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But that "joint" is still doing business. Let us all sing, "How Firm a Foundation," and repeat the sixth verse.

MY MOTTO: SPOT CASH AND SMALL PROFITS

Prices Always Subject to Change Without Notice...May Be Cheaper Next Week

W. R. WHERRY

PEA SEED ORDERED

The black-eye peas for planting purposes were ordered thru the Cash Grocery Co. Tuesday morning and will no doubt be here in a week's time. Those who deposited their money with the secretary will get their peas from the above firm. They will cost 7 1/4c per pound, plus the freight and drayage. This is exact cost and the same price quoted to the secretary by the Houston firm. As 8c per pound was collected, the balance of the money will be refunded by the above firm.

LOST RIGHT EYE

Frank Taylor of Reynard had the misfortune to lose his right eye last Friday afternoon. The accident occurred while he was plowing, and it is thought that the end of the whip with which he was driving his mule, flew back and hit him in the eye. It was completely put out.

Mr. Taylor left Tuesday for Palestine to have the ball removed and replaced with a glass eye. He was accompanied by W. E. Kerr.

Give Clewis your cleaning and pressing. adv

LIBERTY HILL NEWS ITEMS

March 19.—This week started with good clear weather, but has clouded up today and looks as if we were going to have some more snow.

The people have been making good use of the good weather. Most of the farmers of this community are through planting corn. We think the cotton growers around here are going to try to raise more food and feed stuff, then the bill at the store will only be a few dollars and the farmer will be comfortable financially, even though cotton does not bring over 5c per pound.

Our school was out Monday, the 15th. We think our teachers Mr. Ben L. Keen of Grapeland, and Miss Esther Mansfield of Crockett, did their best in teaching us a good school, and we were sorry to see the good work come to an end.

J. M. Johnston of Palestine has come to spend several weeks in the country with his sister, Mrs. F. J. Moore.

Mr. A. S. Moore of Crockett spent Tuesday night with home folks.

Miss Eva Holcomb and little Minnie Eva Moore returned Thursday from Crockett where they have been visiting relatives.

Misses Lorena and Willie Lee Ferguson entertained the young people with a musical Saturday night, which was enjoyed by all.

Messrs. Ed and Arthur Holcomb attended the funeral of their cousin, Mrs. Mary Kate Black, Tuesday, March 9, who was buried in the old Shiloh cemetery in Cherokee county.

The health of our community is very good at present.

Sunbeam.

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SAN PEDRO LITERARY NOTES

As per announcement, at our last regular meeting on the 13th, we expected and were prepared to meet Ephesus in joint debate, but the expected visit failed to materialize and we were obliged to arrange a debating program of our own.

Prof. R. J. Dominy and wife of Walnut Grounds High School brought up their Glee Club and rendered two very beautiful songs and a number of successful pantomimes. One of the songs was "The River Shannon," which was one of the most pleasing features of the program.

One of the pantomimes was "Rock of Ages," by Miss Unice Driskell. Another was a classical drill by little Misses Elma

Lee Tyer, Irene Luce and Wilsie Mae Gossett.

Among our guests on this occasion were Hon. W. F. Murchison and Henry Richards of Grapeland. We were favored with an entertaining and instructive talk by Prof. R. J. Dominy; also one by Mr. Murchison. We also should mention the pantomime, "Home Sweet Home," rendered by Tom Whitaker Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Tyer and family.

Other guests on this occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Tyer of the Oak Grove community, Seth W. Yarbrough of Grapeland, John A. Brimberry and Earl Shaver of Enon community.

Our next meeting will be on the evening of the 27th. A program has been arranged that we are sure will entertain you. You are invited—come. Secretary.

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ABOUT 50,000 SURRENDER

Fighting in France and Flanders Continues—German Zeppelins Visit Paris and Drop Bombs—In the Dardanelles.

Latest War News From Front.

The Przemysl garrison, which capitulated to the Russian army Monday, surrendered without a fight. The hoisting of the white flag over this fortress, which was said to be on the point of surrendering on a number of occasions, caused little surprise, as it was generally known that it was in a terribly weakened condition, without food or ammunition, and its endurance was only a question of days.

War office advices report that nine Austrian generals were taken, more than 300 officers and 50,000 men.

The Russian general commanding the invading army has been decorated with St. George's cross.

A Te Deum was celebrated at the Russian army headquarters in Petrograd when the fall of Przemysl was announced, the ceremony being participated in by Emperor Nicholas, Grand Duke Nicholas and the members of the general staff.

A heavy snowstorm failed to check the enthusiastic demonstrations in which the civil and military populations united when the fall of Przemysl was announced. The crowds, floundering in deep drifts which tied up street traffic, cheered the officers and soldiers who remained to participate in the celebration.

The Przemysl garrison was estimated at 80,000 men last September and last week it was reported that it had diminished to 25,000. There have been recurrent reports of cholera and other diseases, but these were as vague as many of the premature reports regarding its surrender.

The relations between Italy and Austria are believed to have reached an acute stage. A Rome dispatch says Austrian and German subjects have been advised by their consuls to leave Italy in the shortest possible time and that a number of Germans who recently arrived in Italy are being watched because of a suspicion that they are military spies.

There also are reports that Greece is preparing to adopt a more active attitude. Following a series of prolonged cabinet meetings at Athens, the Greek minister of marine is quoted as having said that the Greek government had received all guarantees and to have indicated that the country was about to engage in some enterprise.

The allied fleet is preparing for a renewal of the attack on the Dardanelles, delayed by unfavorable weather. At a council of the admirals aboard the French battleship Suffren it is reported that a decision was reached to make a new general attack, in which all the warships will take part.

Reverting to their policy of last fall, the Germans early Sunday attacked Paris with air craft. Four Zeppelins started for the city, but only two reached it. These dropped bombs, injuring a number of persons and setting fire to buildings. The French airmen, whose duty it is to guard the city, pursued the Germans, but owing to the mist they were unable to overtake the airships.

As far as the land operations are concerned the eastern front holds the most interest. The Russians, despite the swampy conditions of the ground, are slowly, according to Petrograd dispatches, pressing the Germans back to the East Prussian frontier, their latest achievement being to defeat three German columns which had set out on the road to Ostrolenka from Myszyniec, which is not far from the German frontier.

Three battleships, two British and one French, have been sent to the bottom of the straits of the Dardanelles by Turkish mines, while at least two other warships have been raked by the cannon fire of the Turks and damaged. Both Great Britain and France admit these losses, the first serious ones suffered by the allies since they began their endeavor to pierce the tortuous waterway leading up to Constantinople.

The battleships which met with disaster are the Irresistible and Ocean, which belonged to Great Britain, and the Bouvet, belonging to France. The damaged ships are the British battle cruiser Inflexible and the French battleship Gaulois. Practically the whole of the crew of over 600 men on board the Bouvet were lost, as the vessel sank three minutes after she had come in contact with the mine.



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ODD FELLOWS AND REBEKAHS MEET AT MINERAL WELLS 1916

Much Work Was Accomplished for the Good of the Members—All Left-over Amendments Defeated.

San Antonio, Tex.—The Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Texas wound up Wednesday the affairs of its 1915 convention, while the Daughters of Rebekah organization cleaned its slate completely and adjourned until 1916.

Mineral Wells won in the four-cornered contest for the honor of entertaining the convention next year. The contest was not drawn on sharp lines, however, as the first vote expressed the general will decisively, and the choice of Mineral Wells was made unanimous by a rising vote. The nominating speech by Judge Miller of Dallas was seconded by W. R. Francis of Fort Worth, who served as grand master of the grand lodge last year; W. B. Sebastian of Brackenridge and W. A. Howard of Mineral Wells.

During the session of the grand lodge a surprise came in the form of an overwhelming defeat of all the proposed amendments that had been carried over from last year. By many it had been anticipated that the manner of electing the grand lodge officers would be changed, so that the right of choice would be conferred upon the subordinate lodges, but the attempt to effect this change met with immediate opposition.

Another proposed amendment that suffered instant defeat was that seeking to change the grand lodge's time of convening from 2 o'clock in the afternoon of the third Monday in March to 8 o'clock in the evening of the same day.

Principal of the other proposed amendments were those seeking to limit the tenure of grand lodge officers to ten consecutive years, and to elect representatives to the grand lodge for two years instead of one year.

On the recommendation of the committee on the Widows and Orphans' Home at Corsicana the grand lodge adopted rules and regulations for the government of that institution.

The two banners offered by Dr. Cates of Abilene for the largest increase in lodge membership during the year were won by Jourdanston Lodge No. 907 and Electra Lodge No. 883, which reported gains of twenty-four and thirty-five members, respectively.

The Rebekah officers elected were: Mrs. Amelia Blank of San Antonio, president; Mrs. Minnie Brown of Tyler, vice president; Mrs. Nellie C. Littler of Fort Worth, grand warden; Mrs. J. Alexander of Cisco, secretary; Mrs. Mamie Dale Brown of Iowa Park, treasurer; Mrs. Myrtle Wynne of Beaumont, member of the advisory board, and Dr. B. J. Hubbard of Kaufman, grand messenger.

A concert by the girls' orchestra of the Widows and Orphans' Home of the Odd Fellows at Corsicana was a feature of the session of the Rebekah assembly.

General Scott Pacifies Indians.

Washington.—A laconic telegram to the war department Sunday from Brigadier General Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff, at Bluff, Utah, announced that the general was bringing in the four Piute Indians who recently led a band of their tribesmen on the war path when the federal authorities murdered. The message, addressed to Secretary Garrison, said: "Successful. Have four Piutes desired by Marshal Nebeker, and am at their desire personally conducting them to Salt Lake to turn over to Marshal Nebeker. Am leaving everything peaceable behind us in Southern Utah."

NEW LEGISLATIVE MEASURES SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

Governor Ferguson Has Put His Signature to Several Bills, Thus Making Them Law.

Austin, Tex.—Governor Ferguson has signed the following measures: Senate bill No. 40—The working woman's 54-hour law.

House bill No. 545—Mills county road law.

House bill No. 535—Amend Houston county road law.

House bill No. 531—Camp county road law.

House bill No. 502—Amend charter of Gainesville.

House bill No. 604—Increase authority and duties of commissioners court of Orange county.

House bill No. 597—Appropriating \$4,000 for suppression of charbon or anthrax.

House bill No. 579—To require governor to appoint hide and animal inspectors for Bee, Duval, Live Oak, Maverick and Walker counties.

House bill No. 511—Amend Van Zandt county road law.

Senate bill No. 389—Angelina county road law.

Senate bill No. 769—Giving authority to members of the Agricultural and Mechanical College board to sign warrants in the absence of the president.

Strike Oil Vein Near Dallas.

Gainesville, Tex.—The Snyder Oil Company of Dallas, which is drilling an oil well six miles north of Dexter, has struck a fair sized vein of oil at 400 feet.

Peace Congress Dates Are Set.

Washington.—It was announced from the headquarters of the American Peace Society this week that the fifth American Peace Congress will be held in San Francisco in September or October next.

Bonham Mayoralty Nominee.

Bonham, Tex.—In the second primary held Tuesday to select a democratic nominee for mayor Joe Thurmond was nominated.

Abandoned Tract Yields Oil.

Lake Charles, La.—Sloan A. Emerson this week brought in a 1,000-barrel gusher in the Edgerly field on part of a lease abandoned by the Gulf Refining Company as unproductive.

