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Portales Beats Clovis

The football game between the Portales town team and the Santa Fe shop team at Clovis last Saturday was rather a one-sided affair, with Portales getting the best of it.

The shop boys were all large, heavy set men and some experienced football players but our boys were simply too fast and heady for them to handle. Good team and head work on the side of Portales gave our boys the advantage from the beginning ended the game with a 30 to 7 score.

The forward passes and place kick by Compton were features of the game. A long run with the ball caught from kick off by Williams and ending in a touchdown for Portales was also a feature play.

The players from Portales were; Dunaway, Compton, Williams, Norris, Kenyon, Doyal, Bristow, Prater, Creek, G. Langston, J. Langston; Substitutes, Dunlap, Bramlett, Smith.

Cheer Up

These are dark days for the world. The shadow of the war is heavier than ever on all hearts, whatever their sympathies. There is little exultation now even in victories, for we know at what a price of blood and pain every victory is won. But there are many things besides war in the world. Except for our active imaginations, most of us would feel life running on pretty much as usual. There is the same sunshine, the same life giving air, the same autumn colors in the woods, the same joy in bountiful harvests. There is the same quiet satisfaction of soul that has always come with the fall season, whether in country or city. Here in our American isolation, we can live out our lives in spite of wars and rumors of wars. There is to be sure of taking thought for the future, preparing against the time when war may bring home to us the wretchedness that we knew half a century ago and that Europe knows today. But that is a matter of calm decision, not for alarm and fear. We are today the most fortunate nation in the world. There is no reason why we cannot continue so. It is a good time for the nation to take to heart the philosophy that is preached so much today to individuals the philosophy of confidence, of optimism, of positive thought. It is right and proper that we should feel the woes of Europe, and it is our duty to alleviate them all we can. But it is wrong to let those woes weigh on our spirits until we lose our own buoyancy and poise. It is better to regard the war as a doctor or a nurse regards sickness as something to be cured, whose cure can be effected not through outbursts of sentimentalism but through intelligent and cheerful service.

Thanksgiving Program

Following is the specials which will be given at the Cosy Theater during Thanksgiving week.
 Tuesday: "Misjudged," in three acts, featuring Herbert Rawlinson and Annie Little. Free, a forty-two piece dinner set.
 Thursday: Broadway feature, "Mrs. Plums Pudding," comedy farce in five acts with the celebrated star, Marie Tempest.

The News would like very much to get a correspondent in each community of the county to give the local happenings of their neighborhood. Anyone who will do this for us will please call at this office and make arrangements.

The First National Bank

Report of the condition of
 at Elida, in the State of New Mexico, at the close of business November 10th, 1915.

RESOURCES	
1. Loans and Discounts	\$136,471 68
2. U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	25,000 00
3. Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve Bank	\$1,800 00
4. Less amount unpaid	900 00
5. Furniture and fixtures	2,500 00
6. Real estate owned other than banking house	8,245 00
7. Net amount due from Federal Reserve Bank	6,177 26
8. Net amount due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago, and St. Louis	335 16
9. Net amount due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	13,741 45
10. Net amount due from banks and bankers (other than included in 9 or 10)	15,694 73
11. Outside checks and other cash items	\$6,971 16
12. Fractional currency, nickels and cents	7,006 79
13. Notes of other national banks	1,255 00
14. Lawful money reserve in bank	10,223 45
15. Total coin and certificates	1,525 00
16. Legal tender notes	1,250 00
17. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (not more than 5 per cent on circulation)	1,250 00
Total	\$230,325 02
LIABILITIES	
18. Capital stock paid in	\$ 25,000 00
19. Surplus fund	8,000 00
20. Undivided profits	\$6,290 07
21. Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	2,662 26
22. Circulating notes	25,000 00
23. Due to banks and bankers (other than above)	734 90
24. Demand deposits: Individual deposits subject to check	\$152,122 65
25. Cashier's checks outstanding	878 35
26. Time deposits (payable after 30 days or subject to 30 days or more notice)	1,221 81
27. Certificates of deposit due on or after 30 days	10,440 00
28. Redemptions with Federal Reserve	10,440 00
Total	\$230,325 02

State of New Mexico, County of Roosevelt, ss:
 I, A. A. Beeman, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
 A. A. BEEMAN, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of November, 1915.
 (Notary) CHARLES A. COPPEY, Notary Public. My commission expires Jan. 31, 1918.
 Correct—Attest: G. W. Robertson, J. N. Lilley, W. F. Bennett, Directors.

Notice to Close

We, the undersigned merchants agree to close our stores all day Thursday, November 25th, same being Thanksgiving:
 Deen-Neer Company.
 Joyce-Pruit Company.
 R. M. Sanders.
 C. V. Harris & Co.
 Hardy Hardware Company.
 W. H. Braley & Son.
 Carl J. Whitcomb.
 C. Goodloe & Co.
 Calloway & Waggoner.
 White House Grocery Company.
 Strickland and Bland.
 J. M. Reynolds.
 Inda Humphrey.
 J. B. Crow.
 Kemp Lumber Company.
 Connolly Coal Company.
 Portales Lumber Company.
 Warren - Foshee Hardware Company.
 J. B. Sledge Hardware Co.
 The above named concerns signed the above petition on their own accord and will close their place of business. Those who read this will do well to order their necessities the day before as they will positively not favor anyone. As heretofore, some have broke the rules and we are requested to announce that everyone will positively adhere so this notice.

Prosperity at Last

There is no longer any doubt of the return of prosperity. Our old friends is with us again. He is not here in great chunks, with bags full of shimmering gold, and automobiles for everybody, but the old boy has brought a steady increase in the volume of business, and a relaxation in the money markets, and a renewed confidence in business circles and in the agricultural districts. Men of all classes are loosening their purse strings, money is on a hunt for investment, employers are taking on more men, and the wheels of industry are humming at a more rapid rate than for many months past. Merchants report increased sales and easier collections, buyers are selecting better and more expensive articles, and a spirit of relief and confidence is in evidence everywhere. There are bright spots ahead for the future. Let's all steer for them and keep head and eyes to the front.

ROOSEVELT COUNTY CREAMERY IS NOW READY FOR CREAM

The Entire Equipment, Including Building and Machinery, is a Credit to Any Community and Someone Deserves Credit.

All Has Been Accepted by the Building Committee and Actual Work Begun Tuesday, November 16th. Banquet Will be Given Monday Night in Honor of Creamery

The Roosevelt County Creamery and Ice Plant was completed and accepted by the building committee on November 6th, and on November 16th it formally opened for business and received a large amount of cream. Let us consider who we should thank for getting this enterprise at Portales. C. C. Dana, industrial commissioner of the Santa Fe railroad, should lead the list, as it was he called the attention of J. L. Blunt to Portales. Next in order should come Mr. A. A. Rogers and Mr. Ward, who for several weeks donated their time and auto in taking Mr. Blunt over the county and too much can not be said in praise of these gentlemen, for without their aid there would be no creamery in Portales at this time. W. W. VanWinkle, S. E. Johnson, Hugh King, James Hall and several other gentlemen donated their time in helping to get the organization completed, and as a building committee W. W. VanWinkle, S. E. Johnson and L. W. Carleton did their duty in proper order. Chas. Ison and the other gentlemen who worked with him in putting up the creamery building, need honorable mention for the workmanlike manner in which the creamery was completed. But have we given due thought and credit to Mr. J. L. Blunt, the man who has been the back bone of the enterprise from the start to finish? For several weeks he worked with the farmers over the county to get them properly organized, then he drafted a plan of the building which is certainly a model in every respect, then the list of machinery was made out and now that it is installed shows that careful thought must have been given to the size of each piece of machinery when the plan of building was drafted, for each piece certainly fits the place intended for it, and when the machinery was unloaded from the cars and installed it was accomplished in short order and without accident, although several pieces weighed many tons each. We all know how he worked to get the creamery company organized, but only those who watched it under construction from the very first day the building started until the last the final test was made in making ice, know how he worked to complete the creamery. To make a long story short, J. L. Blunt is an expert in the line of building creameries and he has certainly done his part well, and to complete his success he has interested J. B. Keatchie, of Stewart, Minnesota, one of the leading butter makers of that great dairy state, to come here and take charge of the butter making department and also assist in the management of the business. Mr. Keatchie is here with his family. Chas. S. Payne, of Oelwain, will also assist in the butter making department.

At this writing the business men of Portales are putting the finishing touch to arrangements for a banquet and entertainment to be given in honor of the Roosevelt County Creamery next Monday evening, November 22nd, at which a large attendance is expected. Now, it is up to the farmers who produce the cream throughout the territory to complete the success of the creamery. If they will all bring or ship their cream to this creamery there is no question but what this new enterprise will be a lasting benefit to all concerned. Let us all boost and unite for the success of this creamery.

FOR SALE, RENT or EXCHANGE—Will sell, rent or exchange my 160 acres adjoining Painter post-office. Fine grass, some improvements. Also have 80 acres near Lake Arthur, in artesian water belt. Eastern property preferred. R. P. GUYER, Brown City, Michigan.

Miss Ruby Ragsdale arrived at the home of Mrs. and Mr. T. P. Ragsdale near Cromer on November 13th. Mrs. F. J. Hardin midwife.
 Coe Howard and wife and Roy Connally and wife left this week for Kimball county, Texas, on a pleasure trip. They expect to be away about two weeks.

