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## "Telling Tommy"



## Marking the Old Chisholm Trail

By GEORGE OVIE HOPKINS . . $+2$ 난․ - =$5=$ trail to market.
What is this old Chisholm trail? It is the Indian trail, the path, the mark-
er, the rood, over which the Texas
cowboys started driving their cattle im cowboys started driving their cattle im-
mediately after the Civil War in an
effort to find a market. They found
the market, and stretched the trail from effort to find a market. They found
the market, and stretched the trail from
Texas to Montana, and even into Texas
Canada.
And in doing so, hundreds of cowboys
have filled unmarked graves along the
trail. The dead cowboy with only a
blanket trail. The dead cowboy with only a
blanket wrapped around bis stiffening
form was often buried in a hastily-made grave, for the herd must be kept mov-
ing forward. Only one other trail is better known
in the United States than the Chisholm
trail-it is the Oregon Trail, which
stands on an historic equality with the trail-it is the Oregon Trail, which
stands on an historic equality with the
Chisholm trail.

## Texas First to Mark Trail

 The Oregon Trail has been markedproperly, and slowly the Chisholm trail s coming into its own. Texas was the
first State to begin marking the Chis first state to begin marking the Chis-
holm trail, designating it as a national
highway, and calling it the Longhorn
Chisholm trail. After a few months Chisholm trail. After a few month
Oklahoma followed the example Texas and properly marked the trail
across the State, joining on to the spot
at Red River, Doane's Crossing at Red River, Doane's Crossing, where
the trail crosses from Texas.
Several other men have been interest Several other men have been interest.
ed in the recognition of the trail, and
have worked much in order that it have worked much in order that it
might be brought before the attention of the outstanding men are J. Frank
Dobie, associate professor of English at
the University of Texas and George W.




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book of trail reminisencess has been
published. J. B. Thoburn, Okihoma his-



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Texas Consolidated Rural School

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## ANY rural schools of Texas are 隹 being lifted to a plane of equality with city schools. Last year the its rural schools, in addition to build up ular apportionment of $\$ 17.50$ per child, niar apportionment of $\$ 17.50$ per child, and the money raised by local taxation. $\ln$ Texas 25 years ago a boy or gir In Texas 25 years ago a boy or girl would trudge along a dusty or muddy country road, swinging a lunch pail, walking to a one-room wooden shanty. There they would be taught the three There they would be taught the three R's in grades from the first to the eighth. There they would sit on rough wooden benches, repeat their lessons to themselves while the one teacher drilled another group of pupils in another grade. Todiay, in Texas, the sons and daugh- ters of this boy or girl can ride in faet

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 This trained teachers., made possible
 granting $\$ 2,500,000$ for $1931-32$, and the
same amount for $1932-33$, for the purpose of "promoting public school interest of rural schools, and equalizing the
educational opportunities afforded by
the State to all children of scholastic age the State to all children of scholastic age
living in small and financially weak

1200 Consolidated Schools
Perhaps consolidation is the most im-
portant of the functions of this law.
There are in Texas today more than
composed of two or more whole districts.
This great consolidation has come about
because of speedy transportation and because of speedy transportation and
better roads, but could not have been
possible without State aid. The signifi-
 ments in the smaller rural schools that
have not yet consolidated. By helping
to pay teachers' salaries, it enables these small schools
of requirements for The consolidated school provides the
children of Texas with newer and more
seientific equipment, with libraries and
sandboxes, with drinking fountains in
place of the old-fashioned wells and
buckets, It provides them with
 oin glee clubs and literary groups. They may hike and learn wood-craft

## CURRENT COMMENT


 saved poor man more worry, heart- found is pants and galluses. Man so
breaks and vexation than any invention arrayed has blazed the paths of civiliza-
of modern times. If a man had to take tion and turned the wildernes into a
from his little roll fifteen or twenty
rose garden. Man in gallused pants rose garden. Man in gallused pants
has chained the lightning and made it
do his bidding, navigated the mir and explored the mysteries of the deep.
With mankind pantsed and gallused the
world will always be safe gald civiliz world will always be safe and civilization will be doing business when the
realm of ether glow with the fires that
will turn old Time into Eternty
4 $2=2$ $x=4=$
 fugitive, and every foot of the sod McGuffey readers made its appearance
trampled down. So determined were in 1836 . It consisted mainly of words
his pursurers that the lakes of Killar- of one syllable, but graduated easily
ney were dragged, the river Lee was into longer words. The Second Reader
seened, and some of the searchers look- earry took up the duty of instilling les-
ing behind and under the Blarney
Sons of virtue, with here and there such
Stone. But though he eluded his pur- captivating verse as: $\qquad$ $\pm 2=4$ $y=4=5$
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 Baseball Not Exciting as It Used to Be



