchandise, including farm and factory products (but not books and printed matter) of almost every description up to eleven pounds in weight and measuring as much as six feet in length and girth combined, except those calculated to do injury to the mails in transit, may be mailed at any postoffice for delivery to any address in the country. Delivery will be made to the homes of people living on rural and star routes as well as those living in cities and towns where there is delivery by carrier. Where there is no carrier mail delivery by carrier parcels will go to the postoffice as in the case with ordinary mail.

Twelve Cents a Pound Maximum. The postage rate for the first zone that is within distances not exceeding fifty miles will be 6 cents for the first pound and 2 cents for each additional pound. Rates increase for each successive one of the eight zones into which the country is divided, the maximum rate being 12 cents a pound, which will carry a parcel across the continent, or even to Alaska and the Philippines.

For a fee of 10 cents a parcel may be insured and if the parcel is lost in the mails an indemnity to the amount of its value not to exceed \$50, will be paid to the sender.

The law provides for the use of distinctive postage stamps and there is now being distributed to postmasters for use in the parcel post system a set of stamps of twelve denominations, parcel post maps with accompanying guides are to be sold to the public at cost, 75 cents, through the chief clerk of the postoffice department.

Ruler of Bavaria Dead. Munich, Bavaria.—Luitpold, prince regent of Bavaria, died Thursday. The prince regent had been in failing health for several months. His death was not unexpected. Luitpold had lived a long and useful life as a German military leader when he was called upon in 1886 to take the throne of Bavaria, the second largest state in the German empire.

Snow, Quiet and Rain. San Antonio, Tex.—Snow, sleet and rain, accompanied by a bitter north wind, formed a combination Thursday that had the effect of placing practically every spot in Texas on the weather map. From heavy snow flurries in central and northern parts of the state to two and three-inch rains in the lower or southern half.

Peace Envoys Arrive in London. London.—The Greek, Servian and Montenegrin peace commissioners arrived in London Friday noon. They were greeted at the Charing Cross station by a cosmopolitan crowd, which included members of the various legations.

Selling 118,000 Acres of Indian Lands. McAlester, Okla.—The sale of 118,000 acres of unceded Indian lands began Thursday under the direction of J. George Wright, commissioner to the five civilized tribes. Over four hundred tribes were sold that day.

Miss May Sutton Married. Los Angeles, Cal.—Miss May Sutton, former world's champion tennis player, Friday became the bride of Thomas Clarke Bundy, National doubles champion, with Maurice E. McLoughlin of San Francisco.

Well at Saratoga Field. Saratoga, Tex.—Eleven hundred feet was found standing in the Houston Oil Company's well Thursday. The well is 1,500 feet deep and the oil is believed to be of a good quality.

Greeks Defeated in Battle. Rome.—The Tribuna and Giornale d'Italia publish telegrams from Ayvaz, reporting the receipt of a dispatch from Essad Pasha, the Turkish commander, that in fierce engagement, lasting two days, near Janina, the Greeks were defeated and compelled to retreat.

Former Minister Dies. Vienna.—Dr. von Rosa Esler, who held the portfolio of Austro-Hungarian minister of commerce in 1911, died Friday.

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# SMILES

RESOURCEFUL. He Had a Name.

In the club they were comparing the resourcefulness of their wives in difficult social situations. The man who lives in a Harlem flat had been a good listener, but he finally found an opening. "Yes," said he, "my wife isn't bad at that sort of thing. We were having some people to luncheon on Sunday last spring, and just at an hour when all the delicatessens were closed she discovered that she needed some mustard and didn't have a grain of it in the kitchen. And she isn't the sort that will borrow from people next door that she doesn't know. It was a bad fix, all right. But she got mustard enough."

"Went to the delicatessen man's house and routed him out, I suppose?" suggested a member from the Bronx. "Not much. Just went to the medicine closet, got down a box of ready-made mustard plasters, put 'em to soak, and squeezed enough of the hot stuff out."

"Good night," said the man from the Bronx. "What she meant." "So you think I smoke too much?" he asked, just to keep up a conversation that seemed to be languishing. "Not at all," she answered, not very skillfully concealing a yawn. "You said you thought so." "Pardon me. I don't think you are smoking too much."

"Didn't you say that I'd die if I didn't cut it down?" "Yes—that's what I said." "It took him a long time to get it, and then he was quite angry." "Dangerous Ground." "It was in the church yard. The morning sun shone brightly and the dew was still on the grass. 'Ah, this is the weather that makes things spring up,' remarked the passerby casually to an old gentleman seated on a bench. "Hush," replied the old gentleman. "I've got three wives buried here."

HIS SUGGESTION. "Wife—Henry, what shall I give up during Lent?" "Hubby—Well, Grace, I wish you would give up coaxing me for an auto, but I know you won't." "An Exclusive Noise." "His heart is filled with joy and mirth; The squeaking of his auto horn is like no other sound on earth."

A Contradiction. "There is one thing queer in British politics." "What's that?" "They bring out their whips for their own party when they want to beat the other one."

Broke the Monotony. "Yesterday," complained the Sunday school superintendent, "you boys sat through a twelve-minute game and you showed no signs of uneasiness. Yet here you cannot listen to me for thirty minutes without becoming restless. I can't understand why the ball game receives more serious attention."

All the Luxuries. "In our country poor people have luxuries. They wear good clothes and you will frequently see them at the theater sitting in seats just as good as those of the rich." "Sure. I know a landlady who bought her daughter a minor count for his beard and lodging."

Knew She'd Be Caught. "You think she loves you?" "I am sure of it. She told me last night that I might have a kiss if I could catch her." "But unless she permitted you to catch—" "Huh! She had on a hobble skirt!"

Peter's Handicap. "So you are thinking of calling your baby boy Peter. I wouldn't; I'd call him Paul." "Why so?" "He would have a better chance in life. It's Peter, you know, who is always robbed to pay Paul."

Unheeded. "Why is it that so few people heed the warnings about kissing being an unsanitary practice?" "I suppose it is because so few people do it for their health."

Lead Pipe Cinch. Traveler—Shall I have time to get a drink? Conductor—Yes, sir. Traveler—Can you give me a guarantee that the train won't start? Conductor—Yes, I'll take one with you.

Missed. Diner—Look, waiter! A gray hair in the soup! Waiter—Ah, M'sieur is like me. M'sieur regret also re leattle blonde cook who is gone?—Puck.

## Postal Deposit Savings Show Average of \$86

POSTMASTER General Frank H. Hitchcock made public the other day the latest available figures showing that the deposits in postal savings depositories have now reached the sum of \$28,000,000. The system was inaugurated January 3, 1913, but most of the deposits have been made within the last year.

The deposits represent 290,000 individuals, making an average of \$86 per depositor. The system is now operated in 12,773 postoffices, in every one of the forty-eight states, including 544 branch postoffices.

According to the figures compiled by the controller of the currency the total amount of the deposits in the savings banks of the country in 1911 was \$4,512,883,598. This amount was deposited in 1,844 banks by 9,794,547 individual depositors, and the average savings bank account for each depositor was \$46.09. Comparison of these statistics shows that the average amount held by each savings bank depositor was five times the average amount held by each postal savings bank depositor.

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ings bank of the United Kingdom in 1910 held \$12,668,566, out of a grand total of \$1,077,265,369 in private and postal savings banks. In round numbers the postal savings deposits in the United States are about one-half of one per cent of the combined deposits in postal depositories and savings banks, while in the United Kingdom the postal savings constitute about 1 1/2 per cent of the combined deposits in private and postal savings banks.

In France, according to the latest available figures, the postal savings in 1909 aggregated \$316,456,866, or an average of about \$57 for each depositor.

Postmaster General Hitchcock's figures show that 7,257 banks have qualified to receive postal savings funds.

## Army Officers on Detached Duty to Be Removed

It requires that any officer responsible for a failure to obey it to the full shall forfeit his pay and allowances. Consequently every officer who has not served at least two of the last six years in command of troops will have to return to his regiment before December 15. It has also been found by the law officers of the war department that about a third more of the officers on detached service will have to be removed within six months. A large number of officers are caught pretty severely by this order.

It is said that there are officers who have not been with their commands for years, as they have had full enough to keep them in easy jobs here in Washington, where they can do their stunts and not half try, and fill in the rest of the time doing society acts.

Washington society without its army and navy officers is mighty slow. There has always been feminine influence in the city, but plenty of the young men on detached duty in Washington. Of course, this order of congress is obligatory.

## Spanish Minister Rejoices in Fifty Suits, Etc.

IT was stated in an authentic quarter the other day that the Spanish minister, Senor Don Juan Riano, has 50 suits of clothes and a corresponding large number of accessories. Spacious and perfectly equipped quarters are required to accommodate the wardrobe, and in selecting the new legation special attention was paid to this feature.

The present legation, in New Hampshire avenue, has commodious dressing rooms, and closets for each suite, but such an outfit as Senor Riano's is ordered to be easily handled and accessible has to have a room to itself, and, if possible, one built for the purpose.

The garments are classified, and that they may be easily found an inventory is fastened on the door. According to the most advanced authorities "wet" and "dry" rooms are necessary for the complete wardrobe. The "wet" room removes the creases and takes the place of sponging; the "dry" room hardens the costume in the lines it has taken.