The First National Bank

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 at Portales, in the state of New Mexico, at the close of business November 10, 1915.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$137,074 19
Overdrafts, unsecured	3 65
U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	25,000 00
U. S. Bonds pledged to secure postal savings deposits (par value)	51,000 00
Stocks, other than Federal Reserve Bank stock	4,750 00
Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve Bank	\$ 4,500 00
Less amount unpaid	2,250 00
Value and banking house (if unincumbered)	2,800 00
Furniture and fixtures	1,500 00
Real estate owned other than banking house	8,600 00
Net amount due from Federal Reserve Bank	5,857 57
Net amount due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago, and St. Louis	4,036 71
Net amount due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	42,553 12
Net amount due from banks and bankers (other than above)	16,654 43
Outside checks and other cash items	2,033 82
Notes of other National Banks	1,185 00
Lawful money reserve in bank	7,740 05
Legal tender notes	1,115 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (not more than 5 per cent on circulation) and due from U. S. Treasurer	2,500 00
Total	\$311,183 54
LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 25,000 00
Surplus fund	25,000 00
Undivided profits	\$16,778 56
Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid	3,324 09
Circulating notes	25,000 00
Due to banks and bankers (other than above)	15,408 30
Demand deposits: Individual deposits subject to check	137,788 94
Cashier's checks outstanding	5,127 48
Time deposits (payable after 30 days, or subject to 30 days or more notice)	240 54
Certificates of deposit	15,168 14
Total	\$311,183 54

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ss.
 COUNTY OF ROOSEVELT, ss.
 I, P. E. Jordan, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
 P. E. JORDAN, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of November, 1915.
 MYRTLE MOORE, Notary Public.
 Correct—Attest: W. O. Oldham, G. W. Carr, Ed. J. Neer, Directors.

RECAPITULATION

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$137,074 19
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	2,250 00
Bonds and Stocks	4,750 00
Banking House, Furniture and Fix.	4,300 00
Other Real Estate	8,600 00
Redemption Fund with U. S. Treasurer	2,500 00
Cash and Exchange	80,725 79
Total	\$311,183 54
LIABILITIES	
Capital	\$ 50,000 00
Surplus	25,000 00
Undivided Profits	12,454 54
Circulation	25,000 00
Deposits	173,728 79
Total	\$311,183 54

George Randolph Chester



Having completed a course of instruction in his "Get-Rich-Quick Wallingford" stories, showing anyone who follows it how to become wealthy, George Randolph Chester now takes a new turn and shows his audience how to be good. In the new serial, "The Ball of Fire," which we have arranged to publish in installment form, Mr. Chester descends upon the modern tendency toward commercialism in everything, and especially that of making a business enterprise of a church.

It is a rapidly moving story with a well-defined romance centered largely around a beautiful western girl who visits her uncle in New York city. It is one of the best novels Chester has ever written and one you should not fail to read.

Miss Addie Brown was down from Clovis one day this week. Miss Brown was at one time telephone operator at this place and has many friends who were glad to see her.

To Preserve Early Names
 Albuquerque, N. M. Nov. 18:—A general policy of preserving wherever possible the aboriginal and early Spanish names in New Mexico geography has been announced by the State Geographical society, which was organized in this city during the recent state fair, upon the call of Governor McDonald. The University of New Mexico has been the working center of the new society with the president David R. Boyd of the University as the first president and Prof. Charles T. Kirk, the University's professor of Geology, as secretary. The vice-presidents are Governor McDonald, ex-governor L. Bradford Prisco, and Senator T. B. Catron. R. J. Palen, of Santa Fe, is treasurer and the "geographic record" which the working unit of the society, is composed of state engineer James A. French, Amado Chaves of Albuquerque, Frank W. Clancy, Geo. B. Brooks, Filadelfa Baca, Professor Roscoe R. Hill of the University, secretary and Dr. F. A. Jones, of the state school of mines, chairman. The society will work in close co-operation with the United States Geological survey and was in fact organized at the direct suggestion of that organization. Already several important proof copies of maps of New Mexico areas have been submitted to Secretary Kirk by the Geological survey and others will be submitted for name and corrections, as the survey completes them. The constitution will soon be ready for distribution and New Mexicans who are interested in geography are invited to become members. The dues are nominal, being \$1 a year. Communications should be addressed to the secretary, New Mexico Geographic society, state university, Albuquerque.

Off for Albuquerque

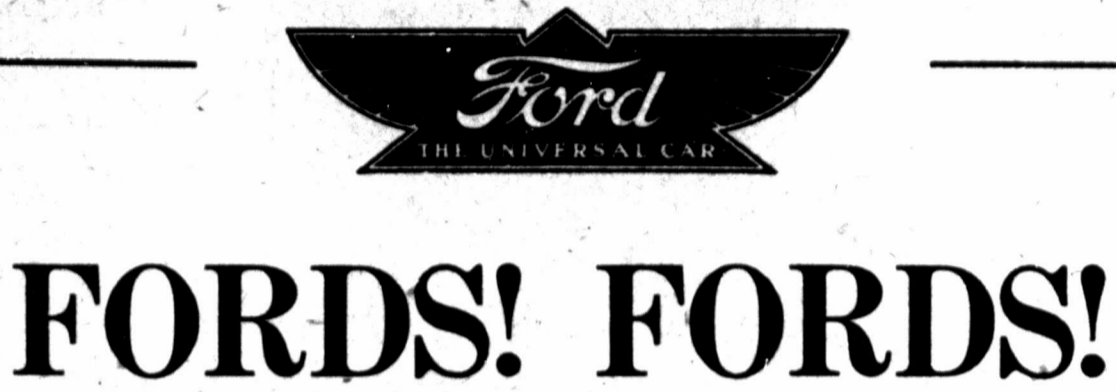
Professor J. S. Long, Carl Owens, Miss Leota Merrill and Miss Janice Wylly will leave Sunday for Albuquerque where they will attend the State Teachers association. Carl will represent the Portales High School in the State oratorical contest, Miss Leota in the declamation contest and Miss Janice in the spelling. They also carried along with them one of the best displays ever shown by this school.

Walker Caswell, of Ft. Worth Texas, bought this week from Henry Fickensher his five acre block in the west part of town and will improve and put in a chicken ranch, in connection with a herd of fine dairy cattle which he will have here about the first of the month. Mr. Caswell is a new man here, coming here about a month ago and he likes the Valley so well he has decided to locate here. He expects to leave soon for East Texas where he will buy about two cars of fine dairy cattle and will have about one car to sell. Mr. Caswell is the kind the Portales Valley is looking for and the kind we need most.

Everyone who attended the Cosy Theater last Thursday and saw the Broadway feature, "Just Jim", expressed themselves as being very much pleased with this particular line of motion pictures. The management of the Cosy is doing everything in his power to give his patrons the very best available, and from all indications he is pleasing them. These Broadway features are exhibited at the Cosy every Thursday night besides a very good line of other pictures. J. R. George, of Young county, Texas, arrived this week and will visit with his brother.

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Chas. Meece, the oil man from Roswell was a visitor in the city this week.

LOST—Last Saturday a bunch of keys. Finder return to Guy P. Mitchell.

John Tyson, the cow man from Taiban, was a visitor in the city this week.

The Dishwasher at the Adams Cafe returned this week from a trip down in Texas. He called at the office and announced that he lost a small bow necktie. Finder will please leave at this office.

WANTED—Two or three room house, must be a bargain. See Walker Caswell or inquire at this office.

Guy P. Mitchell purchased a new Dodge car the first of the week from their agency at Roswell.

Stanford Moore returned this week from an auto trip down in the south part of the state and over in Texas.

Mrs. W. E. Dawn and children returned this week from an extended visit at Des Moines, this state.

Mrs. Dwight Reynolds left Wednesday for Wichita, Kansas, where she will visit with her mother for some weeks.

Messrs Bailey and Dan Hill, of Richland, this state, were here this week visiting with their uncle, J. E. Morrison.

Wanted—Turkeys, Chickens, Hides and Furs. J. A. Saylor at the old Ripy Lumber yard east side of square.

J. C. Rapp, of Roswell, was a visitor in Portales this week. He was here in the interest of the E. A. Jones and Company at that place.

LOST—On Monday evening here in town. Good Elgin watch and chain. Liberal reward for return to this office or owner. Rough Reynolds.

FOR SALE—or will exchange for good feeder stuff) five registered Duroc Jersey boars, about five months old. W. E. Lindsey, Portales, New Mexico.

For Sale—Good surrey, two sets of harness, shafts and tongue. Will sell or trade for good horse. G. F. Stevenson, Portales, New Mexico. 2t

Mrs. Lillie Taylor, of Commerce, Texas, was a visitor in Portales this week the guest of father, I. L. Adams. She left Thursday for her home but will return about Christmas and stay here.

FOR SALE:— Good piano box. Inquire at this office.

BARGAIN—160 acres for \$500 south west of town, one fourth section 35, Township one. Four Miles, east one half miles South. All tillible, water twenty feet. Taxes paid up. E. A. Jones, Seymour Texas. 3tp

Miss Lucile Moore, who is a teacher in the Elida schools, was a visitor Saturday and Sunday with homefolks. Miss Lucille is another of the Portales girls who has made good and is giving the best of satisfaction in her present situation.

J. R. George, of Young county, Texas, arrived this week and will visit with his brother, Calvin George, for a few days. Mr. George is out looking for a location and says that the Portales Valley looks mighty good to him and that he will locate. That's all that's necessary— just come and see.

