

Mason County News.

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MASON, TEXAS, THURSDAY MAY 20 1920.

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MONEY TO LEND

On Farms and Ranches

INTEREST PAYABLE AT ANY TIME OF YEAR

No Delays

Runge & Runge

CHAS. BIERSCHWALE

REAL ESTATE

ABSTRACTOR AND NOTARY

IN BUSINESS SINCE 1885

MASON : : : TEXAS

15 YEARS AGO

From Mason News May 19, 1905—

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Doell, a girl, on the 18th.

L. F. Graebner reports 8 1-8 inches of rain having fallen since the first of January.

Last Sunday evening Mr. Lewis Wilhelm and Miss Vona Bell were quietly married at the home of the bride's mother near Fredonia. Judge J. H. Jones officiating. County Treasurer Ed Lemburg left Monday for Dallas for medical attention.

Dr. R. J. Baze and family were called to Chickasha, L. T. Saturday by a message announcing the serious illness of Mrs. J. D. Bridges, mother of Mrs. Baze.

Deets Thorne fell from a tree last Friday while gathering grapes and was quite seriously injured internally, being bruised about the chest. He is improving and it is hoped will soon be all right.

Sheriff Gibbs and Chas. Wallace returned from San Antonio, where they took Frank McKinney to the asylum for the insane.

A big crowd of young folks enjoyed a pleasant social event at the home of Wm. Schuessler Wednesday night.

A. A. Keller was in Monday from his ranch and reported having sold a bunch of yearlings to Fritz Kothmann, Jr., at \$11.

The Constitution follows the Flag—and Success follows the Man with a Bank Account.
THE COMMERCIAL BANK
(Incorporated)

Oscar Shearer returned home a few days ago from a visit of a few days in New Ulm, Austin and other points. He says that crops don't look as good in the black land sections.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

25 YEARS AGO

From Mason News May, 24, 1895—

Gas. Thomas and Bryant Persch shot each other at Llano last Saturday and both are expected to die; cause of trouble unknown.

L. H. King, C. C. Smith, Erv Hamilton, Wilson Hey, John Gamel with their wives left Monday the reunion at Houston.

W. G. Burden and family and Jim Dowell left Saturday for Indian Territory where they will locate.

L. H. King has sold his grocery business to J. D. Gains of Wise county.

Chas. Mangham has purchased the furniture stock of H. Mebus.

Cards are out for the wedding of Miss Blanche Hall and Prof. N. C. Wood, which will take place next Wednesday evening.

Lee Behrens and A. E. Petty of Cherokee were here Wednesday to organize a class in bookkeeping. They left the matter in the hands of assistant cashier, Chas. Grote at the First National Bank.

Otto Keller was in Mason last week from San Antonio and while here paid the News a pleasant visit. Mr. Keller tells us that he is highly elated over the future outlook for the Texas Manufacturing Association and says that he has not the least doubt now of the success it is bound to be.

He says that the company is already manufacturing the gasoline filtering machines and many orders for them have been booked.

Give me your next job of vulcanizing. I guarantee my work.
Otto Schmidt.

Max Martin returned home last Friday from Marlin, where he took Mesdames Anna Martin, B. Todd and Jennie Hamilton. They will be away several weeks longer.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Woman's Missionary Society held its devotional meeting Tuesday May 4, at the home of Mrs. Wm. Splittgerber.

The rooms were attractively decorated in potted ferns, cut flowers and our lesson being "The Far East." Japanese lanterns gave a pretty touch to the rooms.

The meeting was opened with songs. Mrs. Holmes King was our leader and gave us the Bible Lesson, "Through Christ is the Power to Accomplish the Impossible," telling of the "unused power in the name of Jesus!" Prayer is the only force that can accomplish humanly impossible tasks.

A sweet prayer was offered by Mrs. Banks.

Mrs. Schroeder gave us a splendid piece on "Hill Top Vision in Korea."

The duett, "Sowing Tares," by Mesdames Lehmborg and Banks was certainly enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Gene Murray gave a good reading that we all enjoyed.

After another song was sung the social hour was enjoyed. The hostesses—Mesdames Will Land, Julius and William Splittgerber gave us sheets of paper on which were asked questions concerning the Missionary work. The questions were to be found on the backs of "blue birds," which were pinned on curtains, back of pictures, etc.

When time was called Mesdames Banks and Holmes King were found to be a "tie," and after guessing at numbers, a testament went to Mrs. Banks. The "booby" was between Mrs. Lehmborg and Mrs. Otto Schmidt and finally a small box of chocolates went to the former.

The dining table was beautifully decorated in orange and white and at the conclusion of the game hostesses served delicious punch and cake to those present.

Mr. and Mrs. Kurt Martin, Mrs. Max Martin and Mrs. Phillip Feter returned home last Thursday evening from Brownwood, where they went to hear the famous Schuemann Heink sing, but were disappointed as she cancelled her engagement a few hours before the appointed hour for her appearance.

Captain R. C. Thaxton, U. S. M. C., who is at home on a 30 day furlough left last Friday for a visit to Mercedes. He will return to Mason before going back to Santiago, D. R., where he has been stationed.

BROTHER DIES

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Thaxton, Attorney Lamar Thaxton and Capt. Robt. Thaxton went to Cherokee last week to attend the funeral of Mr. John B. Thaxton, a brother to Mr. Calvin Thaxton. The deceased died Tuesday, May 11, at a sanitarium in Fort Worth, where he was undergoing treatment for heart trouble. The funeral was held at Cherokee on Wednesday. He was 61 years of age and is survived by a wife and three sons.

CHILD BRINGS JOY TO LONELY LIFE; IS REPAID

Summer Boarder Leaves Fortune to Little Girl Who Made Him Playmate.

In the comparative obscurity of a great Chicago wholesale house—moving up and down dusty aisles among bales of merchandise—Francis Paul Galle lived out his life. It was a momentous life.

Once a year, however, in the summer season Galle went away on a vacation. Invariably he went to the same place, Shermerville, a village northwest of Chicago, where he was a "summer boarder" at the home of Gus Fisher.

Now, Fisher has a daughter—a little, laughter loving child who would climb on the knees of the silent man from the city and make him play with her.

Some months ago Galle died—alone, as he had lived. A will was taken to the probate court to be approved. It was learned that Galle had accumulated several thousand dollars, which he left to be used in educating the girl, Grace Fisher, now sixteen years old, the balance to be given her when she is eighteen.

The will was the subject of considerable litigation, but finally was approved, subject to a final hearing later. Attorney Francis H. Hayes appeared for the girl. If no one appears to contest this will then the money will be turned over to Mrs. Rose La Riviere of 4554 South Western avenue as trustee for the girl.

ADVOCATES TOLL REPEAL

Senator Jones Would Allow Free Passage to Vessels in Coastwise Trade.

A proposition to permit the free passage through the Panama canal of all vessels engaged in the coastwise trade has been made by Senator Jones of Washington.

The existing regulations favor foreign ships in the contention raised. The Jones amendment has no reference to ships engaged in trans-oceanic traffic. This would limit the application to American ships.

A former law exempting American ships from the payment of tolls was repealed when Great Britain raised objections.

Firemen Wear Overalls as Uniforms.

Because of the high cost of uniforms, the members of the Champaign (Ill.) fire department have decided to don overalls until the price is reduced.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE

The Corporation known as the Hoffmann Mercantile Co. at Fredonia, Texas, was dissolved on the 29th of April 1920, according to the laws of the State of Texas. Mr. T. P. Wood has acquired the entire business. All debts due the firm will be paid to him and all of the old firm's indebtedness will be paid by him.

RAINFALL SINCE JANUARY 1.

Mr. Harry Bierschwale has favored the News with the following figures on the rainfall showing the precipitation since January 1st up to and including Saturday, May 15th:

January 5	4.09
January 11	1.25
January 16	.09
January 23	.35
March 20	.12
March 24	1.40
May 3	.32
May 7	.52
May 8	.45
May 10	.57
May 14	.61
May 15	.23
TOTAL	7.20

REPORT OF THE WORK OF GIRLS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF MASON HIGH SCHOOL

I. Officers:
Faculty Director Ruth Reeder.
Chairman Augustus Jenkins.
Acting Chairman Katie Ischar.
Tennis Sarah Thaxton.
Walking Mary Kettner.
Sec. and Treas. Mary Wood.

II. Basket Ball Games:
Katemcy vs. Mason 16-19; Katemcy vs. Mason 10-11; Long Mountain vs. Mason 4-19; Fredonia vs. Mason 8-17; Katemcy vs. Mason 11-13.

III. Donations to M. H. S.:
Two basket balls 21.00; Tennis net 5.00; four tennis rackets 14.00; a chest for athletic goods 2.50; two and one-half dozen letters 5.50; one-half dozen bars .50; two packages lime 1.60; one whistle.

