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The Depot Injunction Suit

The petition of Herman Mosel, H. Weige, West Texas Supply Co. and others to enjoin the "Sap" railroad from removing the passenger depot off the depot grounds and in the rear of Beitel's lumber sheds will be heard by Judge R. H. Burney Saturday. It came up here last Friday, but owing to the death of Judge Burney's father the hearing was postponed.

The principal question, it seems, is whether the contract between Captain Schreiner and the railroad company to maintain the depot on the depot grounds when he conveyed the property to the company, was a personal one which Captain Schreiner can release, or whether it was made for the benefit of the adjoining property which he subdivided into blocks and lots, now owned by the plaintiffs, and which they have the equitable right to enforce. It is understood that Capt. Schreiner has released the company from its obligations, but the plaintiffs claim that he could not legally do so after disposing of the property for the benefit of which the contract was made. The plaintiffs also claim that the removal of the depot is against the law of the State as well as public interests, but the company asserts that no authority but the State itself can enforce the State law prohibiting a change of the depot grounds when once established.

It is hoped that the matter may be speedily settled by the courts and that Kerrville will soon have a modern depot at a convenient and accessible place, one which will be of the greatest benefit to all the people and as little damage as possible to any.

Will trade you the Tivy Hotel for other improved city property. What have you to offer?
See Gilbert C. Storms.

Camp Verde Letter.

(Regular Correspondence)

We agree with the old negro who went from Texas back to the old states and when asked about the rain in Texas, said: "It does not rain often in Texas, boss, but when it do rain it rains wid less judgment dan any country I ebber seen."

We had quite an interesting game of base ball last Friday between the Camp Verde second nine and school boys. The result was 5 to 10 in favor of the school boys. Another game Saturday was won by the school boys 7 to 6. Please don't mention it to the large boys for they feel bad enough anyway.

Chas. Landry, Dan Pearson and A. D. McBryde went down to the Medina dam fishing last week and had fine luck and a good time.

We had the heaviest rain here Sunday morning that has fallen for six years: The Verde was on about a 12-foot rise. It washed the Petty dam down which had stood the rains for several years.

Among those who attended the funeral of Judge H. M. Burney at Center Point Saturday were, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Baxter and Mr. and Mrs. O. Nowlin. They say it was one of the largest funerals ever known in Center Point.

Miss Williamson Wins Car

Our hearty congratulations to Miss Lucille Williamson on winning the beautiful 1615 Reo automobile in the San Antonio Light contest. Miss Williamson is the popular and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Williamson and was born and reared in Kerrville. She was a Tivy High School graduate last session. Her many friends are proud of her deserved success and wish for her much enjoyment of her car.

Judge H. M. Burney

Friday morning, April 23, Kerr county lost one of its oldest and most honored and esteemed citizens in the death of Judge H. M. Burney, in his 89th year. Having nobly fulfilled all life's duties, surrounded by his beloved companion who shared his joys and sorrows for more than sixty years, and others dear to him, the Christian veteran peacefully entered the haven of rest.

*"He heard the voice of Jesus say,
Come unto me and rest,
Lay down—thou weary one—lay down
Thy head upon my breast."*

Judge Burney was born in North Carolina May 12, 1826; spent his youth in McNary County, Tenn., where his eldest sister, Mrs. Emily Denny, now 93 years old, still resides; came to Texas in 1853, and in that year in Washington county was married to Miss Mary A. Tatum, whom he knew in his boyhood home in Tennessee, and who survives him. In 1857 they removed to Kerr county and for more than sixty years they lived at their home on Turtle creek where he died. Judge Burney was the first Chief Justice of Kerr county and Kerrville's first postmaster, and after the war was twice elected county judge when he voluntarily retired from public position. He loved his farm and ranch where he spent nearly all of his time, but was one of the organizers of the Center Point bank and was also connected with other business enterprises, and was one of our most public spirited citizens. He was a staunch member of the Methodist church and gave liberally of his means to the church at Center Point where his membership has been for many years.

Besides Mrs. Burney he is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Denny of Tennessee, Mrs. E. B. Saner, who lives near Kerrville, and a brother, Capt. W. D. C. Burney, of Center Point, who was our first sheriff, and nine sons, as follows: Judge R. H. Burney and J. W. Burney of Kerrville, Hon. I. H. Burney of Fort Worth, J. G. Burney of Austin, and W. D., William, Lee, Mack and Clytus Burney of Center Point and vicinity.

Judge Burney was buried at Center Point Saturday afternoon, Rev. N. G. Ozment of the Methodist church officiating.

A large concourse of friends from Kerrville, Center Point and throughout the county attended the funeral, and his grave was covered with beautiful flowers, emblems of another and higher life.

Baptist Church Notes.

Good morning! Well, did you go to church last Sunday? Sorry you did not. Well, if at first you don't succeed, try, try again. We will look for you next Sunday. Don't disappoint us.

The pastor is to preach at 11 o'clock on "Gospel Exhortations" and at 8 p. m. on "Reconciliation." This night theme will be a call to the unsaved to become reconciled to God. We will consider what Christ did to bring about reconciliation. Then the duty of the reconciled. Then, the motive that moves us.

Our collection for Home and Foreign Missions is over and we received about three hundred dollars for this great work. Other mission interests will be considered later.

Our great Southern Baptist Convention meets May 12th in Houston, Texas, and we hope to have a large attendance from Kerrville, as it has been 21 years since this body met in Texas and it may be a long time before it meets here again. So all Baptists ought to take advantage of this meeting and attend.

J. B.—RIDDLE, Pastor.

LOST—Pair of gold-rimmed, double lens eye glasses, in black case with name W. H. Hamilton, jeweler, Comanche, Texas, on case. Finder please leave at this office.

Bandera Weekly Letter

From Regular Correspondent.

W. R. Burgess of San Antonio, the promoter of the proposed railroad, spent several days in Bandera returning Thursday. The proposed road will tap the Southern Pacific at Pearson, come by Castroville, the Medina dam and eventually terminating at San Angelo. A meeting was held at the court house attended by a number of leading citizens and a committee appointed to see to the raising of a bonus. Mr. Burgess expects to return May 7th and hold a public meeting in the interest of the road. Everybody seems to think we will soon have a railroad.

Mr. Wallace of East Verde reports the finding of a panther near Seep Springs. Being without a gun the animal escaped.

Some street corner conversationalist recently stated there is more than one place in Bandera where "booze" can be had. While this was a boast of one who no doubt stands for booze and is not true, yet it shows the spirit to gloat over righteous laws being broken and will serve as a hint to our efficient officers.

Stockholders of the independent telephone company held a meeting at the court house Saturday morning. The meeting was well attended. Several new phones will be put in as soon as the boxes arrive.

G. Hicks of Tarpley was in town Wednesday.

Flavius Masters, I. I. Duke and Frank Gibbens of Winans Creek were in town Saturday.

Attorney-at-law Emmet Hardwick who is visiting his sister Mrs. Frank Gibbens of Winans creek was in Bandera Saturday.

A substantial fence is under construction around the Baptist parsonage.

Judges Ramsey and Harper accompanied by Mr. Ewing all of Austin passed through Bandera Friday en route to the Medina dam on a fishing expedition.

The Bandera Public School is now nearing a successful close. The term has been one of quiet, steady progress. The regular meeting of the literary society for the Friday afternoon was postponed, the school being entertained by Miss Montague's music class.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Baptist church will give an ice cream supper on the church grounds Wednesday May 19th. Everybody invited.

One of the heaviest rains in years fell in this section early Sunday morning. It fell in torrents for about an hour. It is reported that Hicks and Winans creeks and other small streams were higher than for years. The only serious damage so far reported was the loss of a large barn, 106 goats, one hog and a goodly number of chickens, all belonging to Mr. Fritz Eckhart of East Verde. There was a twelve foot rise in the Medina at Bandera.

Since writing the above, news comes that Mr. Rufus Evans Sr. of East Verde lost 20 head of nice large hogs, a binder, reaper and barn, also some other farming tools. Total loss about \$1,000 by the high water.

AN EXPLANATION.

The Advance is late this week owing to failure to get our shipment of print paper till Friday morning. The train service was resumed Thursday night after being laid off since Sunday on account of washouts.

FOR SALE

4-room new residence on two nice lots near school building for sale at \$1100, \$350 cash and balance on small monthly payments. Call on the Advance man.

Medina Local Notes.

(Regular Correspondence)

Ira Lackey returned from Taylor last week.

Lon Elam of Kerrville is in Medina at present writing.

Mr. Hedgecock, County surveyor, was in town Monday of this week.

W. S. Mayfield and wife were over from Center Point last week. Mrs. Mayfield was with her sister Mrs. Coulter whose baby is very sick.

Mrs. Miller of Utopia is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Dr. Patterson.

Mr. Tom Moore and family who have been visiting relatives here went away on Saturday. We understand Mr. Moore and some of the children will soon start for San Francisco in their Ford Car.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baurlein who were injured in a collision with an Automobile at Kerrville two weeks ago were brought to their home on West Prong last Thursday. It is reported that they are doing very well at this writing.

We learn that Mrs. Chas. McCurdy, who has been at the Kerrville Sanatorium several weeks, is much better.

Jim Freeman and Mr. Autry passed through our town with 350 cattle. We had not seen so many cattle for a long time so every body on the street watched them go through.

A big crowd attended the box supper at the school house Saturday night. A pleasing little program was rendered. The proceeds are to be applied on the purchase price of the school piano.

A good many farmers say their fields were badly washed by the recent heavy rains.

Mrs. Ed Corkill has visiting her this week her two daughters, Mrs. J. M. Hankins and two little daughters, and Mrs. J. D. Motley and little son, all of Junction.

School Trustee Election

Saturday is the time appointed by law for the election of trustees of our Independent School District and there are four to be elected to fill places now held by the retiring trustees, Messrs. W. A. Fawcett, T. C. Johnston, Robt. Saenger and A. W. Henke, whose terms expire.