A. D. Wallace, on his place south of town, raised a turnip this year that is 27 inches in circumference and weighs 7 1-2 pounds. W. F. Jernigan was exhibiting some unusually large turnips that he raised on his farm, and says he has some larger than Mr. Wallrce's. He says that his turnips, which he has been shipping to Clovis, have been averaging about six pounds each.—El Paso Herald.

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Prize-Winning Tamworth Sow.

(By R. G. WEATHERSTONE.)

It is well known that the progeny from mature parents are superior to those descended from young progenitors, not fully developed. Boars and sows, for breeding, should be kept in a good, thrifty condition, but not fat. The writer has always been troubled to keep his breeding sows from becoming too fat, and consequently farrowing a small number of scrawny pigs.

I once took a large sow to fatten for one-half the pork. I did not know she was with pig and fed her all the cornmeal and wheat middlings she would eat.

Imagine my disappointment and vexation when she had three little, dwarfed pigs—not only smaller than pigs usually are when first farrowed, but emaciated.

Sows for breeding should not be allowed to run with the fattening hogs fed on corn, but kept in a pasture by themselves and given a plentiful supply of slop, made of equal parts of wheat shorts, cornmeal and wheat bran.

Most young sows will breed when three months old, if allowed to run with a boar, but eight or twelve months is as young as it is judicious to breed them.

Not only this, but it stunts or dwarfs the growth of such young things permanently, and they never attain good size.

The pigs from large-bodied, old sows will be more in number, and frequently double the size of pigs from young sows when farrowed—and this with the same feed and care—and will frequently weigh 50 per

cent more at a year old. A neighbor of mine last year bought an old sow in the spring for \$10. She had ten fine pigs in April, which were fattened and sold to a butcher in the fall of the same year, bringing him \$115, and he still has the sow for a breeder.

Sows should be kept for a number of years until their places can be filled with younger ones which have proved to be good breeders.

Formerly, heavy pork from hogs 12 to 24 months old (and the fatter the better) was demanded. Men who worked hard in the open air said there was a wasting quality about pig-pork—that it shrunk in the pot "and did not stick to the ribs."

Fortunately, this call for heavy pork is decreasing. In the farmer's family, and with people generally employed in indoor occupations in the towns and cities, pork from younger hogs is preferred.

This pork is not only the best, being the tenderest and sweetest, but it is the quickest produced, at a lower cost and at better profit to the producer.

Young animals grow faster and with less food than when they become older, and pork from a hog less than a year old does not cost so much to produce as the pork from old hogs.

To make the most money from hogs, none, except those kept for breeding purposes, should ever be wintered over.

A little alfalfa makes the corn stick to the pigs' ribs.

The well-fed litter of pigs must have an opportunity to exercise, or else thumps are liable to claim the plumpest.

HANDICRAFT FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

By A. NEELY HALL and DOROTHY PERKINS

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THREE HOMEMADE KITE REELS.

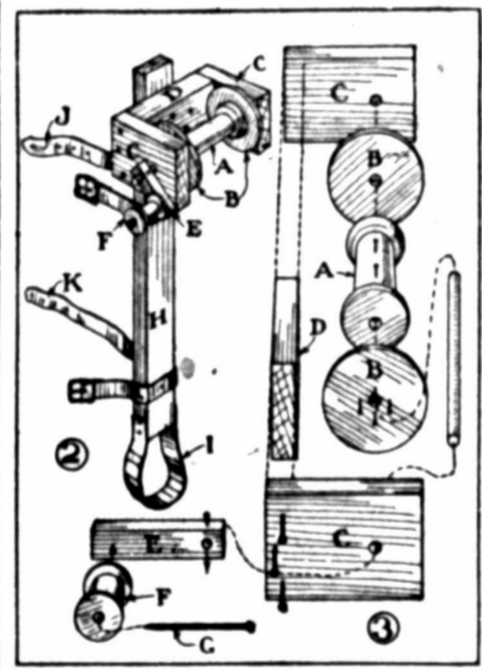
The expert kite flyer is as particular about keeping his flying line in good condition as the fisherman is about his fishing-tackle.

First, let us see how to make the unique reel shown in Fig. 1. With this strapped to your right leg, your hands are free to handle the line. The line can be unwound by pulling it as you pay it out, and reeled up by dropping upon the left knee in the position assumed by the boy shown in Fig. 1.

Fig. 2 shows the completed reel, and Fig. 3 the construction. A large ribbon spool is necessary for the winding drum of the reel (A, Figs. 2 and 3).



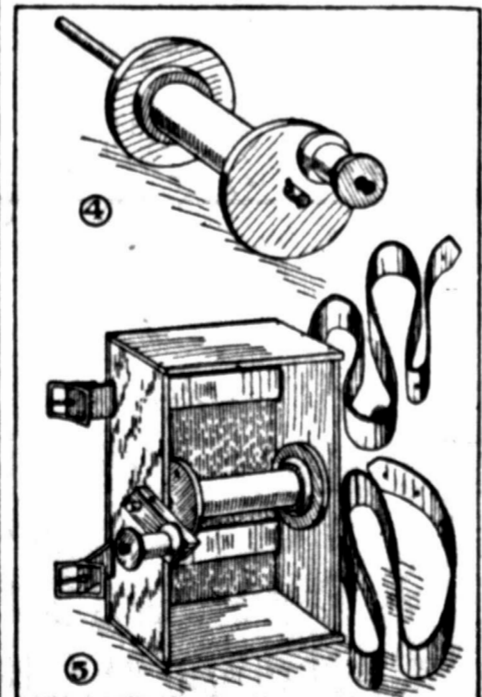
The diameter of the spool flanges must be increased by adding pieces of about twice their diameter (B). Bore a hole through the exact center of pieces B, of the same size as the spool hole. The frame in which this winding drum is mounted, consists of two end blocks C nailed to a piece D. Cut D a trifle longer than the winding drum, and blocks C just large enough to accommodate the axle for the winding drum. Bore a hole a trifle larger than the spool hole through blocks C, for the axle, being careful to get the hole in one exactly opposite that in the other. Cut the axle enough longer than the winding drum to project beyond blocks C, one-half inch beyond



one, and two inches beyond the other. The crank is made of the strip E, with a hole bored near one end for the axle, and the spool F pivoted near the other end by means of the nail G (Fig. 3). Nail the winding drum and the crank to the long end of the axle.

The upright stick upon which the reel is mounted (H, Fig. 2) should be of the right length to reach from the instep of your foot to your knee (Fig. 1). Nail block D to H (Fig. 2), and then tack three straps to H—loop I to pass around the foot, and straps J and K to buckle around the leg.

The simple hand reel in Fig. 4 has a drum like that in Fig. 3. Make the axle long enough to provide a handle to hold the reel by. This axle must fit loosely so the drum will turn freely



and nails must be driven through it to keep the drum from slipping. A spool pivoted with a nail to one end of the drum forms a crank.

Fig. 5 shows a body reel to strap about the waist. The winding drum and the crank for turning it are made the same as those for the leg reel. A cigar box is used for the mounting, to simplify the construction. Cut two slots in each side of the box through which to slip a pair of belts.

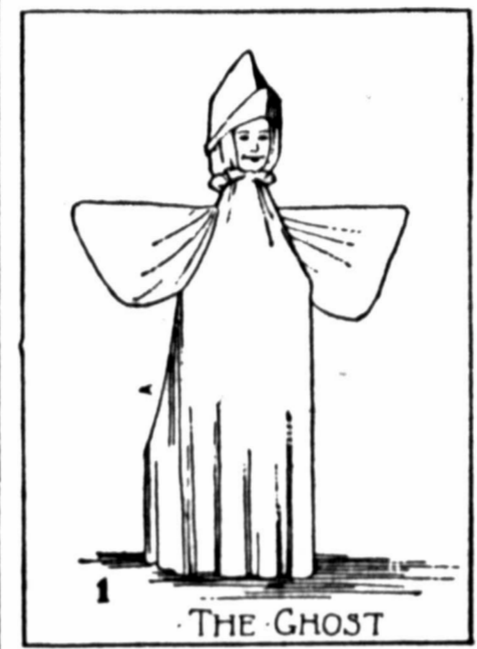
FUN FOR HALLOWE'EN.

A Hallowe'en party, if it be ever so small an affair, requires previous preparation to make it a success.

Either you or your chum, dressed as a ghost, should meet the guests at the door, at the appointed hour.

In the room where the wraps are to be left, it is well to have another ghost standing on guard. This may be a dummy ghost made as shown in Figs. 1, 2 and 3. Bind the handle of a broom to a chair back with cord, turning the broom portion up, as shown in Fig. 2. Fasten a white false-face to the side of the broom for the ghost's face.