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Charles M. Harvey, describing some of the breathless moments in election history, recalls the almost forgotten excitement of Lincoln's nomination, when Lincoln was running against Seward, with the odds overwhelming in his favor. The World's Work says: Harvey pictures Seward at his home in Auburn, N. Y., waiting for the returns from the Chicago convention.

"An immense throng had gathered in his grounds and on the streets near by to acclaim their distinguished fellow citizen. Democrats were there as well as Republicans. On the porch of his house, surrounded by many of his immediate friends, sat Seward, calm and confident. At their halcyon days flagged for permission to rise. Cannon, loaded, awaited the word from Thurlow Weed, Seward's manager at Chicago.

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## PROOF POSITIVE.

Bronson—I noticed your wife sitting by the window sewing this morning. I thought you told me yesterday she was ill. Woodson—So she was, but today she's on the mend.

Equal to the Occasion. "We insist," said the suffragist speaker, her eyes flashing fire, "that we women have a natural and inalienable right to say who shall govern us, as men have!" "Pooh! Pooh!" exclaimed a rough looking man in the audience. "Which only shows," rejoined the suffragist, her stern features softening into a smile, "how true the scriptures are in saying that the poorer we have always with us."

Would Never Do. An actor, being unable to find work on the stage and needing his meals, finally obtained the promise of a conductor's job on the street car lines. "When do I report?" "At 4 a. m. sharp," said the manager. "Shades of Booth!" exclaimed the Theatopian. "I couldn't stand such hours. The fines would offset the salary. Why, I'd be late for rehearsal every day!"

Remembers Watch Faces. "Ah! an old friend," said the pawnbroker, as the young man handed him his watch. "I never hooked that watch before," declared the young man. "How do you have not, but somebody has." "How do you know it's the same timepiece?" "Because I have an excellent memory for faces."

Poems Without Rhyme. "Look, Louis! What beautiful hats! How cute they are—real poems!" "What a shame that my pockets have no rhymes for such poems!"—Succosco (Santiago, Chili).

GIRLS WILL BE GIRLS. Vivian—Isn't it bitter cold, dear? Violet—Terrible. My lips are almost frozen. Vivian—And where are you going? Violet—Oh! I am going down to get an ice cream soda. Come on and go.

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Christmas Sermon.

"I heard the bells on Christmas day, Their old familiar carols play, And wild and sweet, The words repeat, Peace on earth, good will to men."

Before our next issue Christmas, the world's greatest anniversary, will have come. It is the celebration of the birth of Christ, whose life and death and teaching set on march a faith that has never been equalled since the dawn of time—a faith in the Fatherhood of God and Brotherhood of man. Destroy faith in God, faith in our loved ones, in our friends and neighbors, and society would crumble and the world relapse into the darkness of barbarism. Truly, "by faith we live, move and have our being."

What would the world be without the religion taught and lived by Him whose anniversary Christmas celebrates; the religion not of mere form or ceremony, but the religion of love, charity, justice, mutual forgiveness and treatment of others as we would have them treat us.

Listen to the words of Ernest Renan, the great French biographer of Christ: "Oh, divine pioneer! Thou art a thousand times more alive and loved since thy death than during the days of thy pilgrimage. Thou shalt become so truly the corner stone of humanity that to tear thy name from this world were to shake it to its foundation." Yes, He has indeed become the consolation of the world. He brought light and immortality into the world. The poor, the fallen, the unfortunate lean upon him as a friend who pities their sorrows. Millions have gone down through the valley of the shadow of death with visions of His glory, and faith that they were nearer to Him and would again meet their loved ones at the dawn of eternal day.

During Christmas tide let us ever keep in mind the teaching and example of Him whose anniversary we celebrate. It should be a season of reverence as well as of joy and gladness; a season for generous deeds, good will and the blotting out of our lives all envy, malice and uncharitableness; a season to feel that we are all children of a common Father and with a common destiny; a season to think lovingly of the home and fireside; to reverence mothers whose tender love is divine; to visit, comfort and help our neighbors who are afflicted or in need, and to dimple with joy and gladness the cheeks of children, the blessed little apostles who teach us love, duty and hope, and whose happy laughter fills our hearts with joy.

And now The Advance wishes a happy and joyful Christmas to all, and that the Christmas spirit will live and grow until there shall be peace and good will in every heart.

THERE is only one moral law, and it is alike for man and woman.

Effects of Alcohol.

Lillian Russell, the famous actress and writer, now Mrs. A. P. Moore of Pittsburg, Pa., who writes for the Chicago Tribune, has this say on alcohol:

"Few people know from what alcohol is made. That it is made from grains, fruits and vegetables, is misleading. Alcohol is made from decayed matter and decay of any sort is poisonous. No one needs a stimulant. They often think they do, but a brisk walk in the fresh air is all the stimulant that any normal person requires for any sort of work. There is more exhilaration in God's air than in all the drink products known.

"People who can drink without it affecting them are obtuse and dull naturally, and although the alcohol does not intoxicate them it generally makes them quarrelsome and stubborn to an unpleasant degree. People with active brains need nothing to stimulate them more than a little appreciation and an intelligent listener. I have never seen a well person to whom alcohol in any form was beneficial."

"Remember that the stimulant that brings the blood to the cheeks steals it from the brain."

SANTA Claus is a little fat, jolly old man with flowing white beard and a face beaming with delight. He is the friend of good children and never fails to remember them Christmas. He never grows old and will live to bring joy and gladness to the little buds of humanity as long as childhood shall exist. God bless good old Santa Claus!

From Mahomet, the prophet of Allah: "Every good act is charity. A man's worth hereafter is the good he does in this world. When he dies people will say, 'What property has he left behind him?' But the angels will ask, 'What good deeds has he sent before him?'"

NEVER fear spoiling children by making them too happy. All good affections grow in the atmosphere of happiness.

FROM the Jewish Talmud: "Loving kindness is greater than laws, and the charities of life are more than all ceremonies."

Would it not be an appropriate Christmas gift to send The Advance a year to a friend? We hope to make it an acceptable one.

W. C. Elects Officers.

At regular meeting of Olive Grove 293 held Monday evening Dec. 16, 1912, the following officers were elected for the year 1913: Attendant, Mrs. Mary Adkins; Banker, Miss Alice Williamson; Guardian, Mrs. Lillah Moore; Clerk, Mrs. Elizabeth Mosty; Advisor, Miss Maggie Lowrance; Inner Sen., Miss Helen Doebl; Outer Sen., Miss Bertie Wells; Manager, 3 yr., Mrs. Mary Drake.

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Ravages of the Drink Scourge.

Paris, Dec. 16. Some idea of the appalling ravages made by the drink scourge in present-day France may be formed by the terrible series of statistics showing the relation between alcohol and madness which specialists attached to the principal Paris lunatic asylum have just made public.

These figures reveal that since 1868, when exact records were started, the proportion of male lunatics whose loss of reason is caused by drink has increased from 14 to 47 per cent; while on the female side the percentage has risen from less than 2 to 20.

"Most of these unfortunates," say the authors of the report, "are psychopaths descended from other alcoholics."

The writers conclude with the following statement, which is considered to have a particularly sinister bearing on the population question in this country:

"Of every thousand children born of alcoholics about one-third disappear either at birth or in the first two or three years, and among the survivors there are a large number of idiots, epileptics, many degenerates devoid of moral sense, and instinctively perverse creatures of abnormal impulses.

"It is enough to regard the great group of various species of mental degeneracy bequeathed by alcoholics to their children to be sure that alcoholism supplies the men's side of the Paris asylums with three-quarters of their population."

A young lawyer had been appointed by the court to defend a man charged with larceny. In his argument to the jury he pleaded for the acquittal of his client. He told of his innocent boyhood days of his good character, of his father, mother and brothers—in short he launched into a family history. The prisoner, an old darkey, had listened with growing uneasiness to his counsel's plea and as the attorney went on without a hint of stopping the negro was driven to desperation. Jumping to his feet he yelled to the court:

"I's guilty, yo' honor, I's guilty! De jury can't do no mo' dan send me to jail fo' six months, but if dat fool lawyer don' stop dey'll hang me, fo' suah!—Magazine of Fun

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Japonica Jottings.

Mr. Edgar Tedford, who has been visiting relatives and hunting in this community for the past week, returned to his home at Aransas Pass Saturday.

Mr. W. E. Taylor and family of San Saba arrived Saturday to spend the holidays with relatives here.

Mr. Cary Childs of Ingram was a pleasant visitor Sunday.

A majority of the citizens of this community were in Kerrville on business Monday.

Mr. W. H. Page took the last of his tomato crop to Kerrville Tuesday. Rather late for fresh tomatoes, don't you think?

There is some complaint among the farmers along the river valley that their tame turkeys are being killed by city sportsmen. Any man who can't tell the difference between a bronze gobbler and a wild turkey ought not to be allowed to carry a gun. DELTA.

What Does It Mean?

Next week the whole civilized world will unite in celebrating Christmas day.

Beginning as a tribute to the Son of God, it has become a popular holiday, entailing the exchange of gifts and entertainment.