This matter has been given so little publicity that it appears to be almost going by default, although it is an election of probably greater importance to our people and town than any we could have. School trustees like other officers ought to be chosen by the people and it is hoped the citizens will go to the polls Saturday and elect good and competent men or women to these positions, that the best interests of our schools may be served.

We understand the tickets will be printed tomorrow and that it may contain the names of two women, as well as several men. We would be glad to see at least two women elected. It would add more dignity to the board as well as efficiency.

Big Birthday Supper

The Ragland ranch of Johnson Creek was the scene of one of the biggest social gatherings Wednesday evening that has been pulled off in Kerr County in many a day. The occasion was Mr. S. F. Ragland's birthday anniversary, but of course it wouldn't be just to state his age.

The table fairly groaned under its load of goods things, chief of which was as fine a lot of barbecued goat meat as a hungry candidate ever sat down to at a Fourth-of-July barbecue. There were upwards of 200 people present including the neighborhood friends and quite a number from Kerrville.

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EUROPEAN WAR NEWS

Weekly Review

April 18.

"Appreciable progress on the two banks of the Fecht River," as announced in the French official statement, is an indication that the Allied forces are pushing their way in Alsace, for this river runs past Colmar, capital of Upper Alsace, which is one of the French objective points.

The most striking incident in the naval warfare is an attack made by a Turkish torpedo boat on a British transport, the Manitou, in the Aegean Sea. Seemingly the Turkish warship did damage, for the British official statement, although stating that three torpedoes fired at the Manitou failed to hit her, says it is reported that 100 men on the transport lost their lives through drowning. The British cruiser Minerva and several destroyers pursued the Turkish craft and drove her aground.

April 19.

The situation in the Carpathians, regarding which there has been a dearth of news of late, is reviewed in a brief summary issued by the Russian War office.

As set up in this review, the principal chain of the Carpathians, comprising a front of about seventy-five miles, has fallen into Russian hands since their offensive began, March 9, and up to April 12 the opposing forces, including those that had been concentrated for the purpose of relieving Przemysl, lined up between Lupkow and Uzsok Pass, suffered enormous casualties, losing in prisoners alone 70,000 officers and men.

The resistance of the Teutonic allies is described as most desperate and along the line from Bartfeldt to Uzsok Pass the Austro-German forces were estimated at 300,000 men.

At all points in the Vosges fighting is in progress.

Minor incidents in the campaign include the loss of the British submarine E-15, which ran ashore in the Dardanelles, twenty-four officers and men being taken prisoners by the Turks and seven probably being lost.

April 20.

Fighting at various isolated points from Western Belgium to the Vosges Mountains has resulted, according to London and Paris, in defeats at several places for the Germans and in the capture and occupation by the Allies of Terrain or in the holding back successfully of vicious attacks and counter attacks.

To the south of Zillebeke, Belgium, a hill which dominates the country north and northwest, has been captured and consolidated by the British, says London, after a sanguinary engagement with the Germans.

A German counter attack at Les Eparges was repulsed, and infantry engagement with no advantage to either side was fought in the Montmare Wood and the French had the advantage of an artillery engagement in the region of Regnierville.

April 21.

Paris, April 20 (Via London, 11:30 p. m.)—The following official communication was issued this evening: "Fifty incendiary shells have been dropped on Rheims.

"In Champagne and the Ar-

gonne there has been artillery fighting without intervention by the infantry.

"Between the Meuse and the Moselle in the Forest of Montmare, near the Flirey and Essy Road, our attacks achieved some successes and we made slight progress.

"In the Forest of Lapretre the enemy, after violently bombarding our position in the region of Croix Des Carmes, attempted an attack which was instantly stopped by our artillery.

"There was fairly lively cannonading and some outpost fighting at the edge of the Forest of Parroy.

"Yesterday evening two German counter attacks against Hartmanns-Weilerkopf were repulsed."

Vienna, April 20 (Via London, 8:10 p. m.)—The official statement issued today by the Austrian War Department said: "There has been no change in the general situation. Along the entire front only isolated artillery engagements have taken place."

April 22.

From the Carpathian peaks and passes the violent encounters of the war have, for the present at least been transferred to Belgium and France. The most sanguinary engagements reported by any of the war chancelleries is in progress in Belgium southeast of Ypres, where the Germans are endeavoring to wrest from the British a strategic point known as Hill No. 60, which the British took from the Germans several days ago with extremely heavy casualties to both sides.

The battle of the Carpathians has virtually come to a standstill except at isolated spots along the great range. The battle of greatest importance in this region is reported by Vienna to have taken place between Laboreza and the Ung Valley and it is asserted that the Russians there attacked and were repulsed, with heavy losses.

In the west, in Champagne and the Argonne, between the Meuse and Moselle and in Lorraine and Alsace, German offensive movements have been stopped by the Allied troops, according to Paris.

April 23.

Impending operations in the North Sea are thought to be foreshadowed by the incursion of British submarines in Helgoland Bay and the embargo on all shipping between England and Holland.

During the past week the activity of the German submarines has decreased to a marked degree and coincidentally British submarines, of which nothing had been heard for months, have put in an appearance and apparently are operating along the German coast and around Helgoland. The German Admiralty's report, announcing these operations, says that one of the British underwater craft was sunk April 17.

Whatever the intention of the government, the British people are convinced that important naval events are likely to occur within a comparatively brief period.

The campaign on land has supplied no engagements that affect the situation. In Alsace the

BIG EFFORT OF ALLIES IS NOW AT HAND

Accounts of Strength of British Army and Output of Men and Munitions Significant.

London—Glowing accounts of the strength and condition of the British army and of the great increase in the output of men and munitions, which is expected next month to amount to twenty-five times what it was last September, given by David Lloyd-George, chancellor of the exchequer, and Harold J. Tennant, parliamentary secretary of war office, in the House of Commons, have increased the enthusiasm and confidence of the people of England in the war which they and their allies are waging on the continents of Europe, Asia and Africa.

Supplementing the statement of the chancellor that Great Britain has more than thirty-six divisions of troops on the continent, and that the output of munitions has been enormously increased, Mr. Tennant today, speaking on behalf of the Secretary of War, Lord Kitchener, declared that recruiting has been most satisfactory and gratifying; that health of the troops is splendid and that the wounded are in London hospitals twenty-four hours after they are stricken in France.

He wished to impress upon the country the necessity for increasing the supplies of artillery ammunition, adding:

"There is no limit to the amount required."

The frankness of the cabinet ministers in making known the number of men at the front, and the reports that reach London from various sources, have convinced the people that at last the big effort against Germany and Turkey is about to commence.

Both in the Aegean and North Seas there are signs of increasing activity. All steamboat communication with Holland has been stopped by order of the British Government.

Taken in connection with the news from Berlin that British submarines have been in the Bight of Helgoland where the German Admiralty claim to have sunk one, and perhaps more, this is believed to foreshadow some movement in the North Sea while there is no longer any endeavor to hide the fact that a big Anglo-French force is prepared to go, as General D'Amade, the French commander, has said,

French continue to push forward along the Fecht River in the direction of Colmar. In Belgium the British and Germans are fighting savagely for the important strategic point near Ypres, known as Hill No. 60, which the British captured some days ago with heavy losses to both sides.

In the eastern zone the two armies in the Carpathians are engaged at various points along the front in determined efforts to better their positions.

April 24.

Fighting to the north of Ypres in Belgium, in which the Germans forced the French to retire to the west side of the Ypres Canal, a distance of approximately five miles, holds the chief place in the latest news of the European war.

Berlin asserts that the Germans in this westerly drive captured the villages of Lange-marck, Steenstraete, Het Sas and Pikelmei and took at least 1,500 French and British soldiers and thirty cannon, including four heavy British guns.

Heavy artillery duels are in progress in the district between the Meuse and Moselle and the French are admitted by Berlin to have penetrated portions of the advanced German trenches between Ailly and Apremont, where fighting at close quarters continues.

FRANK'S ATTORNEYS ASK FOR CLEMENCY

Innocence of the Crime for Which He Is Sentenced Is Among Pleas Advanced.

Atlanta, Ga.—Attorneys for Leo M. Frank have filed a petition with Governor Slaton and the Georgia Prison Commission asking that the sentence of death imposed upon Frank for the murder of Mary Phegan be commuted to life imprisonment.

Among the grounds set forth by Frank in his appeal for executive clemency are the allegations that he is innocent of the crime and that the principal evidence upon which he was convicted was of a "questionable and unreliable character." His application contains about 250 words and he states that it does not undertake to set out in full the reasons for his appeal, but he asks permission to do so at the hearing before the Prison Commission.

The text of Frank's application follows, in part:

"On August 26, 1913, I was convicted in the Superior Court of Fulton County of murder and I am now under sentence of death, pronounced in said verdict. I ask that this sentence be commuted to life imprisonment upon the following grounds:

"I am absolutely innocent of the crime of which I stand convicted. My death would neither avenge it nor punish the real perpetrator. I have no personal knowledge of the crime other than the facts related by me in my statement at the trial.

"The main evidence on which I was convicted was of a questionable and unreliable character. My alleged guilt has not been established beyond a reasonable doubt, but, on the contrary, conflict of testimony, uncertainty and doubt still exist as to every material feature of the case made against me."

The attorneys presented with the application copies of the brief of evidence introduced at Frank's trial and requested the Prison Commission to make a personal inspection of the pencil factory where the Phegan girl was murdered before beginning an examination of the record.

Members of the Prison Commission stated that a hearing on the application would not be given before the next regular monthly meeting which will be May 3 and it was not unlikely that the hearing might be deferred until the meeting beginning the first Monday in June.

"to any point where it is required."

A German report says that part of this force, which is under command of General Sir Ivan Hamilton, has been landed at Enos, a Turkish town near the Turko-Bulgarian border, on the northern side of the Gulf of Saros, under the support of the Allied fleet. At the same time there is news of transports loaded with troops passing the Island of Lemnos, not far from the entrance to the Dardanelles, and of others being sighted off Smyrna on the coast of Asia Minor.