Armed Guards Placed in Yards.

Kansas City, Mo.—Armed guards were stationed both inside and outside of the stock yards pavilion Friday, where French and British representatives are inspecting 26,000 horses for their governments.

Military Governor Resigns.

Brownsville, Tex.—General Antonio Y. Villarreal, for the past year constitutional military governor of Nuevo Leon, Mexico, has resigned and crossed into the United States.

Belgians to Raise German Pigs.

Brussels.—One million German pigs have been billeted on the civilian population of Belgium. The pigs must be fed and cared for by the Belgians, without distinction as to class.

Noted Portrait Painter Is Dead.

Washington.—Eliphalet Fraser Andrews, who painted several of the portraits now in the White House, including those of Martha Washington and Dolly Madison, died Friday, aged 60.

Fire Causes a Loss of \$10,000.

New Braunfels, Tex.—A large shed of the Landa industries, filled with feedstuffs, burned Saturday, entailing a loss of about \$10,000.

TOMMY'S AMBITION IN LIFE

Not a Very High One, but Extremely Complimentary to His School Teacher.

Many of the teachers attending a recent teachers' convention at Portland, Me., had good stories to tell. One young and rather pretty teacher from Lincoln county told the following:

"It has been my custom to encourage discussion on subjects outside the lesson papers, and along this line I one day spoke of ambition. After I had set before the class the desirability of having high aims I asked my pupils what each planned to be. One wanted to be a doctor, another president, another an aviator, another an electric car motorman, another an engineer on a railroad, and so on around the class, until I reached Tommy.

"Tommy is a bright, handsome youngster of seven years, and I was expecting him to want to be someone of great importance in the world. I was puzzled to find him plainly much embarrassed. He didn't want to tell me his ambition, but finally asked if he might whisper it to me. Much interested, I gave him permission, and he trudged up to my desk. Even there he hesitated.

"Come, come, Tommy!" I said, somewhat impatiently. "Tell me what it is you want to be in life."

"He raised himself on tiptoes and slipped one arm about my neck as he whispered, 'Your—your husband!'"

—The Sunday Magazine.

Honi Soit Qui Mal Y Pense.

It was recess. Two small boys were having a somewhat rough struggle, and when one received an unexpected hard blow he exclaimed:

"If you don't look out, you'll end up in a place that begins with H and ends with L!"

A passing teacher, hearing the remark, scolded the boy severely for what he had said.

"Well," replied the boy, after a pause, "I'm sure I don't know what you're talking about. I only meant hospital."—The Sunday Magazine.

Easily Explained.

His Fiancee—"Tell me, count, why do you always kiss my hand?"

The Count—"Are you not left-handed?"

His Fiancee—"Yes."

The Count—"Then that is ze hand with which you sign ze checks, is it not?"—Puck.

A Saving Period.

"It is a good thing that baseball was not among the old Roman sports."

"Why not?"

"Why, the audiences would always have insisted on killing the umpire."

Was Overmade.

"He is a self-made man, is he not?"

"Yes, except for the alteration made by his wife and her mother."

Comparatively Speaking.

"Science is in its infancy."

"Still, it's a pretty bright baby for its age."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

The White House baby having been named, the minor affairs of the nation may proceed.

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SYNOPSIS.

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Warrington, an American adventurer, and James, his servant, with a caged parrot, the trio known up and down the Irawaddy as Parrot & Co., are bound for Rangoon. Elsa Chetwood, rich American girl tourist, sees Warrington and asks the purser to introduce her. He tells her that Warrington has beaten a syndicate and sold his oil claims for \$20,000. Warrington puts Rajah, the parrot, through his tricks for Elsa and they pass two golden days together on the river. In Rangoon, Warrington interferes in a row over cards caused by an enemy, Newell Craig. Elsa is annoyed by Craig and stabs him with a hatpin. Warrington discovers Elsa on the Singapore steamer. He avoids her. Craig is aboard and is warned by Warrington who ceases to avoid Elsa. Craig stirs up evil gossip. Elsa tells Warrington of the hatpin incident and he hunts up Craig, on murder bent. He finds him stretched out drunk on deck and turns the hose on him. At Penang Mallow, who drove Warrington from his plantation when he learned his story, comes aboard. Warrington tells Elsa that Mallow and Craig both will tell that he spent money that did not belong to him over the gambling table to Craig, and asks her not to speak to him again. Mallow hates Warrington, who keeps his temper. At Singapore Elsa calls on her father's old friend the American consul general. Mallow calls and relates the steamer-erosses about Elsa. Warrington also calls and sends a cable to the Andes Construction company, offering to restore the stolen money if they will lift the ban. Elsa defends Warrington to the consul general, who is dubious. Elsa dines at the consul general's and meets the old English colonel who cut her on the ship. He apologizes, talks with her about conventional society rules and tells her that Warrington's real name is Paul Ellison.

CHAPTER XV.

A Bit of a Lark.

Mallow gave Craig one of his favorite cigars. The gambler turned it over and inspected the carnelian label, realizing that this was expected of him. Mallow smiled complacently. They might smoke as good as that at the government house, but he rather doubted it. Trust a Britisher to know a good pipe-charge; but his selection of cigars was seldom to be depended upon.

"Don't see many of these out here," was Craig's comment, and he tucked away the cigar in a vest pocket. "They cost me forty-three cents apiece, without duty." The vulgarian's pleasure lies not in the article itself so much as in the price paid for it. On the plantation Mallow smoked Burma cheroots because he really preferred them. There, he drank rye whisky, consorted with his employees, gambled with them and was not above cheating when he had them drunk enough. Away from home, however, he was the man of money; he bought vintage wines when he could, wore silks, jingled the sovereigns whenever he thought someone might listen, bullied the servants, all with the childish belief that he was following the footsteps of aristocracy, hoodwinking no one, not even his kind. "I'm worth a quarter of a million," he went on. "Luck and plugging did it. One of these fine days I'm going to sell out and take a whack at that gay Paris. There's the place to spend your pile. You can't get your money's worth any place else."

Paris. Craig's thought flew back to the prosperous days when he was plying his trade between New York and Cherbourg, on the Atlantic liners, the annual fortnight in Paris and the Grand Prix. He had had his diamonds, then, and his wallet of yellow-backs; and when he had called for vintage wines and choice Havanas it had been for genuine love of them. In his heart he despised Mallow. He knew himself to be a rogue, but Mallow without money would have been a bold predatory scoundrel. Craig knew also that he himself was at soul too cowardly to be more than despicably bad. He envied Mallow's absolute fearlessness, his frank brutality, his strength upon which dissipation had as yet left no mark; and Mallow was easily forty-five.

"When you go to Paris, I'd like to go along."

"You've never let on why they sent you hiking out here," Mallow suggested.

"One of my habits is keeping my mouth shut."

"Regarding your own affairs, yes. But you're willing enough to talk when it comes to giving away the other chap."

"You can play that hand as well as I can." Craig scowled toward the dining room doors.

"Ha! There they come," said Mallow, as a group of men and women issued out into the cafe veranda. "By gad! she is a beauty, and no mistake. And will you look at our friend, the colonel, toddling behind her?"

"If you could get a good look at her when she's angry, you'd change your tune."

Mallow sighed audibly. "Most women are tame, and that's why I've

fought shy of the yoke. Yonder's the sort for me. The man who marries her will have his work cut out. It'll take a year or two to find out who's boss; and if she wins, lord help the man!"

Craig eyed the group which was now seated. Two Chinamen were serving coffee and cordials. Mallow was right; beautiful was the word. He poured out for himself a stiff peg and drank it with very little soda.

"Haven't seen the crow anywhere, have you?"

"No, nor want to. Leave him alone."

"Afraid of him, eh?"

"I'm truthful enough to say that I'm damned afraid of him. Don't mistake me. I'd like to see him flat, beaten, down and out for good. I'd like to see him lose that windfall, every cent of it. But I don't want to get in his way just now."

"Rot! Don't you worry; no beach-comber like that can stand up long in front of me. He threatened on board that he was going to collect that fifty pounds. He hasn't been very spry about it."

"I should like to be with you when you meet."

Mallow grinned. "Not above seeing a pal get walloped, eh? Well, you get a ringside ticket. It'll be worth it."

"I don't want to see you get licked," denied Craig irritably. "All I ask is that you shelve some of your cocksureness. I'm not so dead broke that I must swallow all of it. I've warned you that he is a strong man. He used to be one of the best college athletes in America."

"College!" exploded Mallow. "What the devil does a college athlete know about a dock-fight?"

"Ever see a game of football?"

"No."

"Well, take it from me that it's the roughest game going. It's a game where you put your boot in a man's face when he's not looking. Mallow, they kill each other in that game. And Ellison was one of the best, fifteen years ago. He used to wade through a ton of solid, scrapping, plunging flesh. And nine times out of ten he used to get through. I want you to beat him up, and it's because I do that I'm warning you not to underestimate him. On shipboard he handled me as you would a bag of salt; damn him! He's a surprise to me. He looks as if he had lived clean out here. There's no booze sign hanging out on him, like there is on you and me."

"Booze never hurt me any."

"You're galvanized inside," said Craig, staring again at Elsa. He wished he knew how to hurt her, too. But he might as well throw stones at the stars.

"How would you like to put one over on this chap Ellison?"

"In what way?"

Mallow smoked for a moment, then touched his breast pocket significantly. "Not for mine," returned Craig. "Cards are my long suit. I'm no second-story man, not yet."

"I know. But supposing you could get it without risk?"

"In the first place, the bulk of his cash is tied up in letters of credit."

"Ah, you know that?"

"What good would it do to pinch those? In Europe there would be some chance, but not here where boats are two weeks apart. A cable to Rangoon would shut off all drawing. He could have others made out. In cash he may have a few hundreds."

"All gamblers are more or less yellow," sneered Mallow. "The streak in you is pretty wide. I tell you, you needn't risk your skin. Are you game to put one over that will cost him a lot of worry and trouble?"

"So long as I can stand outside the ropes and look on."

"He has a thousand pounds in his belt. No matter how I found out. How'd you like to put your hand on it if you were sure it would not burn your fingers?"

"I'd like to, all right. But it's got to be mighty certain. And the belt must be handed to me by someone else. I've half a wonder if you're not aiming to get rid of me," with an evil glance at his tempter.

"If I wanted to get rid of you, this'd be the way," said Mallow, opening and shutting his powerful hands. "I'm just hungering for a bit of a lark. Come on. A thousand pounds for taking a little rickshaw ride. Ever hear of Wong's? Opium, pearls, oils and shark fins?"

"No."

"Not many do. I know Singapore like the lines on my hands. Wong is the shrewdest, most lawless Chinaman this side of Canton and Macao.

Pipes, pearls and shark fins. Big money. Wong's the man to go to. Want a schooner rigged out for illicit shell hunting? Want a man shanghaied? Want him written down missing? Go to Wong."

"See here, Mallow; I don't mind his being beaten up; but what you say doesn't sound good."

"You fool, I don't want him out of the way. Why should I? But there's that thousand for you and worry for him. All aboard!"

"You don't love Parrot & Co. any more than I do."

"No. I'd sleep better o' nights if I knew he was broken for keeps. Too much red tape to put the United States after him. How'd you rig him?"

"Faro and roulette. They never tumble. I didn't have anything against him until he ran into me at Rangoon. But he's stepped in too many times since. Is this straight?"