In much of it there is nothing to remind us of the spirit of Christ and often the tendency is directly away from Him.

Believing that it will renew our gladness and give new meaning to the day to see what God means by His gift, the morning service next Sunday the 22nd at the Presbyterian church will be given to a study of what Christmas means.

The theme of the evening sermon, at 7 p. m. will be, "Whom is the Christ Gift For?"

The Presbyterian Sunday School Christmas tree and entertainment will be given Monday evening at 7:30 December 23rd.

W. P. Dickey.

The public school will give the usual holiday, closing tomorrow and opening again on Thursday, Jan. 2. A large number of the students and some of the teachers will leave Saturday to spend the holidays at their homes.

When you read this copy of the Advance, pass it along to your neighbor.

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Some Land Bargains

Having formed a partnership for the sale of real estate we offer a few good propositions below. This list will be added to each week as we have new propositions to offer. All properties listed with us at the owner's selling price will be advertised by us without charge.

No. 1. 2680 acres in ranch and farm. 15 miles north-west of Kerrville, two hours' ride with a loaded wagon to shipping point and good market, Kerrville, Texas. 100 acres in cultivation, and 60 acres of this has been irrigated with a 12 H. P. engine. 100 or more acres can be put in cultivation in one body and three or four hundred can be put in cultivation in smaller tracts. 400 acres will cover the roughs on the whole tract. There is a mile RIVER front on the Guadalupe River, with everlasting water. 8 room house, large sheds and barns. Pasture, and in fact the entire 2680 acres is fenced with an 8 barbed-wire fence and is goat, and hog proof around entire tract. There is a pean grove on the tract which yields from 1000 to 2000 pounds of pecans. Price is \$10.50 per acre, with 1-3 cash, and balance at low interest and on terms to suit purchaser.

No. 2. 301 acres on Turtle Creek 9 1/2 miles from Kerrville on Rural Daily mail route and telephone line. Has 60 acres in cultivation. Well watered. School house on land, good community. A fine place. 150 head of good goats and 100 head sheep go with place. All for \$5,000 if sold at once.

No. 3. 800 acres 4 miles from Kerrville, 20 acres in cultivation, balance pasture land, all fenced hog proof. Good 6-room house almost new, with fire place. Good spring near house, other springs in pasture. Price \$5000.

No. 4. 528 acres, 374 in one tract, 1 1/2 mile from Kerrville. House has 7 rooms, 1 upper-ground cistern, one tank over-head-water works all through house, hot and cold water in bath rooms, toilet, gas lighting plant, and lights through house, irrigated garden, modern in every particular. \$31.50 per acre.

154 acres in other tract 2 miles from Kerrville, unimproved, except for fencing. \$25.00 per acre.

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The elevation at Kerrville is 1750 feet. The Guadalupe river, which heads 30 miles north of Kerrville, runs through the city. On the east side where the city is located, there are high bluffs on the river, and on the west side is a fertile and beautiful valley, and mountains surround the city on the east and west. The Guadalupe valley is occupied by thrifty farmers and ranchmen, and the mountain regions, among which there is considerable valley, creek and arable land, there are large ranches of cattle, horses, sheep and goats, all of which do well in the Kerrville country. The land generally is well wooded, principally with liveoak, Spanish oak and cedar, and the range is good, and water excellent.

Our farmers grow wheat, oats and all other small grain, cane and alfalfa, cotton and corn, and fruit and vegetables do well. Kerrville is one of the largest wool markets in the state, and large quantities of wool, mohair, cotton, oats, cattle, etc., are shipped from this point.

The climate of the Kerrville country is unsurpassed. The winters are short and generally mild and invigorating owing to the dryness of the climate and the prevalence of sunshine. The summers are cool and delightful, and the mountain air is pure and bracing. Game abounds in the Kerrville country, and fishing in the Guadalupe, especially north of Kerrville, is good. Kerrville and the adjoining towns are popular resorts for health and recreation.

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First Baptist

D. P. AIRHART, Pastor J. T. S. GAMMON, Treasurer Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School 10 a. m. A. B. Williamson, Superintendent; Louie Moore, Secretary. Prayer Services every Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock. Church choir practice every Friday night.

The Ladies Aid meets every Tuesday at 3 p. m. Mrs. R. S. Newman, President; Mrs. A. A. Roberts, Secretary and Treasurer. Missionary Program 1st Tuesday in each month.

Presbyterian Church

W. P. Dickey, Pastor Preaching every Sunday, 11:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:00 p. m. Services will begin and close promptly on time. A cordial invitation is extended by all to visit these services.

Episcopal Church

J. E. ELLIS, Pastor Preaching services 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. every Sunday. Litany and sermon Friday nights at 8 o'clock. Sunday School at 7:45 a. m.

THE LODGES

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Meets at Fawcett's Hall on First and Third Wednesday nights in each month.

W. A. Fawcett, C. C. A. P. Thigpen, Clerk.

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K. of P.

Lodge No. 166 meets on 1st and 3rd Thursdays in each month at Fawcett's Hall.

Silas F. Howard, Chancellor Com. J. D. Motley, Keeper of Records.

M. W. A.

Meets at Fawcett's Hall, 2nd and 4th

Thursday nights in each month.

L. A. Mosty, Consul. A. W. & W. M. Clerk.

A. F. & A. M. Lodge No. 697 meets at Masonic Hall on Saturday night on or before full moon each month.

A. W. Henke, W. M. E. Gold, Secretary.

C. E. S.

Meets every 2nd and 4th Thursday nights of each month at Masonic Hall. Mrs. Ettie Townes, Worthy Matron Dr. E. Galbraith, Worthy Patron Mrs. Eron Williamson, Secretary

PYTHIAN SISTERS

Meets 1st and 3rd Friday evenings of each month at Fawcett's Hall. Mrs. J. E. Grinstead, M. E. E. Miss Mabel Davis, M. of R. & C.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY

THE COURTS

DISTRICT COURT R. H. Burney, District Judge; L. J. Bruck, District Attorney. Court meets First Monday in January and Fourth Monday in June.

COUNTY COURT

Meets for Probate business on First Monday's in February, April, June, August, October and December. Lee Wallace, Judge.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Meets Second Monday's in February, May, August and November. COUNTY OFFICERS Lee Wallace, Judge. W. G. Garrett, County Attorney John R. Leavell, Clerk J. T. Moore, Sheriff A. B. Williamson, Treasurer W. G. Peterson, Assessor A. L. Starkey, Surveyor

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I have owned three new wagons and two old ones. I have never had a better one than any other I have ever had. I know what this wagon is and can recommend it highly and do not regret my purchase. Yours truly, U. G. Smith.

## Items of Local Interest

T. L. Cox of Center Point was seen on our streets Monday.

John P. Hinds and bride (nee Miss Rosa Coose) of Lima, were Kerrville visitors Monday.

E. K. Turbville, of San Antonio, was here yesterday looking after his property interests.

Sam James of San Antonio was present at the funeral of his mother here last Sunday.

P. O. Lowrance from the Divide near Mountain Home was in town trading Tuesday.

Place your ad in the Advance. It will be a business investment that will bring you good returns.

Rev. J. H. Jackson and daughter, Miss Etta, of Ingram, were Kerrville visitors last Friday.

Mrs. Victor Lee and Miss Sue Robinson, of Ingram, were shopping in Kerrville last Friday.

**\$1.00 Gloves for 65c, see them. Model Variety Store.**

J. E. Grinstead, editor of the Mountain Sun, visited San Antonio the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Rees from Verde Creek were Kerrville visitors Saturday.

**X-MAS!**  
Cereals, Cracked and Puffed Wheat, Corn Flakes and Hominy Grits at West Texas Supply Co.

Mrs. J. T. Stevens and daughter, Miss Ida, and son, Ed, of Hicks Creek near Medina, were shopping in Kerrville Monday.

**X-MAS!**  
Yellow Yam and Idaho Potatoes, the best on the market. West Texas Supply Co.

A large number of the most prominent ladies of San Antonio held an enthusiastic Equal Franchise meeting at the St. Anthony Hotel last Saturday. The Express states that Mrs. A. C. Schreiner of Kerrville was delighted to be a guest and expressed deep interest in the cause. The argument as well as sentiment is all with the ladies.

Rev. J. Ellis returned from the Morris Ranch Tuesday.

Miss Minnie Robinson of Center Point is spending the week here visiting her sister, Mrs. Beard.

Furnished Cottages for Rent—Apply Riggs, corner of Main and Washington Street.

Mrs. J. E. Roebuck left Saturday for a short visit to her former home in Cameron.

Mrs. E. J. Koenig and baby went to San Antonio Sunday on a visit to her mother.

Special Sale of Outing 7c goods for 6c. Christmas Sale, at West Texas Supply Co.

James Sellers, the Alcalde of Center Point, was in Kerrville Monday in the interest of his abstract business.

Henry James, of Sinton, was a caller at the Advance office Monday and ordered the Advance regularly to his address.

Those OLD HICKORY Wagons at Wheeler's are going out at the rate of almost one a day. Better get one before they are all gone.

For X-mas cakes use Pride Flour, the only fancy and highest patent flour in Kerrville. For sale by West Texas Supply Co.