This makes it uncertain where the blow is to be struck. There are Anglo-French troops in the Aegean Sea, including Senegalese, who were transferred from France, and British soldiers from the outposts of the Empire, which, with the disappearance of the last German raiders are considered safe from attack.

Further east, in Mesopotamia, the Turkish army, which was sent to bar the British advance from the head of the Persian Gulf, after having suffered 6,000 casualties, is in full retreat, harassed not only by the British but by Arab tribesmen, whom they had enlisted on their side and who, now that the Turks have been defeated, turned against them.

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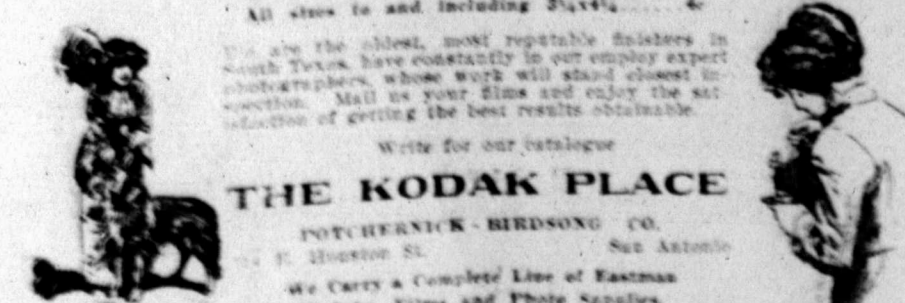
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Just now there is not a fighter on the pugilistic horizon who looks able to beat Willard, with the exception of Sam Langford, and "Thammy" won't get a chance at the title because Jess has decided that one battle with a dark gent is quite enough.

Ever since Willard pushed his right hand against Johnson's face in the twenty-sixth round of the Havana affair the big Kansan has been bombarded with defis. But he won't accept any of them. It is unlikely that Willard will do any battling for another year or so. What's the use? He can make more money by training for the stage, and there's no chance of his losing his heavyweight title on the stage.

Looking over the list of white hopes who think they have a chance to beat Willard, one immediately eliminates all but three. One of those is Gunboat Smith, who won a twenty-round decision from Willard on the coast some time ago. That's when Willard was in the raw state and the "Gonner" had been developed into perfection. Smith wouldn't have much of a chance against Willard now, because the Willard of eighteen months ago is a far different Willard than the present one.

The next gent that might be considered is Jim Coffey, an Irish party, who has a terrific punch, wonderful endurance, gameness far beyond the average, and little or no boxing skill. Coffey is a slugger—not a boxer.

Coffey might have a chance with Willard if he were a better boxer than Willard, but he isn't. Therefore, Willard would have the advantage in every department of pugilism over Coffey, which would leave Coffey only the faint hope of sneaking over a sleep-producing punch while Willard was looking out the window.

And now we come to Number Three—Carl Morris. This Morris fellow is regarded as the original white hope. He was one of the first to get into harness after the Reno affair for the purpose of beating up Jack Johnson.

Morris lacks only an inch or so of being as tall as Willard. He is almost as powerful. He can stand more punishment than any man in the game. And his punches have terrible power when they hit. But that let's out Morris. He isn't any judge of distance. He is as clumsy as they make them; he knows nothing about science of the ring game and seems to be a hopeless proposition as a pupil. These three men are the best in the game—and not one seems good enough to have a real chance against Willard. The new champ is only 27. He hasn't quite reached his prime. At 30 he will start to slip back, but he can do quite a bit of slipping before he slips to the point where any of the present-day fighters would have a real chance against him. In the future a giant may arise who may be able to take Willard's measure—but that seems to be in the somewhat distant future.

DREDGE TO ARANSAS

Work on Texas Port Will Begin In Near Future.

Port Aransas, Tex.—The dredge Galveston now at work at Galveston will be put to work here in about six weeks, according to a statement made by Captain S. M. Wilcox, assistant manager, who arrived here on the launch Anahuac inspecting the inter-coastal canal and harbor improvements here. The Galveston was built at a cost of \$400,000, is 304 feet long with 51-foot beam and draws 22 feet loaded. She has a hopper capacity of 2,800 cubic yards. Two hours are consumed in loading and the boat can discharge material through traps beneath the surface in about fifteen minutes.

Social Surveys and Reform.

A recent social survey in Chicago discloses a single block containing 137 dilapidated, unsanitary dwellings, in which are housed no less than 1,596 persons. Even this does not tell the whole story of congestion, for the space is not evenly divided. There are eight families out of this number aggregating 47 persons, who have large enough quarters to live in comparative decency and comfort. The other 1,549 are so crowded that in some cases eight persons must sleep in one bedroom. In this block there are but eight bathtubs, and these are monopolized by the fortunate 47 persons who are not so crowded.

All this, unfortunately, is neither new nor startling. There are many more blocks in Chicago that are just as bad, and there are many more cities in which similar congestion can be found. There have also been many social surveys of this kind, usually conducted by people who appear surprised at their discoveries, though it is a matter of common knowledge that such conditions exist. If any of these surveys have resulted in a practical effort to remove the cause of the evils they expose that fact is not generally known.

But let us hope that the good people who have done all this surveying are satisfied by this time that there are some very bad and disagreeable conditions that ought to be changed. Being satisfied of this, let us hope that they will join their efforts with those of people who did not need a series of numberless expensive surveys to tell them that fundamental reform is needed, and are working to abolish the monopoly of land that is the prime cause of the whole trouble. Surely no more surveys are needed to prove the necessity of such reform. The remedy was brought to the attention of the world 35 years ago.—Henry George.

MARRIED AT 101 YEARS

Man Makes Third Matrimonial Venture Because He Is Lonely.

Joplin, Mo.—William Louis Miller, 101 years old, and Mrs. Nancy Pike, 60, were married here today. It is Miller's third venture in matrimony and both he and his bride said they married because of "loneliness."

The disbursements on account of the Civil War totaled \$4,457,974,493 at the last figuring.

The annual cut of British Columbia timber is approximately 2,000,000,000 feet.

To prevent imposition on visitors, there is a Government office in London where so-called antiques may be submitted to expert examination.

WEINERT URGES WAREHOUSE LAW

Denounces Appeal to Prejudice Being Made by the Act's Opponents.

Austin, Tex.—In an address before the State Warehouse and Co-operative Marketing Department, to the farmers and stockmen of Texas, he declares that the plea that the bagging manufacturers and oil mill trusts are behind the warehouse act "is an appeal to prejudice and an admission of weakness," and he further states that "when the cotton-consuming world is brought to realize that the farmers of our State are in earnest about the enforcement of the provisions of this law, the benefits to be received by the farmers will be figured in dollars instead of cents on each bale produced." The address follows: "To the farmers and stockmen of Texas:

The sterling record of the great struggle for co-operation in the Northwest is an example of the only way we and other average people can get a square deal.

"The second called session of the Thirty-third Legislature passed the most important and far-reaching law ever enacted in Texas for the benefit of agriculture, and especially the cotton growers, known as House Bill No. 4, or the co-operative marketing law. This law is the greatest piece of constructive legislation that has been placed on the statute books of Texas. It has been so framed that it will affect materially and beneficially when in full operation every citizen in the State.

"The new law tends to solve the problem of marketing farm, ranch and orchard products of Texas, and it is well known that a proper marketing system is as essential to profitable operation as the production of the commodity itself.

"Hon. David F. Houston, Secretary of Agriculture for the United States, has said: 'We have learned how to produce; now we must learn how to market our crops. Therefore, organization. Our law was well considered before enactment, and only passed after being duly considered by several sessions of our Legislature. All of its features are based on the recommendations of our farmers' conventions, spinners, cotton factors and cotton brokers, as well as a number of ginners.

"In view of these recommendations the Democratic State convention held at El Paso on August 11, 1914, inserted in the Democratic plank 'We demand as a first consideration of the incoming Legislature that a law to the following effect be passed: (b) A law establishing an effective warehouse system for this State, with adequate provisions for sampling, grading, weighing and storing cotton and other farm products, and the issuance of negotiable receipts for same, with such restrictions and limitations as will safeguard at all times the interests of the producer.'

"In view of these peremptory demands, the Legislature of Texas, at the second called session thereof, passed what is known as the permanent warehouse and co-operative marketing law, which was approved on September 26, 1914, by the Governor of the State.

"A sub-committee of the American commission composed of members from all parts of the Union, and representing the different commercial and farming interests of our land, reported to the farmers of Texas on August 8, 1913, that they recommended 'the creation of a warehouse commission of three competent men, empowered to prescribe rules for sampling, grading and weighing cotton and other farm

products, for supervising the operation of warehouses, to the end that cotton be sampled at the gin without cutting the bale.'

"Our Federal Agricultural Department recommends as follows: 'Samples taken at the gin and protected by suitable regulations can be made a satisfactory basis for determining grade and staple and will remove the necessity of cutting the bale for sampling in the primary markets.'

"Foreign spinners report that loss from the careless manner in which American cotton is wrapped must be out of proportion to the extra cost of adjusting the bagging properly and covering the bale completely, so as to insure a minimum loss.

"Our Federal Agricultural Department further says: 'The custom of pulling samples is strongly entrenched; first, because of long use, and second, because it is highly profitable to the merchants and factors. This has become known as the 'city crop' and the average annual value is placed at \$4,000,000. Our Government further reports, after studying the old method of sampling cotton on the streets, 'that the difference between bales of the same date and place vary often from \$5 to \$19.25 per bale, and yet no reform must be had.'

"No relief from these conditions can be expected while grading is wholly in the hands of the buyer. Neither can any change be expected until the ginning of cotton is supervised and regulated by law as provided for in sections 4, 5, 6, 39, 40, 41 and 46 of the present act.