IV. Entertainments Given:
Supper to foot ball boys, November 11; play, Scenes in a Union Depot, December 18; Senior party, May 1.

V. Treasurer's Report:
Credit 57.63; draft 56.87; balance on hand .76

VI. Letters Awarded:
Basket ball: Mary Kettner, Augusta Jenkins, Elsie Schweers, Helen Jordan, Gertrude Metzger, Katie Ischar, Susie Donop, Thelma Wood, Willie Mae Grosse, Millie Wartenbach.

Walking:
Averil Bellows, Willie Mae Doel, Lillie Eckert, Lillie Mae Kidd, Ida Mae Lemburg, Pauline Mogford, Mary Jane Puckey, Sarah Thaxton, Jessie Doell, Audrey Mayo.

Tennis:
Margaret Schmidt, Estella Hofmann.

Mary Wood, Reporter.

If you owe us you know it and we need it.
Walker Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Kiser and little child have moved here from Menard county, and are located on the Calvin Thaxton ranch which Mr. Dave Kiser now has under lease.

Miss Lucille Smith is at home from the Bon Ayon College in San Antonio, where she was a student the past session.

DR. H. W. LINDLEY

Announces His Removal to New Quarters Over Broad Mercantile Co., Saturday, May 1st.

Where he is equipping one of the most complete, convenient and modern dental offices in this section of the State. Three chairs, ladies' rest room and every modern convenience for my patrons and friends.

TWO ASSISTANTS—PERSONAL ATTENTION GIVEN EVERY PATIENT—ALL WORK DONE IN OFFICE UNDER MY PERSONAL SUPERVISION.

NO OPERATION TOO SMALL FOR OUR ATTENTION — NOTHING TOO DIFFICULT FOR OUR ABILITY.

I HAVE TAKEN SPECIAL COURSES IN TREATMENT FOR PYORRHEA, CROWN AND BRIDGE WORK IN NEW YORK CITY RECENTLY, AND HAVE HAD ACTUAL PRACTICE IN NEW YORK CITY FOR THREE AND A HALF YEARS.

Modern, Painless Methods used in All Operations.

Consultation Free.

All Work Guaranteed.

Lady in Attendance.

PHONE 81

SPECIAL ATTENTION TO OUT-OF-TOWN PATIENTS.

BRADY, TEXAS.

JAMES CALLAN ACQUITTED

James Callan, former president of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association, who was tried in District court at Llano last week, charged with the murder of a young stockman of Dewitt county last November, was acquitted. The jury rendered its verdict on Tuesday afternoon. The case was turned over to the jury on Saturday afternoon.

DEMOCRATS! NOTICE

This is a notice for all members of the Democratic Executive Committee of Mason County calling for a meeting to be held at the court house Saturday afternoon, May 29th at 1 o'clock, for the purpose of filling vacancies and transacting such other business as may be brought before the committee.

A partial list of this committee: J. W. Wilson, Grit; Arthur Prater, Katemey; L. F. Clark, Ranch Branch; Ed L. Nixon, Wagram; A. E. Keller, Loyal Valley; A. D. Kothmann, Hilda; R. O. Green, Capps.

H. O. Brockman, Co. Chm.

County Agent, Dor Brown, J. W. White, Elgin O. Kothmann, Frank Willmann, John Banks left yesterday for Brownwood, where they go to attend the convention of the West Texas Pecan Grower's Association.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

The News \$1.50 per year, and is worth it.

I. T. Banta and family of Douglas, Ariz., arrived in Mason this week and are visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Eastman and other relatives. They will likely remain here for a month.

The Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association of McCulloch county is holding a meeting at Brady today to discuss the proposition of going to Iowa for a car of good bucks.

A number of the wool growers from the Ranch Branch section belong to this association and their effort to secure better breeding stock should be followed by others.

Milk coolers, we make them to order. F. Lange.

The News is prepared to take care of all kinds of job printing and can handle the big jobs as well as the smaller ones in a manner which is unsurpassed.

BANK STATEMENT

No. 1203
Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the
FIRST STATE BANK

At Mason, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 14th day of May, 1920, published in the Mason News, a newspaper printed and published at Mason, State of Texas, on the 13th day of May, 1920.

---Resources---

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	114,383.31
Overdrafts	345.01
Furniture and fixtures	4,387.78
Due from approved Reserve Agents, net	23,660.92
Cash Items	9,124.36
Currency	6,090.00
Specie	1,368.81
Interest and assessment	
Depositors' Guaranty Fund	750.00
TOTAL	160,109.99

---Liabilities---

Capital Stock paid in	25,000.00
Undivided profits, net	956.64
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	654.65
Individual Deposits subject to check	118,321.88
Cashier's Checks	176.82
Bills Payable and Rediscounts	15,000.00
TOTAL	160,109.99

STATE OF TEXAS
County of Mason

We, J. D. Eckert, as president, and W. E. Jordan, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

J. D. Eckert, President.
W. E. Jordan, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of May, A. D. 1920.

(L. S.) Roscoe Runge
Notary Public Mason County Texas
Correct—Attest—
Oscar Seaquist
F. B. McCollum
E. W. Kothmann
Directors.

The Mason County Wool Growers' Association met last week and perfected the organization, and decided on a plan to get a government trapper for Mason county and get rid of the wolves.

They also discussed sending a Mason county man together with a sheep specialist to the north and secure a car of fine bucks.

If a farmer uses a \$25 buck he makes his flock no better. He pays \$75 for a buck and gets a \$75 buck, with the average flock he will increase the shearing capacity of his flock at least one pound, and if there are 50 of these lambs he gets 50 pounds more wool and granting that 25 are ewe lambs they are worth \$3 more and 25 buck lambs, being better shearers and larger, are worth at least \$1 more. Figuring this way your \$75 buck pays for himself the first year.

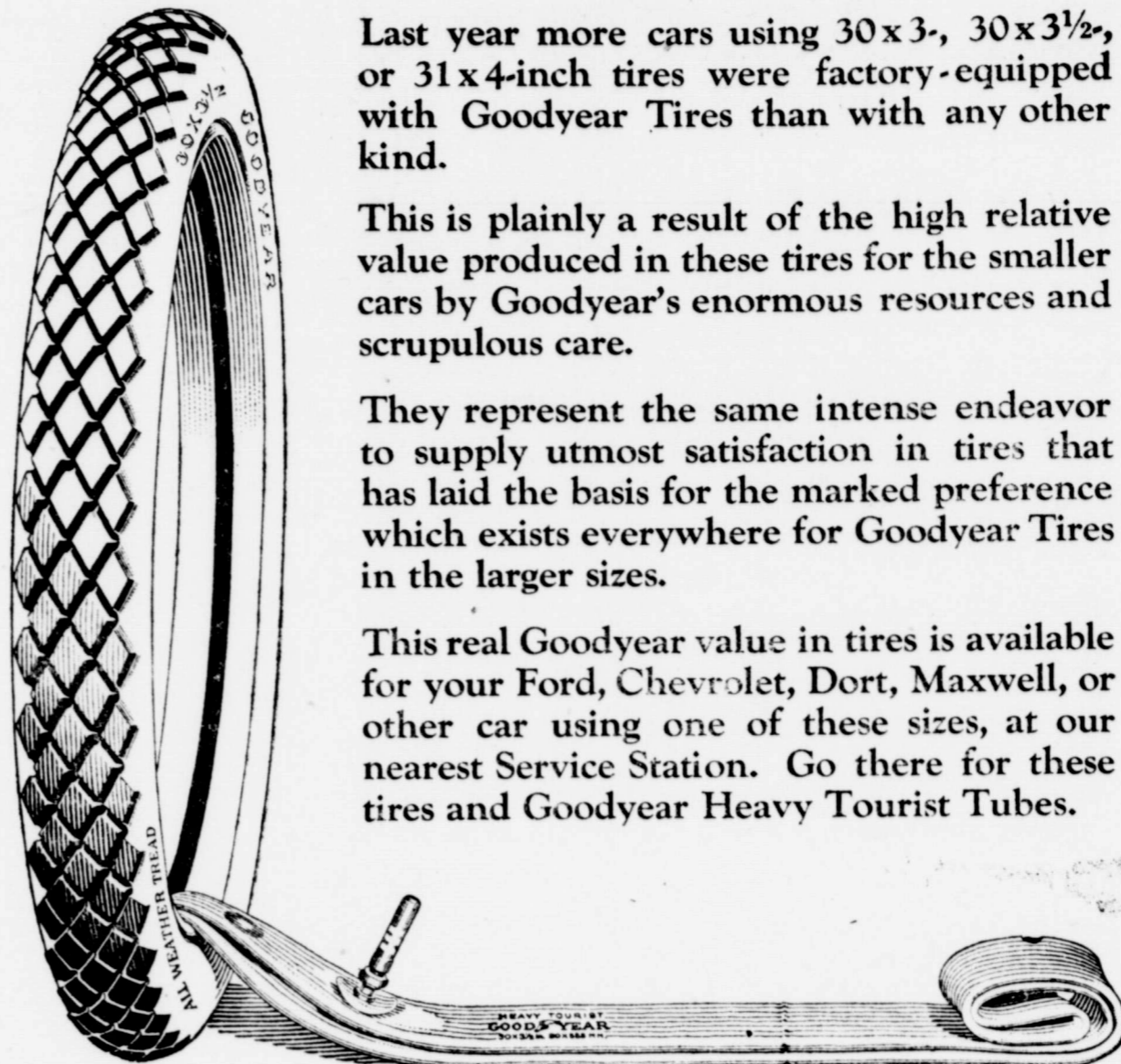
If this is correct and you think a Mason county man with the help of a good sheep judge can go where they raise better bucks and get a large buck with the right size and shape and a better grade of wool on him as well as a heavier clip, then put in your order or talk to the County Agent and think over this plan.

