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## New Company to Drill at Toyah

Toyah Oil and Mineral Co. Chartered—May Open El Paso Office

The Toyah Oil and Mineral Co., of Texas, has been granted a charter by the State of Texas with a capital of \$25,000.

The charter is "for the purpose of the establishment and maintenance of oil companies, with authority to contract for the lease and purchase of the right to prospect for, develop and use coal and other minerals, and petroleum; also, the right to erect, build and own, all necessary oil tanks, cars and pipe lines necessary for the business."

The company owns without encumbrance some land in Toyah basin not far from the Texas company's holdings, on which it intends to drill wells on about the first of the coming year, it announces.

J. M. Ware, its president, prospected in the Toyah field several months the past spring and from the indications there he says he thinks the Toyah field will be one of the greatest fields yet discovered. Prior to prospecting in the Toyah fields he was in the oil fields of Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. The secretary and treasurer of the company, J. H. Hislop, is from the oil regions of Ohio, his native state.

The company is now contemplating opening an office in El Paso.

## Light and Ice Plant Making Extensive Improvements.

The Ice and Light plant is now practically out of doors. They are building a large concrete addition, putting in a large boiler, tanks, etc., preparatory to running everything by steam.

They are also putting in a large plant for the distillation of water. This water will be used by the steam laundry, for running the machinery and for many other purposes for which pure water is required.

Manager Charske says they have nothing of importance to give out yet, but thinks in the course of 30 days he will have some pleasing information for boosters of Pecos.

## He Was Nobody's Son

Forty years ago a baby was picked up on the streets of Knoxville, Tennessee. The baby had no name, for his parents were unknown. Ten years later a kind-hearted man adopted the waif, giving him a name and an education.

On November 8, 1910, the waif—Benjamin W. Hooper—was elected governor of Tennessee.

Garfield once said: "I never meet a ragged boy on the street without feeling that I may owe him a salute, for I know not what possibilities may be buttoned up under his shabby coat."

Let's give everybody's boy the best chance we can to make the most of himself—that's the lesson of Governor Hooper's experience.—Dallas Dispatch.

Los and Fred Gentry have struck a fine well of soft water on their holdings 13 miles north of town at a depth of 150 feet.

## The Man of the Hour

"The Man of the Hour," one of the biggest successes New York has ever known, will be at the Music Hall Friday night, December 10th, and it is safe to say that it will receive a glorious welcome. "The Man of the Hour" is of interest to everyone, rich or poor, young or old. It is pure in its dialogue and innocent in its fun and all of its suggestions. When many of the plays that are now being presented are forgotten, "the Man of the Hour" will remain green in memory. A cast of unusual excellence will present the play here with a complete new scenic production.

## WHALEY WINS PRIZE

Commercial Secretary of Pecos Wins Prize for Best Photograph of Pecos Flowing Well

Porter A. Whaley, secretary of the Pecos Commercial Club, has received notices from New York to the effect that he had won the second prize in the photographic contest in Leslie's Weekly in the issue of November 17th. The photo by which he won the prize was an artesian well located in the Pecos Irrigated Belt.

## Growth of Dry Farming.

That "dry farming" is becoming a very important factor in the United States is very apparent everywhere. Not only is it gaining largely in the trans-missouri region in which the practice is absolutely necessary, but many of the older states in the "wet" belt are embracing the scientific methods of cultivation as taught by the "dry farmer."

Scientists and farmers are discovering that while such a system is absolutely necessary in the arid belt, it is a good thing anywhere and many are doubling their crop yields by taking up the practices of "dry farming" and working them out to good advantage.

The United States government, a few years ago condemning the work of the "dry farm" missionaries, is now working very interestedly in the endeavor to spread the gospel. The government has just issued two bulletins, Nos. 187 and 188, of the Bureau of Plant Industry, dealing with the subject and, in transmitting them for publication, the acting chief of the bureau recommended that they be printed at once, "owing to the wide interest in this work." These books give the result of government research at all of the stations in the arid regions and should be of great value to farmers in determining just what crops will thrive best on a given amount of rainfall.

These bulletins are for free distribution and every farmer should write and get one. A postal card or letter addressed to the Bureau of Plant Industry, U. S. Agricultural Department, Washington, D. C., will bring these booklets. Even the irrigator can well afford to give them a study, for he may be able to gain many facts about soil cultivation of which he is now in ignorance.—El Paso Herald.