"The buyer must have some assurance that the sample represents the cotton in the bale, as other samples are accepted to represent the true grade or quality of the product offered on the market. The law regulates the ginning and protects the ginner against dishonest competition. The law attempts to standardize the cotton bale as other products are. Statistics show that the abuse of mixed-packed bales has increased 10 per cent in the last two years and the spinners of Europe claim if they could obtain cotton elsewhere in needed quantities and of the proper quality they would not come to the United States and accept the unsightly and antiquated package with its wastefulness and loss, and fruitful source for exasperating contentions and liability to expensive litigation. Our system aggravates the production of cotton in foreign lands and hence it is not a matter of choice but of necessity with the farmer to demand his aims.

"The abuse of improper ginning applies to the manner in which cotton seed is handled. This product now represents the value of the enormous sum of \$156,000,000 a year and the handling of same needs attention as provided for by the law.

"The plea that the bagging manufacturers and oil mill trusts are behind this law is an appeal to prejudice and an admission of weakness. Bagging is not placed on the bales as an ornament but as a protection. The broker piles it on before shipping, why not the farmer when the bale needs protection, especially as it will save in insurance and water far in excess of the cost.

"It is being asserted from some sources that the compliance with the warehouse law will impose an additional charge of \$1 per bale, but the actual facts are that this cost will be about 18 cents per bale, including all items. When the cotton consuming world is brought to realize that the farmers of our State are in earnest about the enforcement of the provisions of this law, the benefits to be received by the farmers will be figured in dollars instead of cents on each bale produced.

"The oil mills claim that the ginners are their agents and that

OFFERS U. S. SERVICES

Miss Majorie Stinson Ready to Do Aerial Scouting on Border.

San Antonio, Tex.—Miss Majorie Stinson, girl aviator and youngest of licensed pilots in the United States, Thursday morning offered her services and the use of her machine for aerial scouting duty at Brownsville. She was actuated by the news that General Funston had need of an aviator to assist in the border patrol work while the situation at Matamoros remains critical.

Miss Stinson was thanked for the offer and at the same time informed that military aviators are en route from San Diego with an aeroplane. She was told they would be able to perform the desired duty.

Yellow Fever on a Ship.

Morgan City, La.—Marine Hospital officials announced last night that they had diagnosed the illness of two sailors aboard the American schooner Persis-A. Colwell, which arrived at Quarantine today from Demarara, British Guiana, as yellow fever. The schooner is being held at anchor off the quarantine station several miles south of this city, pending the arrival of Surgeon von Eckert of the United States marina hospital staff at Mobile, Ala. The vessel has been fumigated and other precautions taken. One member of the crew, the cook, died on March 25, and was buried at sea, Captain Follette said.

JOHN BUNNY DYING.

Popular Movie Comedian Suffering from Heart Trouble.

New York—John Bunny, moving picture comedian, was thought to be at death's door due to a complication of kidney and heart ailments. Bunny is 52 years old. He has been on the stage for 30 years.

they pay them a commission of \$2 per ton for buying the seed, but that many ginners often violate the trust by paying the farmer far less than the allowance made them by the mills. Here is the charge—deny it!

"There is but one remedy for the producer, and that is co-operation in the marketing of his own products; pool your assets and sell direct to the broker or spinner. Scalpers and middlemen are an unnecessary expense to the producer and consumer. Make an honest pack and you will create confidence and establish a reputation, so your gin samples will be a basis for determining grade and staple and will remove the necessity of cutting the bale for sampling in the primary markets.

"Why encourage our Federal Agricultural Departments to spend millions of dollars in investigations for the benefit of our farmers and then ignore their suggestions and play into the hands of the parasites?

"The fight is on and the farmer must learn to protect his own interest, for if he does not no one else will."

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GEN. VILLA'S POWER FAR FROM BROKEN

Washington Government Has Information Which Points to Renewal of Battle.

Washington, D. C.—Consular dispatches received by the Washington Government from various points in Mexico indicate that while temporarily disorganized by the defeat sustained at Celaya General Villa and his forces have by no means been removed as a formidable factor in Mexico's civil war.

Officials at the State Department are guarding closely the reports received from consuls in the territory occupied by General Villa, as it is not desired to give out military information, but it is known that plans for another battle with General Obregon, the Carranza commander, are proceeding rapidly.

Villa's chief difficulty, it was learned officially, is his lack of ammunition, and until he replenishes his supply he probably will not risk another engagement. When he met Obregon at Celaya, Villa had sent forces to attack Matamoros, Nuevo Laredo, Tampico and west coast towns, greatly depleting his main forces. Indications are that he intends to concentrate all these forces in Central Mexico for another supreme effort against Obregon.

The Carranza forces are reported to be well supplied with ammunition and pressing the Villa army closely north of Irapuato. Carranza officials declare the movement has been given a crushing blow, from which it will never recover.

In the meantime many rumors of counter revolutionary movements have been current. Many former sympathizers of Huerta have been in Washington, but most of them deny that Huerta intends to take the field again.

Manuel Calero, former ambassador at Washington under the Madero administration, visited Argentine and Chilean ambassadors April 22. It was said his visit was without significance.

Of 5,000 foreigners in Tampico, of whom half are Americans, only 300 have taken advantage of the United States Government's offer of an opportunity to leave on the army transport Buford. There were 285 American, ten British and five German subjects on the Buford, which has sailed.

This is the season of the year when the mortality from pneumonia is apt to be highest. Fresh cold air is a preventive, and not the cause of pneumonia. This disease is unknown in the frozen regions, but when the inhabitants of the Arctic and Antarctic regions come to our boasted civilization they nearly always contract it.

Sometimes at the birth of a Japanese baby a tree is planted which must remain untouched until the marriage of the child. When the nuptial hour arrives the tree is cut down and a skilled cabinet maker transforms the wood into furniture for the house of the young people.

On fifty farms in Montana, the twenty-five more profitable ones had four important sources of income, while the poorer farms averaged about two. The better farms were stock and grain farms. Most of the poorer farms produced only grain.

The canary bird importation into this country from the Hartz Mountains has amounted to a million and a half birds a year for several years.

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If I knew you and you knew me. 'Tis seldom we would disagree. But seldom having clasped your hand, We often fail to understand That each intends to do what's right, And treat each other "honor bright." How little to complain there'd be, If I knew you and you knew me.

Then let no doubting thoughts abide Of firm good faith on either side; Confidence to each other give Living ourselves, let others live. But oftener may you come this way, So we can meet, we hope and pray, Then face to face we each shall see, And I'll know you and you'll know me

Dallas has elected a prohibition mayor. Henry D. Lindsey was elected over his opponent by the largest majority ever recorded in a Dallas city election.

Monopoly and ring rule always go hand in hand and "rule or ruin" is their slogan. But the people are at last waking up and the monster octopus of greed is losing foothold all over the country.

All the reputable magazines and many of the big daily papers are prohibiting liquor ads in their columns. This is a good proof, if there were no others, that the liquor traffic is illegitimate and disreputable.

Lets clean up our little city and get ready for the big rush of Summer visitors that will come here to the Normal and for an outing. Our town is naturally sanitary, but at this time of year there is a lot of rubbish in alleys and back yards that ought to be removed.

The good roads leading into Kerrville from all sides is one of the best inducements for bringing trade to our town. Another is good treatment when the people get here. Lets make it so agreeable and so much to the advantage of people to come here that they will naturally turn this way when they come to the forks of the road that lead to different trading points.

The Barroom as a Bank.

You deposit your money—and lose it; your time—and lose it; your manly independence—and lose it; your home comfort—and lose it; your self control—and lose it; your children's happiness—and lose it; your own soul—and lose it.—John B. Gough.

The local bill poster, Mr. Bender, says the National Organization of bill posters, of which he is agent, has passed an order to all agents not to post any more advertisements of whiskey, beer, or other intoxicants. Another good sign.

A saloon keeper said to an old friend: "Well, I see you've been up to the tabernacle and given Billy Sunday your last nickel, and now you have to walk home." "Yes," said the old friend, "and many a time I've given you my last nickel, and couldn't walk home."

The Legislature adjourned without redistricting the State congressionally. This means another race for Congress at large next year, with many entries. We will state in advance that one of last year's runners is suffering from stiffness of the joints and will not be in the running.—J. H. Lowry in Honey Grove Signal.

No man with an "ax to grind" or special or selfish interest to serve ought to be elected to any office from school trustee on up to president. The greatest good to the greatest number, with the least possible harm to any, to the end that the best interests of all the people shall be served, should be the motive, and the only motive, of the office seeker. "Of the people, for the people and by the people," means that an officer is a public servant and is expected to serve the public, and as such ought to have the sympathy and co-operation of all good citizens.

We now have regular correspondents at Bandera, Medina, Center Point, Camp Verde, Ingram and Japponica and are doing our best to make the Advance a live country newspaper, representing the best interests and giving the news of this entire section. And from the way new subscribers are rolling in it appears the people appreciate our efforts. And we would rather have the backing of the good, solid people of the country, and the approval of a good conscience, than all the wealth of Wall Street.

Good churches, good schools, good roads. These are some of Kerrville's best assets. Of course we bank on our fine climate, beautiful Guadalupe river, delightful mountain scenery, etc. But one feature which we have neglected boasting is our pretty women. If you want to see sure-enough pretty women and more of them than you ever saw in a town of three thousand inhabitants, come up to Kerrville this summer.

Kerrville's Lakeside Park will be opened soon for the season, better equipped and more attractive than ever. Here is one of the finest fresh water bathing pools in Texas, fully supplied with bath rooms for women and men. Boating on the big pool in motor boats, row boats and canoes, is another delightful pastime of our visitors and home people.

The Presbyterian Encampment at the Chataqua grounds adjoining Kerrville brought seven or eight hundred people here last year and prospects are good for a much larger attendance this summer. The Encampment is a self-advertiser, for when a person attends one session they nearly always return and bring their friends with them.

Chinaman Explains the War.

We are indebted to L'Echo de Chine, the Shanghai journal which represents French interests in the far East, for this very lucid account of the causes of the war. It is the work of a young Chinaman with a limited knowledge of English.