Fine Bond Papers—News Office.

Catarrah Cannot Be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrah is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions, and in order to cure it you must take an internal remedy. Hall's Catarrah Medicine is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Hall's Catarrah Medicine was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years. It is composed of some of the best tonics known, combined with some of the best blood purifiers. The perfect combination of the ingredients in Hall's Catarrah Medicine is what produces such wonderful results in catarrah conditions. Send for testimonials, free.
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O.
All Druggists, 7c.
Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Why a Majority of the Smaller Cars Come on Goodyear Tires



Last year more cars using 30x3-, 30x3½-, or 31x4-inch tires were factory-equipped with Goodyear Tires than with any other kind.

This is plainly a result of the high relative value produced in these tires for the smaller cars by Goodyear's enormous resources and scrupulous care.

They represent the same intense endeavor to supply utmost satisfaction in tires that has laid the basis for the marked preference which exists everywhere for Goodyear Tires in the larger sizes.

This real Goodyear value in tires is available for your Ford, Chevrolet, Dort, Maxwell, or other car using one of these sizes, at our nearest Service Station. Go there for these tires and Goodyear Heavy Tourist Tubes.

30x3½ Goodyear Double-Cure Fabric, All-Weather Tread..... \$23.50
30x3½ Goodyear Single-Cure Fabric, Anti-Skid Tread..... \$21.50

Goodyear Heavy Tourist Tubes are thick, strong tubes that reinforce casings properly. Why risk a good casing with a cheap tube? Goodyear Heavy Tourist Tubes cost little more than tubes of less merit. 30x3½ size in water-proof bag..... \$4.50

GOODYEAR

ALCOHOL MURDER WEAPON

Woman Charges Man Gave Her Brandy Containing Poison.

Suit for \$150,000 has been filed at Atlanta, Ga., against John Kelley by Mrs. Catherine Bristol of Philadelphia. Mrs. Bristol charges that Kelley gave her wood alcohol with murderous intent to prevent her testifying against him in court, with the result that she was made blind.

Mrs. Bristol alleges the defendant gave her the poison to prevent her from testifying that he had made threats against the life of Miss Lucille Sharp, who died several months ago in Baltimore.

Given Quit Notice, Dropped Dead. When told to vacate the house at Port Chester, N. Y., in which he had lived for a number of years, Carl Bulow, fifty-two years old, a descendant of General von Bulow, a German commander in the Franco-Prussian war, dropped dead.

FARMERS' WIVES AT SCHOOL

Study Dairying and Other Subjects Pertaining to Farm.

Fifty farmers and their wives from western Benton county, Ore., attended a three days' farmers and homemakers' short course in Aalsea. The sessions were held in the high school and the high school students were also in attendance. The subjects studied were dairying, farm crops, rodent control, stock judging and homemaking. A community dinner was served each day at noon. The school was arranged by George W. Kable, county agent, through a co-operative agreement between the Benton County Farm bureau, the Aalsea high school and the extension service of the Oregon Agricultural college.

How about your subscription to the News, have you advanced it for another year?

Tell the News the news



CORINNE GRIFFITH

It was particularly appropriate that Albert E. Smith, president of Vitagraph, should have selected Corinne Griffith for the leading role of Clyde Fitch's "The Climbers," for she has been steadily climbing ever since she left her home in the south to become a film player. Now she has reached the top rung of film success. In addition to her imposing personal appearance and histrionic talent, Miss Griffith has the happy faculty of wearing beautiful and unusual gowns with grace and has had a splendid athletic training. Some of her most recent features have been "A Girl at Bay," "The Tower of Jewels," "Human Collateral" and "Deadline at Eleven."

Don't fail to see Corinne Griffith in "The Climbers" at the Star Opera House Saturday night. A special feature picture at the regular price of admission. You'll like it.

J. D. Eckert, Pres. W. E. Jordan, Cashier
E. O. Kothmann, V. P. Kinney Eckert, Ass't C'r.

THE FIRST STATE BANK

A GUARANTY FUND BANK
We can please you also. Pay we?

CAPITAL STOCK -- \$25,000.00

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Notice of church entertainments where a charge of admission is made, obituaries, cards of thanks, resolutions of respect, and all matters not news, will be charged at the regular advertising rates.

ADVERTISING RATES

Local readers and classified ads 5 cents per line per issue. Display rates made known on application.

Subscription (always in advance) one year..... \$1.50

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TERMS—Strictly Cash. Announcements will be inserted in the order in which fees are paid. 20 lines will be allowed each candidate, but he must compose his own announcement message. Any additional lines charged for at our regular advertising rates.

RATES

Congressional \$15.00
District 10.00
County 8.00
Precinct 5.00

The News is authorized to make the following announcements subject to a majority vote of the Democratic Primary:

For District Attorney 33rd Judicial District—
GEORGE E. CHRISTIAN

For District and County Clerk:—
S. C. BROCKMAN
ROBT. E. LEE

For County Treasurer:—
ALVA TINSLEY
TOM STRONG

For Sheriff & Tax Collector—
HERMAN SCHUESSLER
G. H. WILLIS
CHAS. LESLIE
OSCAR SHEARER

For Tax Assessor:—
WILLIE O. BODE
RICHARD (Dick) ARHELGER

For County Judge:—
S. F. BETHEL
C. H. GARRETT
JOHN T. BANKS

For Commissioner Precinct No. 1—
HENRY DOELL

For Commissioner Precinct No. 2—
ED L. NIXON

For Commissioner Precinct No. 3—
BEN BRANDENBERGER
G. W. HERRING

For Commissioner Precinct No. 4—
HENRY HOERSTER

RANCH BRANCH PICNIC

There will be a school picnic at Ranch Branch on next Thursday, May 27. Everybody is invited.

MICKIE SAYS

HELP! GIT THIS HERE SACK OFFEN ME BEFORE I CROAK! AN', BY HEK, I BET THE NEXT GUY WOT WANTS TO TRADE POTATOES, ER ANYTHIN' ELSE ON HIS SUBSCRIPTION IS GOIN' TO GIT BEANED WITH THE MALLET. TAKE IT FROM ME!



SUBSCRIPTIONS PAID

The following have made subscription payments to this great weekly since our last report. Watch the label on your paper and if the date is not changed within two weeks after the list is published we will appreciate your calling our attention to the fact.

Emil Wartenbach	1.50
John Pike	3.00
Dr. P. A. Baze	1.50
F. Schwartz	1.50
M. L. Duncan	1.00
J. M. Watkins	1.00
Mrs. Roy B. Baird	1.50
C. E. Ekeston	1.50
O. L. Brown	.50
T. A. Smart	1.00
He man Labz	1.50
H. Y. Neu	1.50
M. S. H. Swink	1.50
C. L. Wissemann	1.50

We thank you Who's next?

You'll enjoy the pictures at the Star Opera House. Shows every Friday and Saturday night. Don't forget it starts at 8:15 o'clock.

Robt. Bogusch was in Mason a short time last week from San An... Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Bogusch of Hollywood, Cal., who will remain in Mason for a couple of weeks visiting relatives and renewing acquaintances, they having made Mason their home for a good many years.

Wear Diamond tires on your auto. They last longer and are moderately priced. Star Garage

ELOPERS CAN MARRY IN SAFETY IN AIR

Airplane Pilot Offers Services, Even to Performing the Ceremony.

Tom Symons, Spokane airplane pilot, offers special inducements to elopers. Sea captains, Tom says, are lords and masters of their craft three miles from shore. They arrest and judge and marry and bury and sell booze. He contends there's a similar perpendicular three-mile limit.

