

## GRAND JURY MAKES REPORT

The following is the report of the grand jury which was returned Friday afternoon:

The grand jury for the February term 1915 present this final report for the term as follows:

We have diligently inquired into all violations of the law coming to our attention and have returned four indictments for felonies and one for misdemeanor.

We find there is more violation of the gaming law than heretofore and believe wilful perjury has been committed before the Grand Jury with reference to such offenses; but it is next to impossible to establish proof of such perjury from the sources the Grand Jury must resort to. We urgently recommend to the Grand Jury at the August term 1915 of the court to investigate these offenses thoroughly. We believe that before the Grand Jury convenes at the next term in August witnesses should be summoned in advance so they will be present the first day of the term.

We find that there has been a lot of cattle stealing or at least mysterious losses of cattle in the county and we believe it behooves the law abiding people of the county to be especially active to see that the thieves who are stealing these cattle are brought to justice and the people's property rights protected. While we have had a great deal of evidence convincing us of such offenses being committed we have been unable to secure enough evidence upon which to present indictments in any such cases or any cases except the ones reported into court.

With these named exceptions and some others which it is deemed unnecessary to mention the condition of the county for enforcement of law is good.

We follow the precedent set by grand juries heretofore in this county and urge that the county should have a brick or stone jail where the lives of prisoners confined may not be hazarded to the dangers of fire such as is the case in the present wooden building used in this county for a jail.

Having heard of no needed repairs required for any of the public buildings of the county we have not inspected the same.

J. A. Wilson, Foreman.



Mrs. D. A. Shirley entertained the Merry Maids and Matrons club Thursday afternoon from three to six-thirty o'clock at a George Washington party. The house was decorated with hutchets and cherries. Refreshments were served of pressed chicken, stuffed olives, cocoa, sandwiches and cherry pie with whipped cream. Little cherry trees were given for favors. The guests of the club were Mesdames Holland, Cousins and Morrel.

Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Heiser entertained the Thimble club. The afternoon was spent very pleasantly at fancy work and conversation.

Laces-Wiles candy is the best. Holland Drug Co.

## STEEL WORKERS HERE FOR NEW BUILDING

The work of erecting the structural steel on the new Normal building will start this week. Fourteen steel construction men are here and the work will continue rapidly as the bad weather does not stop them. Seven cars of steel are here and being unloaded with the large cranes. Twenty more cars are on the way.

W. J. Rau of the firm of Rau & Archer stated to the News man Saturday that the steel used in the new building was the best he had ever handled. He stated that once erected, enough people could not be massed into the building on every floor to injure the frame. Any kind of machinery may be used on any of the floors with no detriment to the building. He stated that the building was figured to hold eight times the weight that could ordinarily be placed to the square foot, and greatly compliment the officials of the school for this idea. He has worked on numerous large buildings but pronounces this the best frame he has ever handled. It is according to the European idea of handling buildings stated Mr. Rau.

### Choral Club to Amarillo.

The members of the Canyon Choral club went to Amarillo Monday night to attend the rehearsal of the Amarillo club with which the local people will sing the Messiah in May. The trip was very instructive and interesting and showed that both clubs have been working hard along the same lines. The following were in the party that made the trip: Mesdames Tate, Park, Coss, Thompson, Tucker, Jarrett, Luke, Thompson, Archambeau, Hoff, Warwick, Misses Kline, Guenther, Guenther, Craig, Eakman, Garrett, Messrs. Harter, Dison, Park, Guenther, Ingham, Ingham, Kennedy, Thompson, Thompson, Archambeau, Warwick. The club will meet every Sunday afternoon and Tuesday night from now until the May festival.

### Old Settlers Association.

I have appointed Thomas F. Turner of Amarillo, Newton P. Willis of Canadian, T. D. Hobart of Pampa, Mrs. J. D. Stocking of Clarendon, Mrs. Louis Anthony of Amarillo and Mrs. L. T. Lester of Canyon as a committee to draft a constitution and by-laws for the government of the Panhandle Old Settlers' Association. I have also appointed Judge J. C. Paul and Mrs. R. W. Morgan of Amarillo, N. F. Locke of Miami, O. H. Nelson of Amarillo, Mrs. M. A. Goodnight of Goodnight and Mrs. A. A. Callaghan of Panhandle as a committee to prepare and publish a program for use at the next meeting of the Association at Amarillo in September, 1915.

The president and secretary respectfully recommend that each member of this Association plant, this year, at least one tree and make report of number planted to the secretary at Claude, Texas, or to the president at Amarillo.

James N. Browning, Pres. Laura V. Hamner, Sec.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Martin of Plainview were guests at the Stafford home Monday. Mr. Martin is a member of the normal school board of regents and was called to Austin Tuesday.

## ANOTHER WEEK OF VERY WET WEATHER

The sun has hardly shown during the past week. Rain fell two days, one day of snow and heavy mists the remainder of the time.

Friday morning rain began to fall and continued throughout most of the day and night, .78 inches being the amount of moisture reported by the government observer in Amarillo. Saturday was a very foggy day. Sunday was somewhat clearer. Monday and Tuesday there was considerable mist and fog. Tuesday night a very wet four inch snow fell but since the ground was not frozen it is melting very rapidly.

The roads are almost impassable in places.

Thursday morning—A light rain starting to fall at six o'clock last night. Before morning it had turned to snow and is still snowing. With a north wind the chances are for colder weather, although the ground has hardly been frozen this week.

## REVIVAL MEETINGS METHODIST CHURCH

Revival services have started at the Methodist church. Rev. Arch C. Holder, Ph. D. is the evangelist and Irwin N. Price the soloist and choir director.

Mr. Price arrived Tuesday night but owing to the bad weather few attended the services last night. Mr. Price wishes to meet all of the singers of the town tonight at the church in order to perfect the choir organization for the meetings. He wants all of the experienced violin, cornet and trombone players in Canyon to assist in the services. The service tonight will be largely musical.

Rev. Holder will arrive tomorrow and will speak at the 7:30 o'clock service tomorrow night. He is an exceptionally fine speaker and has had great success in meetings. He will preach at 3:00 and 7:30 p. m. every day.

Owing to the bad weather the play The Southern Cinderella will be postponed from Saturday night to a later date.

## COUSINS GOES TO REGENTS MEETING

Pres. R. B. Cousins left Tuesday morning for Austin to attend a meeting of the board of regents which has been called.

Hon. A. B. Martin of Plainview, the new member of the board, who was here investigating the needs of school accompanied Mr. Cousins.

Mr. Cousins was summoned by telegram and did not know just what business was before the board but it is perhaps in reference to some matters of legislation.



Misses Nannie L. McMahan and Ollie Easley of Ft. Worth entered school Tuesday.

Prof. J. A. Hill and Messrs. Harry Baker and Brick Eidson returned Monday from the Y. M. C. A. convention at A. & M. Mr. Eidson will tell the Y. M. C. A. what he brought from the convention next Sunday.

### GUENTHER LIT. SOCIETY

The officers for this quarter are: Pres. Wm. Younger; vice pres., H. Farherrel; sec'y., Earl Sparks; treas., Ira Allen.

The following is a programme for March 6: War items—C. Foote. Original story—A. L. King. Parody—Prof. Stilwell. Editorial—Sam Bond. Jokes—A. Maltzberger. Questions—L. Black. Answers—M. Norman. Lost—Graham. Found—G. Holt.

### SESAME LIT. SOCIETY

The following are the officers elected for the spring quarter: Pres., Rose Webb; vice pres., Ruth Bungardner; sec'y., Nina Lewis; treas., Ola Hanna; sergeant-at-arms, Louis Hare.

### FRESHMAN CLASS

The following officers were elected Wednesday: Pres., Hilard Fatheree; vice pres., Boyce Eidson; sec'y., Irene Redfearn; treas., Elmer Chambers; sergeant-at-arms, George Ingham.

### SECOND YEAR CLASS

The following officers were elected for the quarter: Pres., Norman Cleavenger; vice pres., Ira Allen; sec'y., Vera Johnson; treas., Fay Gooch; critic, Tommie Penn.

### THIRD YEAR CLASS

The following officers were elected Wednesday: Pres., Ira Haney; vice pres., Byron Dickenson; sec'y., Willie Mae Foster; Asst. sec'y., Rose Frye.

### FOURTH YEAR CLASS

The following officers were elected for the spring quarter: Pres., Frank M. Locke; vice pres., Earl Stanley; sec'y., Nellie Cleveland; treas., Neva Hicks.

### BARRETT-BROWNING

The officers elected are: Pres., Miss Gooch; vice pres., Miss Collon; sec'y., Miss Terrill; treas., Miss Smith; sergeant-at-arms, Miss Buie.