"About lifting his belt? Easy as falling off a log. Leave it to me. His room is on the first gallery, facing southwest. You can chalk it up as revenge. I'll take it on as a bit of good sport. Wong will fix us out. Now look alive. It's after nine, and I'd like a little fun first."

The two left the cafe veranda and engaged a pair of rickshaws. As they jogged down the road, Warrington stepped out from behind the palms and moodily watched them until the night swallowed them up. He had not overheard their interesting conversation, nor had he known they were about until they came down the steps together. He ached to follow them. He was in a fine mood for blows. That there were two of them did not trouble him. Of one thing he was assured: Somewhere in the dim past an ancestor of his had died in a Berserk rage.

He had been watching Elsa. It disturbed but did not mystify him to see her talking to the colonel. Table-chance had brought them together, and perhaps to a better understanding. How pale she was! From time to time he caught the flash of her eyes as she turned to this or that guest. Once she smiled, but the smile did not lighten up her face. He was very wretched and miserable. She had taken him at his word, and he should have been glad. He had seen her but once again on board, but she had looked away. It was best so. Yet, it was as if fate had reached down into his heart and snapped the strings which made life tuneful.

And tomorrow! What would tomorrow bring? Would they refuse? Would they demand the full penalty? Eight thousand with interest was a small sum to such a corporation. He had often wondered if they had searched for him. Ten years, in the midst of these cogitations he saw the group at the table rise and break up. Elsa entered the hotel. Warrington turned away and walked aimlessly toward town. For hours he wandered about, seeing nothing, hearing nothing; and it was long past midnight when he sought his room, restless and weary but wide awake. He called for a stiff peg, drank it, and tumbled into bed. He was whirled away into broken dreams. He was in the Andes, toiling with his girders over unspeakable chasms. A shifting glance at the old billiard room in the club, the letter, and his subsequent wild night of intoxication, the one time in his life when he had drunk hard and long. Back to the Indian deserts and jungles. And he heard the shriek of parrots.

The shriek of parrots. He sat up. Even in his dream he recognized that cry. Night or day, Rajah always shrieked when someone entered the room. Warrington silently slid out of bed and dashed to the door which led to the gallery. A body thudded against his. He caught hold. The body was nude to the waist and smelled evilly of sweat and fish oil. Something whiplike struck him across the face. It was a queue.

Warrington struck out, but missed. Instantly a pair of powerful arms wound about him, bearing and bending him backward. His right arm lay parallel with the invader's chest. He brought up the heel of his palm viciously against the Chinaman's chin. It was sufficient to break the hold. Then followed a struggle that always remained nightmarish to Warrington. Hither and thither across the room, miraculously avoiding chairs, tables and bed, they surged. He heard a ring of steel upon the cement floor, and breathed easier to learn that the thief had dropped his knife. Warrington never thought to call out for help. The old fear of bringing people about him had become a habit. Once, in the whirl of things, his hand came into contact with a belt which hung about the other's middle. He caught at it and heaved. It broke, and the subsequent tinkling over the floor advised him of the fact that it was his own gold. The broken belt, however, brought the fight to an abrupt end. The oily body suddenly slipped away. Warrington beheld a shadow in the doorway; it loomed there a second against the skyline, and vanished. He ran to the gallery railing, but it was too dark below to discern anything.

He returned to his room, breathing hard, the obnoxious odor of sweat and fish oil in his nose. He turned on the lights and without waiting to in-

vestigate, went into the shower room and stood under the tepid deluge. Even after a thorough rub-down the taint was in the air. The bird was muttering and turning somersaults.

"Thanks, Rajah, old sport! He'd have got me but for you. Let's see the damage."

He picked up the belt. The paper money was intact, and what gold had fallen he could easily find. He then took up his vest . . . and dropped it, stunhed. The letter of credit for half his fortune was gone. He sank back upon the bed and stared miserably at the fallen garment. Gone! Fifty thousand dollars. Someone who knew! Presently he stood up and tugged at his beard. After all, why should he worry? A cable to Rangoon would stop payments. A new letter could be issued. It would take time, but he had plenty of that.

Idly he reached for the broken cigar that lay at the foot of the bed. He would have tossed it aside as one of his own had not the carnelian band attracted his attention. He hadn't smoked that quality of tobacco in years. He turned it over and over, and it grew more and more familiar. Mallow's!

CHAPTER XVI.

Who Is Paul Ellison?

For some time Warrington sat upon the edge of the bed and studied the cigar, balanced it upon his palm, as if striving to weigh accurately Mallow's part in a scrimmage like this. The copra grower assuredly would be the last man to give a cigar to a Chinaman. Mallow, rich, was Mallow disposed of, at least logically; unless indeed it was a bit of anticipatory reprisal. That might possibly be. A drunken Mallow was capable of much, for all that his knowledge of letters of credit might necessarily be primitive.

Yet Mallow was no fool. He would scarcely take such a risk for so unstable and chancelly a thing as revenge of this order. Craig? He hadn't the courage. Strong and muscular as he was, he was the average type of gambler, courageous only when armed with a pack of cards, sitting opposite a fool and his money. But Craig and Mallow together. . . . He slipped off the label. It was worth preserving.

With an unpleasant laugh he began to get into his clothes. Why not? The more he thought of it, the more he was positive that the two had been behind this assault. The belt would have meant a good deal to Craig. There were a thousand Chinese in Singapore who would cut a man's throat for a Straits dollar. Either Mallow or Craig had seen him counting the money on shipboard.

He looked at his watch; quarter after two. If they were not in their rooms he would have good grounds for his suspicions. He stole along the gallery and down the stairs to the office, just in time to see the two enter, much the worse for drink. Mallow was boisterous, and Craig was sullen. The former began to argue with the night manager, who politely shook his head. Mallow grew insistent, but the night manager refused to break the rules of the hotel. Warrington inferred that Mallow was demanding liquor, and his inference was correct. He moved a little closer, still hidden behind the potted palms.

"All right," cried Mallow. "We'll go back to town for it."

"I've had enough," declared Craig sullenly. "Let's cut out booze and play a little hand or two."

"Fine!" Mallow slapped his thigh as he laughed. "Nice bird I'd be for you to pluck. Think of something else. The billiard hall is open."

Craig shook his head. When Mallow was argumentative it was no time to play billiards.

"Bah!" snarled Mallow. "Since you won't drink like a man nor play billiards, I'm for bed. And just as the fun was beginning!"

Craig nudged him warningly. Mallow stalked away, and Craig, realizing that the night was done, followed.

Warrington had seen and heard enough. He was tolerably sure. It might have been out of pure devilry, so far as Mallow was concerned; but Craig had joined in hope of definite profits. A fine pair of rogues!

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Wrong Position for Sleep.

Sleep cannot knit up the raveled sleeve of care or do any other reparative knitting, if the head is bent sharply to an acute angle with the collar joints. Frequently men and women who have slept in this supposedly objectionable fashion for years and years suddenly lose the capacity for sleep with no new discoverable reason. It is difficult to convince them that the elasticity and resiliency of youth has heretofore made up for their lifelong awkward pose.

Quite Small.

"Young Dobson seems quite proud of the fact that his employer has not reduced his salary because of the financial stringency."

"I daresay that's because he's already getting a salary which might be called an 'irreducible minimum.'"

TEXAS NEWS

A new bank has been opened at Waller, Texas.

A boy scout troop has been organized at El Campo.

The Texas hardware jobbers met in Houston last week.

Corpus Christi is preparing to spend \$500,000 for street paving.

Fredericksburg, Texas, is now experiencing a building boom.

A company has been formed and is drilling for oil near Rockdale.

Lewis Chamberlain, Jr., has been appointed postmaster at Burnet.

Houston's first "jitney" bus has appeared on the streets of that city.

A bridge will be built at Seabrook by Harris and Galveston counties.

St. Patrick's Day was observed throughout Texas last Wednesday.

The Texas Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., was in session at San Antonio last week.

The physicians of Southwest Texas met in convention at San Antonio recently.

The second producer has been brought in in the new Thrall oil field near Taylor and there is considerable excitement.

Peace officers of Houston have planned a sweeping crusade to rid that city of criminals.

Preparations are under way for the boring of an oil well near Brenham, in Washington county.

Guards at Waco watched prisoners saw the bars to their cells and then slipped the jail delivery.

The new supreme court bill increasing the number of judges in Texas has been signed by the governor.

The Mexia-Waco gas pipe line is within eight miles of being completed, twenty-five miles already having been laid.

Fig and orange growers of the gulf coast at a meeting in Houston recently perfected plans for marketing their products.

Sol Z. Gordon of Houston was elected past commander of the Maccabees at their quadrennial session at Temple last week.

The twenty-ninth semi-annual reunion of the Scottish Rite Masons of the Valley of Galveston was held in that city last week.

The Houston & Brazos Valley railroad from Freeport to Anchor, in Brazoria county, is improving the condition of its roadbed.

The Texas legislature has extended the open season for doves two months, and for quail and bob whites reduced one month.

Miss Gladys Baumgart has been selected queen of the firemen's thirty-fourth annual Maifest which will be held at Brenham, May 27 and 28.

Floresville county will soon have two new iron bridges—one is to be over the San Antonio river and the other over Pecos creek, near Floresville.

To grow good corn in Texas one must use good seed on good ground well prepared. Choose the variety of seed that makes the best yields in your locality.

Two new steel bridges will be erected in Bell county at once. One over Ades creek, on the Moffat air line road, and the other on the Belton-Sulphur Springs road.

Gabino Vezcerra, a resident of El Paso, arrived in Galveston from Vera Cruz, Mexico, on steamer, and claims to have lost \$151,923 in Mexican money while at sea.

Interested prospectors are planning to drill for oil at Mineral, in Bee county. It is claimed water wells there discharge gas in sufficient quantities to burn when a lighted match is applied.

State Fire Marshal English has mailed out to all fire marshals and fire chiefs in Texas copies of the new fire escape law which will become effective ninety days after adjournment of the Texas legislature.

Heads Wanted

We want every man's and boy's head in Grapeland to wear away one of the stylish, new spring hats we are showing. Our range of styles is large, and the prices are appealing. Anything you want in Felts or Straws.

Men's Felt Hats
\$1.50, \$2.00, \$3.00

Men's Straw Hats
\$1.50, \$2.00, \$3.00

Boys' Felt Hats
50c, 75c, \$1.00

Boys' Straw Hats
25c, 50c, \$1.00

Children's wash Hats
50c

Children's Cloth and Straw hats 25c and 50c. Silk Hats, light, airy and cool--the very thing for outing wear, 50c.

A big line of work straws.

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THURSDAY, MAR. 25, 1915

YES, WE GUESS SO

Our young friend, A. H. Luker of the Grapeland Messenger, is showing the effects of spring. In the last issue of that paper he says: "You never saw a wax figure dressed up in a show window that looked as good as the real article in the same clothes." Go it, young man, you are doing nicely.—LaGrange Journal.

What do you mean, doing nicely? And what has a wax figure got to do with the spring fever? Besides, didn't you know we were a married man?—Grapeland Messenger.

No well regulated married man should be guilty of making such comments as you made in reference to the wax figure and the real article. Sir Albert, you deserve to be punished.—Bonham Favorite.

Letting good enough alone is alright, but it never gets you to the top of the ladder.

There's lots of peace talk floating around in this country, but apparently our voices fail to carry across the briny deep.