"I'm a captain," says Tom, "and my specialty is elopements. There's no room for a preacher in my air bus, so I'll carry a prayer book myself and perform the ceremonies well out of reach of pursuing, indignant fathers."

When the barograph needle tickles the line that says the earth is three miles away—straight down—Tom says he'll hold the controls with his knee and lean back in the cockpit to join loving hands together and say the blessed words.

The only trouble is the dictum of the peace conference air experts that decided air is national—in other words that the United States is the United States clear up to the "ceiling."

"But I'll let them take me to court," declares Tom. "We'll see if they can stop an 'old salt' from earning an honest living tying knots for runaways! We'll see!"

As for the bartender part of it—Tom's puzzled.

"I could sell it all right if I could get it up there," he ruminated. "But how to do that? If I take it to the plane I get pinched for unlawful transportation. If I have any left over and bring it down I get pinched, too. I'd have to take my customers with me. No, I guess it wouldn't pay."

DETAINED WAR BRIDES

Authorities at Ellis Island Held Eight Jugo-Slavic Women.

Because their husbands, whose homes range from points in Ohio to Alaska, had neglected to have their passports properly vised in Europe, eight young war brides of Jugo-Slavic reservists were held at Ellis Island until the men, through friends, collected enough money to assure the authorities that their wives would not become public dependents.

After the termination of their services in the Serbian army nearly all of the men had fallen victims to bolshevist bandits, one of them being robbed of \$500 worth of Liberty bonds.

Girl Shot Brother Who Struck Mother.

After her brother struck her mother a hard blow on the jaw, Emily Enggram, nineteen years old, of Chicago, Ill., snatched up a revolver and sent a bullet into his back. He will recover.

First Bodies Started From France.

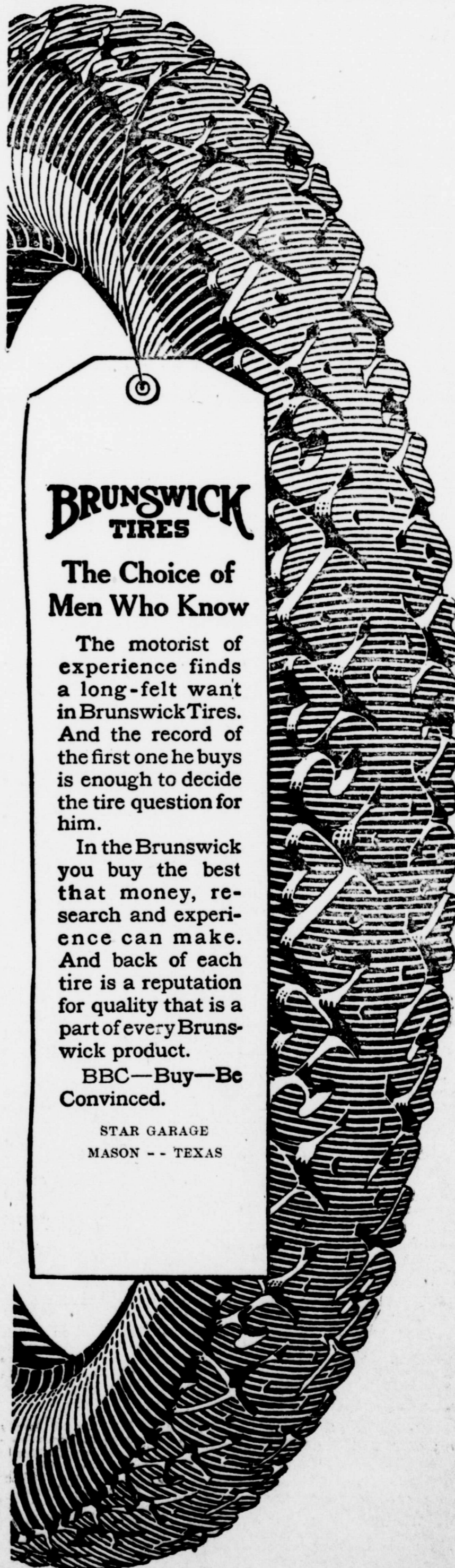
The United States transport Mercury has sailed from Brest, carrying 315 bodies of American soldiers who died in France.

STAR OPERA HOUSE

AT THE
FRIDAY NIGHT
GLADYS LESLIE IN THE GRAY TOWERS MYSTERY
SATURDAY NIGHT
CORENE GRIFFITH IN THE CLIMBERS

Admission: 15 & 25 Cents

The News \$1.50 per year, and is worth it. Last week during a hail and rain storm at Junction Mr. Carl Wolfe lost 8 head of sheep. Just as an example of how reports are exaggerated it was at first stated that Mr. Wolfe lost 800 head of sheep.



Another Royal Suggestion GRIDDLE CAKES and WAFFLES

From the NEW ROYAL COOK BOOK

THERE is an art in making flapjack pancakes, griddle cakes or waffles, call them what you will. But it is an art very easily and quickly acquired if you follow the right recipes.

Here are some recipes for a variety of breakfast cakes that will make grandmother envious. The secret, of course, is Royal Baking Powder.

Royal Hot Griddle Cakes

2 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
4 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder
1 1/2 cups milk
2 tablespoons shortening
Mix and sift dry ingredients; add milk and melted shortening; beat well. Bake on slightly greased hot griddle.

Griddle Cakes with Eggs

1 1/2 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
3 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder
2 eggs
1 1/2 cups milk
1 tablespoon shortening
Mix and sift dry ingredients; add beaten eggs, milk and melted shortening; mix well. Bake immediately on hot griddle.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

Absolutely Pure

Buckwheat Cakes

2 cups buckwheat flour
1 cup flour
6 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder
1 1/2 cups milk or milk and water
1 tablespoon molasses
1 tablespoon shortening
Sift together flours, baking powder and salt; add liquid, molasses and melted shortening; beat three minutes. Bake on hot greased griddle.

Waffles

2 cups flour
4 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 1/2 cups milk
2 eggs
1 tablespoon melted shortening
Sift flour, baking powder and salt together; add milk to yolks of eggs; mix thoroughly and add to dry ingredients; add melted shortening and mix in beaten whites of eggs. Bake in well greased hot waffle iron until brown. Serve hot with maple syrup. It should take about 1 1/2 minutes to bake each waffle.

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New Royal Cook Book containing these and scores of other delightful recipes. Write for it today.
ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO.
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New York City

"Bake with Royal and be Sure"

Mrs. G. H. Willis and children have been visiting relatives at Pontonville since last Friday. The Llano river was a good rise last week, but it fell fast and did not delay the mails any.

No. 7098

Report of condition of the

MASON NATIONAL BANK

AT MASON, IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON MAY 4, 1920.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts (except those shown on b and c)	281,706.29	281,706.29
Total loans	281,706.29	
Overdrafts secured, none; unsecured \$726.84		726.84
U. S. Government securities owned: Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. Bonds par value)	25,000.00	
Owned and unpledged	12,650.00	
Total U. S. Government securities		37,650.00
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)		3,000.00
Value of banking house, owned and unincumbered	18,248.98	18,248.98
Furniture and fixtures		3,226.23
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank		28,434.06
Cash in vault and net amount due from national banks		33,630.17
Net amounts due from banks and bankers, and trust companies (other than included in Items 12, 13, or 14)		6,343.82
Total of Items 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17	59,973.99	
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items		23.72
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer		1,250.00
Interest earned but not collected—approximate—on Notes and Bills Receivable not past due		422.41
Total		464,662.52

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in		50,000.00
Surplus fund		50,000.00
Undivided profits	10,801.79	
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	4,424.32	6,377.47
Interest and discount collected or credited, in advance of maturity and not earned (approximate)		4,411.42
Circulating notes outstanding		23,600.00
Net Amounts Due to National banks		4,382.41
Total of Items 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33	4,382.41	
Individual deposits subject to check		325,891.22
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 34, 35, 36, 37, 38 and 39	325,891.22	
Total		464,662.52

*Of the total loans and discounts shown above, the amount on which interest and discount was charged at rates in excess of those permitted by law (Sec. 5197, Rev. Stat.) (exclusive of notes upon which total charge not to exceed 50 cents was made) was \$4,575.00. The number of such loans was 4.

State of Texas, County of Mason, ss.

I, D. F. Lehmburg, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
D. F. Lehmburg, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of May, 1920.
Carl Runge, Notary Public.
Mason Co., Texas

Correct—Attest:

John Lemburg, Sr.
Erv Hamilton
E. A. Loeffler
Directors.

BURIED MONEY NEVER FOUND

Excavation in Kansas City Recalls Civil War Story.