### COUSINS LIT. SOCIETY

The following officers were elected for the quarter: Pres., Amos Griffith; vice pres., Eldridge Gatewood; sec'y., Easton Allen; treas., Ray Daniels; Sergeant-at-arms, E. L. Henderson.

Lost—An old fashioned brooch with small pearl in center, somewhere in Canyon last Wednesday. Finder please return to Mrs. R. A. Campbell.

## BUSY WEEK IN DISTRICT COURT

Not many cases have been tried in the district court this week but the court's time has been busily occupied.

The criminal docket was called Monday. In the two cases against H. W. Bunker of Armstrong county which were transferred here there were forty witnesses. The cases were continued Tuesday owing to the illness of Mr. Bunker.

The grand jury returned two bills against Enoch Wilson and Rube Sullenger for cattle theft. The cases were set for the next term of court.

The indictment against R. L. Greer was quashed Tuesday.

W. H. Hicks vs. R. W. Foster et al was tried Saturday and Monday the jury deciding in favor of the defendant.

H. F. McNeill vs. I. W. McClure, judgment for the plaintiff. Mrs. Bertie Strain vs. J. R. Strain, plaintiff was given a divorce.

Indications are that the famous Munsey murder case from Lockney will be brought to Canyon for trial in August. Mrs. Munsey was once tried in Plainview for the murder of her husband, the result being a hung jury. The attorneys for the defendant are urging a change to this county. There are four hundred witnesses in the case and if it comes here it will mean that several thousand dollars will be spent in Canyon as the last trial lasted nearly two weeks.

### If You Want to Be Loved.

Don't contradict people, if you're sure you are right.

Don't be inquisitive about the affairs of even your most intimate friend.

Don't underrate anything because you don't possess it.

Don't believe that everybody else is happier than you.

Don't conclude that you never had an opportunity in life.

Don't believe all the evils you hear.

Don't repeat gossip even if it does interest a crowd.

Don't jeer at anybody's religious belief.

Learn to hide your aches and pains under a pleasant smile.

Few care whether you have an earache, headache or rheumatism.

Learn to attend to your own business—a very prominent point.

Do not try to be anything but a gentleman or gentle woman; and that means one who has consideration for the whole world, and whose life is governed by the Golden Rule: "Do unto others as you would be done by."—Christian World.

### Election Notice.

By virtue of an order of the City Council dated March 2nd 1915, Notice is hereby given that the regular City Election will be held on the first Tuesday in April, A. D. 1915 the same being the 6th day of said month, at the Court House of Randall County, in Canyon City, Texas for the purpose of Electing a Mayor, Tax Assessor and Collector, City Marshal and one Alderman from each of the three wards of Canyon City, Texas. 5064

F. M. Wilson, Mayor. Attest: C. R. Flesher, Sec'y.

The Young Woman's Missionary society of the Methodist church will meet next Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Cass Brooks home.



MRS. GOODCOOK:

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THE SCARLET PLAGUE  
BY JACK LONDON

CHAPTER IV.

Beginning of Life Anew.

"But I must go on with my story. I traveled through a deserted land. As the time went by I began to yearn more and more for human beings. But I never found one, and I grew lonelier and lonelier. I crossed Livermore valley and the mountains between it and the great valley of the San Joaquin. You have never seen that valley, but it is very large and it is the home of the wild horse. There are great droves there, thousands and tens of thousands. I revisited it thirty years after, so I know. You think there are lots of wild horses down here in the coast valleys, but they are as nothing compared with those of the San Joaquin. Strange to say, the cows, when they went wild, went back into the lower mountains. Evidently they were better able to protect themselves there.

"In the country districts the ghouls and prowlers had been less in evidence, for I found many villages and towns untouched by fire. But they were filled by the pestilential dead, and I passed by without exploring them. It was near Lathrop that, out of my loneliness, I picked up a pair of polle dogs that were so newly free that they were urgently willing to return to their allegiance to man. These collies accompanied me for many years, and the strains of them are in these very dogs there that you boys have today. But in sixty years the collie strain has worked out. Those brutes are more like domesticated wolves than anything else."

Hare-Lip rose to his feet, glanced to see that the goats were safe, and looked at the sun's position in the afternoon sky, advertising impatience at the prolixity of the old man's tale. Urged to hurry by Edwin, Ganser went on:

"There is little more to tell. With my two dogs and my pony, and riding a horse I had managed to capture, I crossed the San Joaquin and went on to a wonderful valley in the Sierras called Yosemite. In the great hotel there I found a prodigious supply of tinned provisions. The pasture was abundant, as was the game, and the river that ran through the valley was full of trout. I remained there three years in an utter loneliness that none but a man who has once been highly civilized can understand. Then I could stand it no more. I felt that I was going crazy. Like the dog, I was a social animal and needed my kind. I reasoned that since I had survived the plague, there was a possibility that others had survived. Also, I reasoned that after three years the plague germs must all be gone and the land be clean again.

"With my horse and dogs and pony, I set out. Again I crossed the San Joaquin valley, the mountains beyond, and came down into Livermore valley. The change in those three years was amazing. All the land had been splendidly tilled, and now I could scarcely recognize it, such was the sea of rank vegetation that had overrun the agricultural handiwork of man. You see, the wheat, the vegetables, and orchard trees had always been cared for and nursed by man, so that they were soft and tender. The weeds and wild bushes and such things, on the contrary, had always been fought by man, so that they were tough and resistant. As a result, when the hand of man was removed the wild vegetation smothered and destroyed practically all the domesticated vegetation. The coyotes were greatly increased, and it was at this time that I first encountered wolves, straying in twos and threes and small packs, down from the wild regions where they had always persisted.

"It was at Lake Temescal, not far from the one-time city of Oakland, that I came upon the first live human being. Oh, my grandsons, how can I describe to you my emotions, when, astride my horse and dropping down the hillside to the lake, I saw the smoke of a campfire rising through the trees. Almost did my heart stop beating. I felt that I was going crazy. Then I heard the cry of a babe—a human babe. And dogs barked and my dogs answered. I did not know but that I was the one human alive in the whole world. It could not be true that there were others—smoke, and the cry of a babe.

"Emerging on the lake, there, before my eyes, not a hundred yards away, I saw a man, a large man. He was standing on an outjutting rock and fishing. I was overcome. I stopped my horse. I tried to call out, but could not. I waved my hand. It seemed to me that the man looked at me, but he did not appear to wave. Then I laid my hand on my arms there in the saddle. I was afraid to look again, for I knew it was a hallucination, and I knew that if I looked the man would be gone. And so precious was the hallucination that I wanted it to persist yet a little while. I knew, too, that as long as I did not look it would persist.

"Thus I remained until I heard my

dogs snarling, and man's voice. What do you think the voice said? I will tell you. It said: "Where in hell did you come from?"

"Those were the words, the exact words. That was what your grandfather said to me, Hare-Lip, when he greeted me there on the shore of Lake Temescal fifty-seven years ago. And they were the most ineffable words I have ever heard. I opened my eyes, and there he stood before me, a large, dark, hairy man, heavy jawed, slant browed, fierce eyed. How I got off my horse I do not know. But it seemed that the next I knew I was clasping his hand with both of mine and crying. I would have embraced him, but he was ever a narrow-minded, suspicious man, and he drew away from me. Yet did I cling to his hand and cry."

Granser's voice faltered and broke at the recollection, and the weak tears streamed down his cheeks while the boys looked on and giggled.

"Yet did I cry," he continued, "and desire to embrace him, though the Chauffeur was a brute, a perfect brute—the most abhorrent man I have ever known. His name was . . . strange, how I have forgotten his name. Everybody called him Chauffeur—it was the name of his occupation, and it stuck. That is how, to this day, the tribe he founded is called the Chauffeur tribe.

"He was a violent, unjust man. Why the plague spared him I can never understand. It would seem, in spite of our old metaphysical notions about absolute justice, that there is no justice in the universe. Why did he live?—an iniquitous, moral monster, a blot on the face of nature, a cruel, relentless, bestial cheat as well. All he could talk about was motor cars, machinery, gasoline, and garage—and especially with huge delight, of his mean pilferings and sordid swindlings of the persons who had employed him in the days before the coming of the plague. And yet he was spared, while hundreds of millions, yea, billions, of better men were destroyed.