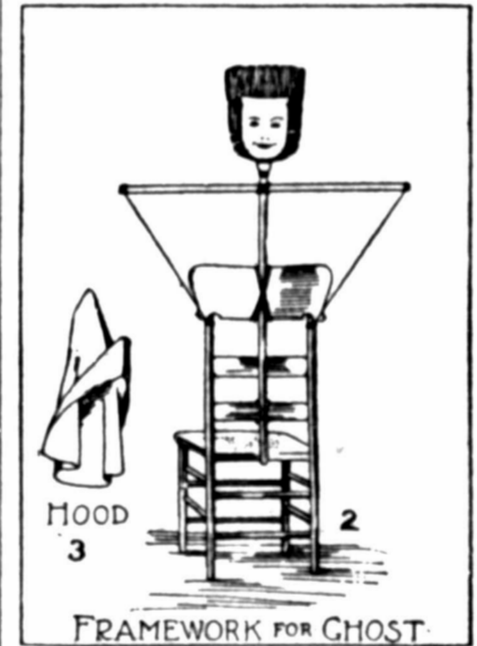
Drape a sheet around the chair and close up to the head, fastening it at the top to the straw of the broom. Then hang a pillow-case, or other



white cloth, over the cross-piece ends for arm sleeves (Fig. 1). Make the hood out of a pillow-case, folding it into the form shown in Fig. 3, with a peak at the top and the front turned up.

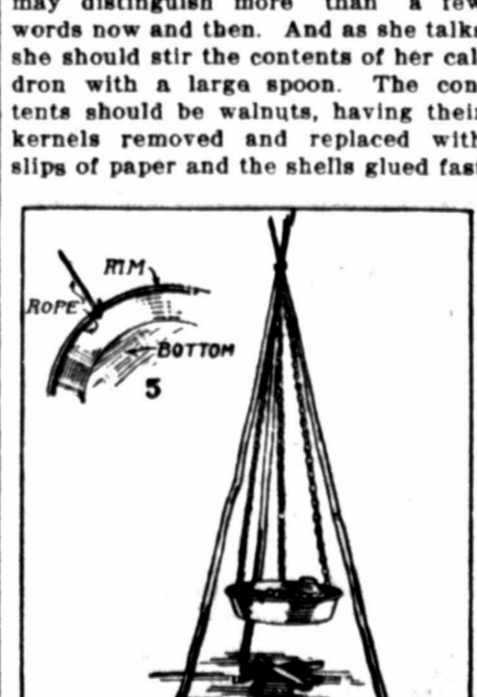
The party would not be complete without some of the old-fashioned games, such as bobbing for apples placed in a dish-pan filled with water, and a doughnut-eating contest in which doughnuts, suspended on strings from the tops of doorways, are eaten while both hands are bound behind. Be sure to arrange for these.

Then there is ghost-story telling. You must not overlook that. Another plan is to have a witch tell stories. A witch's caldron suspended from a tripod as shown in Fig. 4 should be



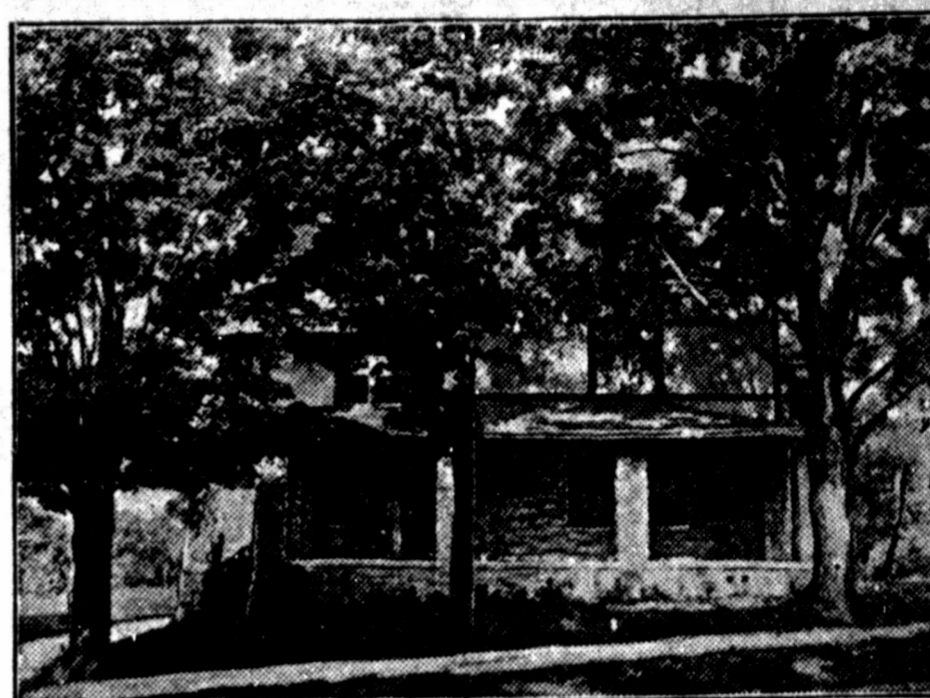
placed in the center of the story-telling room before the guests are allowed to enter. A large black kettle is best for the caldron, but, if you cannot get one, take a dish-pan, tie a rope around its outside just below the rim (Fig. 5), and to this rope attach three ropes at equal distances apart by which to suspend the pan.

The room should be lighted only by a few rays of light allowed to enter from the adjoining room. Have the guests seat themselves upon the floor, forming a circle around the caldron. The witch should mumble her words when telling her story so that no one may distinguish more than a few words now and then. And as she talks she should stir the contents of her caldron with a large spoon. The contents should be walnuts, having their kernels removed and replaced with slips of paper and the shells glued fast



together again. On the slips of paper should be written directions whereby each guest may find a card foretelling her fortune. When the witch finishes her story, she should pass the nuts around. Then the lights should be turned on, the nuts opened and the merry race begun for the bidding places of the fortune cards.

The HOME BEAUTIFUL
Flowers and Shrubbies
Their Care and Cultivation



The Result of Good Tree Planting, Affording Shade and Beauty of Leafage.

SHADE TREES FOR BEAUTY

By J. W. GRIFFIN.

In selecting a list of trees to plant for shade on your lawn or along the avenue or near the house, make a note of the character of the soil and plant accordingly.

If you are planning a home in the lowlands, where it is damp and where fogs hang on the better part of the morning, "cut it out," sell out, get out, do anything to get out, and go up higher if possible.

Leave the swampy lands to the frogs and mosquitoes and the fevers. Make a note of the trees on the hillsides and those that grow on the hilltops. Pick out those that hold their foliage longest, also those whose foliage is healthiest and most dense.

Some advocate spring and some fall planting of fruit and forest trees. I have it that the following gives good results: Where the trees to be set out are larger than two or three year old trees, dig a hole four feet wide each way and two feet deep some time during the late fall or early winter.

The top soil is thrown on one side, the subsoil on the other. The combined actions of the rain, freezing and thawing, produce a good effect on the soil thrown out, and upon the sides of the hole.

The trees to be set out are prepared during the fall and are heeled

in a protected place and are ready at any time they are wanted. A few days of sunshine and windy weather in early spring put the mounds of earth beside the holes in fine shape to put in around the trees.

The trees may be set out two or three weeks before the surrounding soil will do to cultivate.

First, straw manure is tramped six inches deep in the bottom of the holes, then about six inches of the top soil is thrown in, leaving a little mound in the center of the hole upon which the center or taproot should rest.

The finer or side roots are spread out around the little mound, more of the top soil is thrown in and packed tightly around the roots, filling up all air spaces and holding them in proper place.

Next, some rotten straw, not manure, is thrown in, then the rest of the soil is tramped well around the trees. I do not use any manure next to the roots of the trees. The manure is scattered around the trees, the rain takes the fertility down to the roots and the solid matter, while rotting serves as a mulch.

The above method, if closely followed, will take a tree through the first summer, which is the most critical part of the life of a tree.

Get them started right. The way is easy. A bad start causes much trouble and delay.

IN THE GARDEN

Do not make the mistake of planting magnolias in the autumn. Where they thrive there is nothing more showy than the Chinese varieties. The flowers appear about the same time as the crocuses and tulips in the spring. The spring is a better time for planting.

Do not permit any weeds to go to seed. Better not allow the seed pods to form. Go carefully over the garden these fall days and clear out every weed. Will save lots of trouble next season.

Destroy the webs of the fall web worms wherever they are found.

Right now is the time to arrange for cold frames for flowers and for the



Caring for Seedlings in the Cold Frames.

small greenhouse for winter gardens. At a moderate cost small greenhouses can be bought complete with heating apparatuses. Various shapes and sizes are offered.

A spraying outfit for the garden need not be large or costly, and it will save its own value the first year it is used.

The salvia is a splendid plant for hedges, for massing and for borders, as well as for general planting. It does best grown by itself. Remember it when planning next year's garden.

THE MODERN GLADIOLUS

By GEORGE S. WOODRUFF.

Everybody knows the gladiolus—in a way. It has been called "The People's Flower" because the common people can get more satisfaction out of it, without special care or facilities, than from any other flower. As a cut flower, nothing but the expensive orchid lasts so long and no other flower has such variety and beauty of coloring.

Nevertheless, the modern gladiolus is almost unknown to a large majority of our people, because of the great improvement which has been made in a comparatively short time.

The gladiolus is propagated by direct multiplication, by cormels and by seeds. The corm planted dies at the end of the season, but produces a new one at the base of each shoot it sends up; so that the rapidity of multiplication depends on the number of shoots sent up.

When the corms are dug in the fall

a number of bulbets or "cormels" are found attached to them. These cormels produce the same kind as the corms they are taken from and flowering the second or third year from planting—rarely the first year.

When seeds are sown they will produce hardly two sorts alike, and many will be worth keeping, but there may be some fine new sorts. The seedlings will flower the second or third year.

It is much more satisfactory to buy the cream of other people's seedlings than to fill the garden with a lot of poor sorts.