"Now there is a great battle in Europe. This began because the Prince of Austria went to Serbia, with his wife. One man of Serbia killed them. Austria was angry, and so fight Serbia. Germany write a letter to Austria, I will help you. France did not want to fight, but they got ready their soldiers. Germany write a letter to France. You don't get ready or I will fight you in nine hours. Germany to fight them pass Belgium. Belgium say I am a country, I am not a road, and Belgium write a letter to England about Germany to them. So England help Belgium."

KERRVILLE

Is the county seat of Kerr County, has a population of about 2500, is situated 70 miles northwesterly from San Antonio, and is the terminus of the Kerrville branch of the S. A. & A. P. railroad. It has two daily trains to and from San Antonio, and daily mail route, carrying passengers in hacks, to Ingram, Junction, Rock Springs Harper and other places north and west of Kerrville, and also a daily line to Fredericksburg. From Kerrville to Fredericksburg is 25 miles; to Bandera and Medina City, 25 miles; to Junction 60 miles; Rock Springs 80 miles, Harper 21 miles.

Kerrville has electric lights and a splendid system of water works. The sum of \$20,000 is being spent on the streets and \$40,000 has been voted for road improvements in this precinct.

The elevation at Kerrville is 1750 feet. The Guadalupe river, which heads 30 miles north of Kerrville, runs through the city, and 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 live oak, 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.

The Kerrville Commercial Club, any of the different Realty Companies or any of our citizens, will be pleased to give prospective residents or visitors further information.

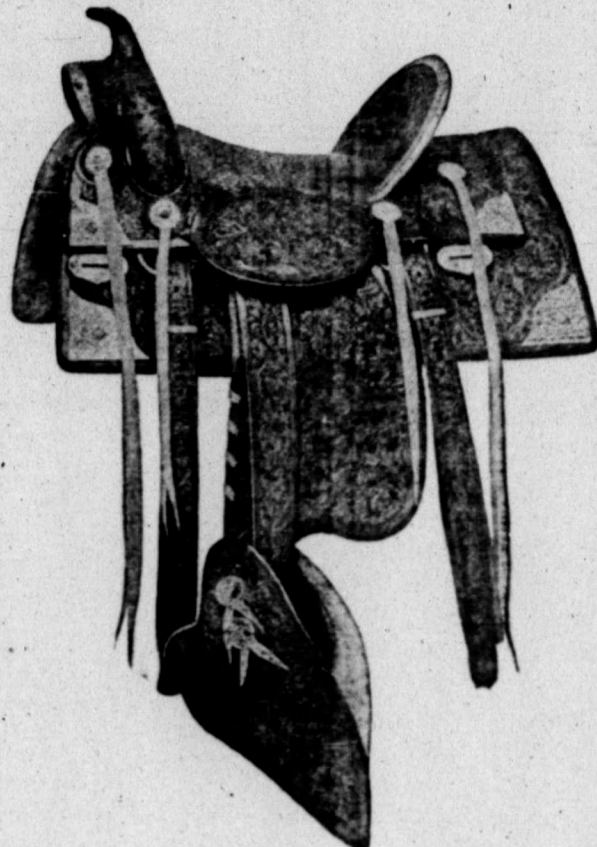
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The Ladies Aid meets every Tuesday at 3 p. m. Mrs. J. T. Moore, President; Mrs. L. W. McCoy, Secretary and Treasurer. Missionary Program 1st Tuesday in each month.

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Preaching every Sunday, 11:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
Sunday school at 9:15 a. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.
Services will begin and close promptly on time.
A cordial invitation is extended to all to visit these services.

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Morning prayers and Sermon at 10:30 a. m.
Holy Communion on the first Sunday at 10 a. m.
Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.—Dr. E. Galbraith, Supt.
Services at Morris Ranch 3rd Sundays morning.
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Bert Benson went to San Antonio last Friday and got water bound and did not return till Wednesday.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Page from their farm on the upper Guadalupe were visitors in this city Saturday.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Webb were down from their Johnson creek farm Tuesday.

Attorney Henry P. Burney of San Antonio is visiting his father, Judge R. H. Burney, here this week.

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Chas. Rawson has been on a trip to San Antonio and other South Texas towns the past week.

Who wants the Tivy Hotel property for \$2250 cash? See Storms.

J. W. Owens of Center Point was in town and made the Advance a pleasant call Tuesday. His daughter Miss Lee, finished her school at Reservation last Friday and there was a big picnic Friday with appropriate program.

ATTENTION!

On account of the unsettled weather for the past week we will continue our **BIG SALE** for one more week. So get a hustle on yourself and get your share of the many bargains we have in store for you.

WEST TEXAS SUPPLY CO.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cox of Center Point was here Tuesday on business.

We will make pictures anywhere at any time. Major & Wilkinson at the Kerrville Studio.

Howard Butt "hiked" in home Tuesday after enjoying a few weeks recreation on the W.W. Allen ranch.

Mens or Boys Panama and Palm Beach suits at very low prices at

H. Noll Stock Co.

Ed. Smith, one of Ingram's prominent merchants, was in the city Saturday.

R. G. Bierschwale and J. H. Gibson of Harper were in Kerrville last Thursday trading.

One 7-foot McCormick binder for sale at a reduced price at

West Texas Supply Co.

CHARBON

We have a fresh supply of Anthrax Vaccine.

Kerrville Drug Co.

E. C. Roberts a master mechanic of Galveston spent several days in Kerrville the past week.

Miss Mabel Hagens visited in San Antonio and attended the Fiesta last week.

Furniture for Sale—We are leaving Kerrville and will sell our furniture at bargain prices. Call at Judge Burney's residence.

Mrs. D. F. Smith.

Mr. Emil Leinweber's family and Miss Tillie Leinweber returned last Monday from a visit to the ranch on the Divide.

Carson Carlisle came up Saturday night from San Antonio to assist his brother on the brick work on the new depot.

Baseball Goods

All Base Ball goods go at 20 per cent discount. A splendid line.

Kerrville Drug Co.

Mrs. G. A. Wied of Gonzales and Mrs. Gus Grösse of Nordheim, mother and sister of Eloie Weid, are spending a few days visiting in Kerrville.

FOUND—A ladies valise on the Junction road west of Mountain Home. Owner can have same by giving description and paying for this notice. Call at this office.

SUMMER CLOTHING

Blue Serges, Priestley Mohair, Palm Beach and Light Worsteds. Our blue serges cant be beat at the prices we make them, quality, fit and style considered.

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KERRVILLE MERC. CO.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ash visited at Morris Ranch from Saturday till Monday. They intended to return Sunday but got water bound.

Dress Goods and Shoes are selling fast with us. Come and see the reason—low price of course.

H. Noll Stock Co.

Mrs. W. H. Rawson spent from Thursday till Saturday visiting Mrs. Herbert Rawson in San Antonio.

When in need of repairs for the Johnson & McCormick Binders and Mowers, go to the

West Texas Supply Co.

Mrs. J. W. Owens and daughter, Miss Lee, of Center Point, were visitors to Kerrville Wednesday and made the Advance a pleasant call.

A. J. McNeil, one of Ingram's prominent business men, was in this city last week and called to cheer the Advance man.

Hon. I. H. Burney of Fort Worth and Jesse G. Burney of Austin came to be present at their father's funeral last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Meadows were in town Tuesday from Ingram. Mr. and Mrs. Meadows and Miss Dora Nimitz closed a very successful term of school at Ingram last Friday.

O. L. Eastman and Tom Jones of Junction spent several days in Kerrville last week. Mr. Jones bought a new Dodge car from August Bernhart while here.

Judge R. H. Burney was to have opened court at Hondo Monday but has been water bound all the week and will not likely get there before Friday or Saturday.

Having purchased the studio of Miss C. Heimann, we wish to announce that we will in future put out nothing but High Grade work. Give us a call, Major & Wilkinson.

Charles Mason returned last week to the Rice Institute at Houston after spending a few weeks at home recuperating from a recent illness.

Prof. G. C. Jones of Rogers, Bell County, was on last Friday morning elected by the local school board to the position of Superintendent of the Kerrville Public Schools for the ensuing term. Prof. Jones was formerly at Pecos City and it is said—comes highly recommended as a school man and as a citizen.

We have a new stock of Mary Janes in Ladies and Misses sizes, Colonial Pumps, Tennis slippers for men, women, boys and girls. The prices are right too.

Mosel, Saenger & Co.

Our correspondents will please remember that unless their letters are received by noon Tuesday we can seldom get them set up for that issue. This also applies to church notices and other free matter.

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J. J. McKelvy of Houston was in Kerrville on business last week.

I have 32 acres of land opposite Schreiner's mill on the river that can be bought at a bargain for cash. Who want's it? See

Gilbert C. Storms.

Dr. H. E. Williams has moved his residence from West Water street to the Scholl place on Tehouptoulas street.

Two of the teachers, Miss Garrett and Miss Loudon, have been water bound in San Antonio all the week. Miss Newman and Miss Lynn Burnett are teaching their rooms for them.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Williams and daughter, Miss Ethel, and Miss Mary Robinson are spending a few days visiting at the W. G. Wharton ranch on the divide.

Mrs. Chas. Brown and son Homer of Bedford, Indiana, arrived in Kerrville last Thursday night on a visit to her father, Rev. B. T. Mayhugh, and sister, Mrs. R. A. Holland and brother, J. R. Mayhugh. J. R. Mayhugh came down for them yesterday and took them up to his place for a few days visit.

MENS' PANTS

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KERRVILLE MERC. CO.

Mrs. Wm. Nimitz and daughter, Miss Dora, expect to sail from Galveston Saturday for New York and Annapolis. At the Brooklyn navy yard they will visit Lieut. Chester Nimitz and family, and then go to Annapolis to be present at the graduation of Otto Nimitz from the naval academy on June 8th. Chester and Otto are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Nimitz, Kerrville boys, and all our people feel proud of their successful careers.

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Base Ball at Ingram.

On last Friday the "Benedicts" and "Single Men," the two Ingram ball teams, played a game of seven innings.

John Leinweber was Captain of the Benedicts and "Red" George managed the Single Men.