County Clerk A. S. Moore reports the sale of marriage license on the decline. Due no doubt to the high cost of meal tickets.

The Huntsville Post-Item was destroyed by fire last Friday. We extend Editor Davis sympathy in this loss and hope he will soon re-establish his plant. The Post-Item was one of the oldest papers in the state, being in its sixty-third year.

England and Germany appear to be making it a war on the stomach, and believe us, that kind of war will produce results.

Ben Ford has leased the Cherokee Sun at Rusk and is publishing a splendid paper. We welcome the Sun to our exchange desk.

Unless the slaughter of men across the water should suddenly come to an end, men of marriageable age will be commanding a handsome premium by mid-summer.

The legislature adjourned Saturday after a very quiet and business-like session. A special session will likely be called by the governor about May 1st.

Quite a number of improvements are going on in the city and more in prospect for the immediate future. Let the good work go on and prosperity be unconfined!

The old fashion man who used to come to town astride of "old Beck" with his "saddle riders" now has a son who burns the wind a mile a minute in an automobile.

News dispatches say that American merchants are getting a foot-hold on South American trade. If the war continues for any considerable length of time, probably they will shove in a whole foot.

The Jacksonville Daily Progress has recently increased its size to a seven column paper to accommodate its growing advertising patronage, and the Banner of the same city last week installed a linotype machine. That certainly indicates prosperity for that section of the country.

The hard freeze of Sunday night capped the climax of a week of extremely cold weather and no doubt the fruit crop has been seriously damaged. However, we noticed a statement from a Jacksonville grower to the effect that March freezes do not hurt fruit. Let us hope the gentleman is correct.

Palestine's new hotel was opened to the public last Thursday night with a big banquet which was attended by many prominent people from over the state. Palestine has been without adequate hotel facilities for a long time and this new holestry will no doubt be duly appreciated by the citizenship as well as the traveling public.

The black-eye pea industry will mean much to the farmers of the Grapeland country, if no bad luck happens, for this crop comes off in July just at a time when cash is almost an unknown quantity. The demand for black-eye peas has always been strong and there is every reason to believe that the price will be very satisfactory.

The free seed graft indulged in by congressmen is indefensible. The money thus wasted, which runs up into the thousands could be utilized to a much better purpose. We cannot understand why men of such intellect as congressmen are supposed to have will continue to squander the people's money in such a wasteful manner.

George E. Darsey jr., who is a student of Southwestern at Georgetown, is spending the week here with his parents.

LOCAL NEWS FROM CROCKETT

Louis Cook, mention of whose illness was made in last week's paper, died Wednesday morning and was buried Thursday afternoon in Glenwood cemetery, Rev. D. H. Hotchkiss of First Methodist church conducting the services. The floral offerings were very pretty and numerous. The young man was unusually bright and intelligent, strictly moral, and numbered his friends by the score. The city school adjourned out of respect to his memory, the ninth grade (of which he was a member) and tenth grade attending the exercises in a body.

The funeral of Judge J. G. Barbee of Wharton occurred in this city Friday afternoon from First Methodist church, the pastor officiating. Mrs. I. S. Roberts, a niece and her daughter, Miss Marian of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hughes and daughter and Mr. W. B. Barbee, son, of Wharton, were in attendance. A large delegation of personal friends from many points of the state were also here. Judge Barbee was a citizen of Crockett many years ago, taking part in everything that tended to build up the town and county. During his residence in Wharton he has filled many public positions of trust, at the time of his death being County Commissioner. He is survived by one brother, Col. N. B. Barbee of this city; two sisters, Mrs. B. F. Frymier of Crockett and a Mrs. Gay of South Texas. Judge Barbee's wife, a sister of City Marshall Fifer, will remain here a few days before returning home. It required a special conveyance to transport the floral offerings to the cemetery.

Mrs. Alonzo Grounds of Palestine, visiting relatives near Crockett, was accidentally shot and seriously wounded the first of last week. Her condition has very much improved the past week and physicians say that she will soon be able to be up. She was looking through a trunk, when her little five year old child walked up and getting an automatic pistol from the tray, pointed it at her and pulled the trigger. The ball passed entirely through the lower part of one limb, grazing the other.

Misses Rivers Barron, Principal of High School at Prairie Point, Adelle Smith, primary teacher at Porter Springs and Miss Della Rains of Rockland High School faculty, were in Crockett Saturday.

Last Saturday was pay day for the white teachers of Houston county and many were in town to get what was coming to them. County Sup't. Snell was kept quite busy all day examining and passing upon reports and vouchers, approving approximately \$3,500 worth of claims.

At the court house on last Saturday, there was a meeting of the trustees of the common school districts of the county, and an unusually large number were present, nearly every district in the county being represented. Permanent organization was affected and County Sup't. J. N. Snell was elected permanent chairman. There being one trustee to be elected in precinct No. 4, two candidates were nominated to make the race. W. M. Bumgarner and F. M. Patton were selected. It was the opinion of the meeting that only the patrons of that precinct should take part in this election.

For County Trustee at large (one to be elected), the following parties were selected to make the race: J. H. Rosser and Nat Patton.

The following resolutions were unanimously passed:

1st. That the voters of precinct No. 4, Common School District, should elect their own trustees, they of course being allowed a voice in the selection of a trustee for the County-at-Large.

2nd. That the trustees of all Common School Districts throughout the county, by virtue of their office, are members of the association, and as such are subject to the call of the chairman not less than one day in each scholastic year.

3rd. That the organization meet with the next meeting of the Houston County Teachers' Institute at least one half day, longer if feasible.

A great deal of enthusiasm was manifested, short talks being made by many. It is the purpose of the organization to bring into closer fellowship the different trustees of the county and work for the common good of all. Sup't. Snell has worked hard to perfect this organization and is to be congratulated on the success of the initial meeting.

DISTRICT COURT OPENS

Crockett, Texas, March 22.—The spring term of the District Court was opened this evening by Judge John S. Prince of Athens. The grand jury was organized with T. R. Deupree of this city as foreman, the charge to this body being a general one.

The criminal docket was set for Monday, April 5. 1 criminal case was set, Joe Williams, murder, April 14, and a venire of 50 men was ordered.

E. L. Simpson was appointed door bailiff, and the following as riding bailiffs: C. C. Mortimer, Crockett; John Scarbrough, Augusta; Spoon English, Ratcliff; Rhode Cook, Porter Springs; Jno. Guinn, Weches; Bully Taylor, Grapeland; H. W. Thornton, Weldon; Houston Betts, Crockett; Arthur Holcomb, Augusta. The last two named are riding bailiffs at large for the whole county.

One divorce case was tried, Phillis Guice vs Bennet Guice, granted.

Visiting attorneys here: N. B. Morris of Palestine and W. L. Dean of Huntsville.

See Clewis' new spring samples. They are beauties. adv

New Arrivals

Every week, in fact every few days new goods arrive at our store, and you should visit us often to keep up with the new things. Below we have a partial list of goods that have arrived

THIS WEEK

Navy Blue and Black Shepherd Check Suiting, UTILITY Gingham--New Patterns, New Lace and Embroidery Patterns, New Spring Jewelry, including all the latest novelties in Hair Pins, Castle Combs, Friendship Pins, Peace Pins, Tie Clasps, etc. Tennis Shoes for big, little, old and young.

You can get just the pattern you want right out of our big stock of Standard Patterns. Get a fashion sheet free. New patterns ARRIVE MONTHLY.

Geo. E. Darsey

ROCK HILL HAPPENINGS

March 22.—We have been having a long rainy season, but now we are pleased to see some pretty weather.

Our debating society met Friday night week. We sure had a nice time. The subject was compulsory education. The affirmative speakers were Richard Streetman and George Kyle; negative, John Warren and Dewey Willis. The negative won a warm victory. Our next meeting will be Friday night, March 26th. We have a good subject and some good speakers. Come and be with us. Little Joe.

Mrs. G. E. Whitley, who has been visiting her sons in Ft. Worth, has returned to Grapeland to spend the summer with relatives.

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In Dry Goods that are sure to please you--The Season's latest weaves. Let us show them to you.

Just DITTMAN on Shoes is enough.

Clothing that suits all occasions. Let us put one on you.

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LOCAL NEWS

Clewis needs your business. ad
Miss Maude McCarty visited in Crockett this week.

The Houston Chronicle is now handled by Arnold Clewis. adv.

Mrs. Walter Conoway is visiting her mother east of town.

New spring samples arrived. adv
Clewis.

Joe Adams of Crockett was here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ellis of Crockett were Grapeland visitors Sunday.

Mrs. J. W. Howard returned Monday from Crockett where she has been visiting relatives.

The Crockett road is being worked this week and will be put in first-class shape.

John Willis of the Rock Hill community went to Crockett Saturday on some business matters.

W. D. McMahon and Mrs. T. J. Coulter were married last Thursday, Esq. Jno. A. Davis officiating.

W. H. Whitescarver of Manning has joined his wife and daughter here for a visit with relatives.

Bred to lay S. C. Brown Leghorn eggs, 75c per setting by parcel post. J. E. Gray, adv Apr 1 Grapeland, Route 3

Prickly Ash Bitters cures disease of the kidneys, cleanses and strengthens the liver, stomach and bowels. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. adv.

L. Robertson of Round Rock spent Sunday and Monday here with S. E. Howard. Mr. Robertson was here for the purpose of finding a suitable location.

FERTILIZER

I have a small amount of fertilizer on hand and those desiring any had better get it at once, as there will be a small amount available this year. See me at once. J. W. HOWARD. adv.

Welcome Information

Most middle aged men and women are glad to learn that Foley Kidney Pills give relief from languidness, stiff and sore muscles and joints, puffiness under eyes, backache, bladder weakness and rheumatism. They get results. Contain no harmful drugs. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. adv.

FOR SALE

Small mule, well broke and gentle. Will sell cheap or trade for cattle.
See J. R. Richards. adv

We are requested to announce that Rev. John T. Poe will preach at Midway tonight (Thursday) and a cordial invitation is extended the public to hear him.

Best Treatment For Constipation

"My daughter used Chamberlain's Tablets for constipation with good results and I can recommend them highly," writes Paul B. Babin, Brushly, La. For sale by all dealers. adv.

The "Up-to-Date" Electric Lantern with its many conveniences is a necessity in every household. The price is reasonable. JNO. R. OWENS, adv. Agent.

FEED MAIZE HEADS

I have just received a car load of maize heads. It is the best and cheapest feed you can buy. See me at once as this supply will not last very long. adv. J. W. Howard.

We are requested to announce a singing at Oak Grove Sunday morning, beginning at 9:30, conducted by W. R. Campbell and others. A special invitation is extended to the public and all good singers to attend.

NOTICE!

I have one Jersey sow and pigs for sale and one nice gilt and some goats that I will sell cheap; a few more bushels of those pure Mebane cotton seed left. Ford Newman, Route 3. adv.

Where can you invest money more profitably than by buying a bottle of Prickly Ash Bitters—you get four for one. A kidney medicine, a liver tonic, stomach strengthener and bowel cleanser. Four medicines for one dollar. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. adv.

FOUND!

Some money—\$99.00 more or less. Owner may have same by calling on me, telling the amount and describing it and paying for this advertisement. adv. L. Q. Browning.

Nothing so thoroughly removes disease germs from the system as Prickly Ash Bitters. It gives life and action to the torpid liver, strengthens and assists the kidneys to properly cleanse the blood, gives tone to the stomach, purifies the bowels, and promotes good appetite, vigor and cheerfulness. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. adv.