Mr. Thos. J. Preslar left yesterday for Louisiana to visit his parents and his daughter. During his absence his saws and supplies for which he has the agency will be found at Mrs. Tuttle's.

### Some Christmas Gift Suggestions....

- Fine Cut Glass and Hand Painted China.
- Ladies Hand Bags, Mirrors, Combs and Brushes.
- Manicure Sets, Toilet Sets, Perfumes.
- O'Cedar Polish Mops, Fountain Pens, Box Paper, Razors, Pipes, Smoking Sets, Musical Instruments, etc., at

**Kerrville Drug Co.**

Mrs. Mary Newton has a nephew visiting her from Gonzales.

Ed. Morriss and sons were in this week from their ranch on the Divide.

Misses Myrtle Davey and Kathleen Watson left Monday for Mr. Felix Watson's ranch in Kimble county.

Rev. R. E. Duke, pastor of the M. E. Church at Center Point was a Kerrville visitor Tuesday.

Mrs. Peayson and little daughter went to San Antonio on the Sunday evening's train.

**X-MAS!**  
Oranges, apples, and lemons, at West Texas Supply Co.

Robert Rees, from the lower Turtle creek valley was trading in Kerrville Tuesday.

W. P. Renfro and wife of Mount Valley, Kansas, arrived in Kerrville Monday, and expect to spend the winter here.

H. W. Wiggins, wife and baby, of Delhi, La, are late arrivals in Kerrville and will make their home here.

Don't buy a buggy or hack until you have seen and priced our large stock. We can save you money. J. Q. Wheeler & Son.

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Massey came up from Boerne Monday night on a short visit to Mrs. R. Galbraith and family.

Mr. F. M. Buckelew and son John, from Wallace Creek, were in Kerrville Tuesday with sorghum hay for sale.

A neat, elegant box of stationery is an appropriate and acceptable Xmas gift. Come and have a look at Pearson & Shand's fine line. "A thing of beauty and a joy forever."

Mr. Eugene White and Miss Dora Russell were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Russell, on Sunday Dec. 15, Rev. F. M. Buckelew officiating.

We have no Toys for X-mas but we carry some nice X-mas presents for ladies, men and children. West Texas Supply Co.

License was issued by the county clerk Monday for the marriage of Mr. Albert Billings and Miss Sarah Lowrance.

It always is a proposition to buy Holiday presents, but we must say it is no trouble in our store to find suitable presents for all. West Texas Supply Co.

Miss Nofa Parker, after a visit of several weeks to her brother, J. J. Parker and family in Corpus Christi, returned home last week.

Even a miser sometimes suffers from enlargement of the heart during the gracious Christmas season. Do something worth while; make your wife a present of a box of Pearson & Shand's fresh apples or oranges. Apple pie is good eating.

F. S. Ragland was in town Tuesday from his farm.

Santa Claus is doing full time this week.

Misses Louise and Edna Wittig will leave Friday morning for their home in Galveston.

Sewing wanted at Miss Dora Cane's, just North East of the SAP depot.

Nat Fine was in town Tuesday from Camp Verde and kindly remembered the Advance man.

Mrs. Lee Mason returned Sunday from a short visit to her sister, Mrs. Otto Wahrmund, in San Antonio.

Mrs. A. C. Schreiner and Mrs. A. C. Schreiner, Jr., were visitors in the Alamo City last week.

We just received a nice shipment of Jersey X-mas Coats, Sweaters for Ladies, Men, Boys and Misses. West Texas Supply Co.

Buy X-mas Candies, Nuts, Cake Dressing, colored, powdered and brown sugar. West Texas Supply Co.

Gabe Moore and party stopped here Sunday night on their way from Center Point up the river on a hunt.

Come children and get a chance at the beautiful ten dollar box of candy Pearson & Shand are giving away.

"The Texas Girl" is creating quite a stir around Pearson & Shand's Palace of Goodies, and everybody who is somebody is rapidly getting acquainted with her during her sojourn in our good town.

Miss May Jaluffka who has been spending the past few months in Kerrville returned to her home in Schulenberg Sunday afternoon.

Mr. W. T. Baldwin and family from the Guadalupe were doing their Christmas shopping in Kerrville Saturday.

J. H. Powell and family arrived last week from Elmer, Ariz., and are stopping for the present at his brother Clyde's on Turtle creek.

Mrs. Gilbert Storms and little son left Sunday afternoon to spend the holidays with Mrs. Storms' mother, Mrs. Meyers. Mr. Storms will join them later.

Francis Domingoes will arrive home Thursday night from St. Louis College, San Antonio, to spend the holidays with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. P. J. Domingoes.

There is probably more traffic and travel in Kerr county than any other county of its size and population in the State. The wool and mohair traffic is immense during the fall and spring, and the grain traffic is large. Wagons bringing these products always return loaded with goods or supplies. The automobile and vehicle travel to and from Kerrville to all points is also large.

**Baptist Christmas Tree**

The Baptist Christmas Tree and entertainment will be given at the church on Thursday evening Dec. 26, at 8 o'clock. An attractive program has been arranged by the committee in charge, consisting of instrumental music, songs and recitations.

For the first time in the history of Kerrville Santa Claus will be accompanied by his family. He will also show you just how they keep house at the North Pole where he lives. This time the jolly old Saint will be here himself and no make-believe about it.

The children are especially asked to keep still when they hear Santa's sleighbells, as he has sent word by wireless that he is driving two young reindeer this year, and the slightest noise scares them into fits and they might run away.

The program will be given before Santa Claus arrives.

"A soft answer turneth a away wrath." When your wife is irritable or your sweetheart perverse, do not cut up; get her a box of Pearson & Shand's Candy and you will see the world grow bright again in the sunshine of her smile.

The Tivy House, under new management, is making special inducements to regular boarders. Everything has been placed in first class condition and their table is supplied with the best that can be procured.

**X-MAS!**  
Our Grocery Department for all kinds of canned goods, sour, sweet and dil pickles. West Texas Supply Co.

**ROOMS FOR RENT**—Two rooms, unfurnished, suitable for couple. One room has good fire place. Located in center of city, near business section. \$5 per month. Apply at the Advance office.

The Advance has a \$45 life scholarship in the Draughon Business College which we will sell at \$25.00.

**Christmas Service.**

There will be a special Christmas service at the Methodist Church next Sunday with a program of appropriate songs and sermon.

**A Christmas Suggestion.**

Possibly a subscription to the Kerrville Advance would make an acceptable holiday present to a friend. The giver will certainly be remembered every week for a whole year.

Misses Martin and Matthews, members of the faculty of Miss Seofield's School will leave Friday to spend the holidays in Luling and Ennis respectively.

**FOR SALE**  
Spanish Oak cord wood, \$3.00 per cord. Good cords, prompt delivery, terms cash. Leave orders at Newman's store.

**FOR RENT.**  
Three rooms, furnished for light housekeeping, or unfurnished, or will take boarders. Mrs. Estella Silvery.

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Don't forget to ring 117 and tell us that item of news.

Xmas apples, bananas, oranges, lemons, cocoanuts, cranberries and celery at H. Noll Stock Co.

Will A. Morriss a prominent attorney of San Antonio had business in court here this week.—Rock Springs Rustler-Standard.

Rev. D. P. Airhart, pastor of the Baptist church is convalescent after a three week's illness and thinks he will be able to fill his appointments Sunday.

**FOR SALE**—Good open buggy—in first class condition—has been used about four months—also set of single harness practically new. Cash or terms. Gilbert C. Storms, Kerrville, Texas.

Attention to the Ladies! When you think of buying X-mas presents for your husband, sweetheart or some one else, be sure to look over our X-mas display. West Texas Supply Co.

It was regretted by the Farmers' Institute that Messrs. G. D. Marshall, U. S. Highway Engineer, and D. C. Colp, Highway Commissioner of the Chamber of Commerce of San Antonio, were prevented by the bad weather from attending the Good Roads meeting Saturday. We hope to have them come at a subsequent meeting.

Good Apples \$1.35 per box at H. Noll Stock Co.

District Attorney L. J. Brucks passed through Sunday on his return home to Hondo from Rock Springs where he had been attending court.

**Mens' and Boys' Fur Lined Caps, 50c value, 35c. MODEL VARIETY STORE.**

Misses Cora Bryan of Houston, and Ruth and Hannah Deutchman of San Antonio, who are attending Miss Seofield's, will leave for their homes Friday to spend the holidays.

Big line of Holiday Goods, Sterling Silver ware, Crockery, Manicure sets, Fireworks, etc. See our big display.

H. NOLL STOCK CO. Big Holiday Department.

**From 549 Broadway, New York, 10 dozen Mens' Heavy Ribbed Underwear, worth 65c for 45c. MODEL VARIETY STORE.**

The Advance will not be issued next week. It is the only chance the force has during the whole year for a holiday and it has always been our custom to take advantage of Christmas week for a rest. Our next issue will come out on Jan. 2, 1913.

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We carry a large and well selected fresh stock of Groceries, Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes, Clothing, Hats, and all kinds of Merchandise. **GOODS ARE ARRIVING DAILY.** We buy in large lots for cash and will sell at lowest prices.