Plant in full sunshine, but not against the south side of a wall, and away from the roots of trees, in well-prepared soil, a mellow, sandy loam preferred, and one retentive of moisture.

Avoid contact with manure, which should never be fresh and had better be plowed in the previous season or in the fall.

Occasionally restore potash to the soil in some form as for potatoes. If the soil be stiff or clayey put sandy loam in the furrow.

Plant in furrows three to five inches deep, according to the size of the corms, and the quality of the soil, and at intervals of, say, two weeks, from the time the ground will work up well in July.

By this means and by the difference in earliness of varieties, flowers may be had from July until hard frost. It is most important that the ground be kept stirred and mellow at all times, especially as soon after each rain as the ground will work well and before a crust forms.

Unless you have planted in masses for landscape effect, cut every stem as soon as the first two or three flowers open and let the buds develop in water in the house. Every morning remove the old flowers, shorten the stems and change the water. Keep at night in a cool place.

Thus treated the stems will be in bloom a week or more.

If a few especially large flowers are wanted pinch off some of the top buds at the start.

Before the ground freezes dig the bulbs and dry them. Then cut off the stems, close and store in shallow baskets or boxes in a cool, dry place. Pull off the old bulbs and roots when you have time.

WATER PLANTS PLENTIFULLY

When you water plants, soak them and have done with it. It is the little dabs of water all the time that do the mischief. Out of doors it doesn't rain every few minutes, but when it does it soaks them and then stops.

Morning is the best time to water the plants. Stand the pots in a tub of water deep enough to reach almost to the rim of the pot. When the soil turns black on top take them out and drain.—L. O. B.

ENSILAGE RELISHED BY FARM ANIMALS

Greatest Use of Feed Has Been for the Dairy Cows—Beef Cattle Also Like It.

Ensilage is relished by most farm animals. The greatest use made of it has been for dairy cows, thirty to fifty pounds being fed each cow daily at the North Dakota experiment station. It can be fed to beef cattle too, but they should be fed about half as much as the dairy cattle. Young stock can be fed ensilage in proportion to their size. Some grain and hay should be fed with ensilage. If the hay is alfalfa, the grain can be decreased and in some cases omitted.

Sheep relish a small amount of ensilage, two to three pounds a day is a good amount. Some feeders give as high as five or six pounds.

Horses can be fed ten to fifteen pounds of ensilage a day. It has a good deal the same effect on them as pasture. Hogs like a little ensilage and especially so if it contains a good deal of corn. Ensilage is a bulky food, a good deal like pasture in its effect on the animal. It is important that it be free from mold, as this causes trouble. Horses should not be fed ensilage that has been frozen, though with other stock it seems to be all right provided it is thawed out before feeding.

Three silos are in use at the North Dakota experiment station.

SUPPLY DARK NESTS FOR LAYING FOWLS

Hens Will Dig Through Hay to Bottom of Manger Rather Than Use One in Light.

Hens always prefer a dark nest to one exposed to light and will dig through hay to the bottom of the manger rather than use a ready-made nest in light.

A good style of nest is made in sections of four nests, twelve inches high and 14x14, with just room enough between the nests and the wall for the hen to enter. The top can be made all in one piece, hinged at the inner edge so that it can be lifted up when eggs are gathered, but a better way is to lay the top on loosely so that it can be taken off and the entire contents of all the nests dumped out at once. The nests should be fumigated with sulphur and also sprayed with kerosene at least once a month.

SILAGE INCREASES PROFITS IN LAMBS

Addition of Shelled Corn and Clover Hay Reduced Cost of Gain at Purdue.

The addition of corn silage to a ration of shelled corn and clover hay reduced the cost of gain on a lot of lambs fed at the Purdue station 49 cents per hundred pounds. It also slightly increased the selling value of the lambs, and increased the profit 22 cents per lamb. When the corn silage was added to the ration, it was found that slightly less of the shelled corn was eaten, and at the same time, the rate of gain on the lambs was slightly decreased. The amount of hay consumed by the lambs also was reduced when silage was added, 121 pounds of the silage reducing the hay consumption 0.72 pound daily per lamb.

Without silage, the ration of shelled corn and clover hay produced gain on proportionately the same quantity of grain as did the same ration with silage added. Considerable hay was saved, however, as it was found that 363 pounds of silage reduced the quantity of clover hay consumed in making 100 pounds of gain by 199 pounds.

LITTLE THINGS FOR SUCCESS WITH HENS

Fowls Must Be Kept in Good Health and Well Fed for Development.

A poultryman to be successful must—
Keep his hens in good health, providing coops that are clean and well ventilated, and allowing the chickens the run of orchard or pasture through the day.

Feed his hens well for growth and development. They should go to roost with crops well filled with wholesome grains, after returning from the range and plenty of skim milk and water should be available through the day.

See that his hens have shade in which to rest. If trees and shrubs are not plentiful, burlap or gunny sack shades should be put up.

Keep his broody hens in airy coops and feed and water them well. They will recover from their broodiness in five or ten days.

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Reassuring.
Nervous Old Lady (on small English railway)—Oh, dear! how we're rocking! I'm sure an accident will happen to this train!
Elderly Aborigine—It's along o' their bein' short-handed w' skilled men, mum, so my son 'e offered to drive her just to oblige, and (confidentially) I don't think 'e knows much about it.—Passing Show.

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Ancient Egypt.
There are no statistics for the population of ancient Egypt. Herodotus says that in the reign of Amasis the number of inhabited cities was not less than 20,000. Amasis reigned somewhere about 525 B. C. The number of cities given by Herodotus is held to be impossible. Authorities on ancient Egypt are Maspero, Champollion, Flinders, Petrie, and Rawlinson. The Encyclopedia Britannica has an exhaustive article on the subject.

Crinoline in History.
The oft-threatened return of the crinoline, prophesied by alarmists of fashion, leaves us all wondering. We find that the crinoline was first worn in the sixteenth century by a Spanish princess, who used it to conceal her love letters from a forbidden admirer. According to pictures of Queen Elizabeth, she was the first to wear it in England, a writer in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch states. Perhaps she wore it for the same reason. She had need of pockets to hide such, provided all her admirers wrote to her. Among her earlier portraits we find that her dress resembled that of Queen Mary, her sister. The skirts of these were simply widened at the bottom.

FOOD WORTH MUCH STUDY

No Other Problem Can More Worthily Engage the Attention of the Mother on the Farm.

What could be a woman's problem on the farm that was not a woman's eternal problem everywhere and anywhere? Home economics or the selection, use and preparation of food, clothing, shelter and household management, and how can this problem, or any other problem, for that matter, be solved except through study or education? And yet so little has been thought of the home problems that more money is spent year by year for teaching the men how to fatten a steer or pig than to teach a mother how to care for her babe or feed her superior animals—the men of the family, writes M. E. Barrett of the Texas experiment station. Visit any farm you please and you will be shown the fine pigs and calves, goats or sheep, but never a word of the baby or its nursery. I've even seen kindergartens for colts to train them in their stunts, but never a home garden for the children.

I believe you will all agree with me that food is the first problem. To load your table down with vegetables and meats is not treating your child as your husband treats his pig baby. He is carefully balancing the rations for the pig for growth, and that of the horse for energy, and that of the cow for milk. Neither is he working all day long on the three meals a day for his animal family. Now here is where education comes in again, to cut down the work of those three meals in quantity and make it count in quality, to take less time and more thought. Try a fireless cooker. Get a bulletin on balanced rations and menus from the university. Then, in the cool of the afternoon, prepare your vegetables and meats for next day; at breakfast bring them to a boil and put in the hot rock and close up the dinner. This will save you from one to two hours on dinner which can be spent in further study on the subject of food values.

PICKLED APPLES FOR WINTER
Delicacy That Will Be Appreciated in Cold Weather When Most Fruits Are Scarce.

Peel, core and quarter some sharp apples, throwing them into a brine made by boiling six ounces of salt for one minute in a quart of water, flavor being improved by a few slices of mild onion, and color by fresh vine or fig leaves. Leave them closely covered for 24 hours, then, having drained and carefully wiped the fruit and put it into an unglazed stoneware jar, pour over it a pickle composed of vinegar brought nearly to the boil, with some allspice, black pepper and either horse-radish or whole ginger, or both, in the proportion of one ounce each to the quart, the addition of half a dozen cloves, a couple of bay leaves, a blade of mace and two or three shallots or a little garlic if liked.

Stand, covered first, with vine or fig leaves, then with a plate, for 24 hours in a corner by the fire, drain off the liquor, reheat it, pour again over the fruit, screened with fresh leaves, and tie down.

Meat Souffles.
Meat of excellent flavor is needed for meat souffles. Chicken and ham are favorites. They should be chopped fine and then pounded smooth. Unless smooth and fine they will not mix with the egg thoroughly. White sauce, stirred into yolks, meat added, and nice seasonings, then the whites folded in is the order of procedure. An even tablespoonful of meat is about all one egg will hold up unless an expert handles the material.

Creamed Fish With Potato.
Mash and season potatoes and line bottom and sides of dish about one and one-half inches thick. Make a white sauce, add boiled salt fish broken in pieces and put the whole in the potato nest. Cover top with the potato and put pieces of butter on top. Make two slits with knife and bake until potato is nicely browned. In place of fish cold meat mixed with gravy may be used.