GRAPELAND SCHOOL NEWS

Ross Brock, Editor
Robert Sadler & Arnold Clewis
Asst. Editors

Examination week has rolled around again. It looks like they come here mighty quick.

We are very sorry to report that Miss Ora Ward has withdrawn from school to move to Amarillo, Texas.

Paul Kent was absent Thursday.

Chapel exercises were conducted by the ninth and tenth grades Wednesday, by the seventh and eighth grades Friday, and by Mr. Jackson Monday. All were greatly enjoyed.

There were three new pupils enrolled Monday in the seventh grade. They were Misses Beatrice Bean, Erie Bridges and Zillie Wilkins.

William Sewell was absent Friday and Monday, also Arland Skidmore Tuesday and Wednesday.

The boys are still working out on the track team. They practice every afternoon.

Misses Perlina and Carrie Spence were absent Friday.

George Darsey, Jack Murchison and Charlie Jones were absent Friday. They went to Elkhart with the play that was presented there.

A large flag has been earned for the school by selling twelve dozen pencils. Miss Kennedy's room deserves special mention, for they sold five dozen. The flag is to be placed on top of the school building and there will be exercises when the flag is raised.

The Interscholastic meet is to be held in Crockett next Saturday. A number of entries have been made by the school, including track high jump, discus throw and shot put. We will be represented in declamation by Robert Sadler, and Misses Maude Eaves and Mary Lou Darsey. Others representing the school are Jack Murchison, Clarence McCarty, Ben Frisby, Chas. Jones, Adelaide Selkirk, Harry Richards and Willis Shaver.

The Friday Evening Club of Miss Hill's room held its regular meeting Friday afternoon, but on account of some of those on for pieces being absent, there was but a short program, after which there was a spelling match.

Guy Lively was absent Thursday and Friday.

The literary society for Friday night is attracting much comment. The Antrim literary society will be the guests of the evening. They bring a team which according to reports has not been defeated in debate this year. The subject is: Resolved, That, Capital Punishment in Texas Should be Abolished.

To the Housewife

Madam, if your husband is like most men he expects you to look after the health of yourself and children. Coughs and colds are the most common of the minor ailments and are most likely to lead to serious diseases. A child is much more likely to contract diphtheria or scarlet fever when it has a cold. If you will inquire into the merits of the various remedies that are recommended for coughs and colds, you will find that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy stands high in the estimation of people who use it. It is prompt and effectual, pleasant and safe to take, which are qualities especially to be desired when a medicine is intended for children. For sale by all dealers. adv

RAISING FEEDSTUFF

By A. U. Streetman

March 22, 1915.

Dear Editor:

I would like to discuss this feed proposition through the Grapeland paper, as there has been so much said about it.

I began in 1910 with the old North Carolina peanuts with less than two acres and pulled half of them up for hay, which was as fine as you ever saw; made hay enough to feed one large mule all he needed.

In 1911 it was too dry, and they were not suited for this country. I began in 1912 with the Spanish peanuts and peas also, and found the speckle peas the ticket for hay, saved enough to feed one mule on a small place all he needed.

In 1913 had three acres; cut enough to feed two head of horses all the hay they needed. Then I made a baler and baled this hay and then I replanted the same ground the 4th day of August in peas and raised a fine crop of pea vines for pasture and to fertilize the land.

In 1914 I had three acres of peas, cut the first crop and saved for hay; picked the peas and thrashed them and planted same ground the 3rd day of August; cut that crop of hay and saved it, which was two crops of hay on the same ground in one year. I saved all the hay one good pair of mules and a horse would need. I feed these mules 20 good ears of corn per day and the balance of their feed is hay, and they stay able to work every day. I look no man in the face for my feedstuff since I have learned to make and save hay.

There is no need of buying feedstuff in this country. I could say to all small farmers to leave 2 acres for every horse or mule out of the cotton land, but not from the corn land, to plant peas for hay. With good land well cultivated, the feed proposition would not be so hard another year.

You need not think that you can't save this hay and that you will have to have mowers and rakes, for all farmers have mowers and most of them have rakes. Take up your old cotton hoes, file them sharp, chop them off at the ground, get your hay forks, or pitch-forks, as some call them, and that is all the tools you need for saving hay. Cutting peas with a hoe is a little hard, but I do that. It comes off in July when hands are idle and weather is good to save hay.

Since I began to save hay, about four years ago, there are nearly a dozen families saving all their hay and some have hay to

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CARRANZA AND VILLA FORCES TO MIX IT SOON

REPORTS FROM NEAR TAMPICO CLAIM BIG ARMIES HAVE GATHERED THERE.

RANCHES LOOTED BY BANDITS

British Consul Pierce and Family Hurriedly Depart From the Troubled Republic—Black Smallpox Takes Hand.

Washington.—Reports to the state department and to the Mexican agencies Monday continued to indicate that Villa and Carranza forces are massing near the coast in Northern Mexico for what may be the most decisive battle fought since Huerta was overthrown.

Advices to the state department from Tampico said the Carranza forces were "retreating to Victoria and that the Villa forces were marching on Victoria." This was thought to mean that at least a considerable part of the Tampico garrison had marched inland to join the army assembling to meet the oncoming Villa troops. The same dispatch said it was reported that in Tampico now were approximately 2,500 Americans, 300 British subjects, 50 Italians, 50 French, 2,000 Spaniards and 2,000 Chinese.

A report to the department from Laredo, dated March 20, indicated that a large Villa force was on its way to attack Nuevo Laredo. Other reports told of an outbreak of black smallpox in Campeche, of the killing and theft of live stock by looters in the vicinity of San Carlos, Coahuila, and of the robbing of stores in Guaymas by a mob which resented the refusal of Chinamen to accept fiat money. The governor, the dispatch said, had ordered 100 soldiers to Guaymas to punish the mob leaders.

The Villa agency made public reports that General Chao, leading the southern division of the campaign against Tampico, had penetrated beyond Ebano to a point less than ten miles from Tampico, and that the vanguard of the Villa army operating against Matamoros had reached Reynosa, sixty miles from Matamoros. The civil population, it was said, was fleeing from Matamoros to Brownsville, Texas.

Secretary Bryan and Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador, conferred Monday over a new danger menacing the Yucatan sisal hemp supply from which must come the twine to bind this year's crop of wheat in the United States and Canada. Earlier both the secretary and the ambassador had received a committee of Yucatan citizens who said that Carranza officials at the port of Progreso were burning stores of sisal and threatening growers and shippers with heavy taxation and penalties because of their refusal to accept a Carranza governor.

Galveston, Tex.—Arthur Peirce, for forty-four years British consul at the port of Progreso, Mexico, with his family of twelve, have fled for their lives from Mexico. They were of a party of 215 residents of Yucatan that arrived in Galveston Sunday on the Norwegian steamship Nils, after she had been literally driven out of Progreso at gun point. Practically every large grower of sisal grass in the Progreso district, the most of whom made their homes at Merida, with their families, are on the steamship, refugees from Mexico. Homes, plantations, business houses, everything was abandoned by the refugees when they left. Such things as they could carry—gold, jewelry, etc.—were hurriedly gathered and brought aboard.

The steamship Nils left Galveston one week ago for Progreso for a cargo of sisal. It was evidently the belief of the soldiers that patrolled the town that she had brought ammunition.

Washington.—A protest was sent by the United States Friday to General Villa against the collection from Americans or other foreigners of part of a special tax of 1,000,000 pesos levied at Monterrey.

The British embassy had brought to the attention of the state department a report just received from Monterrey saying that the British-owned light and power company there had been called upon to pay \$35,000 as its share of the new tax.

Just how the general assessment was to be apportioned the state department was not informed, but the understanding was that General Villa had laid an omnibus tax on the city, leaving it to the city authorities there to raise the money in whatever way they saw fit. The order was dated March 16, it was said, and fifteen days was the time given in which to raise the money.

REGULAR SESSION OF LEGISLATURE ENDS

EXTRAORDINARY SESSION PROBABLY WILL BE CALLED TO BEGIN ON APRIL 29.

GOVERNOR VETOES TWO BILLS

A Total of 1108 Bills Were Introduced in Both Branches, 427 in Senate and 681 in House; Senate Passed 104 and House 150.

Austin, Tex.—With a record of 254 bills finally passed, two of which have been vetoed by Governor Ferguson, the first regular session of the thirty-fourth legislature of Texas passed into history at 2:40 Saturday afternoon, although the official clock recorded that it was but 12 o'clock, its hands having been repeatedly turned back to enable the enrolling clerks to get bills into shape for official signature.

A total of 1,108 bills were introduced in both branches, 427 in the senate and 681 in the house. The senate passed 104 and the house 150.

Among the bills that died was the Hill penitentiary reform bill, which was passed by both senate and house and conference report agreed to, but at the last minute it was found that the caption had not been amended to conform with the body of the bill and it was called from the house for correction. When it got back to the house there was no quorum in that body and after waiting until nearly 3 o'clock sine die adjournment was taken and the bill was left a corpse on the field of hasty legislation, having been introduced early in the session and bearing number 7.

In the thirty-third legislature there were 494 bills introduced in the senate and 903 in the house. There were 27 senate joint resolutions in 1913 against 22 this session; 43 house joint resolutions in 1913 against 45 this year; 32 concurrent resolutions in 1913 in the house against 22 this year.

Senator W. J. Townsend, Jr., of Angelina was unanimously elected president pro tem of the senate for the interim between the regular and special sessions.

The final message of the governor dismissing the legislature with his commendation and good wishes came late in the day.

"To the Legislature: Replying to the respectful request of your honorable committee for submission to you by me of any further matters that I might desire to bring before you before the official adjournment of your honorable body, I beg to advise that there are no matters which will at this time be submitted by me for your official consideration.

"However, I am glad of the opportunity to express to you my deep and sincere appreciation of the patriotic services which you have so signally rendered the State in the passage of the many wise laws at your hands. I thank you most cordially for the loyal support and co-operation rendered me as the governor of the State, and I take this opportunity to thank personally each individual member of this legislature, and to wish each of you GodsPEED to your home and loved ones. Yours truly,

"James E. Ferguson,
"Governor of Texas."

The cost of the first session of the thirty-fourth legislature in cash to the State is about \$126,000 in per diem, mileage and contingent expenses. There was appropriated \$125,000 for mileage and per diem and \$30,000 for contingent expenses and less than \$130,000 has been expended, leaving more than \$20,000 on hand.

A special session will be called about April 29.

Friday's Senate Proceedings.

Austin, Tex.—Immediately after the senate was convened Friday morning a resolution was adopted inviting former Senator Julius Real of Kerrville, the only republican to serve in the Texas senate in late years, to address the body, which he accepted, and spoke for a few minutes, recalling the days when he was a member of the senate.

"There is one thing about which I wish to speak to you," said Mr. Real, "and that is the passage of the Gibson bill. I understand that it will be submitted to you in a message from the governor for action during the called session, and I hope you will pass it, for Texas needs the benefit of the cheaper money which it would bring."

The first measure to be considered was the penitentiary bill, a house bill by Mr. Hill, which was passed to third reading Thursday night after several amendments had been adopted. The bill passed finally without debate Friday morning and was sent back to the house and later to conference.