# BRIEF TEXAS NEWS 

U.T. OIL ROYALTY FUND $\$ 15,058,211$
The oil royalty fund of the University of Texas passed the fifteen million dollar
mark in March. The total was $\$ 15$,-
058,211 . CARLOAD OF ROSE BUSHES SHII The first carload of rose bushes ever
shipped from Jacksonville was loaded
early in March and shipped to Connecticut. The car contained more than
100,000 bushes. Other carload ship
ments are to follow.
PRIZE STEER SOLD FOR $\$ 1,338$ Worth Fat Stock Show and Exposition
was auctioned to the highest bidder and
sold for $\$ 1.53$ a. pound. The steer wa
exibibited by C. M. Largent \& Sons and
was purchased by the Blackstone Hote
of Fort Worth. The steer weighed 87 WOMAN LICENSED PLUMBER the first Texas woman to receive a mas-
ter plumber's license. Mrs. Siebrecht,
who is associated with her husband in
a plumbing business, said she wanted business. The competent manner in
which she wiped joint pipes, and her
general knowledge of the trade won her COTTON PRODUCTION AND
CONSUMPTION
By Vietor Schoffelmayer
As to world consumption of American
cotton, the figures for $1928-29$ are
$15,200,000$ bales for $1929.3013,000,000$
bales, and for $1980-31,11,100,000$ bales.
There has been a sharp upturn during
the last six months and at the rate ea-
tablished for that period the year may
show a total cousumption of some
$13,000,000$ bales of American cotton.
Total supply of world cotton has
smashed all records and this season
stands at about $26,000,000$ bales, of
which the American crop is about 17, ,
100,000 bales, according to the final gin-
ning report. Therefore, at current rate
of consumption there is enough cotton
to operate the world's mills for two
years without raising another crop.
This record supply comes at a period of

| HOME TO BE ERECTED OF PETRIFIED WOOD | $\$ 710$ PAID FOR CALF <br> The grand champion club calf of the |
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| Mrs. William Lang, of | San Angelo Fat Stock Show, which was |
|  | owned and fed by Miss Audrey Faye |
| h is to be erected largely of pet | Kidd, 10 years old, sold for 75 cents per |
| ed or fossilized wood. The white petri- | pound. The McBurnett Hotel Company |
| fied wood is to be alternated with col- | was the purchaser. The calf weighed |
| ed stones which will be set in the walls | 880 pounds, and with premiums brought |
| with black cement. They have already | its owner \$710.65. |
| erected a combination cottage and ga- | The champion fat lamb weighed 105 |
| ich they are temporarily liv- |  |
|  | of | EAGLE SHOT WHILE EATING Dick Coleman, a Kemble county boy

recently brought down with a sho
from his rifle a huge Mexican eagle. He
and another youth, Marrin Blackburn
were out on a ranch when they spied
the giant bird perched in a tree devour
ing the young sheep, and young Cole
man got in a fatal shot. The eagle had
a spread of seven feet and four inche
between its wing tips.
$\$ 100,000$ GIFT TO BAYLOR

## $\$ 100,000$ GIFT TO BAYLOR gift of $\$ 100,000$ was recently

Robertson county, and the Laags have O'HENRY'S CHAIR AND TABLE

FORT IS ONE OF TEXAS OLDEST
STRUCTURES maining in Texas is the stone fort at
San Pedro Springs, San Antonio.
Plans to preserve this old fort are
well under way. Its construction is
placed at various dates between 1690
and 1716 . The stone fort formed the
southwest corner of a cedar stockade,
which was burned by Indians.
Defense of the old fort from attacks
of decay has been speeded by recent loss
of the old stone market house and the
Veramendi Palace. The fort is on
ground made a park by the city of San
Antonio.
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$\qquad$ Waco, and arranged a legacy for Buck
ner Orphans Home at Dallas which FOREST FIRE LOSSES REDUCED
$\qquad$ in 1931, despite the heavy fires during
the fall and winter. The figures were
$\qquad$ Incendiarism caused 31.2 per cent of
all forest fires in Texas last year, and
smokers started 38.2 per cent of the fires. With $8,010,000$ acres in East
Texas under fire protection, the forest force traveled 251,6888 miles during
last year, posting 15,208 fire notices

$\qquad$ last year, posting 15,208 fire
and distributing 57,786 copies

## WEST TEXAS POTASH BEDS TO BE

 Plans for definite development of theWest Texas potash industry are to be set in motion shortly. The plans include struction of a refinery, a railroad spur
and a highway. A highway is being planned from the
Bankhead highway at Odessa to the Jones ranch, eleven miles from town,
and the Texas \& Pacific railway is to put in a spur to the mine. The digging of the shaft planned will cost about
$\$ 200,000$. It is planned to build a refin.
ery at Houston to convert the mineral into fertilizer and other by-products. The Ector county potash field is
miles long and three miles wide, and miles long and three miles wide, and i
estimated to contain $23,000,000$ tons o
potassium oxide and $34,000,000$ tons polyhite. The United States is now ge ting most of its potash from Europe
but this field, it is said by geologists
contains enough to last the country sev It will require about a year to dig the
shaft, which is to be 36 feet wide and
2,000 feet deep. The shaft will be

## wall. Potash salts are used in soaps, dyes, tanning. explosives, cyanide fertilizer

## Texas Consolidated Rural School Districts

## Davy Crockett's Political Career




Future of Rural Schools
Burl Bryant, chief supervisor of the
rural aid fund Burl Bryant, chief supervisor of the
rural aid fund, declares that the "rural
schools have many face, and much improvement before them. What already has been done is
only a beginning, for the rural schools
$\qquad$
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$\qquad$building facilities and teaching staffs,
with following the city schools in the
curricula,
But there is a broader field for the
rural school, Mr. Bryant believes. HereA few have started paving the way by
giving courses in canning, domestic
science, and animal husbandry, but
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## by RUBY M. AYRES



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## CThe March of the पears-

Marching along, through forty earn ng years. Young men starting out, mar rying, rearing children, educating them. Each year brings new responsibilitie pass into middle age, grow last. What will be done with
years?
ung men do not find the occuMost young men do not find the occu-
pation best suited to their talents until They marry and begin to preld be adopted. children arrive and begin During

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Strictly Sanitary e Markmanship
$\qquad$ a deer's left hindfoot and head, with one
shot," Sambo-"He sho did; de deer was
scratchin' his head wif his foot, so de
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Here lies the body of Ezra Dorn He started out
At sixty miles
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