Come to see us, examine our goods and prices, and let us supply your wants whether they are much or little.

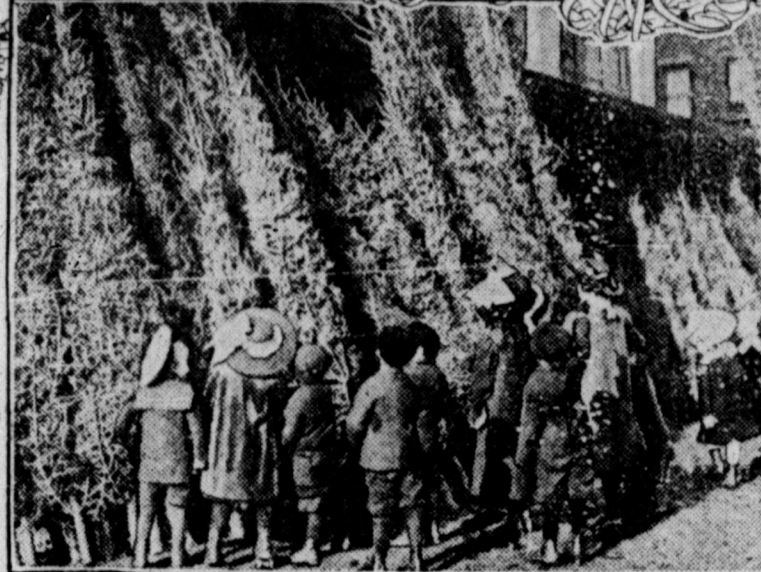
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# CHRISTMAS TREE IN MYTH, TRADITION AND TODAY



FATHER CHRISTMAS IN HIS SLEIGH



A CHRISTMAS TREE MARKET



HEIGH HO! THE HOLLY!



**YRIAD** are the myths and legends that cluster around the Christmas tree. Its origin takes us far back into prehistoric times when our skilful savage ancestors were tree worshippers and believed that a god or goddess dwelt in the evergreen. Long prior to the Christian era, the tree was used in Rome in the December holiday festivities of the Saturnalia and its branches were decked with little yellow jeweled images of pagan divinities, especially of Bacchus.

In the Yuletide celebrations of the Druids of ancient Britain, the evergreen had a distinctive place with ivy, holly and mistletoe. The Druids believed that the evergreens sheltered the good spirits of the air who fled to them at the approach of cold weather.

There is a Scandinavian myth that tells of the tree that sprang from the blood-spoken ground where two lovers met a violent death, and of mysterious lights that hovered about the tree at Christmas time. At the period of the winter solstice, the ancient Egyptians decorated their houses with palm leaves which symbolized immortality and the starry sky. At this period of the year the ancient Persians decorated the plane tree with ornaments and jewels.

An old German tradition gives Saint Wilfred the credit of transforming the tree worship of the savage Teutons to a Christian ceremony. It was about the year 725 that he led a party of priests into central Germany for the conversion of the worshippers of god Thor. Prince Gregor, the grandson of a king, was with him, having been entrusted to his care by the abbot of the cloister Phasel. On Christmas eve they were fighting their way through the snow of the forest when they came upon the heathen tribe of Gelsmar. They were assembled under the thunder oak, symbol of the power of Thor, and were prepared to offer up sacrifice. The white-haired priest of the heathens had chosen the young son of the chief as the fairest possession of the tribe, and he was to be offered, for the god was very hungry and needed the utmost atonement.

As the venerable priest raised his stone hatchet on high and brought it down to kill the boy, who was ready, prepared for the stroke, Wilfred appeared and warded off the blow with his staff. The people were gratified at his saving of the favorite and allowed him speech and he gave them the Christian creed. Then he and the Prince Gregor took their axes and cut down the Thunder Oak. As it was ready to fall the lightning came and split it in many parts and it fell asunder. The waiting tribe then beheld in its place a slender fir tree, green and sparkling and odorless. Wilfred bade the tribesmen bear this tree to the hall of Grundard, the chieftain, to there assemble about it and make merry. About this first Christmas tree the wild men of the woods first heard the tale of the shepherd boy and the fields of Judah and it gripped their sturdy hearts. The tribes became Christian and ever after used the fir tree as a token of the day of Christ's birth.

The Christmas tree in its present style of

usage cannot be traced back farther than the sixteenth century. It then existed only in the Rhine valley, to which narrow limits it was restricted for more than 200 years. At the opening of the nineteenth century it spread to the rest of Germany, and fifty years later had reached Bohemia, Hungary, Paris and England. German immigrants had already brought the custom to our own country and here it has become so popular that the supply of trees in the city markets is never equal to the demand.

Linking the present with the dim past of unnumbered centuries, there will this Christmas be displayed in American homes 5,000,000 evergreen trees. There are about 20,000,000 families in the United States, and one in four of these will make the Christmas tree a part of the celebration that is at hand. This does not mean that only these will participate in the festivities of the season, for there is still the stocking method of dispensing gifts. But in this great number of homes it has become the custom to use the trees in accordance with the old-fashioned custom of sturdy, rural Germany.

New York, the metropolis of the nation, uses far more Christmas trees than any other city in the world. Yet the city is so admirably located from the standpoint of available forests that the supply is always abundant and prices low. A quarter of a million Christmas trees are each year brought to New York, and all of them are sold during the week before Christmas. Over on Riverside Drive, where are the homes of the wealthy, expensive trees are sold. These are elaborately prepared, often being specially grown for the purpose and bring prices as high as \$50. Yet the East Side gets its due proportion, and so abundant is the supply that good shrubs may be had for 25 cents and 50 cents. The little trees grow quickly and the farmers are often glad to have them cleared off their land. As a result the people who count the pennies closely find the Christmas greens within their reach.

Father Knickerbocker lives right in the midst of the most productive Christmas tree section. The state of New York yields them abundantly. Straight down from the Adirondacks they come in trainload lots. Northern Pennsylvania also produces them without stint, and so are all the nearby cities guaranteed an abundance. All through New England there is a general use of the Christmas tree.

For a month past there have been hundreds of men preparing the Christmas tree harvest for the youngsters who dwell in the towns and cities. In the smaller communities, provided the region produces the right sort of trees, the farmer himself cuts them down and brings them to market. He sells these trees to market men, to grocers, to florists and decorators. They are bought from him by the wagonload and cost little. Then they are properly prepared and set upon the sidewalk. But preparation for the larger markets are different. In the hills around the greater cities making ready for Christmas is begun two months before the arrival of the day to be celebrated. In Maine, for instance, the men go out in gangs of four. They know their business, for they have gathered this self-same harvest for a generation. They have bought the trees as they stand in the field, paying the farmer five cents each for them. The butt of the tree is sawed off smoothly and painted over in order that the sap may be re-

tained. The limbs are bound down tight so as to save room in shipping. Then they are bound together in bunches of five, this being convenient for both shipment and sale. They go to market in open cars that they may be kept cool and possibly damp. Otherwise their tips might wilt and their attractiveness thus be lessened. They are sold direct from the cars to retailers and these make a point of keeping them always in the open air.

Throughout the southern states the supply of Christmas trees comes from the southern pine that overruns the region. Ordinarily the markets are supplied by the wagons of the farmers, but in the bigger cities they come in carload and trainload lots. The fir is abundant in Colorado, but it grows in high, inaccessible places, and therefore the Douglas spruce and the lodgepole pine largely take its place. This is largely true of all the Rocky Mountain states. In California and the other Pacific Coast states the incense cedar and the young coast redwoods are quite generally used as Christmas trees. The spruces of Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota furnish the markets of Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Detroit.

When the time is ready for the indoor use of the tree it is dug up and pared down to a graceful piece of earth as a base. Then a piece of canvas or any other sort of stout cloth is bound about the base to prevent crumbling of the earth. The whole of this is then fitted into a box or tub and is ready to serve its purpose in the house. It is more solid and effective indoors than the ordinary tree and never wilts or droops. It is in reality a living tree.

When the festivities are over the tree is taken to the point where it is to be planted. A hole is dug to fit its base. This may be successfully accomplished even where the ground is frozen. The tree is lifted from its tub, the cloth is taken from around its base and it is fitted again into the earth from which it came. The protected roots again take hold and the tree goes on growing without even a knowledge of its holiday experience. It is in no way injured.

Nurserymen specially prepare trees for just this purpose. Individuals may do the same thing with no more explanation than that given above. Trees from the native woods around any village may have their roots pruned in advance or they may be dug up with no preparation whatever. There is a better chance of their flourishing when they have been prepared for the transplanting. But any evergreen dug up with a bit of earth about its roots should grow.

There is also a manner of permanently marking trees without injuring them or interfering with their growth. A tag fastened to a piece of wire will remain attached to a tree for a century. This tag may be of metal and on it may be stamped the date and of whatever legend is desired. Incidentally, the landscape architect has left a permanent monument of all the Christmas trees that have passed over the heads of the children that have dwelt within it. When these return to the ancestral hearth in their old age they can recall the planting of the trees and the events that hover about the occasion in question. The incident of growing incidentally the most "industry" has furnished an opportunity for hundreds of boys and girls to earn their Christmas money in a new way by harvesting the cones of evergreen trees.