Cauliflower Salad.
Trim and boil one firm head of fresh cauliflower in fresh water until tender but do not allow it to boil soft. Remove from the fire and drain. When cold slice thinly then allow to marinate one hour in highly seasoned French dressing. When ready to serve dress and top with fresh lettuce leaves. Oh, how feminine that she puzzled him more than ever.

"Market Square church has an amonjor worthy of its vestry," he intoned her, bringing his runabout to a halt with a swift glide, just an accurate three inches behind the taxi in front of them. "When it has fifty million dollars, it proposes to start building the most magnificent cathedral on American soil."

"Why?" she pondered. "Will a fifty million dollar cathedral save souls in proportion to the amount of money invested?"

Allison enjoyed that query thoroughly.

"You must ask Rev. Smith Boyd," he chuckled. "You talk like a heathen!"

"Oh, no," returned Gail gravely, and in a new tone. "I pray every morning and every night, and God hears me." The note of reverence in her voice was a thing to which Allison the instant respect. "I have no quarrel with religion. Why, Mr. Allison, I love the church." Her eyes were glowing, the same eyes which

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WHEN BORROWING IS GOOD.

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But many people are excellent borrowers and damnable returners. They borrow everything and return nothing, until in time they become as chronics and are shunned as religiously as the hornet or the bumblebee.

Any right minded citizen would be only too willing to disseminate knowledge and add to the pleasure of his brothers if he could only feel that his book would find its way back to his own shelves without his having to resort to a constable and search warrant.

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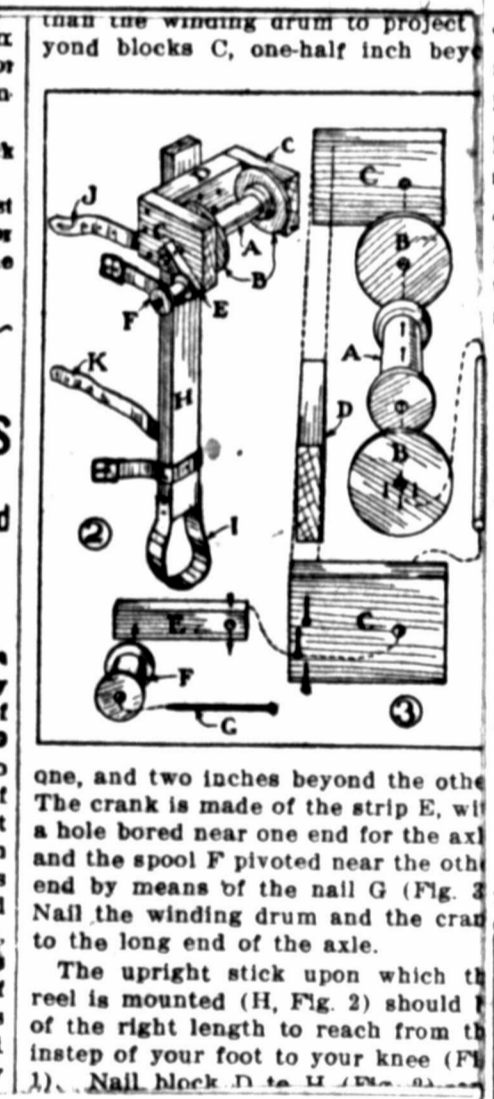
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Notice of Pendency of Suit
The State of New Mexico, To A. L. Coppage, Jennie D. Coppage and B. H. Wallace, defendants, Greeting:
You will take notice that a suit has been filed against you in the district court of the Fifth judicial district of the State of New Mexico, in and for Roosevelt County, New Mexico, wherein Susie L. Cheney, is plaintiff and the said A. L. Coppage, Jennie D. Coppage, and B. H. Wallace are defendants, said cause being filed upon the Civil Docket of said court. The general objects of said action are as follows: The plaintiff sues the defendants to foreclose a mortgage deed executed and delivered by the defendants, A. L. Coppage and Jennie D. Coppage to the plaintiff on the 26th day of January, 1916, the plaintiff claims that there is due thereon at the rate of twelve cent per annum from the 26th day of January, 1914 until paid, ten per cent additional amount as attorney's fees, together with costs of suit, and for permanent relief, said mortgage being upon and conveying the following described property, to-wit: the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter and northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section three in township two south of range thirty-four east of the New Mexico Meridian in New Mexico, containing eighty acres, with improvements; to have plaintiff's said mortgage declared a prior and superior lien to any claim of the defendant, B. H. Wallace, who is alleged to have acquired some interest in said land since the making and recording of plaintiff's said mortgage, to have said mortgage foreclosed and said property sold and the proceeds of such sale applied to the satisfaction of plaintiff's said demands and costs of suit.
You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before the 23rd day of December, 1915, judgment by default will be taken against you in said cause and the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.
You are further notified that George L. Reese is attorney for the plaintiff and that his postoffice address is Portales, New Mexico.
Witness my hand and seal of said court this 28th day of October, 1915.
J. W. BALLOW, Clerk.
By Guy F. Mitchell, Deputy.



Notice of Foreclosure Sale.
Whereas, on the 27th day of July, 1915, in Cause No. 1886, pending in the District Court of Roosevelt County, New Mexico, wherein Alexander F. Koppin is plaintiff and A. B. McBride and A. C. Parker are defendants, the plaintiff recovered a judgment in the sum of Six Hundred Sixty-five dollars and sixty cents, together with costs of suit upon a promissory note and mortgage executed and delivered to the plaintiff by T. E. Brown and H. E. Brown, and obtained a decree foreclosing plaintiff's said mortgage, given for the security of said sums and amounts, upon the following described real estate, to-wit:
The northeast quarter of section twenty, in township four south of range thirty-two east of the New Mexico meridian, New Mexico, containing 160 acres; that said judgment at the date of sale hereinafter mentioned will amount to the sum of Six hundred ninety-one dollars and fifty-eight cents, together with costs of suit; that after the making and recording of plaintiff's said mortgage the said T. E. Brown and H. E. Brown sold and conveyed all of their equity and title in and to said property, and after a number of mesne conveyances the defendant A. C. Parker became the owner of the legal title to said property, it also being alleged that the defendant A. C. Parker claims some interest in said premises; and
Whereas the undersigned, F. E. Jordan, has been appointed special commissioner by said court and directed to advertise and sell said property according to law and to apply the proceeds to the satisfaction of said judgment and costs.
Therefore, by virtue of said judgment and decree, and the power vested in me as such special commissioner, I will, on the 27th day of November, 1915, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the front door of the court house, in the town of Portales, New Mexico, sell said described property, at public vendue, to the highest bidder for cash, for the purpose of satisfying said judgment, interest, costs of suit and accruing costs.
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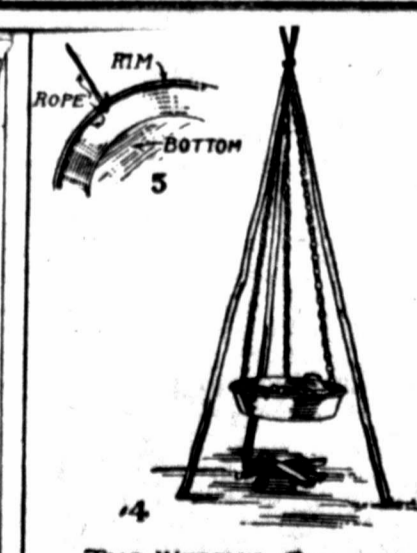
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THE BALL OF FIRE

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CHAPTER I.

No Place for Sentiment.
Silence pervaded the dim old aisles of the Market Square church; the winter sun, streaming through the clerestory windows, cast on the floor and on the vacant benches, patches of ruby and sapphire, of emerald and of topaz, these seeming only to accentuate the dimness and the silence.

In that silence the vestry door creaked, it opened wide, and it was as if a vision had suddenly been set there! Bathed in the golden light from the transept window, brown-haired, brown-eyed, rosy-cheeked, stood a girl who might have been one of the slender stained-glass virgins come to life, the golden light flaming the edges of her hair into an aureole. She stood timidly, peering into the dimness, and on her beautifully curved lips was a half questioning smile.

"Uncle Jim," she called, and there was some quality in her low voice which was strangely attractive, and disturbing.

"By George, Gail, I forgot that you were to come for me!" said Jim Sargent, rising from amid the group of men in the dim transept. "We'll be through in a few minutes. Allison, you were about to prove something to us, I think."

"Prove is the right word," agreed the stockily built man who had evidently been addressing the vestry. He was acutely conscious of the presence of Gail, as they all were. "Your recitor suggests that this is a matter of sentiment. You are anxious to have fifty million dollars to begin the erection of a cathedral; but I came here to talk business, and that only. Granting you the full normal appreciation of your Vedder Court property, and the normal increase of your aggregate rentals, you cannot have, at the end of ten years, a penny over forty-two millions. I am prepared to offer you, in cash, a sum which will, at three and a half per cent, and in ten years, produce that exact amount. To this I add two million."

"How much did you allow for increase in the value of the property?" asked Nicholas Van Ploon, whose only knowledge for several generations had been centered on this one question. The original Van Ploon had bought a vast tract of Manhattan for a dollar an acre, and, by that stroke of towering genius, had placed the family of Van Ploon, for all eternity, beyond the necessity of thought.

For answer, Allison passed him the envelope upon which he had been figuring, checking off an item as he did so. He noticed that Gail's lips twitched with suppressed mirth. She turned abruptly to look back at the striking transept window, and the three vestrymen in the rear peeped immediately at straighter. Willis Cunningham, who was a bachelor, hastily smoothed his Vandike. He was so rich, by inheritance, that money meant nothing to him.