PRIEST IS MADE CUSTODIAN

Fearing Raid Citizens Draw Money Out of Bank and Force Priest to Take Charge of It—He Buried It in Cemetery and Many Hours' Anxious Digging Later Failed to Unearth the Hidden Treasure.

Standing a few days ago at Twelfth and Broadway, I watched the workmen engaged in making an excavation for a new building on the southeast corner, and a story of the old Civil War days connected with the spot flashed into my mind—a mystery unsolved to this day—and I wondered if a chance shovel of dirt might not then and there reveal the sequel. It is a story that was often told to me by the pioneer priest, Father Bernard Donnelly, whose resignation in his extreme old age as pastor of the old church at that corner was mentioned recently in the Star, the Rev. William J. Dalton writes in the Kansas City Star.

It was the eve of the battle of Westport in the fall of '64. Panic was in the air. Sterling Price of the Confederate army had won a victory over the Union troops under Mulligan at Lexington and rumors of the approach of his victorious army to attack Kansas City and Westport flew thick and fast. Before leaving Lexington, it was learned, he had seized on the money in the local banks and the fear was widespread that he would do the same thing when he reached Kansas City. There was a rush on the banks, accounts were checked out by hundreds of people and the money taken to their homes and concealed in various places. Then the thought occurred to many of them that perhaps their homes would be looted, too, and they began to look about for more secure hiding place. At that time Father Donnelly was Kansas City's "Vicar of Wakefield," known and trusted by everybody, Catholics and Protestants alike. He was known to be an old acquaintance of many of the Confederate leaders, and a friend of Gen.

Price, personally known and respected by his soldiers as well. He had lived at Independence and Kansas City ever since the early forties.

Brought Money to Priest.

It was known, too, that previous to his coming to Missouri his life, after leaving Ireland, his native country, had been largely south of the Mason and Dixon line. He had been an Irish patriot, too, in the homeland, and that meant a rebel. As a matter of fact, his natural sympathies were with the South. So the belief grew that Father Donnelly would be one man that would be immune from search by the invading army and the one man who could be trusted to conceal securely the threatened funds.

The afternoon before the battle of Westport hundreds of his own countrymen and church members, as well as a large number of others, came singly and in twos and threes up through the woods and the ravine that lay adjacent to the pastor's residence and church, bringing money in cans and bottles and purses and asking Father Donnelly to take care of it for them until the trouble was over. They felt certain that Price would not molest him. They knew that his ministrations as priest would be in demand for the dying and the wounded of both armies and that his person and his property would be held sacred by even the worst of the marauders.

He often told me that he had shrunk at first from the great responsibility thrust upon him as caretaker of other people's money in those troublous times—that he tried to convince the people that war was no respecter of persons when army needs were pressing and that a contingency might arise in which he might be no more immune than the rest of them. The women wept and the men pleaded and he finally yielded to their wishes. They came like so many depositors in a bank. He opened up a memorandum book. He entered the names and amounts. The darkness of the evening was growing. His only light was a small candle in a bottle that threw a fitful glimmer around the room. He had been a schoolmaster before he had become a priest and the methodical habits of his teaching days clung to him—he had to dot and cross and to stop frequently to read a name over to see if he had spelled it right.

The Treasure Buried.

The waiting crowd grew nervous and restless—Price was at the edge of town—he might be at their doors in a few hours. Many of the women, anxious to get back to their homes and little ones, threw their pocketbooks on the table, simply saying: "Here, Father Donnelly, there are so many

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Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

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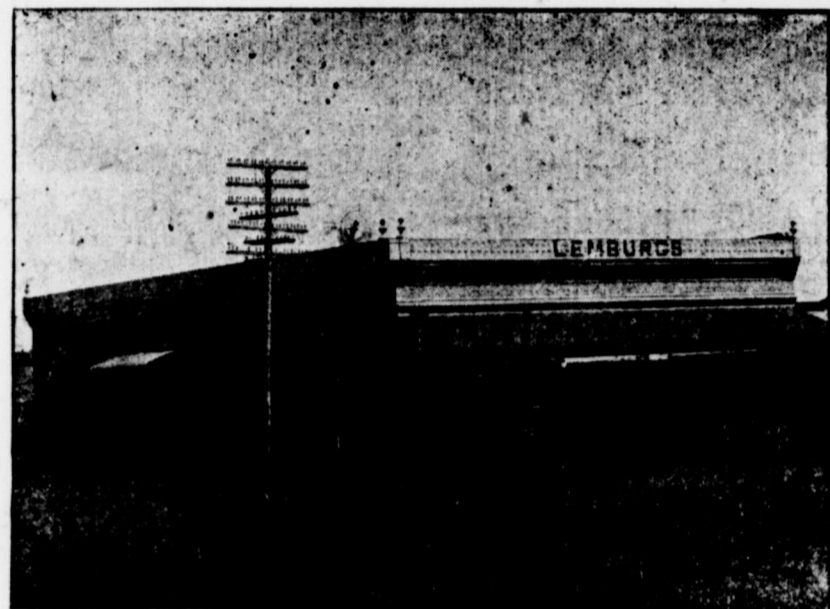
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dollars there. You know our names and where we live. Put it away for us. We must get back home." When the crowd had finally departed Father Donnelly said there were bundles of money left there without any name attached and impossible of identification by memory of the words or faces of those that had left them. The reader may judge what an unbusiness-like jumble it all was both for people and priest. But they were in the midst of the panic and terror of war and

heads were not cool. It was a choice, they thought, between saving something or losing all.

When left to himself Father Donnelly was shocked by the foolhardiness. A thousand misgivings went through his mind. How would he get the money out of harm's way? Where would he find a secure hiding place? Then the thought came to him: "Dead men rest untouched in the graveyard—I will bury the people's money in the cemetery." The cemetery was two blocks west of his residence on Broadway. It ran along Pennsylvania avenue from Twelfth to Eleventh streets on the east and west about 150 feet from what is now the west line of Jefferson street. The gravedigger lived near by. Carrying the money in a large wooden box, Father Donnelly went in the dead of night to the sexton's house, aroused him and told him to get a wheelbarrow, a spade and a broom. Together they entered the graveyard and soon found a plot of grass growing in a pathway. The sod was carefully removed, a hole dug and the box buried. Then the sod was replaced and the loose dirt carefully swept away.

Sexton's Tongue Wagged.

The next night word came to Father Donnelly, that Tom, the old sex-

ton, under the influence of a few drinks, had divulged the secret to a crowd in a saloon at Main and Eighth streets. After a hurried consultation four trusty men, armed with shotguns and led by Father Donnelly, went to the cemetery, dug up the treasure again and buried it a few feet back of the little brick church. After the guard retired the priest began worrying about the security of his new hiding place and before daylight he went alone, with no prying eyes and no one to be burdened with the temptation of his confidence, dug up the box a second time and gave it another burial in a remote spot some distance north of its second hiding place, pacing the distance between them and marking down as he thought, the accurate measurements and landmarks of the new depository.

The battle of Westport came on. The three days that the battle was waged from the Kansas state line through Westport toward what is now Swope park were busy days for Father Donnelly. His good offices as priest and nurse were in constant demand. The dead and dying filled the homes all along the country side adjacent to the battle ground. When Price retired south the priest returned to continue his Samaritan work in the improvised hospitals of the city. It was a month before he was able to resume his duties in the church again. When he was able to return to his own house his first thought was of the buried treasure. He thought it would be best to transfer the box to his house and call upon the owners to come and get their money. Taking a spade he went out under cover of night and dug in the spot where he was sure the box had been hidden.

An hour's labor brought nothing to light. With anxious forebodings he

went back and measured the paces he had counted from the angles of the church and dug again—moved a few feet further and dug again—then a few feet further northward—but there was no box. Daylight found him still fruitlessly digging. The next night was a repetition of the previous one, followed by the startling conviction that he had hidden too well or some one had spied too keenly. The box was never found.

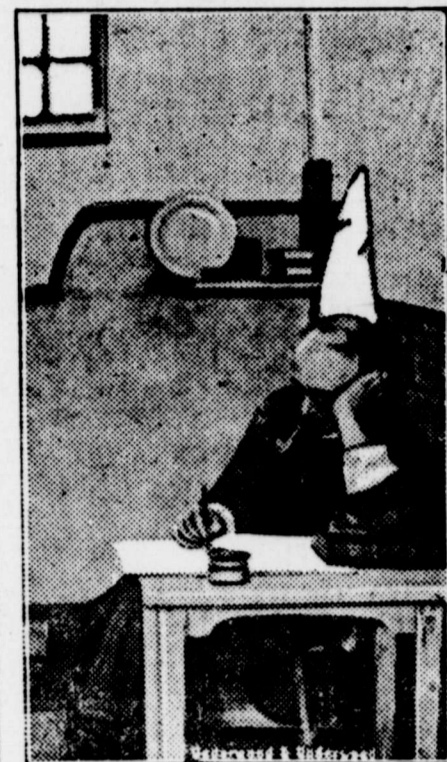
Father Donnelly, when he had abandoned all hope of recovering the buried money, went to a friendly banker, made an estimate of the sums that had been placed in his hands and borrowed the money necessary to repay them, giving a mortgage on some farm lands as security. As the claims were presented he paid them off.