"I went on with him to his camp, and there I saw her, Vesta, the one woman. It was glorious and . . . pitiful. There she was, Vesta Van Warden, the young wife of John Van Warden, clad in rags, with marred and scarred and toil-calloused hands, bending over the campfire and doing scullion work—she, Vesta, who had been born to the purple of the greatest baronage of wealth the world had ever known. John Van Warden, her husband, worth one billion eight hundred millions, and president of the Board of Industrial Magnates, had been the ruler of America. Also, sitting on the Industrial Board of Control, he had been one of the seven men who ruled the world. And she herself had come of equally noble stock. Her father, Philip Saxon, had been President of the Board of Industrial Magnates up to the time of his death. This office was in process of becoming hereditary, and had Philip Saxon had a son that son would have succeeded him. But his only child was Vesta, the perfect flower of generations of the highest culture this planet has ever produced. It was not until the engagement between Vesta and Van Warden took place that Saxon indicated the latter as his successor. It was, I am sure, a political marriage. I have reason to believe that Vesta never really loved her husband in the mad, passionate way of which the poets used to sing. It was more like the marriages that obtained among crowned heads before they were displaced by the Magnates.

"And there she was, boiling fish chowder in a soot-covered pot, her glorious eyes inflamed by the acrid smoke of the open fire. Here was a sad story. She was the one survivor in a million, as I had been, as the Chauffeur had been. On a crowning eminence of the Alameda Hills, overlooking San Francisco Bay, Van Warden had built a vast summer palace. It was surrounded by a park of a thousand acres. When the plague broke out, Van Warden sent her there. Armed guards patrolled the boundaries of the park, and nothing entered in the way of provisions or even mail matter that was not first fumigated. And yet did the plague enter, killing the guards at their posts, the servants at their tasks, sweeping away the whole army of retainers—or, at least, all them who did not flee to die elsewhere. So it was that Vesta found herself the sole living person in the palace that had become a charnel house.

"Now, the Chauffeur had been one of the servants that ran away. Returning, two months afterward, he discovered Vesta in a little summer pavilion where there had been no deaths and where she had established herself. He was a brute. She was afraid, and she ran away and hid among the trees. That night, on foot, she fled into the mountains—she, whose tender feet and delicate body had never known the bruise of stones nor the scratch of briars. He fol-

lowed, and that night he caught her. He struck her. Do you understand? He beat her with those terrible fists of his and made her his slave. It was she who had to gather the firewood, build the fires, cook and do all the degrading camp labor—she, who had never performed a menial act in her life. These things he compelled her to do, while he, a proper savage, elected to lie around camp and look on. He did nothing, absolutely nothing, except on occasion to hunt meat or catch fish."

"Good for Chauffeur," Hare-Lip commented in an understone to the other boys. "I remember him before he died. He was a corker. But he did things, and he made things go. You know, 'dad married his daughter, an' you ought to see the way he knocked the spots outa dad. The Chauffeur was a son of a gun. He made us kids stand around. Even when he was croakin' he reached out for me once an' laid my head open with that long stick he kept always beside him."

Hare-Lip rubbed his bullet head reminiscently, and the boys returned to the old man, who was maundering ecstatically about Vesta, the squaw of the founder of the Chauffeur tribe.

"And so I say to you that you cannot understand the awfulness of the situation. The Chauffeur was a servant, understand, a servant. And he cringed, with bowed head, to such as she. She was a lord of life, both by birth and by marriage. The destinies of millions such as he she carried in the hollow of her pink-white hand. And, in the days before the plague, the slightest contact with such as he would have been pollution. Oh, I have seen it. Once, I remember, there was a Mrs. Goldwin, wife of one of the great magnates. It was on a landing stage, just as she was embarking in her private dirigible, that she dropped her parasol. A servant picked it up and made the mistake of handing it to her—to her, one of the greatest royal ladies of the land! She shrank back, as though he were a leper, and indicated her secretary to receive it. Also, she ordered her secretary to ascertain the creature's name and to see that he was immediately discharged from service. And such a woman was Vesta Van Warden. And her the Chauffeur beat and made his slave.

"—Bill—that was it; Bill, the Chauffeur. That was his name. He was a



With My Horse and Dogs and Pony I Set Out.

wretched, primitive man, wholly devoid of the finer instincts and chivalrous promptings of a cultured soul. No, there is no absolute justice, for to him fell that wonder of womanhood, Vesta Van Warden. The grievousness of this you will never understand, my grandsons; for you are yourselves primitive little savages, unaware of aught else but savagery. Why should Vesta not have been mine? I was a man of culture and refinement, a professor in a great university. Even so, in the time before the plague, such was her exalted position, she would not have deigned to know that I existed. Mark, then, the abysmal degradation to which she fell at the hands of the Chauffeur. Nothing less than the destruction of all mankind had made it possible that I should know her, look in her eyes, converse with her, touch her hand—aye, and love her and know that her feelings toward me were very kindly. I have reason to believe that she, even she, would have loved me, there being no other man in the world except the Chauffeur. Why, when it destroyed eight billions of souls, did not the plague destroy just one more man, and that man the Chauffeur?

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Senator Sumner's Literalness. Of Senator Sumner's literalness some amusing anecdotes have been told. At an official ball in Washington he remarked to a young lady: "We are fortunate in having these places; we shall see the first entrance of the new English and French ministers into Washington society." The young girl replied: "I am glad to hear it, I like to see lions break the ice." Sumner was silent for a few minutes, but presently said: "Miss —, in the country where lions live there is no ice."—Christian Register.

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One month	.25

The people are trimming trees and it has improved the looks of the town in many places. However there are many trees which need trimming badly. Along the walks are some trees which insist on knocking off every man's hat and causing unprintable words to arise in his mind. The city needs an ordinance requiring all trees to be trimmed at least six feet.

A political jitney is the sort of human vehicle that you see running up and down telling people that the wife of his bosom and the mother of his children is not competent to exercise the political privileges accorded to the buck-nigger and the he tamale vender.—Estelline News.

Plant some trees this spring. Nothing will add more to the looks of Canyon than plenty of well kept trees.

The world needs food stuff. The Panhandle is soaked to the bottom and is ready to meet the demands this year.

The Glazier Review put a million-dollar value on last week's rain. We raise the bid.

The fine rains and snow spell prosperity for Randall county this year.

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 Yours very truly,  
**H. W. SPINKS,**  
 Camp Hill, Ala.  
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**The Scrap Book**

**Wrong Foot.**  
 Sam, who was a great gunner, made arrangements to go on a hunting trip at an early hour in the morning, but having no faith in alarm clocks, he sought the services of the night cop on the corner.

"Jim," said he, instructing the cop, "when I go to bed tonight I am going to tie one end of a cord around my big toe and throw the other end out of the window. At 4 o'clock in the morning I want you to pull on the rope and keep on pulling until I tell you to stop."  
 "All right, Sam," smiled the policeman, "you will find me on the job."  
 Late that night Sam crawled in, and after adjusting the rope according to schedule, he was soon in the land of dreams. Hardly had he slept a minute, he thought, when he was awakened by a frightened cry, and then more cries, and to his horror he saw Mrs. Sam slowly sliding feet first toward the window.

"Gee!" he exclaimed as the truth suddenly dawned upon him. "I must have tied that cord around the wrong toe!"—Philadelphia Telegraph.

**Till Evening's Hour.**  
 Thou shalt not praise the day till night is falling.  
 However fair its dawn and noon may be, Ofttimes at eventide come storms appalling.  
 Setting the lightning and the thunder free.  
 Thou shalt not blame the day till it is ending.  
 Though it has brought thee food and hurricane.  
 Full oft at nightfall comes deep peace descending.  
 In sunset gold and roses, glorious gain.  
 Praise each fair morn that calls thee up from sleeping.  
 And through the hot day work with all thy might;  
 Then leave the evening hour in heaven's keeping.  
 Which sent both winter cloud and summer light.  
 —From the German of Gerok.

**His Reputation.**  
 A surgeon whose work lies largely among foreigners tells the following which happened several years ago:  
 A woman who had very little matter with her was so interested in her own case that she talked about it every time opportunity afforded. One day she said to the doctor:  
 "What would happen to me if I did not come when I did?"  
 "Oh, you would probably have died if you had come any sooner," replied the doctor.

The woman got well, and the doctor dismissed the case from his mind. One day, however, a neighbor of the woman appeared with a bad deformity which was growing rapidly worse as time went on.  
 "Why didn't you come to me sooner with this?" he demanded.  
 "Well, you know Mrs. Johnson?"  
 "Yes," nodded the doctor.  
 "Well, she tell me you say if dey come to you too soon, you kael dem."—In dianapolis News.