"Not enough," grunted Van Ploon, handing back the envelope and twisting again in the general direction of Gail.

"Ample," retorted Allison. "You can't count anything for the buildings. While I don't deny that they yield the richest income of any property in the city, they are the most decrepit tenements in New York. They'll fall down in less than ten years. You have them propped up now."

Jim Sargent glanced solicitously at Gail, but she did not seem to be bored; not a particle!

"They are passed by the building inspector annually," pompously stated W. T. Chisholm, his mutton chops turning pink from the reddening of the skin beneath. He had spent a lifetime in resenting indignities before they reached him.

"Building inspectors change," intimated Allison. "Politics is very uncertain."

Four indignant vestrymen jerked forward to answer that insult.

"Gentlemen, this is a vestry meeting," sternly reproved the Rev. Smith Boyd, advancing a step, and seeming to feel the need of a gavel. His rich, deep barytone explained why he was recitor of the richest church in the world.

Gail's eyes were dancing, but otherwise she was demureness itself as she studied, in turns, the members of the richest vestry in the world. She estimated that eight of the gentlemen then present were almost close enough to the anger line to swear. They numbered just eight, and they were most interesting! And this was a vestry meeting!

"The topic of debate was money, I believe," suggested Rufus Manning, rescuing his sense of humor from somewhere in his beard. He was the infidel member. "Suppose we return to it. Is Allison's offer worth considering?"

"Why?" inquired the nasal voice of clean-shaven old Joseph G. Cook, who was sarcastic in money matters. The Standard Cereal company had attained its colossal dimensions through rebates; and he had invented the de-

vice! "The only reason we'd sell to Allison would be that we could get more money than by the normal return from our investment."

"I've allowed two million for the profit of Market Square church in dealing with me," stated Allison, again proffering the envelope which no one made a move to take. "I will not pay a dollar more."

W. T. Chisholm was suddenly reminded that the vestry had a moral obligation in the matter under discussion. He was president of the Majestic Trust company, and never forgot that fact.

"To what use would you devote the property of Market Square church?" he gravely asked.

"The erection of a terminal station for all the municipal transportation in New York," answered Allison; "subways, elevateds, surface cars, traction lines! The proposition should have the hearty co-operation of every citizen."

Simple little idea, wasn't it? Gail had to think successively to comprehend what a stupendous enterprise this was; and the man talked about it as modestly as if he were planning to



And This Was a Vestry Meeting.

sod a lawn; more so! Why, back home, if a man dreamed a dream so vast as that, he just talked about it for the rest of his life; and they put a poet's wreath on his tombstone.

"Now you're talking sentiment," retorted stubby-mustached Jim Sargent. "You said, a while ago, that you came here strictly on business. So did we. This is no place for sentiment."

Rufus Manning, with the tip of his silvery beard in his fingers, looked up into the delicate graining of the apse, where it curved gracefully forward over the head of the famous Henri Dupre's crucifix, and he grinned. Gail Sargent was looking contemptively from one to the other of the grave vestrymen.

"You're right," conceded Allison curtly. "Suppose you fellows talk it over by yourselves, and let me know your best offer."

"Very well," assented Jim Sargent, with an indifference which did not seem to be assumed. "We have some other matters to discuss, and we may as well thrash this thing out right now. We'll let you know tomorrow."

Gail looked at her watch and rose energetically.

"I shall be late at Lucile's, Uncle Jim. I don't think I can wait for you."

"I'll be very happy to take Miss Sargent anywhere she'd like to go," offered Allison, almost instantaneously.

"Much obliged, Allison," accepted Sargent heartily; "that is, if she'll go with you."

"Thank you," said Gail simply, as she stepped out of the pew.

The gentlemen of the vestry rose as one man. Old Nicholas Van Ploon even attempted to stand gracefully on one leg, while his vest bulged over the back of the pew in front of him.

"I think we'll have to make you a permanent member of the vestry," smiled Manning, the patriarch, as he bowed his adieus. "We've been needing a brightening influence for some time."

Willis Cunningham, the thoughtful one, wedged his Vandike between the heads of Standard Cereal Clark and Banker Chisholm.

"We hope to see you often, Miss Sargent," was his thoughtful remark.

"I mean to attend services," returned Gail graciously, looking up into the organ loft, where the organist was making his third attempt at that baffling run in the Bach prelude.

"You haven't said how you like our famous old church," suggested the Rev. Smith Boyd with pleasant ease, though he felt relieved that she was going.

The sudden snap in Gail's eyes fairly scintillated. It was like the shattering of fine glass in the sunlight.

"It seems to be a remarkably lucrative enterprise," she smiled up at him, and was rewarded by a snort from Manning. Allison frankly guffawed. The balance of the sedate vestry was struck dumb by the impertinence.

Gail felt the eyes of the Rev. Smith Boyd fixed steadily on her, and turned to meet them. They were cold. She had thought them blue; but now they were green! She stared back into them for a moment, and a little red spot came into the delicate tint of her oval cheeks; then she turned deliberately to the marvelously beautiful big transept window. It had been designed by the most famous stained-glass artist in the world, and its subject lent itself to a wealth of color. It was Christ turning the money changers out of the temple!

CHAPTER II.

"Why?"

"Snow!" exclaimed Gail in delight, turning up her face to the delicate flakes. "And the sun shining. That means snow tomorrow!"

Allison helped her into his big, practical-looking runabout, and tucked her in as if she were some fragile hot-house plant which might freeze with the first cold draft.

"The pretty white snow is no friend of mine," he assured her, as he took the wheel and headed toward the avenue. He looked calculatingly into the sky. "This particular downfall is likely to cost the Municipal Transportation company several thousand dollars."

"I'm curious to know the commercial value of a sunset in New York," Gail smiled up at him. Allison had the impression that under the cover of her exquisitely veined lids she was looking at him cornerwise, and having a great deal of fun all by herself.

"We haven't capitalized sunsets yet, but we have hopes," he laughed.

"Then there's still a commercial opportunity," she lightly returned. "I feel quite friendly to money, but it's so intimate here. I've heard nothing else since I came on Monday."

"Even in church," he chuckled. "You delivered a reckless shock to Rev. Smith Boyd's vestry."

"Well!" she demanded. "Didn't he ask my opinion?"

"I don't think he'll make the mistake again," and Allison took the corner into the avenue at a speed which made Gail, unused to bare inches of leeway, class Allison as a demon driver. The tall traffic policeman around whose upraised arm they had circled smiled a frank tribute to her beauty, and she felt relieved. She had cherished some feeling that they should be arrested.

"However, even a church must discuss money," went on Allison, as if he had just decided a problem to which he had given weighty thought.

"Fifty millions isn't mere money," retorted Gail; "it's criminal wealth. If no man can make a million dollars honestly, how can a church?"

Allison averted out into the center of the avenue and passed a red limousine before he answered. He had noticed that everybody in the street stared into his car, and it flattered him immensely to have so pretty a girl with him.

"The wealth of Market Square church is natural and normal," he explained. "It arises partly from the increase in value of property which was donated when practically worthless. Judicious investment is responsible for the balance."

"Oh, bother!" and Gail glanced at him impatiently. "Your natural impulse is to defend wealth because it is wealth; but you know that Market Square church never should have had a surplus to invest. The money should have been spent in charity. Why are they saving it?"

Allison began to feel the same respect for Gail's mental processes which he would for a man's, though, when he looked at her with this thought in mind, she was so thoroughly feminine that she puzzled him more than ever.

"Market Square church has an ambition worthy of its vestry," he informed her, bringing his runabout to rest, with a swift glide, just an accurate three inches behind the taxi in front of them. "When it has fifty million dollars, it proposes to start building the most magnificent cathedral on American soil."

"Why?" she pondered. "Will a fifty million dollar cathedral save souls in proportion to the amount of money invested?"

Allison enjoyed that query thoroughly.

"You must ask Rev. Smith Boyd," he chuckled. "You talk like a heathen!"

"Oh, no," returned Gail gravely, and with a new tone. "I pray every morning and every night, and God hears me." The note of reverence in her voice was a thing to which Allison gave instant respect. "I have no quarrel with religion. Why, Mr. Allison, I love the church." Her eyes were glowing, the same eyes which

had closed in satirical mischief. Now they were rapt. "What a stunning collier!" she suddenly exclaimed.

Allison, who had followed her with admiring attention, his mind accompanying hers in eager leaps, laughed in relief. After all, she was a girl—and what a girl! The exhilaration of the drive, and of the snow beating in her face, and of the animated conversation, had set the clear skin of her face aglow with color. Her deep red lips, exquisitely curved and half parted, displayed a row of dazzling white teeth, and the elbow which touched his was magnetic. Allison refused to believe that he was forty-five!

"You're fond of colliers," he guessed, surprised to find himself with an eager interest in the likes and dislikes of a young girl. It was a new experience.

"I adore them!" she enthusiastically declared. "Back home, I have one of every marking but a pure white."