In the first inning Capt. Leinweber sent a screamer to right field which landed in Dr. Fowler's garden. Right fielder vaulted the fence and scouped the ball with about a dozen radishes and caught the Capt. on first.

John Manley was the next batter up. He hit a long fly to center and as the boys were short on mits they used tin pans and buckets to field in. The ball knocked the bottom out of center fielder's bucket and Manly stopped on third. The Capt. yelled to him to go home, and Manly thinking the Capt. was mad about the bucket started across the lot for home. It took the umpire and three of the players about half an hour to induce him to come back.

The game was about even until the fourth inning when the Single Men piled up eight tallies. Capt. Leinweber becoming desperate pulled his belt around so every one could see "CAPTAIN" on the front, and told his players they had to get busy, and they batted in nine tallies. Joe Garber umpired the game satisfactorily to both sides with the exception of one ball, he called it a foul and some one disputed his decision. The score stood 9 to 10 in favor of the Benedicts.

Red George, Lee Stone, Charley Leinweber and Joe Garber now wish to join the Benedicts. The boys are expected to be drafted into the federal league at any time.

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POULTRY DEPARTMENT

Guinea Hens.

Guinea fowls are commonly found in pairs or small flocks on our general farms in all parts of the country, and to a less extent on commercial poultry plants. Until a comparatively recent date they have not been highly regarded because of their utility value, but rather as curiosities and because of their well-known habit of sounding the alarm when strangers or enemies approach.

Among poultry keepers they are valued as guards against hawks, which are constantly searching for chicken dinners. When such marauders appear the guineas immediately raise the warning cry which sends the possible victims scurrying to cover. It is no uncommon thing to see guinea cocks take wing and actually attack any hawk which comes to near the premises.

If these interesting birds are of sufficient use in this way to justify one in maintaining a flock, they should prove extremely profitable stock under existing conditions because of the great demand for them in our markets.

Broiled guinea chicks and roast guinea fowl are staple items on the bills of fare at many high-class restaurants, and are coming into quite common use on family tables, especially those of the wealthy. In fact, these odd fowls are largely depended upon to take the place of certain game birds which formerly were used largely but now are most difficult to secure.

There now seems to be a large number of poultrymen who are paying considerable attention to this specialty, and better methods of managing and growing guineas are being worked out. It is quite possible that many will soon find this line very profitable.

The guinea fowl is a native of Africa, and has been changed but little, if any, under domestication. It is said that large flocks are still to be found wild in certain parts of Africa.

The Pearl guinea is the most common variety. The name is taken from the small, white dots, or pearls, with which the gray plumage is marked. There also are strains of pure white birds, and not infrequently specimens are seen which have both pearl and white feathers.

In general appearance the sexes are very similar, and the amateur may have difficulty in distinguishing them. The male is inclined to be somewhat more compact in shape and frequently shows deeper and richer color, especially on the neck. His brilliant red wattles stand out wider than those of the female. Further, the familiar call "come back" or "buckwheat"—as variously interpreted—is given only by the female.

Guinea fowls are wonderfully hardy, and usually will roost out in the trees, regardless of the cold. When permitted to mingle and feed with the chickens, they sometimes roost in the poultry house, but under usual conditions it is just as well to let them remain outside, save during extremely cold weather. The hens lay during the spring and early summer months, the natural breeding time. Their eggs are beautifully marked and unusually

rich in flavor, but are not produced in large numbers, as compared with hens.

Guinea chicks, or "keets," are strong and active when hatched, reasonably hardy and not difficult to rear when given a fair amount of care.

A flock of these active birds can inflict severe damage on growing crops, but this is not as important as would seem at first thought, because of the vast number of injurious insects which they pick up. In this way they really are a great help to the farmer, and they convert insects and crops alike into a salable product.

While guinea fowls are particularly useful to those who can give them free range, thus allowing them to glean a large part of their living, some progress has been made in breeding them in small yards. This encourages the belief that in time we may see flocks of them profitably kept in the limited space afforded by town and suburban yards.

Finely bred birds are often badly bred egg producers. The best partner on an egg farm is a good laying hen. The natural time for a hen to lay is from February to October. The largest ingredients in eggs are lime, nitrogen and phosphoric acid. This indicates that hens should be fed such foods as are rich in these elements.

One great mistake beginners generally make in buying fowls is to at once put them with their own birds. New stock should be placed in quarantine for about two weeks, so that it can be fully determined if they are in good health. This precaution will often save serious trouble.

If you want to become thoroughly successful in poultry raising, commence at the bottom of the ladder, and do not make your first venture at a dizzy height, the height that poultrymen with years of experience have not yet attained.

The farmers of Rhode Island have bred the Rhode Island Reds for fully thirty years. They are a solid, meaty fowl with short thighs, long breast-bone, deep yellow skin and light pin feathers.

There is little use trying to keep turkey chicks on a limited range. They love to walk and also to roost in the open. The turkey hen is an ideal sitter, but a bad mother unless confined, as she drags her young after her and does not wait for those that fall out by the way so long as one is left.

Before starting the incubator, clean out the heat or flue pipe into which the lamp chimney extends, and clean all parts of the lamp thoroughly, having the burners as bright as new.

Texas Hay to War Zone.

Galveston, Tex.—Eighty-five thousand bales of Texas hay composes the cargo of the British steamer Crown of Toledo, which was made ready for sea today. The hay, is for use of the military forces of the allies.

ARIZONA DAM GAVE WAY DROWNING EIGHT

Flood Swept Down Basin of Little Colorado River.

Holbrook, Ariz.—Lyman reservoir, which impounds waters of the Little Colorado River, 12 miles south of St. John's Apache County, broke at midnight, April 15, drowning eight persons.

The eight persons drowned at Lyman, lived directly under the reservoir dam, which collapsed, as did a similar but smaller dam ten years ago. At St. John's no great damage was done.

Three of the eight persons drowned at Lyman dam were grandchildren of Mrs. Rachel Berry, one of the two women members of the Arizona State Legislature.

Lyman reservoir furnished water to irrigate 30,000 acres.

PREPARING FOR ELECTION

Proposed Constitutional Amendments to Be Printed in 250 Newspapers.

Austin, Tex.—The Secretary of State today mailed out six of the seven proposed constitutional amendments to 250 newspapers throughout the State to be printed once a week beginning April 24, which is ninety days before the election which is on the fourth Saturday in July. These amendments are:

Increasing the bench of the Supreme Court from three to five; permitting counties to vote on creation of a student loan fund; authorizing the levy and collection of a special road tax not exceeding fifty cents on \$100 property valuation; authorizing issuance of bonds for public improvements; permitting persons to vote in general elections in precincts other than those in which their residences are located; the Sackett resolution for the divorcement of the University of Texas and the Agricultural and Mechanical College. The seventh proposed amendment to be submitted will be voted on at the general election in November.

POLES TO CELEBRATE

May 2 Anniversary of Adoption of Polish Constitution.

San Antonio, Tex.—Polish residents of San Antonio will celebrate the anniversary of the adoption of the Polish constitution May 2 with a parade through the business section in the morning and exercises at St. Albert's hall, Wyoming and Indianola Streets, in the evening. An invitation to all Polish residents of the city to take part has been issued by Edward Burda, president; John Danysh, secretary, and Miss Lucy Zizik, treasurer of the temporary organization formed to commemorate the anniversary.

The parade will form at St. Albert's hall at 9 o'clock Sunday morning, May 2. There are between 500 and 600 Poles residing in San Antonio and the majority of them are expected to take part in the anniversary festivities.

Rate Hearing Is Postponed.

Austin, Tex.—Acting upon requests from the commercial organizations of the cities of Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, Galveston, San Antonio, Austin, Waco, Terrell and other cities and towns, the railroad commission today issued an order postponing from May 3 to June 1, the advanced freight rate hearing in which the railroads are seeking an advance of approximately 20 per cent in freight rates.

CONGRESSMAN GARNER VISITS SAN ANTONIO

Says Interest of Legislators Is Centered in Rural Credits Measure.

San Antonio, Tex.—Congressman John N. Garner of Uvalde reached San Antonio Tuesday morning to hold a conference with a number of his friends in this district who have asked him for an audience. After a half dozen or more men from various points in Southwest Texas wrote him requesting conferences, he advised them all to meet him in San Antonio Wednesday. He selected this city as the central point in the district so that each would have to travel about an equal distance. One of the men with whom he will confer Wednesday is Congressman Jeff McLenore of Houston.

"While there is nothing of importance to come up at the informal conference I will hold tomorrow," said Congressman Garner Tuesday morning at the Gunter hotel, where he has established headquarters, "interest among legislators is centered in the rural credits problem which will be one of the most important issues to come before Congress in 1916. Probably greater thought and deliberation will be given rural credits next year than any other measure and I deem it by far the most important subject for legislative action before the United States at the present time.

"Briefly, rural credits involves the placing of cheap money within the reach of the tiller of the soil in all parts of the country. Whether this can be accomplished best by Federal aid to the farmer, or whether private interests can be induced to assist the farmer financially is a problem to be solved. As all of the wealth of the nation is evolved from the products of the soil, those who deal directly with the soil in their daily work should be given the greatest consideration at the hands of the government."

Congressman Garner said conservation measures are next in importance to rural credits and that several such bills would form a part of the legislative program at the 1916 session of Congress.

SINGLE TAX

Senator Davis Introduces Resolution in Oklahoma.

Perry, Okla.—The Senate resolution introduced by Senator Clarence Davis establishing the single tax idea in Oklahoma is arousing more than ordinary attention.

The resolution is introduced and if it passes both houses will be submitted to the people for ratification. The idea is to tax land only and exempt all improvements. The law shall be in effect in 1920, when all land will be assessed at full value. In 1917 the value of the improvements will be seventy-five per cent of their actual value, in 1918, reduced to fifty per cent of their value, in 1919 the improvements shall be assessed at twenty-five per cent of their actual value and not assessed in 1920 or thereafter when the land will be assessed at full value. This will put the single tax into effect without disturbing values.