**A Pretty Poor Clan.**  
 An old Scot came down from the highlands to visit his son, a student at Edinburgh university. Together they attended a learned lecture, in the course of which the professor frequently referred to the wonderful part which microbes play in human existence. On their way out the son asked his father how he liked the lecture. "I dinna ken whit mak's him pit sae-muckle stress on whit the McRobes has done," replied the old man. "I've no heard o' them afore, but I ken aye think they've never done whit th' McGregors an' th' Macphersons has accomplished, an' there lives no steven a glorious clan as th' Campbells in a' th' world!"

**Juggled the Language.**  
 Dr. Hans Richter, who has resigned the honorary degrees conferred on him by two of the English universities, lived in England ten years, but never became proficient in the English language, says the London Chronicle. Many amusing blunders of his used to be passed around in Manchester.  
 "She is no better; if she does not lie, she swindles," he said to a member of his orchestra who, hearing that Frau Richter had been ill, inquired as to her progress.  
 "Schwindel" in German means giddiness or faintness.  
 Subsequently it was decided that Frau Richter should stay by the sea for some weeks, and her husband accompanied her to New Brighton, returning the same day for a concert. A friend overheard him saying at the looking office:  
 "Give me two tickets, one for me to come back and one for my wife not to come back."

**Voiced His Feelings.**  
 Admiral Sir Hedworth Meux, still familiarly known in the British service as "Lucky Lambton," for two years commanded the royal yacht and once had occasion to reveal to King Edward how little thought of in the naval service was the lavishly awarded Victorian order. A yachtsman had forced himself on the late king's attention at Cowes. "Do you know that man?" his majesty asked. "I'm afraid I do," said Admiral Lambton. "What do you think of him?" "Not much, sir. In fact, he's a bounder." "I'm sorry to hear that," the king replied. "because I have just made him a member of the Victorian order."  
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For Sale—1000 pounds Sudan grass seed, 25c pound. Government inspected. Will trade for good hogs. Rector Lester. 43tf

For Sale—A nice home, three blocks east of court house, easy terms. Box 464. 46p4

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FOR SALE — Incubator. Call News office. —tf

FOR SALE—Three iron safes. Canyon Lumber Co. —tf

Reward—\$5 for locating light roan horse, 15 1/2 hands high, weight about 1100. No brand but color marks. Left Dan A. Inghram's place north of Washburn, Jan. 30. J. B. Knox, Happy, Tex. 49p2

For Sale—Sudan grass seed. 20c per lb. Herman Kuhlman. —50p3


For Rent—400 acre pasture against the town. Running water, natural protection. Also 50 acres to rent to put in Sudan grass as a hay proposition. W. E. Bates. 50tf —

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Miss Frankie Gober returned Thursday from St. Louis where she had been to buy the new spring goods for the Leader.

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Miss Louise Ball of Texarkana passed through the city Monday, visiting at the A. B. Ellis home. She was on her way to Plainview to play the first violin in the recital given next week by the choral club. She will come to Canyon within a short while to give a program.

Make it of CONCRETE and defy TIME and WEATHER conditions. tf

Mr. and Mrs. J. Grady Holland left yesterday for El Paso where they will visit for a week.

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Miss Dehn arrived Saturday to begin her work in the Millinery department of the Supply Co.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Holland are home from an extended stay in San Angelo.

ASK the Engineer about IT.

Rev. F. M. Neal of Amarillo was in the city Thursday.

As a result of individual enterprise and endeavor the impossible of yesterday has become the reality of to-day. Wake up—Make the Start—Put forth the effort.

**BUILD YOU A HOME.**  
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The News received a postal from M. S. Park Saturday stating that he and Mrs. Park will start home from Valdosta, Ga., this week. They will visit in Ocean Springs, Miss., New Orleans, Galveston, Houston, Rogers, Temple and Brownwood and will not reach their home in the north part of the county until April 15th.

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Mrs. J. A. Harbison left Monday for San Francisco where she will visit the world's fair and visit relatives for three months.

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J. W. Webb and family have left for their new home at Cleburne.

Mrs. R. E. Foster was in Amarillo Monday to see her brother who is very sick. Another brother, David Allison of Holbert, Okla., was there also and visited here over Monday night.

Mrs. H. R. Chapman spent Thursday with her sister Mrs. B. M. Hester of Hereford.

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Look the novelty window over at The Leader if you don't see what you want, call for it.

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Wanted—A few of our farmer customers to bring us in some good butter to The Leader.

Yes, you bought all the men's rubbers The Leader had, they immediately wired for more, will have them Saturday sure.

A few of the Canyon people have come through the mud to see our goods and were very agreeably surprised when they found so much up-to-now goods and the price so reasonable. The Leader is going to save railroad fare to Amarillo any way, for you and may be more.

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J. H. Archambeau received a telegram yesterday morning from H. E. Muldrow stating that Bina was in a very serious condition and asking Ruby who is teaching at Washburn to come to Arizona at once. Later in the day another message was received stating Bina was improving but for Ruby to come. The friends of the Muldrow family in this city hope Miss Bina will speedily recover. She has been ill for over a year.