Ten years afterward Father Donnelly was stricken with fever. There was no hospital here then and no professional nurses. He was cared for by his aged sister and two nieces in his home and the good sisters of St. Teresa's academy lent their aid. One night he seemed much improved and his relatives and the sisters felt that he could pass the night without attendance. He had told them so and begged them to go to their homes. Early the next morning the sisters went to his door, found it open and the patient gone. An alarm was spread and after some time spent in anxious research the venerable priest was found, in spare attire, digging in the graveyard. In his delirium he had fancied that the lost treasure had been moved back to its first hiding place.

A few years again and Father Donnelly was himself carried to the cemetery and, like his wooden box and its enforced trust, some time later he was taken up and buried in another grave in the basement of the new cathedral, where, "after life's fitful fever he sleeps well."

To the last days of his life the buried treasure was on his mind. Its disappearance was a mystery that has never been explained. Whether in the excitement of the times he had forgotten the real hiding place or whether some one else had discovered it and removed the box during his absence was never known. If it still remained in the earth perhaps by this time it has moldered into dust or perhaps some digger's spadeful of dirt will reveal the secret.

PRISON CELLS NOW SERVE AS HOMES



In order to solve the acute housing problem, the Chelmsford town council has opened the cells in the local prison to homeseekers. Alterations are not permitted so that the building is at all times ready to receive prisoners.

This photo shows one of the cells in the prison showing some of the prison furniture.

DIDN'T INVENT STEAM ENGINE

Historian Says Not Fulton, But Fitch, Is Entitled to Honor.

No, Robert Fulton didn't invent the steam engine.

Despite the popular impression crediting Fulton with this invention, William C. Mills, curator at the Ohio Archaeological and Historical society's museum on the Ohio State university campus at Columbus, says that the steam engine was invented by John Fitch.

A steam engine made by Fitch was operated successfully in a steamboat 21 years before Fulton's Clermont plied the Hudson river, according to Mills. The original working model of Fitch's boat, invented in 1780, is now in the custody of Curator Mills. Recently it was given to the Ohio Archaeological society by A. N. Whiting of Columbus, great-grandson of Fitch.

PENSIONERS DECREASE

During Year 50,752 Were Taken From List, But 28,284 Were Added.

Those benefiting under a \$214,020,000 pension bill, presented a few days ago in the house of representatives, number 624,427, 22,468 fewer than last year. The total appropriation, however, is only \$1,010,000 less than that for the present fiscal year. The names of 50,752 persons were stricken from the list this year, but 28,284 were added.

Bombproof "Sub" Shelter Revealed.

A bombproof shelter that had been constructed to safeguard the entrance of German submarines into the Bruges-Zeebrugge canal was revealed by the pumping dry of a portion of the waterway.

For Colds, Catarrh or Influenza



Do you feel weak and unequal to the work ahead of you? Do you still cough a little, or does your nose bother you? Are you pale? Is your blood thin and watery? Better put your body into shape. Build strong!

An old, reliable blood-maker and herbal tonic made from wild roots and barks, is Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. This "nature remedy" comes in tablet or liquid form. It will build up your body and protect you from disease germs which lurk everywhere. One of the active ingredients of this temperance alterative and tonic is wild cherry bark with stingingia, which is so good for the lungs and for coughs; also Oregon grape root, blood root, stone root, Queen's root,—all skillfully combined in the Medical Discovery. These roots have a direct action on the stomach, improving digestion and assimilation. These herbal extracts in the "Discovery" aid in blood-making and are best for scrofula. By improving the blood they fortify the body against an attack of grip or colds.

Catarrh should be treated, first, as a blood disease, with this alterative. Then, in addition, the nose should be washed daily with Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy.

Send 10c for trial pkg. of Medical Discovery Tablets or Catarrh Tablets to Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y.

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See me for garden hose and lawn sprinklers. F. Lange.

Then came of Ed L. Nixon appears in our announcement column this week as a candidate for commissioner of precinct No. 2, and the attention of our readers is directed to same.

Geo. Stengel came down last Saturday from Menard for a visit over Sunday. He was accompanied home by Mrs. Stengel and the children who had spent a week here with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Hoerster and baby, Misses Louise Hoerster and Beata Jordan left Monday for San Antonio to be absent for several days on business and pleasure combined.

A TEXAS WONDER

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CALLED HER FAMILY TO HER BEDSIDE

Six Years Ago, Thinking She Might Die, Says Texas Lady, But Now She Is a Well, Strong Woman and Praises Cardui For Her Recovery.

Royse City, Tex.—Mrs. Mary Kilman, of this place, says: "After the birth of my little girl...my side commenced to hurt me. I had to go back to bed. We called the doctor. He treated me...but I got no better. I got worse and worse until the misery was unbearable...I was in bed for three months and suffered such agony that I was just drawn up in a knot... I told my husband if he would get me a bottle of Cardui I would try it... I commenced taking it, however, that evening I called my family about me... for I knew I could not last many days unless I had a change for

the better. That was six years ago and I am still here and am a well, strong woman, and I owe my life to Cardui. I had only taken half the bottle when I began to feel better. The misery in my side got less... I continued right on taking the Cardui until I had taken three bottles and I did not need any more for I was well and never felt better in my life... I have never had any trouble from that day to this."

Do you suffer from headache, backache, pains in sides, or other discomforts, each month? Or do you feel weak, nervous and fagged-out? If so, give Cardui, the woman's tonic, a trial.

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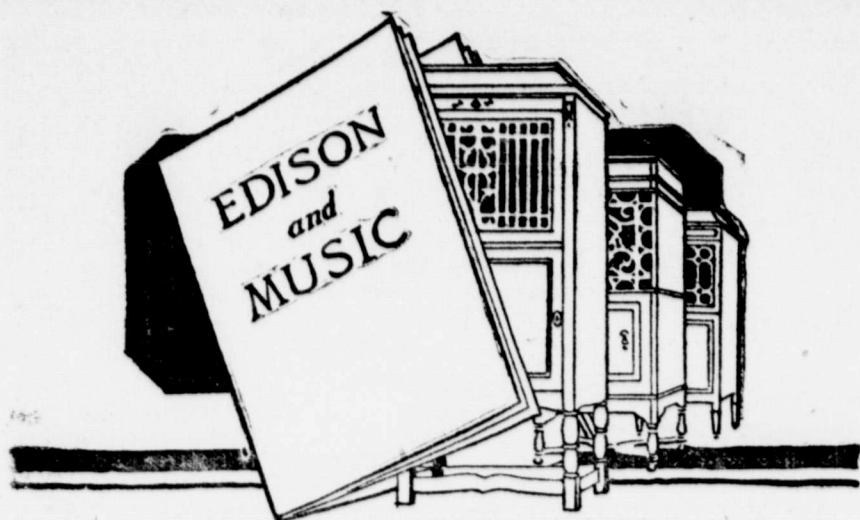
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Boys' Summer Camp Inculcates High Ideals.

WHAT IT DID FOR ONE BOY

Foreign-born Lad Learns That His Father Was Wrong and That America Means Something Besides a Dollar Mine—Chums With Son of Father's Employer and Imbibes True Democracy.

By NORMAN W. GREGG.

In the fifteenth year of his existence something happened to Steve which set several of his inherited views at naught and changed the entire current of his life. Steve had been born in a land of dreary, endless plains and long, cold, snowbound winters, where his parents and kinsfolk lived colorless, monotonous lives embittered by hatred of the mythical noble who owned the estate they tilled.

Steve's family emigrated to America a short time before Europe was plunged into the chasm of war. They went at once to a section of a great city where their native language was about the only one heard.

The head of the house secured employment in a great factory and continued to read newspapers printed in characters queer and undecipherable to an American boy. Very often after supper, in spite of the fact that his daily wage was more than he had earned in a month in his home land, the father would denounce in hoarse gutturals the men who owned the forest of smoking chimneys among which he labored.

Making a Real American.

It was at this time that an opportunity to spend a summer at Camp Roosevelt was given Steve. With boyish celerity he had mastered English fairly, despite the foreign atmosphere of his home, and his keen, alert little face impressed one of the officials of the great corporation who offered to pay the nominal cost of the outing. His father raged. He would not have his son contaminated with militarism, but the parish priest said it was good and the mother pleaded for the life in the big, happy out-of-doors; so at last he gave a reluctant consent. Steve was happy.