It is the theory that by having such a law that factories will come in because their buildings are exempt and the big landed farmer will pay the taxes for the renter, tenant and the land owner who desires to improve his place, yet now pays the taxes where the non-resident and large land owner makes no improvements for the benefit of the community.

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BLACKLEG AMONG CATTLE

Federal Farm Demonstrator Reports Disease in Bexar County.

San Antonio, Tex.—Several cases of black leg among cattle have been discovered in Bexar County, according to W. G. Hand, United States Farm Demonstrator. Mr. Hand vaccinated seven head last week, of which three later died. He reports that the extent of the disease is not yet known, but that he believes it can be easily controlled.

There are still some cases of hog cholera, Mr. Hand said. However, he believes the disease is under control. Mr. Hand recently vaccinated 320 hogs in one community, where one man refused to have his stock treated. The only cases of cholera reported in that community was in the herd of the man who refused to take precautions, and he lost every hog.

The Scarcity of Food Problem.

The Austrian Government is reported to have ordered all landowners to see that every available inch of ground is planted with grain. Should this report be true it will indicate that there is some good statesmanship in that country. The remedy for famine or threatened famine is to increase the food supply, and to do this more food must be raised, which requires use of land. But land being the private property of certain individuals, to force it into use requires action on the part of government and this the Austrian Government, according to reports, is wise enough to have taken.

But it should not have required a war or an arbitrary command by some one in authority to bring this land into use. It is just as important in times of peace as of war that, so long as a single human want remains unsupplied, the natural resources of the country be used to supply it. Had this been the government's policy before the war started, there would not now have been danger of scarcity, even if there would have been war.

SPECIAL FOR REFUGEES

More Than Three Hundred Foreigners to Leave Mexico City.

Washington, D. C.—The Brazilian minister in Mexico City today notified the State Department that he had arranged to take about 300 foreigners out of the capital on a special train.

This train will run as far as Irolo where the Zapataista control of the Vera Cruz Railway ends. General Carranza has given assurance to the Brazilian minister and to the State Department that another train will be run from Vera Cruz to meet that carrying these foreigners.

DIVORCE IN KANSAS

One-seventh of All Marriages There End in Courts.

Topeka, Kan.—One-seventh of the matrimonial ventures in Kansas end in the divorce courts. That is the statement today of J. W. Howe, secretary of the state board of control, in an official report covering 195 counties in Kansas. The report for 1914 shows a slump in the number of divorces.

GIRL IS THE BEST ORATOR

Elizabeth Kalb Wins First Prize in University Contest.

Austin, Tex.—Miss Elizabeth Kalb, representing Rice Institute, won first place in the annual oratorical contest of the Texas Intercollegiate Peace Association, held in the auditorium of the University of Texas on April 19; James H. Reeves of the University of Texas won second place, and J. N. Razyor of North Texas Normal, Denton, third place.

Miss Kalb received a prize of \$100; Mr. Reeves a prize of \$50, and Mr. Razyor a prize of \$25.

The other competitors were: W. L. Thornton, Christian College, Thorp Springs, and Harry C. Rogers of Wayland Baptist College, Plainview.

Back to Diaz Movement.

The return of General Victoriano Huerta to America and his presence in the city of New York for a conference with Felix Diaz, is said to be one of the developments of a back to General Porfirio Diaz movement.

When the expatriated Mexicans in the United States, consisting of followers and associates of Huerta, members of the old cientifico party and worshippers at the shrine of Diaz met in San Antonio some weeks ago the meeting was heralded to the world as a great peace conference.

Telegrams were sent to the warring factions in Mexico inviting them to fall in line with this "peace movement," but who the peace movement involve was never satisfactorily explained.

Recent developments indicate this peace movement contemplates nothing more or less than an effort to restore the Diaz regime to power in Mexico.

The private secretary of General Felix Diaz has returned to New York from Europe, where he had a conference with General Porfirio Diaz. He says General Diaz awaits the opportunity for his return to Mexico. That he is the only man who is able to set up a stable government in Mexico that will win the recognition of the United States, that he has been assured of abundant support among the people will rally to him by the hundreds of thousands.

General Huerta has always been loyal to Porfirio Diaz, and he has come back to co-operate with Felix Diaz, in a movement that has for its object the restoration of General Porfirio Diaz as the head of the Mexican government, with Felix Diaz in the line of succession.

MINERS GET INCREASE

Twelve Thousand Men Give More Wages at Calumet.

Calumet, Mich.—Twelve thousand men employed by the Calumet and Hecia Mining & Subsidiary properties had their wages increased 10 per cent when the wage rate in effect prior to the outbreak of the European war was restored.

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BEEKEEPERS NOTES

—By E. G. Le Sturgeon

We have made arrangements to have this column devoted each week entirely to beekeeping. We have secured the service of Mr. E. G. Le Sturgeon, secretary of the Bexar County Beekeepers' Association, and one of the best known beekeepers in the State of Texas, to conduct this department for our readers. Any questions concerning agriculture or any request for advice about beekeeping should be addressed to E. G. Le Sturgeon, Box 1048, San Antonio, Texas, and will be fully and carefully answered in this column. We trust that every one of our readers will take advantage of this opportunity, because beekeeping is rapidly becoming one of the most extensive industries in our part of Texas.



A few weeks ago this season promised to be one of the earliest in beekeeping history, but there has been so much cold, wet weather that there is now prospect of its being one of the latest.

An enthusiastic meeting of the bee keepers of Wilson County was held here Saturday in the office of the Hyde Bee Company. It was voted to go into permanent organization and the following officers were elected: J. T. Ferguson, president; O. P. Hyde, vice president; A. G. Hill, secretary-treasurer; M. M. Faust, inspector. The main object of the meeting was to form a working organization so that this county could secure its share of the \$3,000 set aside by the Legislature to stamp out foul brood among bees. This bill, introduced by Representative Burmeister, is now a law. Sixteen bee keepers attended the new association at a meeting today. Several presiding talks upon various subjects. It was the unanimous opinion of all present that prospects are fine for a big honey flow in the association proposes to organize thoroughly and prepare a it.

Wilson County produces annually about 150,000 pounds of honey, and more farmers are becoming interested every year. Inspector Faust has named Victor Boer of the camp ranch as assistant inspector. The association will meet once each month in the future.

The Bexar County Beekeepers voted to hold their future meetings in the open as field meets at the apiary of some member. Mr. Lewis Maverick volunteered that the first of such meetings should be held at his Loma Linda farm at the apiary of Mr. E. G.

LeSturgeon. Mr. A. P. Heinen was selected as chairman of the entertainment committee to provide a barbecue picnic for the occasion.

So far as we have heard Mr. Lewis Biediger of La Cote takes the laurels for making the first shipments of 1915 honey. He shipped over a thousand pounds on April 19. He tells us that the source was mostly black persimmon and that his honey flow is still on.

A rearing meeting of the Medina County Beekeepers' Association was held in the court-house at Hondo Saturday, April 24. Much interest is being stimulated in beekeeping circles by the good example of such men as August Saathof.

Henry Brenner of Seguin writes under date of the 19th that prospects for a good honey flow in that valley of the Guadalupe could not be better.

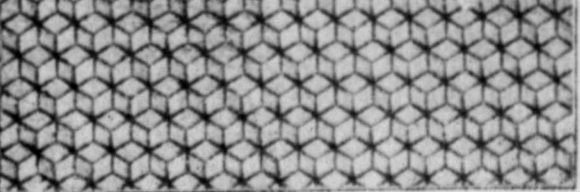
When the Legislature meets next week beekeepers must not overlook the importance of writing their members again to urge the appropriations committee of both House and Senate to pass the item of \$10,000 in Director Youngblood's budget for foul brood work.

The Southland Farmer of LaPorte, Texas, has added a live beekeeping department. C. C. Potchornick of Pleasanton is its editor and his questions and answers in beekeeping are as good as can be found anywhere.

A new office convenience is an electrical machine which seals, stamps and keeps a record of 150 letters a minute.

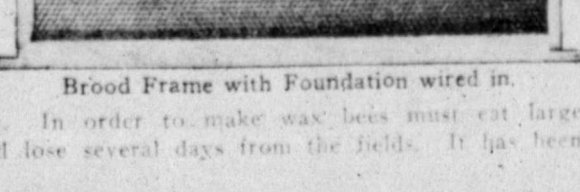
COMB FOUNDATION.

Next in importance, perhaps, to the invention of movable frame hives, comes the invention of Comb Foundation. By the use of it the beekeeper can have the comb built where he wants it and as he wants it the hives. Otherwise if the bees are left to start their comb they will build it angling or crossing the frames, and thus spoil the greatest feature of the modern movable frame hives, namely, that the frames are not interchangeable and the needs of the bees not easily applied. Perhaps the main argument for using Comb Foundation is that all cells are built worker size.



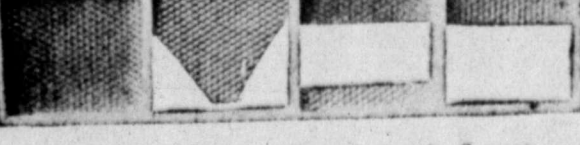
Dadant Brood Foundation.

If the bees are left to their own devices they will build more or less of a drone comb and will rear a large army of drones which are useless consumers of honey that would otherwise go into the surplus chamber or jar.



Brood Frame with Foundation wired in.

Every pound of foundation used means that much work taken from the bees and increases their efficiency. In order to make wax bees must eat large quantities of honey and lose several days from the fields. It has been estimated that the bees must eat ten pounds of honey to produce one pound of wax. Besides this loss of honey they must hang in comb clusters or curtains from the ceiling to five days and thus lose valuable time that they might be bringing in surplus honey from the fields.



Methods of Placing Foundation in Supers.

The Tragic Story of the Old Mill

(By Charles Oliver Dresden.)

"Where to, so late, muchachos?" old Pedro asked as we trooped down the river just at dusk.

"To the Old Mill!" a half dozen voices joined in the shout; and Joe added, "We intended to stay all night there."