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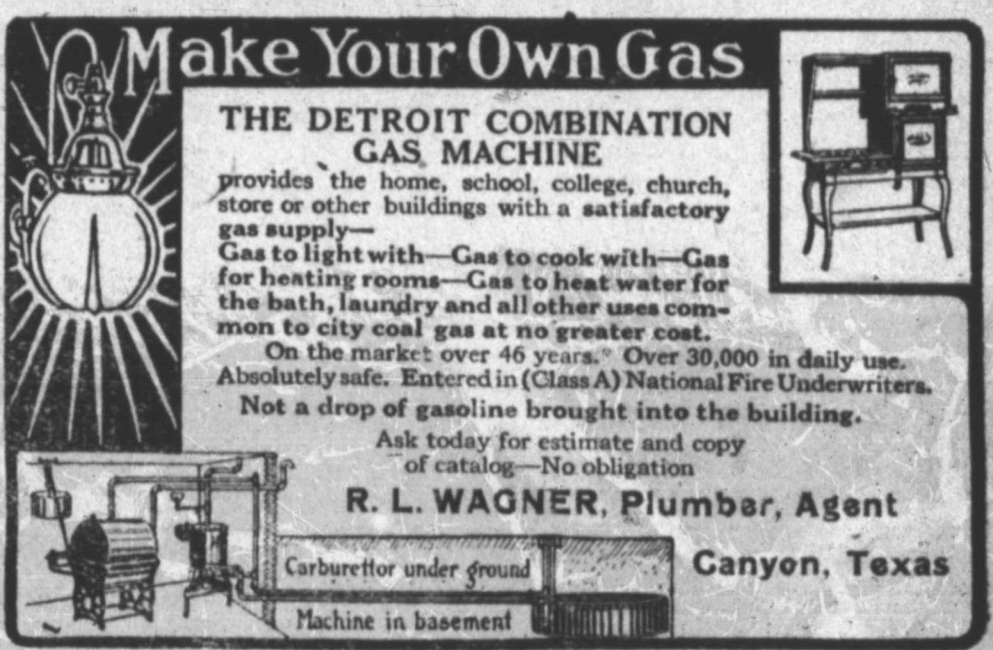
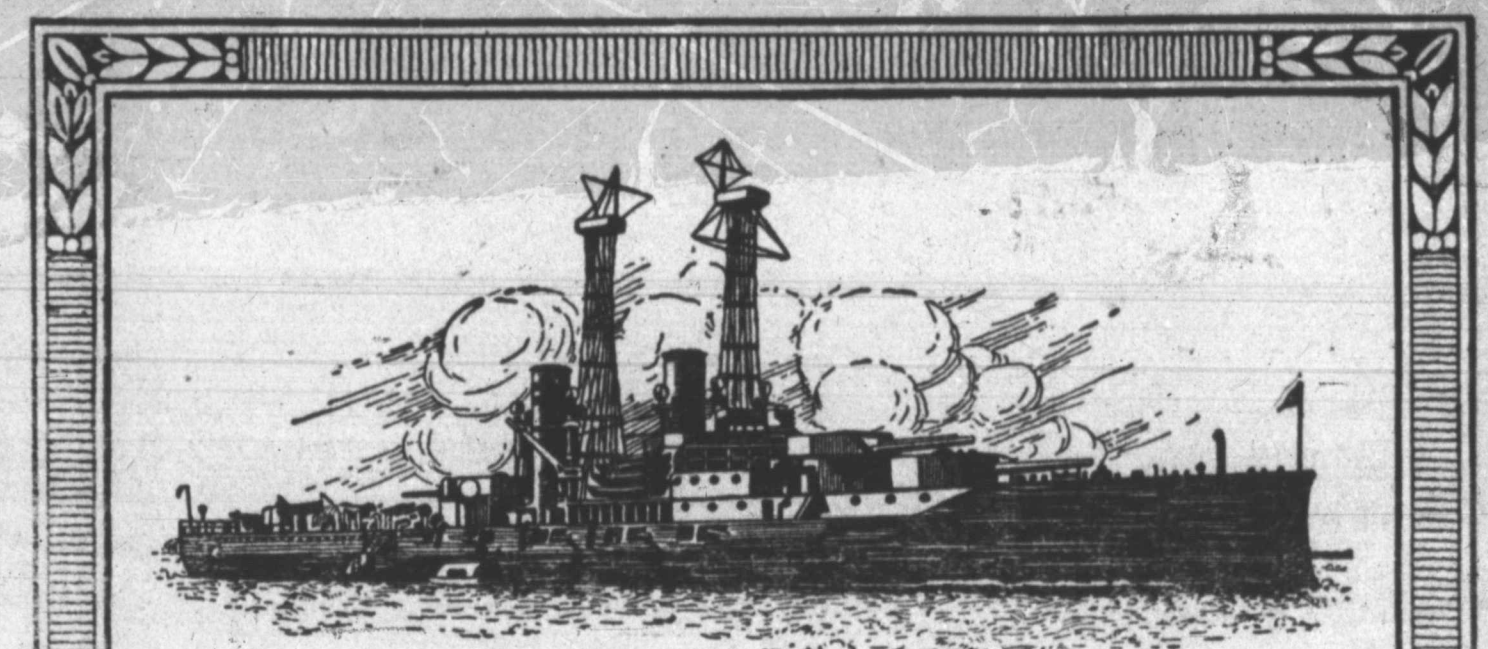
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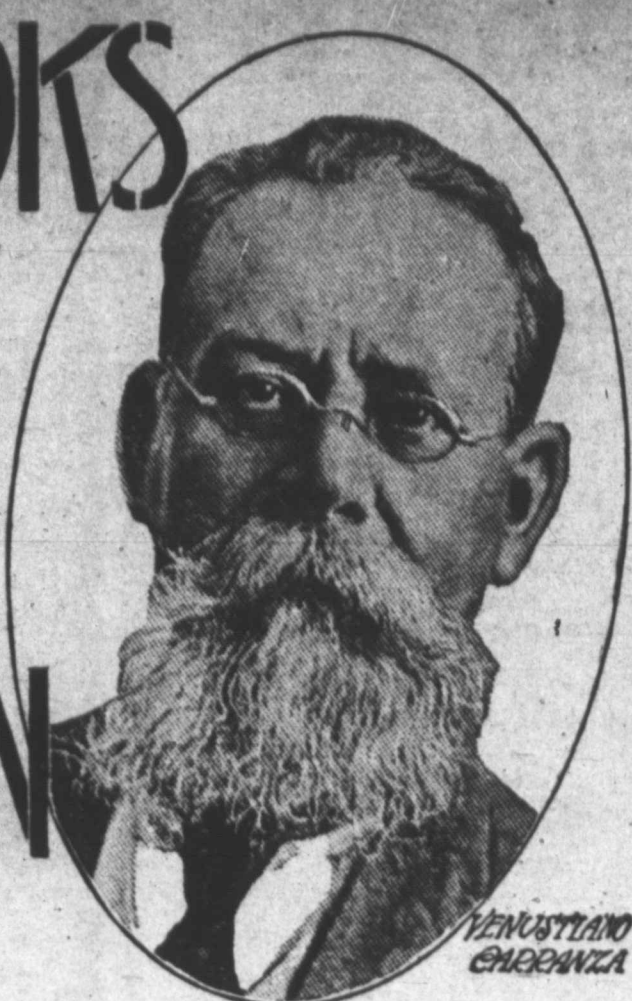
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MEXICO LOOKS IN VAIN FOR STRONG MAN



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GENERAL VILLAREAL

MEXICO'S plight is more serious than it has been in the gloomiest days of Madero or Huerta. More than ever the prey to a thousand petty leaders, subject to the looting of wandering irregular troops, governed only by chiefs having the allegiances of a section of the country, the intelligent men and women among her fifteen millions see no ray of sunshine, no Diaz or Juarez appearing to restore order with a strong hand. Dispatches from the agents of the United States government to the officials there are not pleasant reading for the friends of Mexico.

If there is one man of whom the Americans interested in Mexico have hope it is Antonio Villareal. He enlisted early in the cause of Carranza's constitutionalists and was fighting steadily up to the date of the taking of Monterey, in the capture of which he assisted. Then he was appointed governor of Nuevo Leon. He was mentioned many times for his part in the conference at Torreon, which followed the first open break between Carranza and Villa and later Carranza offered him the post of war minister.

He acted as president of the second or Aguascalientes convention, it will be remembered. Carranza, when he began his short period of "glory" in Mexico City, made Villareal minister of finance, but Villareal became disgusted with the ineptitude of the Carranza crowd and resigned.

Villareal is quiet and unassuming in manner, and this means more in Mexico than it would in the United States. He is thirty-eight years old, well educated, and speaks good English, having been a school teacher.

When a youth he became involved in a dispute with a rival to a certain woman's affections and killed him.

He served four years in the penitentiary. But with this he has the cleanest record of any man in Mexico who is in a position of power.

Villareal once was editor of a Spanish paper published in St. Louis. He is daring and at the same time tactful. He is not antagonistic toward Americans, either, and frequently goes out of his way to accommodate them. In his bold frankness and hatred of shams he is much more like an American than any of the other Mexican leaders.

Carranza and Villa both like Villareal, and he is the only man they both like. While he has always protected foreigners and even forbade the publication of anti-American articles in Monterey, he was much hurt by the presence of American troops in Vera Cruz. This was the one thing which stood in the way of his approval of things American.

As to Villa, he has long ago become familiar in ability and character to Americans. He is a great military genius, but no civil executive, and he knows it. His game now is to be the power behind the throne—to rule through the de facto Mexico City president, Eulalio Gutierrez. If Villa ever attempts to occupy the presidential chair he will probably travel the rest of the road of Diaz, Huerta and Carranza in short order.

Before the present troubles started Gutierrez was a watchman employed by the big Mazapul Copper company at Zacatecas. This concern owns

Gutierrez' specialty of ruining houses, bridges and railroads earned for him the title of "The Destroyer." He never displayed any such military ability as Villa; but destruction is popular with the Mexican soldiery, it must be remembered.

Gutierrez plundered and robbed with slight heed to what Carranza and Villa were doing. He seized property of Americans and put it to his own purposes, while Carranza ignored protests, despite his title of first chief.

Last July he sent a demand to Carr, ordering him to resume all the Mazapul industries at once. It must be remembered that the British company had been closed down for months. There was no fuel, no cars, no railroad tracks, and there was no financial basis. Yet the order from the ex-watchman read to "start up the works, as North Mexico is now pacified and there is no excuse for delay."

It was a physical impossibility, so Carr went to Carranza with a final protest. Carranza informed Carr he could delay resumption, and for this Gutierrez seized \$300,000 worth of ore owned by the company and sought to sell it as contraband, in which he probably succeeded.

Carranza has degenerated into the head of a band of looters. The scenes accompanying his evacuation of Mexico City, it is learned, were disgraceful. The national treasury was robbed of all except about 200,000 pesos, which must have been overlooked. Every ounce of gold and silver in the mint was taken. Also there went printing presses, plates and the entire stock of bank note paper in the government printing offices. The public offices were stripped of fittings, inkstands, typewriters, furniture, rugs, carpets and curtains. Even the huge presidential chair in the National palace was crated and borne off. It is estimated that automobiles valued at three million pesos at least were taken out of the city, many of them commandeered from private citizens and foreigners.

At the Buena Vista station of the Mexican railway train after train drew out in the direction of Vera Cruz laden down with every conceivable sort of plunder—motors, furniture, horses, pianos, paintings and safes. Even Huerta was out-Huerted.

The now ridiculous Carranza is set up at Vera Cruz. His cause is hopelessly lost. Among his remaining leaders, however, Gen. Alvaro Obregon looms large. He is undoubtedly a strong man. He has kept Gen. Lucio Blanco in line for Carranza and saw that the retreat from Mexico City was not an entire rout. However, Obregon is a plunderer like the rest.