A house joint resolution by Mr. Beard of Milam, submitting a constitutional amendment permitting coun-

ties to levy an ad valorem tax not to exceed 50c on the \$100 valuation for the maintenance of public schools, was passed without debate.

Senator Brelsford offered an amendment striking out the clause permitting the governing boards of the state university and the A. and M. College to issue bonds. A similar amendment offered by Senator Sulter had been defeated by a vote of 19 to 10, but it was adopted Friday by a vote of 21 to 9. Vote on final passage was taken and the measure passed by a vote of 21 to 8.

The senate passed a house bill by Messrs. Furth and Blalock permitting the commissioners court of Harrison county to appropriate \$1,000 for farm demonstration work in that county.

The house bill by Mr. Wagstaff amending the present bonded warehouse law as to permit a farmer to own more than \$1,000 of stock in a warehouse was passed.

Friday's House Proceedings.

Austin, Tex.—Debate on concurring in the senate amendments to the Sackett resolution providing for a constitutional amendment looking to the separation of the university and A. and M. College, and discussion of the special committee report on the alleged attempted bribery of a representative, engaged the attention of the house for the greater part Friday.

A resolution by Mr. Loudermilk was adopted recalling the dentistry board bill from the governor for correction, the record showing that the vote by which the house had finally passed the bill had been reconsidered and not finally disposed of.

A resolution was adopted recalling from the governor for correction the house joint resolution seeking to permit registered voters to vote anywhere in the state outside the counties of their residence.

On motion of Mr. Caldwell the house refused to concur in senate amendments to the bill increasing the pay of appellate court stenographers and asked for a conference committee. The chair named Messrs. Caldwell, Weber, Low, Gates and Nichols on the part of the house.

By viva voce vote the house concurred in senate amendment adding the emergency clause to Mr. Metcalfe's bill providing for removal of dead animals on or near any public highway.

Texas Senate.

Austin, Tex.—Two resolutions of sympathy were the first measures before the senate after it convened for Thursday's session. One was on the death of J. C. Lattimore, superintendent of Waco schools, brother of Senator O. S. Lattimore of Fort Worth, and the other was on the death of Mrs. Eliza E. Wallace, mother-in-law of Governor Ferguson.

The first measure laid before the senate by the chair, a house bill by Mr. Crudington, permitting the members of the supreme court to employ a stenographer for each justice, was warmly debated, and was passed finally with several amendments.

Without debate the senate passed finally a house bill by Mr. Cates requiring the use of fish ladders over chase of school land for homestead purposes during the month of June, 1901; a house bill by Mr. Wagstaff permitting persons holding license to practice law in other states to secure a license in Texas without examination.

The senate accepted the report of the free conference committee on the joint resolution providing that a road tax of 50c on the \$100 valuation may be levied by counties.

The house text book bill, by Messrs. Nordhaus, Burton of Tarrant and Florer, was passed finally as amended.

The senate passed finally the house bill by Mr. Dixon of Harris providing for the recording of tax receipts with county clerks, as deeds are now recorded, fixing a fee of 25c and requiring county clerks to keep such record books.

The senate passed finally the house bill defining and regulating reciprocal fire insurance contracts.

The Valentine house bill providing for local option free text books was laid before the senate and was passed finally with practically no discussion.

Texas House.

Austin, Tex.—All day Thursday the house worked with almost feverish anxiety to pass finally all the measures pending on third reading.

The following measures were passed Thursday:

Senator Darwin's joint resolution, which seeks a constitutional amendment permitting the issuance of bonds for levees and the drainage of swamp lands sought to be reclaimed.

By Mr. Bland and others: Providing for the suppression of splenic or tick fever and other live stock diseases below the quarantine line.

Senator Harley's bill, authorizing assessment accident insurance companies to require admission fees of not exceeding \$3 each.

Senator Hudspeth's bill, permitting structural iron companies to incorporate.

GREATEST COTTON CROP EVER PRODUCED GROWN IN 1914

Federal Report Shows 1914 Crop Largest and Worth Less Than 1913—War Cost in Cotton Over \$200,000,000.

Washington.—The greatest cotton crop ever produced in the United States was grown in 1914.

Census bureau statistics issued this week, giving final ginning figures, officially place the 1914 crop as a record with 16,102,143 bales of 500 pounds each. That is, 409,442 equivalent 500-pound bales, or 204,721,000 pounds, more than produced in the great crop of 1911.

In addition to the great production of lint cotton, a record quantity of linter cotton, which is extensively used in manufacture of military explosives, was obtained. This cotton, delinted from the seeds at oil mills, amounted to 395,732,000 pounds and brought the total 1914 crop to 16,893,604 equivalent 500-pound bales, or 8,446,803,500 pounds.

While the crop was a record one, the only states to make new records in the production were Alabama, Louisiana and Oklahoma. The other cotton states all came close to their records. Texas produced in 1914 4,580,933 bales against 3,944,970 in 1913.

A feature of the crop was the greatly increased production in California and Arizona, two states where the cotton-growing industry is in its infancy and where a superior quality of the staple is raised.

California's production amounted to 49,835 bales, or 24,917,500 pounds, while Arizona's was 7,142 bales, or 3,571,000 pounds.

Unofficial estimates place the value of the crop, which this season has been greatly reduced by the effect of the European war, at \$570,000,000 for lint. That is based on an average price of 7.2c per pound to producers, and an estimate of 70 per cent as the quantity already sold, with the remainder selling at an average of 7.8c a pound. On the same basis the value of the seed is estimated at \$134,000,000. These together made the estimated value of the 1914-15 crop to cotton farmers \$704,000,000, compared with \$911,000,000, the value of the 1913-14 crop, estimated in the same manner.

The report of the census bureau is: The 1914 cotton crop of the United States aggregated 15,873,002 running bales of lint, or 16,102,43 equivalent 500-pound bales. The department of agriculture Dec. 10 estimated 15,966,000 equivalent 500-pound bales. These figures compare with 13,982,811 running bales, or 14,156,486 equivalent 500-pound bales in 1913, 13,703,421 equivalent 500-pound bales in 1912 and 15,553,973 running bales or 15,692,701 equivalent 500-pound bales in 1911, the three largest crops prior to 1914. Included in the 1914 figures are 121,451 bales which ginners estimated would be turned out after the March canvass.

Round bales included numbered 57,618, compared with 99,962 in 1913, 81,528 in 1912 and 101,554 in 1911.

Sea island bales included numbered 81,598, compared with 77,563 in 1913, 73,777 in 1912 and 119,293 in 1911.

The average gross weight of bales for the crop was 507.2 pounds, compared with 506.2 in 1913, 508 in 1912 and 504.5 in 1911.

Ginneries operated for the crop numbered 24,522, compared with 24,749 in 1913, 25,279 in 1912 and 26,349 in 1911.

Linter cotton, not included in total ginning figures, amounted to 772,276 running bales, or 791,464 equivalent 500-pound bales, compared with 631,153 running bales or 638,881 equivalent 500-pound bales in 1913, 602,324 running bales or 609,594 equivalent 500-pound bales in 1912 and 556,276 running bales or 557,575 equivalent 500-pound bales in 1911.

Widow Pension Act Passed.

Nashville, Tenn.—The house of representatives Friday concurred in senate amendments to the bill which provides pensions for widows or wives of disabled husbands in counties of 50,000 having juvenile courts. The monthly rate is \$10 for the first and \$5 for each additional child. The limit is \$4,000 per annum per county.

Three Robbers Hold Up Interurban.

Houston, Tex.—The interurban car from Galveston, due in Houston at 12:40 Friday morning, was held up and robbed at the Houston Belt & Terminal Company Junction by three masked white bandits, who were all armed with big pistols, and who used wild west methods in their work. They got money and jewelry.

Interurban Robber Overpowered.

Beaumont, Tex.—An attempt was made to rob the last incoming interurban car from Port Arthur about 12:30 Friday night. A young man is in the city jail. He boarded the car just out of Port Arthur. There were four or five passengers on the car. The conductor overpowered the robber.

SAFER CREDITS

The Regional Bank's New Measure Will Help Business Men in Many Ways.

Better credits, rather than an extension of credit, is the much-to-be-desired effect which the Federal reserve act will have on business. The new regional banks will exercise a useful function in assisting member banks to improve the character of their loans.

The most useful function in matters pertaining to health is the digestive system, for it is from this source we receive our daily help in renewing the waste portions of the body, keeping the blood pure and well supplied with red corpuscles, and the general condition up to Nature's standard.

Therefore, watch the digestion and at the first sign of weakness or distress see that immediate assistance is given. This can be efficiently supplied by the use of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters.

It has a well known reputation as a tonic and appetizer and can thus be relied upon to help you regain your appetite, assist the entire digestive system and help Nature in the promotion and maintenance of health.

Make Hostetter's Stomach Bitters your first choice in any ailment of the Stomach, Liver or Bowels. You will find it well worthy of your confidence. Insist on having the genuine.

The Biggest Fool.

Pat was strolling about one day with an Englishman. "Pat," said the Englishman, "I will give that woman sixpence or every penny you give her."

"Right," said Pat, and he gave her ninepence.

When the Englishman had given her his share, "Pat," said he, "which of us was the biggest fool?"

"It was you," said Pat.

"No," said the Englishman, "it was you, for you gave her all you had."

"But," said Pat, "that was my mither."

The Long Talk.

"After I got through with my remarks," said the orator, "the people applauded loudly."

"I joined in that applause," replied Miss Cayenne.

"You were interested."

"Yes, and grateful. I was afraid for a while that you had grown absent-minded and thought you were filibustering."

WONDERFUL HOW RESINOL STOPS ITCHING AT ONCE

To those who have endured for years the itching torments of eczema or other such skin-eruption, the relief that the first use of Resinol ointment and Resinol soap gives is perfectly incredible. After all the suffering they have endured and all the useless treatments they spent good money for, they cannot believe anything so simple, mild and inexpensive can stop the itching and burning INSTANTLY! And they find it still more wonderful that the improvement is permanent and that Resinol really drives away the eruption completely in a very short time. Perhaps there is a pleasant surprise like this in store for you. Resinol ointment and Resinol soap are sold by all druggists.—Adv.

Quite Definite.

"What did the old skinflint leave behind him when he died?"

"Everything he had."

A few short weeks and the house-cleaning microbe will get busy again.

Buenos Aires province, Argentina, has 3,098,250 acres sown to wheat.

Housework Is a Burden

It's hard enough to keep house if in perfect health, but a woman who is weak, tired and suffering from an aching back has a heavy burden.

Any woman in this condition has good cause to suspect kidney trouble, especially if the kidney action seems disordered.

Doan's Kidney Pills have cured thousands of suffering women. It's the best recommended special kidney remedy.

A Louisiana Case

"Every Body Tells a Story."
Mrs. F. F. Gookin, 211 Hanson St., Hammond, La., says: "My system was filled with uric acid and I had sharp pains across my back and shoulders. My kidneys didn't act right and my muscles ached. After doctors' medicine failed, Doan's Kidney Pills fixed me up all right. I have no backache now and my kidneys are well."

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THE WEATHER

Carothers Observatory Forecast. General Weather Movements Due and Their Local Effects, for the Cotton States, March 28 to April 4, 1915.

Cool Wave Series Number K—Due for its next recurrence in Northwest United States March 29, will be a moderate to average movement, for the season, preceded in the west by warmer temperatures and light precipitation. The precipitation will increase as the movement progresses eastward. Clearing and 10 or 15 degrees cooler weather will follow.