T. B. Pruett was attending to business in Grandfalls a couple of days this week.

## Pecos Votes Bonds for School Building

Almost as a Unit Pecos Stands for a Better School Building and Increased Tax.

On Tuesday an election was held for the purpose of voting additional bonds to the amount of \$5000 for the completion of the new public school building, which resulted as follows: There were 138 votes cast—134 for the bonds and 4 mutilated tickets—making the vote unanimous.

For the 12 cent special school tax, 132 for and 6 against.

This shows a spirit of unanimity such as is required in the upbuilding of every city of importance. United in every laudable enterprise which tends to the upbuilding and advancement of our town and county, Pecos and Reeves county will continue to forge to the front until we have a county and town second to none in this whole western country.

## The Old-Fashioned Father

Recently a woman lecturer asked, "what has become of the old-fashioned father?" and in replying to her own question declared that "the modern father is a mere source of supplies." In many cases, he is nothing more. He goes forth and shuffles with other shufflers for money enough to buy food and raiment and for other things for the modern mother and her modern daughters and modern sons, in order that they may imitate the lillies of the field. This is what the father does. He is the "source of supplies" on whom the others depend, and as such he has a certain sort of standing in his own household. When he goes to his long account he is missed more or less, generally less, if he left a comfortable fortune behind. His sons-in-law and his daughters-in-law enjoy his substance, and everybody bears his death with great fortitude. But so long as he is a "source of supplies" he is a handy person to have around.—Nashville American.

## Government Land Sold at Fort Davis.

Twenty-two blocks of government land, averaging about 10 acres to the block, were sold to home people, with one exception, Mr. Mills, who lives near Fort Worth, but expects to move to Fort Davis soon and locate, being one of the buyers. The price paid for the land averaged a little more than \$100 per acre. This land formed the historic old Fort Davis military reservation.

## Lecture Free.

Rev. J. C. Burkett, just returned from Palestine and other Eastern Countries, will lecture at the Baptist church tonight, Friday, Dec. 2nd. All our people are invited to hear him.

J. B. COLE.

Chas. Morgan has just completed a well 25 miles south of town for John Sanders. It is a fine well with an abundance of water. He has put in a large windmill and gasoline engine and proposes to irrigate.

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### DEFEAT THE BONDS!

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ment be Agreed to.

### Enthusiastic and Important Meeting

Pecos After Fourth Railroad.—Cement Plant May Locate  
Here.—Better Railroad Service Between Pecos  
and New Mexico Points Probable.

At a meeting of the Commercial Club held this afternoon, which was attended by the members of the City Council, by the executive committee of the club and by many men prominent in the business life of Pecos, the question of sewerage bonds to be voted on tomorrow, December 3rd, was discussed from every standpoint, and it was the unanimous sentiment of all present that the contract with the engineering company as at present existing is vague and indefinite and that unless the engineering company will agree to a postponement of the election sixty days hence that the issue should be defeated at the polls tomorrow. The idea for a postponement is occasioned by reason of the fact that sixty days additional time can be secured the city will have an opportunity of so amending their contract with said company as to fully satisfy the city, and unless the engineering company agrees to a postponement the commercial club will advise that the voters

defeat the issue. Mayor Prewit at a late hour this afternoon sent a wire to the O'Neill Engineering Co. asking their advice regarding the postponement. The substance of the whole thing is the Record at the request of the commercial club respectfully asks all citizens to defeat the bond issue if election be held tomorrow, because if it is held tomorrow the city's rights will not be protected according to the understanding of some fifty leading business men who today so decided. If this extension be made it is safe to say all errors will be corrected and satisfactory contracts drawn and that Pecos will vote the bonds for a magnificent sewerage system.

Prior to the discussion of the sewerage question the matter of securing an extension of the Rock Island system from Texico to Pecos was taken up, and on unanimous motion President Johnson appointed a committee consisting of R. S. Johnson, M. L. Swinehart and Secretary Whaley to take the matter up immediately.

A proposition was presented by M. Beverly in person to locate a \$100,000 cement factory in Pecos which was fully discussed and resulted in the president appointing a committee of three with W. D. Cowan chairman, to take the matter up in detail with the gentleman. The matter of better railroad service between Pecos and Roswell was discussed and a petition presented by the commercial club of Carlsbad read and the secretary instructed to get signatures to same. It was a good meeting, one that meant business for Pecos and the Record wishes to state that Pecos is extremely fortunate in having such an energetic body of business men on the lookout for good things for her, and they will get them too. The editorial page of this issue was printed before this meeting, but it is safe to say that when the contracts are properly drawn up Pecos will vote almost solidly for sewerage bonds.