The Christmas tree industry of the United States has assumed great proportions and Uncle Sam is making plans to place the industry upon a permanently profitable basis through reforestation. The state of New York has already done this and has furnished an opportunity for hundreds of boys and girls to earn their Christmas money in a new way by harvesting the cones of evergreen trees.

Of the nation's forest land, 60,000,000 acres are today covered with mature timber, while 40,000,000 acres are well seeded with young growth. This leaves 100,000,000 acres that are either non-productive or only partly productive. It is for this 100,000,000 acres that seed are to be gathered, and it is upon this vast expanse that they are to be planted until the whole is transformed into its greatest possible yielding capacity, making it one of the finest forests that the world has ever known.

## YULETIDE.

The wind across the snowclad hills,  
A restless spirit, roves.  
The murmur of the frozen rills  
Still echoes in the groves.  
The stripped trees, bending to the earth,  
Their tale of sorrow tell;  
Hushed are the sounds of recent mirth  
That peeped in every dell.  
Old winter breathes along the plain  
His chilling breath of snow;  
The billows bounding o'er the main.  
An added fury know;  
The sky is frowning, gray and cold,  
The earth is brown and sere,  
Yet on each barren waste and wold  
The Yuletide bells ring clear.

## PECULIAR MARK OF REGRET

Tortoise, Appropriately Marked, Littered at Death of the Emperor of Japan.

In connection with the funeral of the late emperor of Japan, a strange ceremony was performed. A Japanese correspondent writes: "Following the custom of carrying birds in cages at Buddhist funerals, to be liberated over the graves, the Tokyo city

on the day of the state funeral, September 11, 1912 Hiroshi Abe, governor of Tokyo.

On the back of another tortoise was signed the name of the president of the Tokyo branch of the Red Cross society. At first it was planned to lay the characters on the back of the tortoise in gold, but, fearing that they might be captured again for the sake of the gold, the characters were done in black lacquer. On the evening of September 11, just as the gun gave the signal for the starting of the im-

perial funeral, officials who had been waiting in a boat off Ogasawara island gave the tortoises their freedom.

"All three of the creatures appeared to be delighted to be once more at large in the ocean, and put their heads out of the water as much as to say 'thank you,' and then disappeared from sight."

Birth and ancestry, and that which we have not ourselves achieved, we can scarcely call our own.—Ovid.

## Helping Bob Along.

May—I've just been reading about a Boston physician who tells you what ails you by holding your hand.

Jane—I must tell that to Bob tonight. He's thinking of studying medicine.

## You want "your rights"

That always means a KEEN APPETITE PERFECT DIGESTION ACTIVE LIVER BOWEL REGULARITY

There's one way to get them—take **Hostetter's STOMACHBITTERS**

at mealtime for a few days. It does the work. All Druggists.

**Push Sale of Red Cross Seals.**  
The American Red Cross has already printed over 85,000,000 Red Cross Christmas seals and probably the edition will number 100,000,000 before the end of the campaign. If the anticipations of the anti-tuberculosis workers are realized, no less than \$400,000 will be obtained from the sale of Red Cross seals. Practically all of the money remains in the state or city where the seals are sold, only a very small percentage of it is going to pay for the cost of the printing and distributing the seals and for the expense of running the campaign.

In case any persons cannot obtain seals in the community where they live, they can secure them by writing to Red Cross Seal Headquarters, 715 Union Trust Building, Washington, D. C. Red Cross seals cost one cent each and every seal sold is a bullet in the fight against tuberculosis.

**Transmigrating Turkey.**  
"The only time I ever believed in the transmigrating of souls was one frosty November afternoon on my Indiana farm."

The speaker was George Ade, the humorist. He continued: "It was a day or two before Thanksgiving. The trees were bare. The fields were a russet brown color. Toward me over those russet fields strutted a very plump, very large, very young turkey.

"Then it was that an ardent belief in the doctrine of metempsychosis seized me.

"You, I said to the superb bird, you are now a turkey. And you will die tomorrow. But, cheer up. Your next transmigrating will be into the body of a humorist not unknown to fame."

**New Way to Get Money.**  
There are many ways to get money from people, and in these days when it is often necessary to raise various sums for missionary and other church work the ministers of the gospel look for all sorts of money-making appeals. But the preacher who takes the prize in this line of endeavor so far is an old colored man down south.

"We has a collection to take up dis mawnin'," he said; "a collection for a mops' important cause, an' we needs as much money as we kin git. But, fob de sake of your reputations, whichever of you stole Mr. Jones' turkeys don't put nothin' in de plate."

"That was how he got money out of every member of his congregation."—Popular Magazine.

**Very Much So.**  
When Mrs. Jibbetta was asked why she neglected her friends so, she gave a bald excuse.

"What was it?"  
"The baby."

**Successful.**  
"Is he, very successful surgeon?"  
"Very." Nearly all of his patients live long enough to pay their bills."

**NEVER TIRES**  
Of the Food That Restored Her to Health.

"Something was making me ill and I didn't know the cause," writes a lady, "young lady." "For two years I was thin and sickly, suffering from indigestion and inflammatory rheumatism.

"I had tried different kinds of diet, and many of the remedies recommended, but got no better.

"Finally, Mother suggested that I try Grape-Nuts. I began at once, eating it with a little cream or milk. A change for the better began at once. 'To-day I am well and am gaining weight and strength all the time. I've gained 10 lbs. in the last five weeks and do not suffer any more from indigestion, and the rheumatism is all gone.

"I know it is Grape-Nuts alone that I owe my restored health. I still eat the food twice a day and never tire of it." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

The favour of Grape-Nuts is peculiar to itself. It is neutral, not too sweet and has an agreeable, healthful quality that never grows tiresome.

## NEW MEAT SUPPLY

Washington Officials Say Reindeer Will Supplant Cattle.

Declare That in Less Than Twenty Years There Will Be 2,000,000 Animals Grazing in Alaska and Flesh Will Be Cheaper.

Washington—Uncle Sam has undertaken many big problems of late in an effort to solve the mystery of the continued rise in the cost of food. But it is doubtful if any of them will have a greater effect on this vital question than the experiment to find a new meat supply. Every one agrees that the meat problem is the greatest of all. It was for this reason the government first undertook the experiment of raising reindeer on the barren slopes of Alaska. The scheme has now progressed far beyond the experimental stage, and the men who have charge of it say that reindeer beef will cut a big figure in the future supply of America.

Officials at Washington say that in less than 20 years, if the increase continues at the present rate, there will be more than 2,000,000 prime beef reindeer in Alaska, upon which the people of America can depend for much of their flesh diet in the future.

Reindeer meat is now considered a delicacy by epicures, and is only sold at leading hotels and restaurants. In flavor the meat is a cross between mutton and beef, but is even more palatable than either. Reindeer can be raised for the market much more cheaply than cattle, because they will thrive on wastes so barren that even goats would starve to death. Their principal food is the moss which grows only in the far north. There are more than 40,000 square miles of frozen tundra, or moss-covered ground, in Alaska now fit for nothing, but if



Monarch of Reindeer Herd.

the latest scheme of Uncle Sam's pans out as expected this immense territory will be available for reindeer ranches and can provide abundant pasturage for 10,000,000 or more of the animals.

About ten years ago Uncle Sam started his experiment of raising reindeer in Alaska with a herd of 1,200 animals. Now there are more than 30,000 in the same herd. At that time it was the hope of the authorities at Washington to aid the Eskimo and the native Indians of the north to become self-supporting citizens. That was and still is the basic idea of the whole experiment.

## MAN HALTS RUNAWAY TRAIN

Fireman Braves Death to Stop Passenger After Engineer is Overcome by Steam.

New Brunswick, N. J.—A fast train on eastern line was a "runaway" for a few moments when, on the way from New York to Philadelphia, the engineer lay scalded and senseless in his cab from escaping steam, and there was no controlling hand at the throttle. The presence of mind and pluck of the fireman, Joseph Garrett, averted a probable wreck of the train, running sixty miles an hour and crowded with passengers.

Beyond this city one of the driving shafts snapped and part of the rod was hurled through a boiler section. There was a rush of steam and Engineer Frank Barber was enveloped and overcome before he could put his hand to the throttle.

Garrett, with the train speeding madly on, climbed over to the engineer's side of the cab and, although nearly blinded, managed to get to the throttle. The train was brought to a halt quickly then, near mouth Junction, where Barber was cared for. His condition is serious.

None of the passengers on the train had known any danger threatened.

## IS CAUGHT BY THUMB PRINT

Man Who Killed Girl in Germany is Put Under Arrest After a Long Search.

Frankfort-on-the-Main, Germany.—The bloody imprint of a thumb upon the body of a girl stabbed to death has led to the detection and confession of the murderer here. Joseph Rupp was arrested for fighting in a saloon. Ever since the murder of the girl the police have examined the thumb prints of anyone arrested. Over 400 were on hand, but when Rupp's thumb print was taken it was quickly recognized as identical with that on the body of the girl. Confronted with it, he confessed. He had robbed the house and killed the girl to prevent alarm.

## WAR BOOSTS COST OF EGGS

Price is Already \$4 a Case Higher in Austria and May Increase More.