Number B—Due April 1, will be an average movement, accompanied by light snowfall, with increasing precipitation in the west as the Cool Wave departs eastward. Seasonably colder weather will result in Northern, Eastern and Southeastern States.

Forecast for the Cotton States.

Sunday to Wednesday, March 29-31—The week will open generally fair and moderately cool in the South and little change of any kind is expected during the first half of the week, while Cool Wave Number K is crossing the country. Light frost temperatures are expected in Northern Alabama and Georgia and in the Carolinas Wednesday and Thursday, but it will be warmer in Middle and Western Cotton Belt.

Thursday to Sunday, April 1 to 4—Unsettled weather will appear in Western Cotton Belt Thursday and it will continue more or less unsettled, breaking into general rains by Saturday. The general rains will be spreading over the South as the new week opens, with no material change of temperatures.

—National Weather Journal, Houston, Texas.

CASH AGAIN IN SIGHT FOR THE TEXAS FARMERS

Texas Industrial Congress Has Prepared Bulletins to Enable Farmers to Secure Cash Prizes.

Bulletins have been prepared for the more than 20,000 Texans who have entered the various contests of the Texas Industrial Congress with a view of winning its large cash prizes through the growth of best crops and farm animals, cost of production considered. Their titles are, "A Garden Bulletin," "Cowpeas," "Corn," "Small Grains," "Kaffir, Milo and Feterita," "Peanuts," "Planting Time," "Fattening Hogs for Market," "The Family Cow" and "Cultivation of the Crop." Copies of these bulletins will go to each contestant. They may be secured by any farmer in the state by enrolling in the contests, for which there is no charge, and which places no obligation whatever on the contestant.

Each of the bulletins has been prepared by competent men and reviewed by specialists. They have dealt particularly with the difficulties and problems which Texas farmers have to face, and do not call for the use of rare and expensive farm machinery or the practice of unknown methods. Further, they are based on Texas soil and climatic conditions and contain nothing that is locally impracticable.

The bulletin on "Hogs for the Market" contains valuable suggestions as to how to select the animals, information as to what and how they should be fed and indicates simple and easy means of keeping them free from vermin and in health. Rations for young pigs are described, and a regular schedule is given of the kinds of foods best suited to hogs of various sizes and ages.

In corn growing, seed selection, deep plowing and cultivation are emphasized. The congress has sent out several thousand "rag doll" corn seed testers; it suggests that six seed from various parts of the ear be used in the tests, and that all ears which show low germinating power be discarded, and that the seed from them should never be used for planting.

Check row planting is especially desirable for corn, as it makes easy more thorough cultivation. Seven hundred tons of water are needed to produce fifty bushels of corn on an acre, and as this falls irregularly, special effort must be used to conserve it as it falls. The bulletin urges frequent shallow cultivation throughout the whole growing season, especially after the ear begins to form. This provides a mulch which acts to retain the moisture in the soil. In fact, each phase of corn cultivation is discussed, and the questions which arise oftenest in the minds of Texas farmers have been singled out and answered, and the congress will be glad to have inquires whenever information is needed.

Texas Corporations Chartered.

- Austin, Tex.—The following Texas corporations were chartered Friday: Pearson-Kirk Mercantile Company of Gorman; capital stock, \$20,000.
- Telluride Power Company of Dallas, capital stock, \$40,000.
- Overland Sales Company of Houston; capital stock, \$1,000.
- Beaumont Cotton Oil Mill Company of Beaumont; capital stock, \$100,000.
- Wharton Methodist church of Wharton; no capital stock.

CALOMEL IS MERCURY, IT SICKENS! STOP USING SALIVATING DRUG

Don't Lose a Day's Work! If Your Liver Is Sluggish or Bowels Constipated Take "Dodson's Liver Tone."—It's Fine!

You're bilious! Your liver is sluggish! You feel lazy, dizzy and all knocked out. Your head is dull, your tongue is coated; breath bad; stomach sour and bowels constipated. But don't take salivating calomel. It makes you sick, you may lose a day's work.

Calomel is mercury or quicksilver which causes necrosis of the bones. Calomel crashes into sour bile like dynamite, breaking it up. That's when you feel that awful nausea and cramping.

If you want to enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone. Your druggist or dealer sells you a 50-cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone under my personal money-back guarantee that each spoonful will clean your

ALL THE PROOF NECESSARY

Surly Man Must Have Been Convinced That He Was Occupying the Other's Chair.

It was the rush hour in the cafeteria, one of these quick-lunch places where you help yourself and grab a chair and use the arm of the chair as a table. A rushed feeder grabbed a slice of pie and copped out a chair. Then he remembered he needed coffee and he dashed over to the service counter. When he returned with his coffee his chair was occupied by another hurry-up diner.

"Excuse me," said the first man, "but that is my chair."

"How do you know it is your chair?" demanded the occupant in a surly tone.

"Because I can prove it," stated the first man.

"How can you prove it?" asked the occupant.

"By your trousers," was the reply. "You are sitting on my pie."

"Labby" as a Diplomat.

In Mr. Thorold's "Life of Henry Labouchere" this story is quoted: The grand duchess of Tuscany had a venerable maid of honor about seventy years of age. She had piercing black eyes, and looked like an old post chaise, painted up, and with new lamps.

"How old do you think I am?" she once asked me with a smirking smile, that caused my blood to run cold.

I hesitated and then said "Twenty."

"Flatterer," she replied, tapping me with her fan. "I am twenty-five."

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Time and the Woman.

Stella—Do you believe in long engagements?

Bella—Well, they are better than long marriages.

—Take CAPUDINE—

For HEADACHES and GRIP. It's Liquid—Prompt and Pleasant.—Adv.

Culinary Result.

"How was it Binks got into such a stew?"

"Because he cooked his reports."

Cupid Outdone.

He was a very devil among women.

"Platonic love," his friends explained.

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Women never discuss anything at a club meeting; they just talk.

sluggish liver better than a dose of nasty calomel and that it won't make you sick.

Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working, your headache and dizziness gone, your stomach will be sweet and your bowels regular. You will feel like working; you'll be cheerful; full of vigor and ambition.

Dodson's Liver Tone is entirely vegetable, therefore harmless and cannot salivate. Give it to your children! Millions of people are using Dodson's Liver Tone instead of dangerous calomel now. Your druggist will tell you that the sale of calomel is almost stopped entirely here.

Choked Him Off.

Young Percy Prunes had persistently paid his attentions to the beautiful girl in the next street. From her point of view they were about as welcome as rent collectors are on setting days.

Once he chanced to get her alone with himself at a Christmas party. They sat down together.

"I—I think I—er—er—I will approach your father tonight. Could you advise as to how I should commence?"

"I consider, sir, that you had better suggest before commencing that he should bear in mind the penalties resulting from violent assault, butchery, manslaughter and damages to person. Papa is so impulsive, you know."—Answers.

Not Ambitious.

The evening meal didn't exactly appeal to little Waldo, and he ate sparingly. Mother, like all mothers, immediately became alarmed, and urged him to eat.

"You must eat something, Waldo," she said, "so you will grow to be a great, big, strong man."

"Mamma, I don't want to be a policeman," the youngster said, making no move to attack his meal.—Indianapolis News.

Important to Mothers
Examine carefully every bottle of **CASTORIA**, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the **Signature of Dr. J. C. Fletcher** in Use For Over 30 Years. **Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria**

In Society's Zoo.
The returned hero was received with open arms.

Society flocked to him in swarms and droves and mobs.

They made a lion of him.

And he? He made a monkey of himself.

YOUR OWN DRUGGIST WILL TELL YOU Fry's Murine Eye Remedy for Red, Weak, Watery Eyes and Granulated Eyelids; No Smarting—Just Eye Comfort. Write for Book of the Eye by mail free. Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago.

A gravity railroad will take visitors around the Panama exposition.

RETORT MUST HAVE STUNG

Effective Rebuke If Recipient Had Not A Hide as Thick as a Hippopotamus.

One may be excused for feeling a little joy when the man who goes out of his way to make a rude remark in order to display his wit receives a rebuke that is as courteous as it is at the same time effective.

The retort given by a certain learned scientist must have been considerably more amusing to the onlookers than it was to the learned gentleman's antagonist.

It happened at dinner that one of the guests began to deride philosophy, and went on rudely to express the opinion that philosophy was but another way of spelling fool.

"What is your opinion, professor?" he asked. "Is there much distance between them?"

The professor, with a polite bow to his vis-a-vis, responded gravely: "Sometimes only the width of a table."

Misconception.

Representative Herman A. Metz, apropos of neutrality, said at a luncheon in Philadelphia:

"Some of these people take a low, debased view of neutrality; otherwise they wouldn't do the things they're doing."

"Their idea of neutrality, in fact, reminds me of the two actors' idea of marriage."

"At the seventh wedding breakfast of the first actor the other, who had himself been married six times, said:

"Well, old man, I thought you had learned by this time that a marriage is nothing but a sentence of hard labor for life."

"Yes," said the other actor, 'but it's a sentence that you can get commuted by bad behavior.'"

Modest Hint.

They were at tea near the college grounds, she quite pretty and engaging despite the fact that she was in Teachers' college, and he an earnest student of the law. They had gone quite far along the pleasant road of romance. He inquired what degree she pursued.

"I aspire to be a M. R. S., she replied demurely.

"I dare say it's hard," he answered, absent-mindedly. Hours afterward, under the green shaded light in his own room, it all came to him suddenly.—New York Evening Post.

Wanted to Quit.

New Recruit—Excuse me, sir. I'm rather "fed up" with this job. I should like to give a week's notice.—London Opinion.

One Dodge.

Knicker—Laugh and the world laughs with you.
Bocker—Weep, and you weep a lone.

Hicks' CAPUDINE

CURES HEADACHES AND COLDS—Easy To Take—Quick Relief.—Adv.

Taking a Fall Out of Hymen.

"She married a stick of a man; a perfect blockhead."

"Sort of a wooden wedding?"
A man who buys a blind horse should also consult an oculist.

FREE ADVICE TO SICK WOMEN

Thousands Have Been Helped By Common Sense Suggestions.

Women suffering from any form of female ills are invited to communicate promptly with the woman's private correspondence department of the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman and held in strict confidence. A woman can freely talk of her private illness to a woman; thus has been established a confidential correspondence which has extended over many years and which has never been broken. Never have they published a testimonial or used a letter without the written consent of the writer, and never has the Company allowed these confidential letters to get out of their possession, as the hundreds of thousands of them in their files will attest.

Out of the vast volume of experience which they have to draw from, it is more than possible that they possess the very knowledge needed in your case. Nothing is asked in return except your good will, and their advice has helped thousands. Surely any woman, rich or poor, should be glad to take advantage of this generous offer of assistance. Address Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., (confidential) Lynn, Mass.

Every woman ought to have Lydia E. Pinkham's 80-page Text Book. It is not a book for general distribution, as it is too expensive. It is free and only obtainable by mail. Write for it today.

Its Uncertainties.
"Do you believe there is going to be a craze for baseball this season?"
"I guess that's a matter of pitch and toss."

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W. L. Douglas shoes are made of the best domestic and imported leathers, on the latest models, carefully constructed by the most expert last and pattern makers in this country. No other make of equal prices, can compete with W. L. Douglas shoes for style, workmanship and quality. As comfortable, easy walking shoes they are unsurpassed.