Another man who should not escape mention is Governor Jose Maria Maytorena of Sonora, whose men have been besieging the Carranza general, Hill, in Naco. In Sonora Maytorena is supreme and he is idolized by the Indians. He is not friendly toward Americans, and there is a well-defined conviction among the American army officers along the border that Maytorena could by a word have prevented the snipers' bullets which killed and wounded 52 persons from coming over the international boundary line at Naco. So far he has confined himself to the Northwest. If Maytorena ever decides to follow the path from the north of most of Mexico's conquerors from the time of Juarez it may be with no mean army.

factories, mines and railroads. It is the property of Britishers.

Gutierrez made himself a power in the constitutional party rather by destroying property than by actual hard fighting. He became dictator of the Zacatecas district and set out to annoy his old employer, General Manager Percy Carr of the Mazapul Copper company, who, of course, had never heard of Gutierrez while the latter was a humble watchman.

The copper company was the proprietor of the railroad running to Zacatecas and had arranged a special train to take away the families of foreigners. As soon as Gutierrez heard of this he telephoned to Carr in Saltillo that Carr must pay him \$27,000 for the privilege of running this train over Carr's own railroad or else the soldiers of the ex-watchman would not let the cars pass.

"If you don't pay, and send the train through, you know what will happen," said Gutierrez, and he could not have made his meaning clearer to Carr had he drawn his finger across his throat.

So Carr paid the money and the women and children, chiefly Americans, reached the border without hurt.

SCIENCE IN ITS EARLY YEARS

Efforts of Truly Great Men Largely Nullified by the Work of the Sophists.

And so it happened that, about 650 B. C., there arose Thales, who, by his wide experience and the persistent enthusiasm with which he carried on investigation, earned the title of Father of Science. And so, shortly after him, Anaximander, by committing his knowledge to writing, brought into existence the first scientific manuscript. The sixth century, like the seventh, was still a period of origins. It saw the physical researches of Pythagoras, and the historical studies of Herodotus. In the fifth century Greek learning reached its climax. This age was resplendent with the names of Thucydides, who wrote history with critical care; of Heraclitus, who conceived of a universal reign of law, and of Hippocrates, the Father of Medicine. Its greatest character was Socrates, the barefooted, questioning sage of the market place of Athens. With ever burning enthusiasm for truth, this great teacher attempted, by quiet and candid debate, to aid men to make their concepts clear, and to give words definite meanings, trusting that through the correct use of the reason they would arrive at a recognition of superiority of right actions. The fourth century was both an advance and a decline. It comprised the work of Plato and Aristotle, the one elaborating the concepts of Socrates with poetic power, the other systematizing knowledge in truly scientific form. But in this age the demand for brilliant

superficial learning as an asset for climbers led to the rise of the Sophists. These popular teachers, by their careless, sweeping generalizations and their rhetorical embellishments, turned the Greek mind aside from the simple pursuit of truth, and entangled it in unprofitable metaphysical speculations.—Engineering Magazine.

American Dentist in Europe.

But let me tell you about the American dentist in the European war. The hospital physician told me that he noticed early in his war work that many of the soldiers were suffering from toothache more than from their wounds. So every wounded man was examined by a dentist before he was taken to the ward. It was discovered that a large percentage of the men from the trenches had swollen gums, and that by treating their mouths they were cured and ready for the front ten days earlier than in cases where their teeth were allowed to go. The English, he said, had the worst teeth, the Arabs the best.—"Here and There in Battle-Scarred France," Peter MacQueen, in National Magazine.

Botanical Curiosity.

Since 1893, when Prof. John Muirhead Macfarlane, now director of the botanical garden at the University of Pennsylvania, found that the leaves of the plant known as the Venus fly trap will close up only if the trigger hairs are disturbed twice in succession, very little has been learned about the physiology of this curious insect-catching plant. During the past year, however, some new experiments have been

made that bring its behavior into line with the behavior of animals in certain respects. The leaves are sensitive to mechanical disturbances, to electrical stimulation and to the sudden increase in temperature as through the application of warm water. At ordinary temperatures it takes two stimulations to get up the response; but at higher temperatures one "shock" will cause the leaf to close. At ordinary temperatures one electric shock will produce the effect if it is strong enough.

Wonderful Wireless.

There is apparently no limit to the future possibilities of the wireless. Wireless storm warnings and general weather forecasts for ships at sea, covering conditions 100 miles off shore along the entire Atlantic coast, was inaugurated by the United States navy department on July 15, 1913. Direct wireless communication between America and Asia was established by the completion of stations in Siberia and Alaska, the stations being about 500 miles apart. Today no vessel of any consequence plies the oceans without its system of wireless, and its effectiveness in receiving news of the present European war is well known.

London's First Ambulances.

London, which has never yet had an ambulance, has at last ordered six of them, and expects them to do all the work for the entire city. In case of past accidents the policemen have had to commandeer the nearest wagon, depending on the generosity of the driver, as they were not able to offer him anything.

MARRIAGE AS A VOCATION

Writer Thinks, However, That Preparation Should Be Made for it by Both Parties.

Marriage should be looked upon as a vocation and not a mere avocation, argues one who signs herself "Feminist" in an open letter to one of the daily papers. The writer, who had been a teacher, but who is now a mother, has been surprised that being a wife and mother is a profession, the successful performance of whose duties requires all my effort and all my time. "Feminist," thinks that women generally do not realize this or refuse to face it, that young women contemplating matrimony should be made to realize that they are choosing a profession quite as important as medicine, law or business, and that, if possible, a preparatory course should be required before granting the certificate to practice the profession of wife and mother. This sounds very well and would be admirable if it could be carried through. But as there are two paths in marriage it would be very one-sided if the woman received all the training. A good, stiff preparatory course for the young man contemplating the profession of husband and father would be quite as much in order. If we have one, let us have the other, also.—Francis Frear in Leslie's Weekly.

Seek Treasure in Paris.

Wealthy Parisians have bought an entire block of houses in that city, and will tear them down to hunt for Roman and Gothic treasures.



**Leisure is a Most Powerful Agent**  
By A. WANGEMANN, Chicago

Thus an intellectual class becomes possible, these being enabled to give leisure to subjects for which otherwise the economic pressure of their direct needs would leave them no time.

The progress of man depends upon leisure time, through wealth accumulation. At present there exists a vast accumulation of surplus wealth which is not fairly distributed but largely goes under our present industrial system of "privilege" production and distribution to those controlling special privileges.

It is self-evident that "leisure," the most powerful agent in democratizing knowledge, depends upon regularity, which is necessary in wealth production, and upon the actual return made to labor for changing the bounty of nature—land—by work into wealth. This we have neither fully understood nor can we solve the problem fairly until we enable the working masses, through more leisure, to gain a better fundamental knowledge of the relations of progress and poverty and the periodic effects of "privilege" production and distribution upon the welfare and destiny of us all.

Most persons think they have "no time" to obtain such basic knowledge. They prefer to use palliatives. Thus a vicious circle is formed in the minds of even intelligent men and women who assume that the social and economic knowledge of the masses can be insured without the "leisure" to acquire and apply such knowledge in the progress of democracy in the form of laws based upon an understanding of the natural rules of mankind in wealth production and distribution, which do not call for "check-book charity."

**Necessity of Making Farms More Attractive**  
By J. Thomas Mathiot, Banker, St. Paul, Minn.

This situation is extremely serious, but it may prove a blessing in disguise. It may serve to impress upon the minds of the people of the United States the absolute necessity of making the farm a more attractive home center.

For the past decade there has been a steady emigration from rural districts to the towns and cities. Economists have preached against this condition, and sociologists have endeavored to point out the natural results, but the general public has paid little heed to their warnings.

When the residents of the congested centers, however, are called upon to pay six or ten cents a loaf for bread, and proportionately high prices for meat, the true import of the problem will be brought home to them.

The grain crops of this country this year were, to be sure, abnormally large, but were they proportionate to the population? In seeking a refutation of the contention that they were, one has merely to go into the agricultural states of the West. Ten years ago the great wheat fields of Iowa were tilled by their owners—men content to take a proper return for their labor. Today those farmers have turned into land speculators. They have secured their quarter sections, or more, and moved into the towns. They have gone where their children can have better educational facilities, and the older members of their families can find entertainment. The farms have been left to tenants.

This will eventually mean not only a lessening of the yield from the farm lands, but a robbing of the soil. The tenant has simply a temporary term on the land, and consequently he is going to get as much from the soil as possible with as little nurturing as possible.

This condition does not prevail in Iowa alone. It applies alike to agricultural sections throughout the country.