With hundreds of other boys, he

boarded a great lake steamer and, after several memorable hours on Lake Michigan, landed with the rest of the cadets at Muskegon. Many cars were waiting to transport them to Camp Roosevelt, and Steve found a place in a big motor with another lad no older than himself. Their inexpensive khaki uniforms were exactly alike and the fact that his new friend's name was the same as the owner of the factory in which his father worked meant nothing at this time.

Ted and Steve, arriving together, were assigned to the same company, and naturally they gravitated to cots alongside in the same squad tent. "I suppose we're bunkies now," said Ted when they had disposed of their few simple belongings and had a brief breathing spell. "Me, I am satisfied," returned Steve, and a friendship which endured through eight happy weeks began. After mess, Steve named the great institution where his father was employed. "Mine works there too," said Ted, and with this mutual bond their social status was established. It was not until many days afterwards that Steve discovered that Ted's father was the employer of thousands of men, but by this time the virus of Americanism and democracy had taken hold in his boyish soul. Not even his father could talk about his "bunkie" or his "bunkie's" family and get away with it.

Life Works Wonders.

The well-regulated out-door life worked wonders in both. They took on pounds and added inches. They grew brown and hard and what the army officers who drilled them called "snappy." Steve learned to swim and shoot and Ted, who knew all about wrestling and boxing, had the delight of seeing his protegee scrap his way to regimental lightweight champion.

He was further dumfounded to find that the camp commandant, Capt. F. L. Beals, U. S. A., instead of being a terrible czar, was a kindly, approachable friend, quite as interested in his joys and sorrows as Ted.

In his new life the Stars and Stripes had come to be a symbol of something big and splendid, something which Ted and Captain Beals and all the other boys loved. All at once he realized that his father was wrong; that America meant something besides a dollar-mine. Camp Roosevelt, the boys' national camp at Muskegon, Mich., had added a citizen to the nation.

Steve and Ted are going back this year—together. And Steve is bringing Michael, his fourteen-year-old brother. Mike, however, will have much less to learn, for Steve's patriotic propaganda has had results. Even the taciturn father has felt it.

It was a holiday and Steve and his father stood watching a parade. Steve clutched his father's sleeve excitedly. "See, father, it is a flag like what I carried at Camp Roosevelt. It is our flag. Take off your hat. All we Americans do it." He stood rigidly at the salute while his father, a little shamefacedly perhaps, lest some of his countrymen witness it, uncovered and the starry emblem swept past.

CHOPS WOOD ON HIS 83RD BIRTHDAY



John Burroughs, photographed on his eighty-third birthday chopping wood with which to boil maple sap to sugar for his birthday feast. Many friends called at Yama Farms Inn, Esopus, N. Y., to congratulate the most famous American naturalist and wish him "many more."

GRAVEYARDS DESECRATED

All Cemeteries in Merced, Cal., Molested, Save One.

Visitors and attendants found monuments toppled over, wooden headboards put up and massive stones on family plots torn from their foundations in six of Merced's graveyards. The police said they were at a loss to account for the desecration.

In some instances headboards were transferred from one cemetery to another and driven into the ground at random.

Some monuments were moved to strange plots and set carefully over unfamiliar graves. Slabs weighing as much as 1,500 pounds each were found thrown about in the litter of other tomb fixtures.

The Catholic cemetery was the only one here not molested.

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FISH PICK QUEER HOME

Found in Tender of Railroad Locomotive by Fireman.

E. Sturges, boilermaker foreman at the Missouri Pacific round house at Osawatomie, Kan., now believes "there's nothing new under the sun." Sturges was convinced of this the other day when he found a school of minnows in the tender of an engine brought into the shop for repairs.

The "small fry" are believed to have been in the tender several weeks. How they got there is a mystery.

Suspect Epileptics of Starting Fire.

The death of patients when the male ward of the Ohio State hospital for epileptics, at Gallipolis, was burned has led to the arrest of six patients suspected of setting fire to the building.

Clothes Line Broke Six-Story Fall.

Bouncing from the clothes lines of one floor to the floor beneath, William J. Reilly, a New York city fireman, fell from the top of a six-story tenement house and was only bruised.

Three of the Mason County Pig Club Boys are smiling as their big 600 pound yearling gilts brought them 10 pigs each. One of the club members living in the Double Knobbs community has a year old gilt of the big type Poland China that brought 12 pigs.

How about your subscription to the News, have you advanced it for another year?

A young lady of Llano by the name of Atkins is reported as having fallen from the second-story window of the Llano court house one afternoon last week. The New York Times failed to warn particulars, but it seems that Miss Atkins was sitting in the window listening to the court proceedings of the Jas. Sullivan trial and in some way became over balanced and fell out. Reports are that she was severely injured and doubts are as to her recovery.

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SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF ELECTION

The State of Texas,
County of Mason:

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on the 5th day of June 1920, at the Hilda School House in common school district No. 3 of this County, as established by order of the Commissioners Court on the 22nd day of August 1913 which is of record in book designated, Record of Boundaries of Common School Districts on pages 43-44-45 to determine whether a majority of the legally qualified Tax paying voters of that district desire to tax themselves for the purpose of supple-

menting the State School fund apportioned to said district, and to determine whether the Commissioners Court of this County shall authorize, levy, assess and collect annually a tax of and at the rate of 10 cents on the one hundred dollars (\$100.00) valuation of taxable property in said district for said purpose.

Frank Loeffler has been appointed presiding officer for said election and he shall select two judges and two clerks to assist him in holding the same, and he shall within 5 days after said election has been held make due returns thereof, to the Commissioners Court of this County as is required by law for holding a general election.

All persons who are legally qualified voters of this State and County and who are resident property tax payers in said district shall be entitled to vote at said election, and all who favor taxation for school purposes shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For School Tax" and those opposed to such taxation shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against School Tax."

Said election was ordered by the County Judge of this County by order made on the 27th day of April 1920, and this notice was given in pursuance of said order dated the 27th day of April 1920.

G. H. Willis,
Sheriff, of Mason County, Tex.

THE NEWS

Paul Schlaudt has gone to Fredricksburg for a visit. He will be back to work for L. F. Eckert on the 1st of June.

Take in the picture show at the Star Opera House each Friday and Saturday night. Shows start at 8:15 sharp.

Money to lend—Runge & Runge

We have just received a new lot Diamond casings. All sizes.
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BIRTHS

Since our last report the following births have been recorded by County Clerk, S. C. Brockman:

Mr. and Mrs. Avery Cates, a girl, May 6; Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sawey, a boy, May 8.

Dr. W. H. Lindley of Brady, Texas, is having the suite of rooms over the Broad Mercantile Co. equipped for one of the most modern dental offices in the State, which he will occupy on May the 1st. All operating rooms will be furnished in white, which makes it very sanitary. In connection with his large reception room he will have a ladies rest room. Everything will be furnished for the convenience of his patients.

Marriage License—J. R. Despain and Miss Lillie May Pearl, May 15.

We are prepared to give you expert service on storage battery work of all kinds. Bring your battery troubles to us.
Star Garage.

Mrs. McDougall left Sunday for San Antonio to be with her son, who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis. He has been in San Antonio with the firm of Joske Bros.

Use your phone and tell the News the news. Phone 57.

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Dor Brown and family went to Cherokee last week to attend the funeral of his uncle, Mr. John B. Thaxton.

This is Commencement week for the Mason High School. School proper was dismissed Tuesday.