There was something tender and wistful in the tone of that "back home." No doubt she had hosts of friends and admirers there, possibly a favored suitor. It was quite likely. A girl such as Gail Sargent could hardly escape it. If there was a favored suitor Allison rather pitied him, for Gail was in the city of strong men. Busy with an entirely new and strange group of thoughts, Allison turned into the park, and Gail uttered an exclamation of delight as the fresh, keen air whipped in her face. The snow was like a filmy white veil against the bare trees, and enough of it had clung, by now, to outline, with silver pointing, the lacework of branches. On the turf, still green from the open winter, it lay in thin white patches, and squirrels, clad in their sleek winter garments, were already scampering to their beds, crossing the busy drive with the adroitness of accomplished metropolitan pedestrians, their bushy tails hopping behind them in ungainly loops.

The pair in the runabout were silent, for the east drive at this hour was thronged with outward-bound machines, and the roadway was slippery with the new-fallen snow. Steady of nerve, keen of eye, firm of hand! Gail watched the alert figure of Allison, tensely and yet easily motionless in the seat beside her.

Perhaps feeling the steady gaze, Allison turned to her suddenly, and for a moment the gray eyes and the brown ones looked questioningly into each other, then there leaped from the man to the woman a something which held her gaze a full second longer than she would have wished.

"Air's great," he said with a smile. "Glorious!" she agreed. "I don't want to go in."

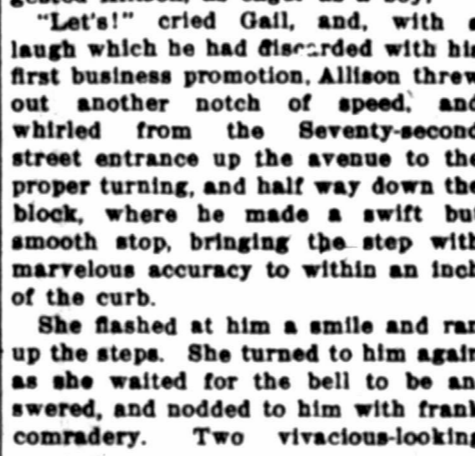
"Don't," he promptly advised her.

"That's a simple enough solution," and her laugh, in the snow-laden air, reminded him, in one of those queer flashes of memory, of a little string of sleighbells he had owned as a youngster. "However, I promised Cousin Lucile."

"We'll stop at the house long enough to tell her you're busy," suggested Allison, as eager as a boy.

"Let's!" cried Gail, and, with a laugh which he had discerned with his first business promotion, Allison threw out another notch of speed, and whirled from the Seventy-second street entrance up the avenue to the proper turning, and half way down the block, where he made a swift but smooth stop, bringing the step with marvelous accuracy to within an inch of the curb.

She flashed at him a smile and ran up the steps. She turned to him again as she waited for the bell to be answered, and nodded to him with frank comradery. Two vivacious-looking



Gail Watched the Alert Figure of Allison, Tensely Motionless Beside Her.

women, one tall and black-haired and the other petite and blonde, and both fashionably slender and both pretty, rushed out into the hall and surrounded her.

For an instant, Edward E. Allison had a glimpse of her, in her garnet and turquoise, flanked by a sprightly vision in blue and another sprightly vision in pink, and he thought he heard the suppressed sounds of titling; then the door closed, and the lace curtains of the hall windows bulged outward, and Gail came tripping down the steps.

They raced up and into the park, and around the winding driveways with the light-hearted exhilaration of children, and if there was in them at that moment any trace of mature

thought, they were neither one aware of it. They were glad that they were just living, and moving swiftly in the open air, glad that it was snowing, glad that the light was beginning to fade, that there were other vehicles in the park, that the world was such a bright and happy place; and they were quite pleased, too, to be together.

It was still light, though the electric lamps were beginning to flare up through the thin snow veil, when they rounded a rocky drive, and came in view of a little lookout house perched on a hill.

"Oh!" called Gail, involuntarily putting her hand on his arm. "I want to go up there!"

The work of Edward E. Allison was well-nigh perfection. He stopped the runabout exactly at the center of the pathway, and was out and on Gail's side of the car with the agility of a youngster after a robin's egg. He helped her to alight, and would have helped her up the hill with great pleasure, but she was too nimble and too eager for that, and was in the lookout house several steps ahead of him.

When she was quite finished with the view, and turned and went down the hill, one of her tiny French heels slid, and she might have fallen, had it not been for the ironlike arm which he threw back to support her. For just an instant she was thrown fairly in his embrace, with his arm about her waist, and her weight upon his breast; and, in that instant, the fire which had been smoldering in him all afternoon burst into flame. With a mighty repression he resisted the impulse to crush her to him, and handed her to the equilibrium which she instinctively sought, though the arm trembled which had been pressed about her. His heart sang, as he helped her into the machine, and sprang in beside her. He felt a savage joy in his strength as he started the car and felt the wheel under his hard grip. He was young, younger than he had ever been in his boyhood; strong, stronger than he had ever been in his youth. What worlds he might conquer now with this new blood racing through his veins. It was as if he had been suddenly thrust into the fires of eternal life, and endowed with all the vast, irresistible force of creation!

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REASON FOR HIS BRAGGING

British Soldier Felt He Had to Lie About His Wonderful Deeds in the Field.

An officer was surprised one day when searching the letters of his detachment to read in one of them a passage that was something like this: "We have just got out of shell-fire for the first time for two months. It has been a hard time. The Germans were determined to take our field bakery, but by gee! we would not let them. We killed them in thousands."

This was a letter from one of the bakers to his wife. None of the detachment had been a mile from a German base, and they had never seen a German, except as a prisoner. My friend knew the writer well, and could not help (although it was none of his business) asking him why he told such terrible lies to his poor wife. The soldier said:

"It's quite true what you say, but it's like this, sir. When my wife and the wives of the other men in the place where I live are talking it all over in the morning I couldn't think to let her have nothing to say and the others all bragging about what their men had done with the Germans. That's the way of it, sir."—Manchester Guardian.

Movies Aid Physicians.
The movies have invaded even the sacred field of science. The latest up-to-the-minute discovery is the peculiar value of the movies in diagnosis. It was made several weeks ago by osteopathic physicians and will be demonstrated first at the world's congress of osteopathic physicians, in Portland, Ore., the first week in August.

At a meeting of osteopathic physicians of the district, held at the home of Dr. Clara U. Little, Dr. Chester W. Swope, a member of the board of trustees of the national association, explained how Dr. J. Ivan Dufur, professor of nervous diseases of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy, had become the latest hero of the movies. For more than four hours Doctor Dufur and the movie men were locked in a room with more than forty insane epileptics, waiting to snap just the right kind of fits. They also had many harrowing experiences.

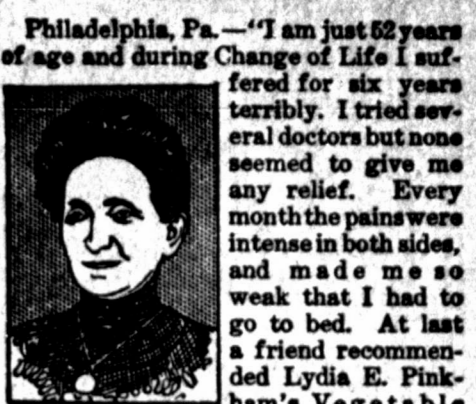
Moving pictures, it is predicted, will revolutionize the teaching of disease diagnosis, as these subjects can in no other way be so vividly presented to the student.

George Evidently Not a Caruso.
Her son had enlisted and she was a proud old woman as she harangued a knot of friends on the village street. "Garge always done 'is duty by me, 'e 'as, an' now 'e's doin' 'is duty by our 'an' country," she said. "I feel right down sorry for them Germans, to think of 'im goin' into battle with 'is rifle in 'is 'and and 'it's a Long Way to Tipperary' on 'is lips." "Poor Germans, indeed!" exclaimed one of the audience. "Pty's wasted on 'em! Praps you 'aven't 'eard of their crueties?" "Praps I 'aven't," agreed the old lady. "An' praps you 'aven't 'eard Garge sing."—London Mail.

Where Judge Draws the Line.
Judge Johnson—That I love publicity I never will deny, but I never walk from coast to coast to get it.—Atchison Globe.

MRS. THOMSON TELLS WOMEN

How She Was Helped During Change of Life by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.



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The Rotation Plan

Much will be gained by deciding upon the rotation for next year at the earliest possible time. When the manager decides definitely as to what he is to plant and what will follow each crop he may then proceed intelligently to prepare the land and make all other arrangements for carrying out his plans.

A convenient way to arrange the cropping system is to draw a sketch of the farm, locating the various fields and naming the crop grown in 1915. The manager will readily recall the general condition of the soil of each field; the adaptability for other crops next year and the needs for maintaining and improving the yield. It will then be an easy matter to select a crop that may be suitable for each field, giving preferences to those crops that will be needed on the farm for food, feed or fertility.

When the plan is finally completed it will only be necessary to begin so the best possible results may be obtained. —Farm & Ranch.

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Nine times out of ten, the man who says you're "hard to fit" is the small retail tailor. So far as he is concerned, it's perfectly true. His patterns don't cover your case; he seldom has two customers anywhere near alike; so he lets out here and takes in there;—and the result makes you believe that, as he says, you're sure enough "hard to fit."

Most men, regardless of their proportions, have sometimes been told something like this at their tailors. Don't you believe it; it's an excuse for poor work; it simply shows you're in the wrong shop.

Any of the big wholesale makers of fine clothing know how to design special sizes that perfectly fit the so-called "hard to fit." They make thousands of suits for such men; signed by experts to conform to certain shapes and lines; there's a big variety of them; it's easy to find the right one.

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