**Human Being Cannot Help Telling a Lie**  
By M. A. BLISS, Attorney, Columbus, O.

The other side called an expert to prove that most everybody lies, and he introduced some statistics. This man declared that in six months he had found that a legislator in 30 interviews had lied 10 times. A doctor whom he had interviewed told 14 lies in 25 meetings, and a young lawyer in 40 conversations had departed from the truth 22 times. An older advocate falsified 28 times in 40 conversations. Out of ten remarks by a banker five were untrue, and one literally true statement was made with intention to mislead. A grocer in 15 talks lied 40 times, and the man's grandmother, he said, managed to get in seven falsehoods in eight conversations.

Young married women, according to this expert, are more prone to tell little lies than others, for the young woman whom he had kept tab on told untruths 15 times in 11 calls.

In six months this man's servant girl, he declared, told 150 lies. In all he had kept account of 377 conversations, and there were 324 lies. Of this number 100 were traceable to vanity, 60 were told to advance the speaker's personal interests, 50 were put forth to conceal some embarrassing defect, 50 to injure some other person, and 50 to make excuses for not doing what had been promised.

**Curing Drunkards by Law Not Pleasing**  
By A. B. CLARKE, Indianapolis, Ind.

It does very little good to arrest a man for inebriety, which is a form of disease, and should be treated as such.

The city, county or United Charities should establish a free home where drunkards could be confined for a few weeks and given the liquor cure.

But some people cannot afford to go to them, nor have they the least desire to do so.

But if they were sent there instead of to a prison when arrested they could be compelled to take the cure.

What a blessing it would be to their families when they returned home, cured of the curse of drink!

The accumulation of wealth is the first great step in progress, because without wealth there can be no leisure and without leisure no knowledge. If wealth is consumed as fast as it is produced there can be no accumulation of capital—no residue by which the unemployed may be maintained. But if the product of labor—wealth—is greater, then arises an surplus out of which, immediately or remotely, everyone who does not by his own labor create the wealth upon which he lives is supported.

**Fundamental Principles of Health**

By ALBERT S. GRAY, M.D.

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**WONDERS OF DUCTLESS GLANDS.**

It is well known that very often a medicine or other remedy, of itself absolutely without effect, produces a very marked improvement or perhaps even totally corrects all sorts of nervous and functional disorders of the human body, if only the patient is convinced beforehand that the remedy will be effective and that he will be "cured" thereby.

History, both ancient and modern, running even down to this present day, bears witness to many hundreds of authentic instances of such cases, and also it records wave after wave of belief in miracle working remedies and practices that have from time to time swept through the habitable globe "curing" the multitudes of their ill.

The uncultured mind has no conception of the quantitative relations of cause and effect, but the disciplined mind knows that there must be an adequate cause behind every phenomenon and it is ever striving for a comprehensive grasp on laws and principles; and civilization consists of the cumulative light of such knowledge.

It is quite generally known that a motion of the hand, or a glance of the eye, will throw a certain type of weak and credulous patient into a fit; and a pill made of bread, if taken with sufficient faith, will operate a cure as well, or even better, than all the drugs in the pharmacopoeia. Such cases are generally assumed to be "hysterics."

But we are beginning to understand that there must be always an adequate cause behind such manifestations; it cannot be the result of imaginations; it cannot be the result of the "super-natural," and modern physiologists and psychologists step by step are unraveling the tangled lines and solving the puzzles. They are proving these happenings to be neither freaks of the imagination nor the work of either benign or malignant "supernatural" powers, but rather due to an interaction, the perfectly natural results of adequate stimuli normally active within every human body, and amenable to personal development, and to individual control, proving thereby that in a very large measure every man makes his own disease.

In Van der Mye's account of the siege of Breda, in 1625, it is stated that the prince of Orange cured all his soldiers who were dying of the scurvy by a philanthropic piece of quackery which he played upon them with the knowledge of the physicians, when all other means had failed: "The garrison being afflicted with the scurvy, the prince of Orange sent the physicians two or three small vials containing a decoction of chamomile, wormwood and camphor, telling them to pretend that it was a medicine of the greatest value and extreme rarity, which had been procured with very much danger and difficulty from the East, and so strong, that two or three drops would impart a healing virtue to a gallon of water. The soldiers had faith in their commander; they took the medicine with cheerful faces and grew well rapidly."

Obviously these sturdy Netherlander campaigners of that day, possessed of the stamina necessary to enable them to defy and withstand the attacks of the most powerful and brutal of monarchs, could not justly be classed as weaklings, neurasthenics or hysterics. And it is useless to deny or to attempt to brush aside such facts as being unbelievable fables, because everywhere about us we have evidence of similar happenings, taking place today. But we will have to grant that the soldiers were superstitious.

Belief in unmeaning words and in inadequate remedies implies the absence of those ideas of causation that raise the cultured man above the savage; consequently if we claim to be a part of civilization we must strive to understand the principles involved in these amazing reactions in order that we may use them intelligently for the advancement of our individual health and that we may efficiently co-operate with our fellow men for the betterment of the race.

Next to the folly of declaring that these things cannot be, and the folly of receiving "blindly" everything we hear is the folly of refusing to accept, to master and eagerly to grasp and use the results of modern investigation, especially when they are clearly steps in the course of nature and mark but another stage on the evolutionary road.

Few minds possess talent for abstract thinking, but such ability is not necessary because all minds are capable of acquiring knowledge if only they remain open and are willing to be shown. Everybody can see an object when it is placed before him and all can observe objects in relation— if they will—and our scientists are slowly and systematically working out and placing before us the solution to our troubles for all such as have the wisdom to accept and profit thereby.

Fundamentally these ill-effects are proving to be functional, not organic, in origin, and they are very largely due to bad habits of mind, as careful investigation and thought will clearly show. They rest in the relationship between the primitive co-ordinating plan and power of our bodies as now manifested through the action of our ductless glands and that of our later acquired brain power which we have not yet learned to use only because we are not properly trained how to use it.

**THE THYROID GLAND.**

Before the appearance of any central nervous system in the lowest organisms it is by chemical means, by so called automatic excitation through the action of products of decomposition by the organs in different parts of the body, that any co-ordination of function is determined, either among the different organs of a colony or among the various cells making up a multicellular organism such as a sponge.

The mechanism which determines the movement of phagocytic cells—a phagocyte is any cell possessing the property of absorbing and digesting—the chase of food, the escape from noxious environment or the approach of sexual cells, has been given the name of chemotaxis. The name signifies the attraction or repulsion exhibited by certain chemicals to living cells. Since the application of these chemical stimuli depends on their diffusion through the medium bathing the cells, the process very obviously must necessarily be both slow and lasting.

The most important and definite knowledge concerning the actions of these internal chemical secretions has perhaps resulted from work done on the thyroid glands, those shieldlike vesicular bodies filled with colloid material located on the sides of the trachea (windpipe) just below our "Adam's apple" (the thyroid cartilage). Carried by the blood to all parts of the body, the metabolic products of the thyroid gland affect every other gland and tissue and may act either to heighten or to reduce the activity of other organs, according to their specific function.

In 1856 Schiff showed that removal of the thyroid in dogs is followed usually by the death of the animals in one to four weeks.

The disturbances appearing after removal of the thyroid affect the most widely different organic systems of the body. The skin, especially that of the head and face, becomes greatly swollen because of an accumulation of mucin in the subcutaneous connective tissue. Subsequently the skin becomes hard, rough and dry; its secretion ceases; the hairs change and fall out; the visible mucous membranes become swollen and the voice becomes harsh and monotonous. The internal organs exhibit marked pathological changes; the kidneys and the liver undergo fatty and colloid degeneration and the arterial walls take on a hyaline (crystalline) degeneration. Metabolism is abnormally low; that is to say, not only is the appetite poor, but the ability to convert the food taken into the body, to break down and release the energy therein contained, is decreased.

Disturbances of the nervous and muscular system following removal of the thyroid are profound; not infrequently functional disturbances such as epilepsy ensue. All those parts of the brain which are active in the physical functions become functionally much reduced, and in myxedematous cases we meet with weak memory, extreme irritability, stupidity and the like; all of which in turn find expression in a marked decline of muscular tone and in vigor of the body movements generally.

In man any material disturbance in the function of the thyroid produces derangement in the temperature and heat regulating ability of the body; the subnormal temperature is one of the most constant symptoms and the patient feels cold constantly.

In the growing organism after suppression of the thyroid the "ones" fall considerably behind in their development and the ossification of the cartilages connecting bone processes is materially delayed. The physical disturbances in the young are generally more pronounced than in grown persons.

Schiff and many others have found that all these evil results of the complete or partial destruction of the thyroid in dogs might be obviated by grafting pieces of the thyroid into the body, and this knowledge was quickly applied with astonishing results to human beings in cases of myxedema and cretinism. Then, instead of grafting thyroid tissues, it was found that injection of extracts under the skin, or, better still, the simple feeding of thyroid material, gave similarly favorable results—the individuals recovered their normal appearance and mental powers.