"One? Stay all night at the Old Mill? No, No, mis hijitos." "Why not, Pedro?" asked Joe with pretended innocence, though all of us had heard of the "haunt" and it was a boyish desire to see a real ghost that had led us here.

"Pedro will tell you a story of the Old Mill."

That was enough. We began to disperse ourselves around him to hear the tale. Pedro had quite a reputation among the simple people of his race. He was accounted a witch doctor, and many of the Mexicans living about the Missions consulted him on questions of love and riches, with firm belief in his clairvoyance. To us he was only Pedro—Mr. Ashley's old Mexican—who had always jived up and down the river from the "Third Mission," as San Juan de Capistrano is familiarly called. He was full of the lore of the place, which he would give to us in rambling reminiscence whenever permitted.

"Hundreds of years ago, when my grandmother was a girl"—Pedro's chronology was always vague—"the Mill was built by the padres. They came from Spain and built the Mission here, Valgame Dios! They all are dead, and now their work also crumbles into death."

"Ramon Esquivel was a young priest who came while the Mill was building. Fairest and handsomest of all the train, was he, mis hijitos, with a face as sad as Christ. He was of a noble family in Spain, they said; but pest! a woman; another man; an hour of dark despair, and Don Ramon became a priest, and away to far-off America to drown his heart in the work of building a church to God and conquering a land for Spain."

"Years went on in peace. The land waxed fat. Large settlements grew up around the Mission and the Old Mill droned on its never ending song, pouring streams of golden meal into the baskets of the Indians."

"One day there was a stir in the pueblo. The Alcalde read a proclamation to the priests that he was leaving to found a presidio at Goliad and that a new jefe was coming out from Spain to take his place. A week later the new Alcalde came. My grandfather rode down from San Antonio to tell of his arrival there. The new Alcalde had brought his wife—a shy and timid thing with eyes of blue and hair of gold. The Andalusian type of woman was a strange sight in these parts then, mis hijos, and they thrilled with expectation of her arrival. Pobreita, what woe and wretchedness awaited her! 'twas well she could not foresee!"

"The whole presidio decked itself as for a holiday. The monks lined up at the portal of the chapel, and the boys whom Padre Joseph had taught to sing in his choir chanted a hymn of thanksgiving."

"Just then the cavalcade rode up between the cottonwoods beyond the ford, and the faces of the new-comers could be seen for the first time. Padre Ramon turned away his face as though ill, and staggered into the dim alcove of the chapel. Another friar went to his assistance, but he waved him away as though he did not wish to deprive his brother of the joy of greeting the new arrivals."

"My grandmother was a young girl then, as I have said, and my

grandfather was her lover. They were standing hand in hand where the grove of pecan trees still stands just inside the cottonwood coppice, and they say that the face of the pretty wife who was coming into her new home beside her handsome husband suddenly paled and contracted as with pain. The expression was only momentary, because the welcoming priests at this moment advanced to greet the party."

"Both Don Felix, the new Alcalde, and his wife became enraptured with the beautiful surroundings of the Old Mill, and the time for grinding being over and the Mill idle, had it fitted up for their new home. What a paradise it was! The cool shade of the giant over-arching trees, the ceaseless murmur of the swiftly flowing river, the tinkle of the falls above, and directly opposite, the activities of the Mission. To them came the song of the gardeners in the field, the drone of the priests at prayer and the trilling of countless birds in the forest. It was an ideal home and, while so near the center of the presidio, was as secluded as a desert isle."

"My grandmother was sent by Padre Joseph to be maid to the lady. She loved her mistress well, and was grieved to see that she was not happy. She seemed to be haunted by some fear or great sorrow. She would sit pensive for hours at a time. One day she called my grandmother and asked her the names of the priests across the river at the Mission. My abuela told her the names of all she knew and then told her of the new young priest who had lately come from Spain."

"His name?" asked the lady.

"Pedro Ramon—Ramon Esquivel, so I have heard!"

"The lady gripped my grandmother's hand and almost swooned, but recovered herself enough to say: 'I must see him, Anita. Go and tell this good priest to come here.'"

"Anita sped down the path to the murmuring river and from stone to stone across its crystal depths, through the garden and into the Mission cuartel. She found Pedro Ramon upon his knees in the chapel with a rosary in his hand, and told him her message. He arose and followed her back to the Mill as he was bid."

"No one knows what was said at this meeting. Anita was dismissed by her mistress as soon as she returned, while the priest stood silent with downcast eyes his hands gripping tightly the crucifix."

"An hour later she saw the sad-faced priest leave in the direction of the Mission as one who had held converse with a ghost—walking blindly, stumblingly as though half asleep, yet hurriedly as if trying to escape."

"Suddenly was heard a bellow of rage, and Anita, looking up, saw Don Felix, who had just returned by the wagon road from San Antonio, bounding down the river bank toward the priest."

"What do you here, dog?" and when the padre turned a protesting face toward him, the Don raised his heavy riding whip and struck him again and again with it."

"Anita never saw her mistress again. Don Felix curtly dismissed her and strode into the house. You remember, hijos, that the Mill is windowless? When the heavy oaken doors are swung shut it is like a tomb. And so it became a living tomb for that fair lady. Never again did Don Felix leave the Mill without first swinging to and locking the heavy doors—his young wife within. No Indian nor Spaniard from the presidio was ever permitted again to enter there, even when the mas-

ter was at home. All pitied the poor lady, and wonders and conjectures passed from lip to lip, but none dared aid her nor protest to her lord."

"Anita urged her lover, my grandfather, at last to connive at an escape from the entombed woman and he did so one night by loosening the bolts from the outside that held the door. He whispered through the crack that she was free, and fear then overcoming him, he fled into the night."

"It was late when Don Felix returned from a visit to San Jose. He found the door ajar and his wife flown. He ran about like a madman; awakened every sleeper in the corral, pounded upon the cloisters of the monks, rang the church bell and beat upon the alarm gong, until every soul of the presidio was astir. Searchers were sent in all directions, but inquiry first was made for Padre Ramon. He too was gone! A letter to his abbot said that he would return to Spain whence he had come."

"Do you know, muchachos, where the pecan grove is beyond the James place? The chaparral and vines were a terrible tangle in that valley then. It was there a little after daylight that a party of searchers found her. Poor bleeding lady! She had tried to escape by going up the river toward San Antonio in the hopes of there finding some way to return to Spain."

"She was delivered again into the hands of her husband and again the Old Mill became her prison. Don Felix, after locking fast the door, started doggedly a search of his own for Padre Ramon. He even rode madly into San Antonio and appealed to the Viceroy to send soldiers up and down the land to arrest him. Toward evening he returned to the Mill and watchers across the limpid river saw him unbolt the door and enter. This was the last time the people of the presidio ever saw their new Alcalde. The next day the strange body of his beautiful wife was found floating a few hundred yards below the Mill. She had been murdered during the night and cast into the beautiful river that she loved so well. The door of the Mill swung open and no trace of the murderer was ever found. But that night and every night thereafter were heard strange shouts and cries in the Old Mill, and strangers seeking shelter there at night have been awakened by a woman's form beseeching them for succor or protection; at least this was the tale they told with chattering teeth and quaking lips, when safely in the shelter of the Mission corral again."

"What became of the priest, Ramon Pedro?" asked an inquiring youth.

"Old Pedro knows more than he has told—knows more than the viceroy in San Antonio knew, or even than Padre Joseph guessed. "Yes, yes, mis hijitos. I have said that when my grandfather loosed the door of the Old Mill he fled into the night. His terror grew and grew, and unheeding distance or direction he ran down through the farms toward the viaduct which bears the waters across to the farms of La Espada. Suddenly he saw a figure shrink into the foliage of a large granjeno bush and he halted abruptly—afraid to either ad-

vance or retreat, almost afraid to breathe.

"A soft voice questioned, 'Where to, my son?'"

"It was the voice of Padre Ramon Esquivel, and to him my grandfather blurted out the fact that he had freed the poor dear lady of the Mill. 'What!' shouted the priest, 'it surely is the hand of God, and seizing the young man's hand began running with him back in the direction from whence he had so lately come. They reached the ford and stealthily came to the Old Mill. The door was open. Padre Ramon called softly many endearing terms. No answer came and a hasty search revealed that the lady had already gone. The Padre asked my grandfather to assist him in a search for her and together they set forth."

"A short while later they heard the sound of the alarm going in the cuartel and knew that Don Felix had found his loss. All night they sought for the lady avoiding the other searchers through fear, and toward morning they overheard from a nearby party that the lady was found, and they sought shelter in the home of one of my grandfather's friends during the day. The next morning the broken-hearted padre prepared again to leave for Vera Cruz to return to Spain, but just before his departure a message came to San Antonio that the lady of Don Felix had been slain by her jealous lord."

"The priest stood for a moment irresolute while the color mounted high in his cheeks and his eyes narrowed to steely points of light. Laying his hand upon the shoulder of my grandfather he said, 'Pepe, I leave you now. They say Don Felix has fled. It matters not. Ramon Esquivel is no longer priest. The priest is dead. Ramon Esquivel but lives today the avenging arm of God! Go where he will I shall find him. You may never hear of his end, but whether the path lead me to Spain or to the forests of America, wherever he goes shall I follow, till I find him and these hands avenge his cruel act.'"

"Did he ever find him, Pedro?"

"I say not too much lads; but I have heard that at least one night the cries in the Old Mill came not from the throat of ghots and that my lady slept in peace thereafter, because avenged."

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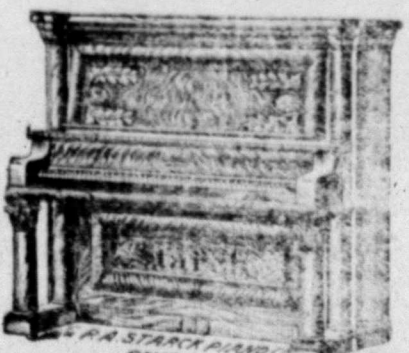
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