Vienna.—As a result of the Balkan war, there is an egg famine in Vienna. Many cities in Austria, and Germany get their supplies of eggs from Bulgaria and Serbia. This source being cut off now, eggs have already jumped \$4 a case and will go higher.



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# INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By E. O. SELLERS, Director of Evening Department The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.

## LESSON FOR DECEMBER 22

FOR AND AGAINST HIM.

LESSON TEXT—Luke 9:42.  
GOLDEN TEXT—"He that is not against us is for us."—Luke 9:50.  
This lesson naturally falls into three divisions. The mistaken zeal of the disciples of Jesus, vv. 49-50; II. The Intrepid zeal of Jesus, vv. 51-56, and III. The lack of zeal on the part of some would-be followers of Jesus, vv. 57-62.

Evidently monopolistic ideas are not a modern development. The desire to control all religious authority has given rise to the most damnable blot on the history of the Christian church. Christian intolerance is one of the devil's sweetest morsels.

"And John answered" not the impetuous Peter. Who it was that had spoken we do not know, but evidently it was Jesus. Two things are without dispute: (1) The unknown one was doing the work, and (2) he was giving Jesus the glory, Luke 10-17. Whether he ceased at the command of John we cannot say. It has been suggested that could he have heard the tone of John's voice perhaps we should have gathered that John was not quite sure he had done the right thing, but he is frank and tells Jesus why he gave his command, viz. "because he followed not with us."

Work in Christ's Name.  
This spirit has always been one of the serious drawbacks in the advancement of the kingdom. Help to our party, follow our methods, or else quit working. There are, of course, wrong methods which will never produce right results, but if a man is doing Christ's work, and doing it in Christ's name, we need to beware of allowing selfishness, the traditions of men, or the fact that "we never saw it on this wise" to allow us to hinder that man in his work, see Mark 9:39-41.

Scholars are divided as to the interval of time between verses 50 and 51, but the second section is a wonderful illumination of the sort of zeal Jesus desires in his followers. Verse 51 is one of the most sublime in the entire Bible. Where can we find anything like it? Jesus saw not the bickering of the disciples as to place and power; he saw not the slight cast upon him by both Jew and Samaritan; Jesus saw Jerusalem and beyond that Calvary, and as steadfast as a flint "he set his face to go to Jerusalem."

All of redemption, all of Pentecost, all of "this age" and the glorious consummation of the age is bound up in that intrepid zeal of him who when "the days were well nigh come that he should be received up" set his face "steadfastly." As Jesus began this journey he "sent messengers before him" (v. 52). That same glorious will not receive commendation for his work, he says not the slightest cast upon him by both Jew and Samaritan; Jesus saw Jerusalem and beyond that Calvary, and as steadfast as a flint "he set his face to go to Jerusalem."

Stories of Three Men.  
In the third section we have before us the stories of three men whom Jesus met, each of whom lacked sufficient zeal to become his true follower. The first impulsively answered some emotion of his heart and assures Jesus that he will follow "whichever you goest." Jesus did not rebuke him, for the man had but little realization of what was implied. "I'll go with him through the garden," we sing glibly. Let us pause and honestly answer the question, "Will I go?" "Am I willing to pay the price?" (John 15:20 and I Peter 2:31.) He who had set his face steadfastly simply opens as it were the deep loneliness of his heart and gives this man a faint suggestion of that poverty of him "who was rich, yet for our sakes became poor" (2 Cor. 8:9). This is one of the few references Jesus made as to his own condition. The second man seems to be of more importance, inferentially, at least, for Jesus commands him to "follow." Notice Jesus does not say "admit me, nor even worship me, but follow me." This man seems to have a very high sense of duty, his obligation to his parents and to the amenities of society. This man's mistake was in placing anything, no matter how important, in the place of the kingdom. Jesus does not mean for us to neglect such a plain duty, but this man is pleading for a delay, and had it not been for this excuse it would have been some other one. His trouble is that of thousands. They realize the value of this pearl of great price, but ere they seek to possess it they would chase some "ineffable like pleasure, riches, or something, and then would come to find that men will leave aged parents to seek a fortune who will not go and publish abroad the kingdom of God."



"Well, I've Got a Rug Up in My Room I'd Like to Show You."

### SYNOPSIS.

George Percival Algernon Jones, vice-president of the Metropolitan Oriental Rug Company of New York, thirsting for romance, is in Cairo on a business trip. Horace Ryanne arrives at the hotel in Cairo with a carefully guarded bundle.

### CHAPTER III.—(Continued.)

George's romance gathered itself for a fight. Perhaps it was love thwarted and the gentleman with the muscled and imperial, in spite of his amiability, might be the ogre. Perhaps it was love and duty. Perhaps her lover had gone down to sea. Perhaps (for lovers are known to do such things) he had run away with the other girl. If that was the case, George did not think highly of that tentative gentleman's taste. Perhaps and perhaps again; but George might have gone on perishing till the crack of doom, with never a solitary glimmer of the true state of the girl's mind. Whenever he saw an unknown man or woman who attracted his attention, he never could resist the impulse to invent a romance that might apply.

Immediately after desert the two rose; and George, finding that nothing more important than a pineapple ice detained him, got up and followed. Mr. Ryanne almost trod on his heels as they went through the doorway into the cosy lounge-room. George dropped into a vacant divan and waited for his cafe à la Turque. Mr. Ryanne walked over to the head-porter's bureau and asked if that gentleman would be so kind as to point out to Mr. George P. A. Jones, if he were anywhere in sight. He thoughtfully noted to say regretfully, "hid down a small bribe."

"Mr. Jones?" The porter knew Mr. Jones very well. He was generous, and treated the servants as though they were really human beings. Mr. Ryanne, either by his inquiry or as the result of his bribe, went up several degrees in the porter's estimation. "Mr. Jones is over there, on the divan by the door."

"Thanks." But Ryanne did not then seek the young man. He studied the quarry from a diplomatic distance. No; there was nothing to indicate that George Percival Algernon Jones was in any way handicapped by his Arthurque middle names. "No fool, an Gioconda in her infinite wisdom hath said; but romantic, terribly romantic, yet, like the timid bather who puts a foot into the water, finds it cold, and withdraws it. It will all depend upon whether he is a real collector or merely a buyer of rugs. Forward, then, Horace; a sovereign has already dashed heading down the far horizon." The curse of speaking his thoughts aloud did not lie heavily upon him tonight, for these cogitations were made in silence, unmarked by any facial expression. He proceeded across the room and sat down beside George. "I beg your pardon," he began; "but are you not Mr. Jones?"

Mildly astonished, George signified that he was. "George P. A. Jones?" George nodded again, but with some heat in his cheeks. "Yes, What is it?" The girl had just finished her coffee and was going away. Hans this

# The Carpet from Carthage Bagdad

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lent Moses, an incident more or less forgotten these days. From the tall of his eye he gave swift scrutiny to his chance acquaintance, and he found nothing to warrant suspicion. It was not an unusual procedure for men to hunt him up in Cairo, in Constantinople, in Smyrna, or in any of the Oriental cities where his business itinerary led him. The house of Morimer & Jones was widely known. This man Ryanne might have been anywhere between thirty and forty. He was tall, well set up, blond and smooth-skinned. True, he appeared to have been ill-fed recently. A little more flesh under the cheekbones, a touch of color and the Irishman would have been a handsome man. George could read a rug a league off, as they say, but he was a child in the matter of physiognomy, whereas Ryanne was a past-master in this regard; it was necessary both for his business and safety.

"Certainly, I'll take a look at it. But I tell you frankly," went on George, "that to interest me it's got to be a very odd one. You see, it's a little far of mine, outside the business end of it. I'm crazy over real rugs, and I know something about every rare one in existence, or known to exist. Is it a copy?"

"No, I'll tell you more about it when we get to my room."

"Come on, then," George was now quite willing to discuss rugs and carpets.

Having gained the room, Ryanne threw on his coat and lighted his cigar, which, in a saving mood, he had allowed to go out. He motioned George to be seated.

"Just a little yarn before I show you the rug. See these cuffs?"

"Yes." "You will observe that I have had to reverse them. Note this collar? Same thing. Trousers-hems a bit frayed, coat shiny at the elbows." Ryanne exhibited his sole fortune. "Four sovereigns between me and a jail."

George became thoughtful. He was generous and kind-hearted among those he knew intimately or slightly, but he had the instinctive reserve of the seasoned traveler in cases like this. He waited.

"The truth is, I'm all but done for. And if I fall to strike a bargain here with you... Well, I should hate to tell you the result. Our country would have to furnish me passage home. Were you ever up against it to the extent of reversing your cuffs and turning your collars? You don't know what life is, then."

George gravely produced two good cigars and offered one to his host. There was an absence of sound, presently by the cheerful crackle of matches; two billowing clouds of smoke floated outward and upward. Ryanne sighed. Here was a cipher one could not purchase in the length and breadth of the Orient, a Pedro Maria in one of his doubtfully prosperous epochs he had smoked them daily. How long ago had that been?