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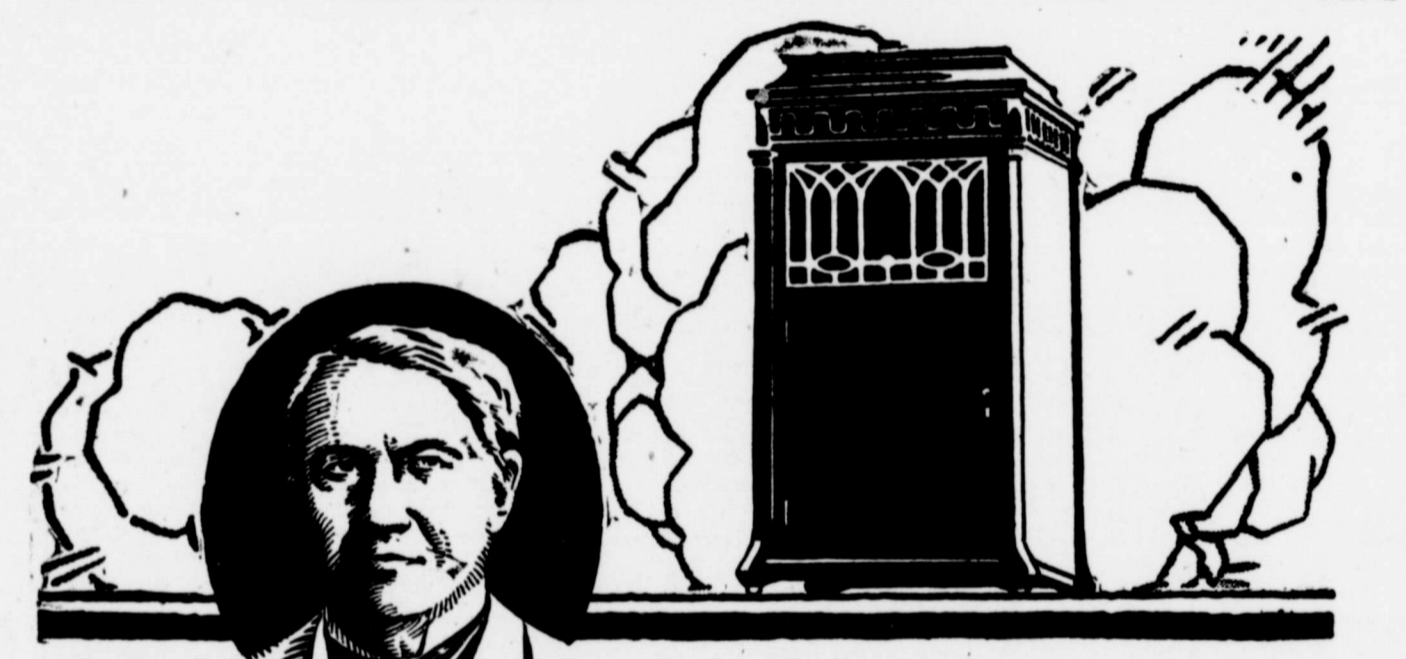
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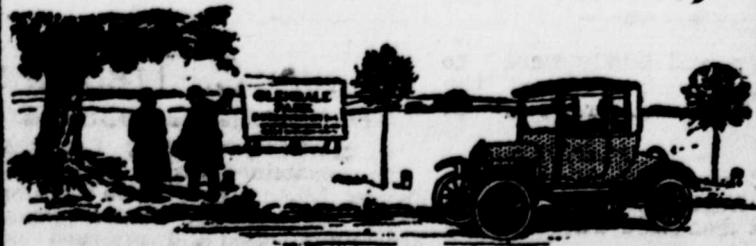
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WRITES OF HARD BATTLE

Outnumbered and With Odds Against Them the Yanks Gain the Victory—Under Pretense of Seeking Arms Russians Rob, Pillage and Kill Wherever They Please—To Get Medals.

Lieut. J. C. Steinel, son of John Steinel of Milwaukee, was in charge of the American soldiers who routed the Russian troops that attacked the Americans with their armored train some weeks ago. As a result he has been recommended for the distinguished service medal by his commanding officer.

Lieut. Steinel, who now is on his way home, writes as follows about the clash:

"A few days before we were attacked by the Russians in their armored car we had received orders to move to Vladivostok and thence to the Philippines. Being in box cars, this was not difficult, so we loaded up our belongings, filled up with wood to keep warm.

"The Russians had armored trains and we expected trouble with them some time or other. Under the excuse that they are looking for arms they rob, pillage and kill wherever they please.

Train Heavily Armed.

"This we would not permit in the American sector, and gave them several ultimatums to get out. They had their trains equipped with machine guns, grenades, rifles, one pounders and 3-inch guns, and all engines were protected with concrete reinforcement and loopholes to shoot from.

"They had passed us several times, but never made a move. But one night we were informed by our interpreter that the Russians in the neighborhood expected trouble. We increased the guard at the long bridge, also around the cars in which we live. At midnight an armored train came into the station opposite us. They began loading up with wood. I immediately ordered my men to get up, but kept them in the cars. I went to the station to see if anything unusual had occurred, but everything appeared quiet. I ordered my men to retire, but we doubled our guard. The other officer and myself had just begun to retire when the sergeant came in and reported that he thought the Russians meant business. In about two minutes, with most of our 35 men still asleep, the Russians opened fire on us with machine guns, rifles and grenades.

"Our men were ordered out at once and they got under the cars and returned the fire. It seemed hopeless against an armored train. Our sergeant was killed in a few minutes when he attempted to get out on the engine, but before he was knocked off he threw a hand grenade at the train, which helped to force the Russians to surrender. One of our corporals had both legs blown off. The Russian armored train stopped about fifty yards from our cars and for a few moments they gave us everything they had. But we kept after them in skirmish line fashion and soon they told us they were ready to surrender.

Plan to Burn Village.

"They admitted that they had been drinking and that they intended first to kill off all the Americans and then burn the village, as they claimed that a stock of arms and munitions were in this place.

"They had a crew of seven officers and seventy men, while we had two officers and thirty-five men. All we had were three automatic rifles, grenades and rifles, while they had eight machine guns, rifles for every man, a one-pounder, a three-inch gun and grenades.

"The big prize, besides the train, was the general who was in command of all their armored trains, and their captain.

"It was quite an exciting experience for 45 minutes and something I will never forget. All of our men have been recommended for distinguished service medals for their gallant attack against the armored train."

Drowned by Gold Nuggets.

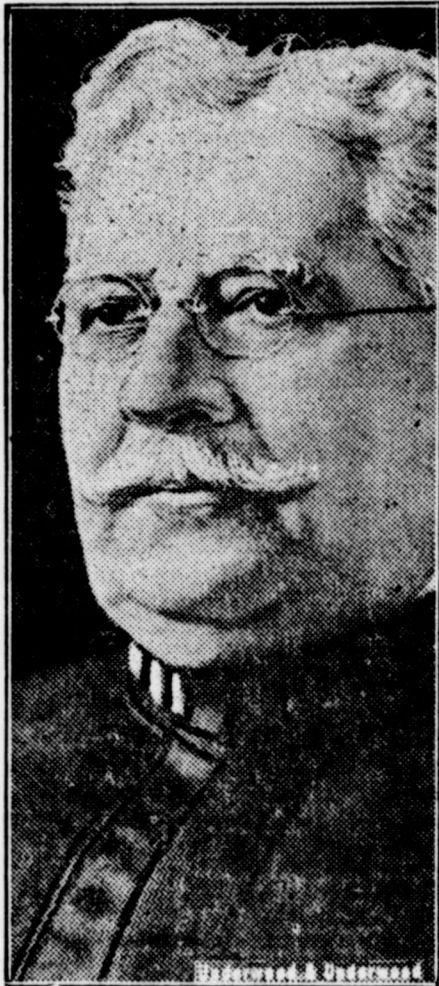
The latest good story, told by Representative Phil S. Locke of Aberdeen, Wash., purports to come from a rancher in the Hob district, where placer claims have recently excited comment. This rancher always kept a large, deep dish of water for the fowls, during the dry summer months. He was last summer much perplexed by the number of his fowls that drowned in the dish, seemingly unable to help themselves. An autopsy performed on

a drowned hen revealed the fact that the bird's crop was so full of gold nuggets that it was held under water by the weight.

Never Caressed Husband in 14 Years.
A suit for divorce has been filed at Denver Colo., by Carl H. Witt, who asserts that his wife had refused to caress him in any way during their entire fourteen years of married life.

Man Had Mania for Stealing Bibles.
Charged with the theft at Elmira, N. Y., of copies of the Bible and other religious works, Clarence Westcott is under arrest at Williamsport, Pa.

VETERAN TAKES FIRST DAY OFF IN 44 YEARS



After forty-four years of adventure with the life saving service, now the United States coast guard, Capt. Herbert M. Knowles, superintendent of the Third district, is enjoying his first days of freedom from responsibilities since he joined the service in 1876. He is at Wakefield, R. I., retired on a pension, with the record for continuous duty with the coast guard. There have been 1,300 wrecks recorded in the Third district since Captain Knowles entered the service and the comparatively small loss of life is due to his alertness, daring and devotion, reports state. He enlisted as a surfman at the Point Judith, Long Island station, when twenty years old. In 1898 Secretary of the Treasury Gage, recognized his

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VULCANIZING

I am prepared to do expert vulcanizing. Bring me your tubes and casings. Otto Schmidt.

J. H. Acres and wife and Frank Meyser were business and pleasure visitors in Mason last Monday from the Keysville section.

I have purchased a registered Jack from Max Michaelis and will stand him at my place. Terms: \$15.00 insurance; \$2.50 cash, balance when foal arrives.

Positively no Sunday service
Ernest A. Probst,
Katemey, Texas.

Floyd McColum and Lamar Thaxton spent last Saturday in Llano listening to the lawyers speak in the Callan trial.

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