But prevention is always better than cure and we are slowly coming to understand that anything that will cause a depletion of the thyroid gland will cause thyroid troubles and their train of ill. The chief factor in prevention is simply sane living. The depleting factors are overeating of improper food, the excessive use of spices, alcoholic drinks, tobacco or drugs; sexual excesses, too frequent pregnancies, worry, anxiety or excitement. Normal functioning of the thyroid gland is maintained by a natural diet containing what Funk has designated the vitamins, the mother substance from which the gland colloids are prepared, and by equilibrium.

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**FOOD FOR THE SEINE.**

**Odd Incident of Whistler's Student Days in Paris.**

The early scenes in "Tribby" have shown us the hilarious squalor of the student life in Paris when Whistler joined the studio that Gleyre carried on in succession to Delacroix. It was the Bohemia, barely modernized, of Murger's novel, and the shifts to which these raw recruits in art descended furnished Whistler for life with some of his raciest stories. Once when an American friend unearthed him Whistler was living on the proceeds of a wardrobe. One hot day he pawned his coat for an iced drink. Invited once to the American embassy, he had to borrow Poynter's dress suit.

But the best story of these frolicsome days arises from the eternal copying in the Louvre, either on commission or "spec," which kept them alive between remittances.

Whistler's chum, Ernest Delanoy, had done a gorgeous replica of Veronese's "Marriage Feast at Cana" that took when framed the pair of them to carry. They started out to sell it and tried it on every dealer up and down both sides of the Seine until the first price of 500 francs had dropped with several thuds to 100, then 20, then 10, then 5. Suddenly the dignity of art asserted itself.

On the Pont des Arts they lifted the huge canvas. "Un," they said, with a great swing, "deux, trois, quatre" and over it went into the water with a splash. Then arose a mighty commotion as a great crowd gathered. Sergeants de ville came running, omnibuses stopped and boats pushed out on the river. Altogether the excitement was an immense success, and the pair of joyous artists went home enchanted.—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

**Do Good Now.**

If you do not now the good which you can the time will come when you cannot do the good which you would.—*Frederic H. Hedge.*

**An Admission.**

A north of Ireland orator in a Scotch county constituency sought to ingratiate himself at the outset thus: "Gentlemen, I am an Irishman, I am proud to be an Irishman, but I am not ashamed to admit that I have a little Scotch in me."

And for a full minute he could not understand what the uproar was about.—*Lippincott's.*

**And He Set.**

A couple of Pennsylvania farmers, a man and wife, drove from their farm to the nearest railway. The man, small and -eared, sat meekly beside



his wife, who filled two-thirds of the seat, and only spoke to command.

Finally the station was reached. The woman bustled in, settled her numerous bundles and sat down. Looking over her goods and chattels, she suddenly missed something and, looking about, discovered that her husband had remained outside on the platform. She rapped sharply on the window.

"Ben!" she called, pointing to the bench beside her. "Come set"—Everybody's.

**Ward on Chaucer.**

Artemus Ward once said: "Some kind person has sent me Chaucer's poems. Mr. C. had talent, but he couldn't spell. No man has a right to be a literary man unless he knows how to spell. It is a pity that Chaucer, who had genius, was so uneducated. He's the wuss speller I know of."

**More Exciting Than the Play.**

A countryman on one of his rare visits to London, after completing his business, visited the local theater and patronized that part of the house known as "the gods," obtaining a seat in the front row. He had provided himself with refreshments before entering in the form of a bag of cakes and a bottle of mineral water.

As the performance progressed he consumed these and, becoming absorbed in a thrilling passage, was absent toying with the empty bottle on the ledge in front of him when he accidentally allowed it to fall over.

Horror-stricken, he instantly looked down and was just in time to see the bottle drop heavily on to the bald head of a man below, who, not noticing whence the attack came, jumped to the conclusion that his neighbor was the aggressor. He seized the bottle and belted the other man smartly across the head with it.

Our friend above had now seen enough and hastily, but quickly, quitted the place and reached the exit just as two angry, struggling men were being ejected.—*London Telegraph.*

**The Greater Courage.**

Men have offered up their lives by the thousands upon the field of battle, but in the struggle for existence woman is continually offering up her life for man. If there is a mission of mercy to perform she undertakes it. If there is suffering or distress to soothe or her willing hand is always ready. If wretchedness and misery need a comforter she is present. The faintest whisper of pain brings her as a pilgrim to its couch, and in the chamber of death she takes her place, assuaging the hopeless sufferer with the comforting assurance that there is a home beyond the grave free from the agony of pain. She suffers herself without a murmur or complaint, and the man that would in the slightest degree add to it and increase the anguish that it is her lot to bear is beneath the level of the brute. If she should happen to possess defects and faults, which every human being has in a greater or less degree, let him compare them with her virtues, and especially with his vices, and every impulse of his better being will prompt him to overlook them and make due allowance therefor.—*Isidor Rayner.*

**Belgium's Postmen.**

A Belgian who has money owing to him often hands the account to his postman, who passes it through the office, to be presented to the debtor in whatever locality the latter may reside, and if payment be made the creditor receives it from his postman on the following day, with but a trifling deduction for commission.

As to newspapers, almost all regular subscribers to a journal pay their money to a postman, and two or three days before the subscription expires that official presents the notice for the renewal of the subscription during a fresh term.

All this makes of the Belgian postman a kind of ambulating general agency and bank of deposit, and the man is obliged to have a desk slung in front of him and to carry a locked and chained portfolio under his arm for valuables, but he gets through his work satisfactorily, because his rounds are short.—*Pearson's Weekly.*

**Why Do Seals Swallow Stones?**

No nature student seems yet to have discovered for what reason seals swallow stones, though the fact is a well established one. Certainly the stones are not taken in for ballast, for the empty seals keep down as easily as the others. They are not swallowed for the purpose of grinding up food, for they are found in the stomachs of nursing pups. They are not taken in with the food because they are found in the stomachs of both young seals and in those that live in the open sea and feed on squid. Yet it is evident that these things are not swallowed haphazard, but are selected with considerable care from the actual swimming along the shore, and that a good reason is exhibited for the purpose. This is shown by the fact that, as a rule, only articles of one kind are found in any one seal's stomach.

**The Night Writers.**

Writers who habitually work at night, and all night, frequently get strange nervous fancies. Huxley said, "When I am working at night I not only hear burglars moving about, but I actually see them looking through the crack in the door at me!"

Wilkie Collins was a habitual night worker until he was frightened out of it by the appearance of another Wilkie Collins, who sat down at the table with him and tried to monopolize the desk. There was a struggle, and the ink stand was upset. When the real Wilkie Collins came to himself, sure enough, the ink was running over the writing table, proof enough of a struggle. After that Mr. Collins gave up night work.

**On Business Sent.**

"Can you make me a sheet iron mandolin?"

"I might, but it wouldn't have much tone. What do you want of a sheet-iron mandolin, anyhow?"

"I'm trying to serenade a girl, and they have a bulldog. I've busted several instruments on him. Next time I smash him I want to smash him good."—*Kansas City Journal.*

**Oh, That's Different!**

"I thought you told me that you would not contract any new debts without my knowledge," howled Mr. Gabb as he tore up a bunch of dunning letters.

"I haven't, my dear," replied Mrs. Gabb. "I merely expanded some of the old debts."—*Cincinnati Enquirer.*

**Cherry Wood.**

Cherry is the wood most used as a backing for the metal plates from which illustrations are printed in magazines and periodicals. It is chosen above all others because it holds its shape, does not warp or twist, works smoothly and does not split.

**Handicapped.**

Dr. Curen—You will find your dyspepsia greatly alleviated, Mr. Peck, by cheerful and agreeable conversation at your meals. Mr. Peck—That's good advice, doc, but my income will not permit me to eat away from home.—*Terre Haute Express.*

**Rigs in Scotland.**

In Scotland the corn and grass fields are divided into spaces twenty to thirty yards wide by a furrow made by a plow. These are termed rigs.

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'Tis thought the fruit crop is o. k. so far, so much damp weather being favorable.

The sick babe of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Knight is improving, for several days it was very ill with pneumonia.

Frank Harris and wife left Monday for Quanah, where her relatives live, J. C. Mayo carrying them to Happy.

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About an hour after the trouble occurred, C. F. Heglin, a resident of that community, came to Tulia and surrendered himself to Sheriff D. B. Crawford.

Ben Loftin's body was shipped to Columbia, Tennessee, his former home.—*Tulia Herald.*

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