"Yonder is a rug, a prayer-rug, as holy to the Moslem as the idol's eye is to the Hindu, as the Bible is to the Christian. For hundreds of years it never saw the outside of the Sultan's palace. One day, the late, the recently, Abdul the Unspeaking Turk, gave it to the Pasha of Bagdad. Whenever this rug makes its appearance in Holy Mecca, it is worshipped, and none but a Sultan or a Sultan's favorite may kneel upon it. Bagdad, the hundred mosques, the old capital of the world, the Great, the dreary Tigris and the sluggish Euphrates, a muezzin from the turret calls to prayer, and all that; eh?"

George leaned forward from his chair, a gentle fervor in his heart. "The Yhordes? By Jove! Is that the Thales?"

Admiration kindled in Ryanne's eyes. To have hit the bull's-eye with so free and quick an aim was ample proof that Percival Algernon had not boasted when he said that he knew something about rugs.

"You'd guess the date, the country?"

"How did you come by it?" George demanded excitedly.

"Why do you ask that?"

"Man, ten-thousand pounds could not purchase that rug, that bit of carpet. Collectors from every port have been after it in vain. And you mean to tell me that it lies there, wrapped in butcher's paper?"

"Right-o!" Ryanne solemnly detached a cuff and rolled up his sleeve. The bare muscular arm was scarred by two long, ugly knife-wounds, scarcely healed. He drew up a trousers-leg, disclosing a battered shin. "And there's another on my shoulder-blade, the closest-call I ever had. A man who takes his life in his hands, as I have done, merits some reward. Mr. Jones, I'll be frank with you. I am a kind of dervish. Since I was a boy, I have hated the humdrum of

shops. I wanted to be my own man, to go and come as I pleased. To do this and live meant precarious exploits. This rug represents one of them. I am telling you the family secret; I am showing you the skeleton in the closet, confidentially. I stole that rug; and when I say that against his experience. He had made some serious blunders in the early stages of the business, however, and everybody, to gain something in the end, must lose something at the start.

"If that rug is the one I have in mind, you certainly have sold it. And if it's a copy, I'll tell you quickly enough."

"That's fair. And that's why," Ryanne declared. "I wanted you to look at it. To me, considering what I have gone through to get it, to me it is the genuine carpet. To your expert eye it may be only a fine copy. I know this much, that rare rugs and paintings have many copies, and that some one is being hooked, sold, bamboozled, sandbagged, every day in the week. If this is the real article, I want you to take it off my hands; the adventurer finished pleasantly."

"There will be a hue and cry."

"No doubt of it."

"And the devil's own job to get it out of Egypt." These were phrases of the expert, preliminaries to bargaining. "One might as well carry round a stolen elephant."

"But a man who is as familiar with the game as you are would have little difficulty. Your integrity is an established fact, on both sides of the water. You could take it to New York as a copy, and no appraiser would know the difference. It's worth the attempt. I'd take it to New York myself, but you see, I can't do that. Come, what do you care about a son-of-a-gun of a Turk's drolly?"

"What do you want for it, supposing it's genuine?" George's throat was dry and his voice harsh. His conscience roused herself, feebly, for it had neglected her presence.

Ryanne narrowed his eyes, carefully balancing the possibilities. "Say, one thousand pounds. It is like giving it away. But when the devil drives, you know. It is beyond any set price; it is worth what any collector is willing to pay for it. I believe I know the kind of man you are, Mr. Jones, and that is why, when I learned you were in Cairo, I came directly to you. You would never sell this rug. No. You would become like a miser over his gold. You would keep it with your emeralds. I have heard about the too; draw the curtains, jock the doors, whenever you looked at it. Eh? You would love it for its own sake, and not because it's worth so many thousand pounds. You are sailing in a few days; that will help. The Pasha is in Constantinople, and it will be three or four weeks before he hears of the theft, or the cost," with a certain grimness.

"You haven't killed any one?" whispered George.

"I don't know; perhaps. Christianity against paganism; the Occidental conscience permits it." Ryanne made a gesture to indicate that he would submit to whatever moral arraignment Mr. Jones deemed advisable to make.

But George made none. He rose hastily, sought his knife and, without so much as by your leave, slashed the twine, flung aside the paper, and threw the rug across the counterpane. It was the Yhordes. There was not the slightest doubt in his mind. He had heard it described, he had seen a photograph of it, he knew its history and, most vital of all, he owned a good copy of it.

Against temptation that was robust and energetic and alluring (like the man who insists upon your having a drink when you want it and ought not to have it), what chance had conscience, grown innocuous in the long period of the young man's good behavior? Collectors are always honest before and after that moment arrives when they want something desperately; and George was no more saintly than his kind. And how deep Ryanne and his confederates had delved into human nature, how well they could read and judge it, was made manifest in this moment of George's moral collapse.

Bagdad, the Jims, Sinbad, the Thousand and One Nights, Alibaba and the

Forty Thieves; George was transported mentally to that magic city, standing between the Tigris and the Euphrates, in all its white glory of a thousand years gone. Ryanne, the room and its furnishings, all had vanished, all save the exquisite fabric patterned out of wool and cotton and silk and patience the world knows no more. He let his hand stray over it. How many knees had pressed its thick yet pliant substance? How many strange scenes had it mutely witnessed, scenes of beauty, of terror? It shone under the light like the hide of a healthy hound.

The nerves of a smoker are generally made apparent by the rapidity of his inhalations. These two, in the several minutes, had filled the room with a thick, blue haze; and through this the elder man eyed the younger. The sign of the wolf gleamed in his eyes, but without animosity, modified as it was by the half-friendly, half-critical smile.

"I'll risk it," said George finally, having stepped off the magical carpet, as it were. "I can't give you a thousand pounds tonight. I can give you three hundred, and the balance tomorrow, between ten and eleven, at Cook's."

"That will be agreeable to me."

George passed over all the available cash he had, rolled up the treasure and tucked it under his arm. That somewhere in the world was a true believer, walling and beating his breast and calling down Allah curses upon the sinner, the dog of an infidel, who had done this thing, disturbed George not in the least.

"I say," as he opened the door, "you must tell me all about the adventure. It must have been a thriller."

"It was," replied Ryanne. "The story will keep. Later, if you care to hear it."

"Of course," added George, moved by a discretionary thought, "this transaction is just between you and me."

"You may lay odds on that," heartily. "Well, good night. See you at Cook's in the morning."

It was the Yhordes.

"Good night." George passed down the corridor to the adjoining room. And now, bang! goes Pandora's box.

CHAPTER IV.  
An Old Acquaintance.

That faculty which decides on the lawlessness of our actions; so the noted etymologist described conscience. It fell to another distinguished intellect to add that conscience makes cowards of us all. Ay. She may be overcome at times, side-tracked for any special desire that demands a clear way; but she's there, fast enough, with that battered red lantern of hers, which brought down from all tongues crisply into our own ears. "Don't do it!" She herself is not wholly without cunning. She rarely stands boldly upon the track to flag us as we come. She realizes that she might be permanently ditched. No; it is far safer to run after us and catch

Happens Sometimes.

"Get off and let's go to the ball game!"

"I got off the other day. Can't repeat so soon."

"Then we'll go to the theater tonight!"

"Can't do that either. The office plays a double-header and we work tonight."

city throughout the world.—New York World.

Proof.

"I suppose there is no other street in the world that is just like Broadway," said the man who was always despondent when he had to be away from New York for a few minutes.

"No," replied the soulless "person" who was able to exist in a small town.

"I guess there isn't. Which proves that there are some foolish things people don't imagine."

## Electric Hotel for Paris

Current Will Do Everything in the Proposed Structure Except Pay Guest's Bill.

The interesting news comes from Paris that a hotel will be built there in which all the domestic service will be performed by electricity. If the promoters of the scheme keep their promise, everything will be done by electricity, except the guests' payments of their bills. Even then they can give the cashier a shock by refusing to pay.

There will be no waiters, no bell boys, no coat boys, no chambermaids, and consequently no tips. If a guest arrives home at 2 a. m. all he will have to do is to touch a button, which will turn an electric sun, and then he can say to his wife:

"My dear, you're really getting lazy. Look at me. I'm up and dressed!"

If he feels that he needs a cocktail, he can touch another button. One touch brings a martini, two whiskeys, three a Manhattan, four vermouth, five an ambulance. In answer, a dumb waiter rises through the floor either to bring the desired breaker, or, when need be, to lower the guest to the ambulance.

The hotel promoters lay much stress on the fact that all their waiters are dumb. In place of the ordinary Swiss who only stand and wait, instead of running and serving, there will be automata run by electricity and guaranteed not to spill soup down your back or creamed asparagus in your lap. The dining table will be decorated with flowers raised by intensive electrical culture in both winter and summer; for there will be no seasons in this hotel; push a button and you're warmer than when you see another fellow walking with the "only one on earth," push another button and you're colder than when

the other fellow frigidly asks, "What the devil are you doing here?"

One of the features of the hotel will be an electric orchestra, in which all kinds of stringed instruments will apparently play of their own accord.

The inventor, a Frenchman named Gloriosa Knap, who has spent years experimenting with the various devices, asserts that they are not absolutely perfect, and has formed a company under the name "Societe des Hotels Electriques" for the purpose of building electric hotels in every big

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