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CAUTION! When buying W. L. Douglas shoes look for his NAME stamped on the bottom. Shoes thus stamped are always worth the price paid for them. For 22 years W. L. Douglas has guaranteed their value and protected the wearer against high prices for inferior shoes by having his NAME AND PRICE stamped on the bottom before they leave the factory. Do not be persuaded to take some other make claimed to be just as good. You are paying your money and are entitled to the best.

If your dealer cannot supply you, write for Illustrated Catalog showing how to order by mail. W. L. Douglas, 210 Spauld St., Brockton, Mass.

BEWARE OF SUBSTITUTES

Shipping Fever

Influenza, pink eye, epizootic distemper, and all nose and throat diseases cured, and all others, no matter how "exposed," kept from having any of these diseases with **SPHON'S LIQUID DISTEMPER CURE**. Three to six doses often cure a case. One 10-cent bottle guaranteed to do so. Best thing for brood mares. Acts on the blood. 60c and \$1 a bottle. 65c and \$1.00 a dozen bottles. Druggists and harness shops. Distributors—ALL WHOLE-SALE DRUGGISTS.

SPHON MEDICAL CO., Chemists and Bacteriologists, Goshen, Ind., U. S. A.

Death Lurks In A Weak Heart

If Yours Is fluttering or weak, use **RENOVINE**. Made by Van Vleet-Manfield Drug Co., Memphis, Tenn. Price \$1.00

HAYS SPRING HAPPENINGS

March 22.—The March wind is blowing as usual, but not out of the south. It seems as times changes the weather changes too.

I guess as the moon didn't get full in February it thinks it is just a month behind.

The thermometer registered eight degrees below freezing and beyond a doubt the fruit is killed, and fear the trees are injured to some extent. Perhaps lots of corn will have to be replanted, but let's not get discouraged.

Bro. Henderson delivered an able sermon to a large congregation. Among those who attended from Daly's were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dailey. Also Mr. Bynum of Grapeland. We extend a hearty welcome to all.

Our afternoon singing was visited by Fletcher Weiginger and Mr. Bynum. Come again.

Nosickness in the community that we know of.

C. A. Story and family payed a visit to W. W. Spence Sunday.

Bud Huff visited relatives here yesterday.

Cattle buyers seem to be taking the day. There surely must be a great demand somewhere for cattle. The farmer should raise all the cattle he can well take care of, and not knock the calves in the head with the churn dasher, for if a poor yearling will bring twelve dollars a fat one will bring fifteen dollars.

Miss Addie Eaves returned home last Tuesday night from Kosse, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. E. Payne.

Hurrah for the debaters. Hays Spring is behind on debating and a literary society, but some talk is in circulation now of organizing one. Let the good work go on.

JIMMIE.

Quick Action Wanted

When one is coughing and spitting—with tickling throat, tightness in chest, soreness in throat and lungs—when head is aching, and the whole body racked with a cough that won't permit sleep—he wants immediate relief. Thousands say Foley's Honey & Tar Compound is the surest and quickest acting medicine for coughs, colds, croup and la grippe. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. adv.

Wait Paint

There are painters and waiters. Which am I going to do? Paint or wait?

Which is better?

How much am I worth with my property waiting? How much if I paint? Will my house be worth more or less if I paint?

Say it costs \$2.00 a gallon Devco—I wouldn't paint any other—and \$3 or \$4 more for putting it on. That's \$50 or \$60 a ten-gallon job.

The money is gone. Is it in the house? Is it all in the house?

Suppose I were selling; what should I get for that house fresh-painted and what should I get for it needing paint?

I wonder why men paint before selling? DEVOE adv. Kennedy Bros. sell it.

W. T. Azbell, ex-postmaster of Edwardsport, Ind., writes: "I suffered from severe trouble with my kidneys and back. First bottle of Foley Kidney Pills gave me relief." Thousands testify that backache, rheumatism, sore muscles, aching joints and bladder weakness vanished when Foley Kidney Pills were taken. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. adv.

WHY PEOPLE READ THE ADS

Suddenly ask twenty people why they read the advertisements in the Messenger every week, and fifteen of the twenty will probably hesitate and stammer and become more or less embarrassed before they can call to mind the real reason why they read the ads.

People buy this paper and read it for two very simple reasons—they want to know the news of their home community and they want to know of the commercial advantages that are placed before them each week in its advertising columns.

The Messenger goes out each week to an enlightened people—to a people who are accustomed to think and act for themselves, to a people who know what they want and want to know where they can get it.

Hence, the natural course for them to pursue in their search for information is to turn to the advertising columns of the local paper. The live merchant knows this—recognizes the fact that he is catering to a people of high mental attainments, and shapes his business policy to meet their commercial desires.

Such merchants live, and prosper, and grow with the community. Their advertisements are constantly placing the desirability of their goods before the buyer, and the merchant is thus brought into contact with the buyer through the medium of his advertisement.

The information contained in the advertisement saves the buyer the time of chasing from place to place in search of some article of which he stands in need. It thus becomes a saver to the buyer and impulse which spurs him on to a constant perusing of the advertising in the paper. This habit of reading the ads is growing upon the people day by day, for the public realizes that it is the one and only sure means of reducing the "killing of time" to a minimum.

These are strenuous days and time is money, and the well written advertisement becomes a thing of great value to the consumer as well as to the seller.

Of late years the consumer has become educated up to the standard of expecting the merchant who wants his trade to talk to him through the medium of his advertisements in the local paper.

And the merchant who talks thusly does the business.

For the Stomach and Liver

I. N. Stuart, West Webster, N. Y., writes: "I have used Chamberlain's Tablets for disorders of the stomach and liver off and on for the past five years, and it affords me pleasure to state that I have found them to be just as represented. They are mild in their action and the results have been satisfactory. I value them highly." For sale by all dealers. adv.

Mrs. J. C. Patterson and Mr. W. W. Clark of Birmingham, Ala., and Mrs. Greenholch of Blossburg, Pa., after a ten days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Thompson, east of town, left for their homes last Saturday.

Recommends Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

"I take pleasure in recommending Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to my customers because I have confidence in it. I find that they are pleased with it and call for it when again in need of such a medicine," writes J. W. Sexson, Montevallo, Mo. For sale by all dealers. adv.

NEW PROSPECT HAPPENINGS

March 21.—Well, we can say that the weather man has hit it just right this year and the Ground Hog sure saw his shadow, for we never had such cold weather in March before.

Nearly everybody has planted corn and if it does not warm up will have to plant over, and all the young gardens are sure looking sick. I for one would sure like to see a good warm spell, so as to get ready for canning. I am going to join a canning club and I sure want to make a record in canning, that is, if I can raise enough vegetables to can, and I sure mean to try. Almost everyone is going to try to have a good garden and live at home and not out of paper sacks.

Our literary society met again March 19 and an excellent program was rendered. We decided to postpone the debating society for three weeks instead of two, as the school will be out in three weeks and we will have our society then. Our next meeting will be April 9. The question debated was, "Resolved That the U. S. should intervene in the affairs of Mexico." Affirmative, Louis Herod and Bob Parker; negative, Fred Bridges and Herod Parker. Both sides handled the subject well and the contest was a warm one. The affirmative won. The judges were Glover Long, Ed Musick and W. W. Finch.

Mrs. Collins and family of Oak Grove visited Mrs. Z. A. Parker today.

Lela Mae Kent Parker is back on a visit to relatives in this community.

We are sorry to learn that Mrs. Dora Ritchie is sick and hope she will soon recover.

Bro. Wright filled his appointment the second Sunday and a large crowd was out to hear him. The Methodist pastor announced that the Methodist revival would be held in June. Alma Mater.

MEMORIAL PROGRAM

For service to be held at Evergreen Cemetery Thursday, May 6th.

Opening address by W. F. Murchison 10:30 a. m.

Address by G. W. Henderson 11:15 a. m.

Address by Rev. Aron Foster 2 p. m.

Address by Rev. Pack, 2:30 p. m.

Singing to be conducted by Mr. H. J. Shaw. All are invited to come and bring their books.

The following committee is appointed to look after the finances for the cemetery: Mrs. J. E. Elliot, Mrs. H. F. Newman, Mrs. John Daniels and Miss Susan Hendricks.

G. E. Bishop,
J. H. Dickey,
G. R. Sewell,
Committee.

This—And Five Cents

Don't miss this. Cut out this slip, enclose five cents to Foley & Co., Chicago, Ill., writing your name and address clearly. You will receive in return a trial package containing Foley's Honey and Tar Compound, for coughs, colds and croup. Foley Kidney Pills, and Foley Cathartic Tablets. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. adv.

Mrs. J. E. Spence was carried to Palestine Tuesday night and Wednesday morning was operated on for appendicitis, from which she has been suffering for quite awhile. She was accompanied by her husband and Drs. McCarty and Hill.

HUSBAND RESCUED DESPAIRING WIFE

After Four Years of Discouraging Conditions, Mrs. Bullock Gave Up in Despair. Husband Came to Rescue.

Patron, Ky.—In an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side.

The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good.

I had gotten so weak I could not stand, and I gave up in despair.

At last, my husband got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I commenced taking it. From the very first dose, I could tell it was helping me. I can now walk two miles without its tiring me, and am doing all my work."

If you are all run down from womanly troubles, don't give up in despair. Try Cardui, the woman's tonic. It has helped more than a million women, in its 50 years of continuous success, and should surely help you, too. Your druggist has sold Cardui for years. He knows what it will do. Ask him. He will recommend it. Begin taking Cardui today.

Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. J-6a

The "Up-to-Date" Electric Lantern

Have you seen the "Up-to-date" Electric Lantern? If you haven't you should. It burns a common telephone battery, which will burn an hour a day for 53 days, or used as a common lantern is generally used, one battery will last from two to five months. It is handy and can be used anywhere. No wires to get disconnected; always ready for use. It is just as cheap as an oil lantern, gives a better light and insures you against danger of fire. Every farmer should have one. Call at the Messenger office and see it's demonstration. The price is in reach of everyone.

JNO. R. OWENS, adv Agent.

Nervous weakness or palpitation of the heart indicates disorder in the stomach and indigestion. Prickly Ash Bitters is a wonderful remedy in such cases. It cleanses, strengthens and regulates the stomach, liver and bowels, removes the cause of the heart symptoms and builds up a strong and vigorous body. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. adv.

The young people comprising the Dramatic Club went to Elkhart last Friday and that night presented "Dot, the Miner's Daughter," to a large and appreciative audience. The people of Elkhart were very kind and hospitable to them and treated them royally, entertaining them in their homes. The young people say they want to go there again with another play.

HOUSEHOLD HELPS

Boiling water will remove tea or coffee stains and many fruit stains if poured over them before any soap is used.

A raw potato cut in half will clean marks off black material. A black serge garment can be made spotless and as new, if washed in potato water.

If black cashmere aprons are washed in cold water with a little soap, then rinsed in plain cold water and hung in the air to dry, they will keep a very good color. Warm water will turn them a rusty black.

Arnold Clewis now has the agency for the Houston Chronicle, and would appreciate your subscription to this splendid afternoon paper. adv.

FOR SALE

What young man or young lady wants to take a business course in the Tyler Commercial College? We have a scholarship for sale, which we will dispose of at a discount. If interested see us at once. The Messenger.

J. W. CASKEY BARBER

Your Business will be Appreciated

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