### SIAM'S KING AND HIS TEMPLES.

Once a year all the Buddhist temples in Siam are visited by the king, or his deputies, bearing the Phra Kathin (yellow robes), in conformity with an ancient custom by which the priests were made to seek their apparel for the ensuing year. During the lifetime of Buddha, monks and priests were sent out to beg for old, cast-off garments, which were afterward dyed yellow and patched together to form the required robes. This ancient mendicant custom gradually gave place to the present one of making the garments from new cloth of a bright canary yellow, provided by joint contributions of king, princes, nobles and commoners. When the king goes in the royal throne barge to present the robes in person he does so with great pomp and ceremony. The priestly garments, folded in bundles, are carried to the door of the temple to await the appearance of his majesty and his suite. The king, on arriving, takes a priestly robe and places it on a decorated altar.—Wide World Magazine.

### ONE CERTAIN LINE OF SAFETY

Avoidance of Loss of Life Through  
Snake Bite Reduced to the  
Minimum.

In the handling of snakes both natives of India, in spite of all the chicanery which is mixed up with snake-charming, and, even more conspicuously, perhaps, the Moqui Indians of North America, acquire a dexterity and apparent immunity from danger which seem unattainable by white men; and perplexing tales are told of the magical efficacy of snake-stones, as used by Indian snake-catchers, in the cure of the bites of both cobra and krait, on authority so distinguished that science, with all its superciliousness, cannot altogether disregard them. But as a general rule it may be laid down that, for man or mongoose, the only certain safety lies in keeping outside the range of being bitten. Fortunately a snake, "more subtil than any beast of the field," rarely goes out of its way to attack.

### SAINT IN DISREPUTE.

The festival of St. Thomas of Canterbury, from being perhaps the most popular of saints' days in England, has now fallen into complete desuetude and its revival is not advocated by even the most fervent of Anglo-Catholics. It was Henry VIII. who destroyed the Becket tradition. The king was (as always) in need of money and the shrine of St. Thomas in Canterbury cathedral seemed a suitable object for legalized loot. So in 1538 an order was issued that the bones of the saint should be burned and the offerings made at his shrine—the trophies of three centuries and a half—forfeited to the crown. Becket was to be decanonized, his images to be destroyed and his name erased from all the service books. The work was faithfully performed. "The name of Geta," writes Dean Stanley, "has not been more carefully erased by his rival brother on every monument of the Roman empire."—London Chronicle.

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**DISTRICT COURT  
STILL GRINDING**

Anthony-Ball Land Case Takes up Considerable Time—Petit Jury For Next Week.

E. D. Balcom was held in contempt of court for non-attendance and fined \$10. Fine remitted.

T. E. Brown fined \$10 for contempt of court for non-attendance.

Taxes, costs and penalties having been paid in the following tax suits the cases were dismissed: The State of Texas vs. Juan Lyles, Leah Merit, C. R. Rottke, M. J. Delaney, Rider-Johnson Realty Co., T. H. Salsedo, J. H. Tom, F. W. Wilcox, I. C. Welborn, and several unknown owners.

The grand jury reported the following indictments: One case for theft for value under \$50 which was transferred to county court. One embezzlement case, one case of theft of over \$50 and two cases for selling intoxicating liquor in local option territory, besides the two cases reported in last issue, making a total of seven indictments.

In the case of W. L. Coalson vs. J. E. Brown, plaintiff takes nonsuit, costs against plaintiff.

J. O. Martin, Jr., vs. J. H. Cook, et al., set for Monday, Dec. 5.

E. E. Marr vs. Arno Co-Operative Irrigation Co., set for today.

W. F. Griffith vs. Dandridge & Pugh, case set for today.

Geo. D. Wells, trustee, vs. Arno Co-Operative Irrigation Co., set for Tuesday, the 6th.

Wilson-Popham Cattle Co. vs. Pecos River Railroad Co., continued by agreement.

Harvey Bankston et al. vs. Pecos River Railroad Co., continued by agreement.

Frank Divers vs. Pecos River Railroad Co., continued on motion of defendant.

In the matter of the Anthony-Ball suit the jury, after sweating a couple of days, returned a verdict in favor of Ball. The case will be appealed, so say Anthony's attorneys.

Following is a list of the petit jury for next week:

G. T. Boyd, W. H. Drummond, C. S. Whitesides, W. L. Ross, Will Page, D. H. Mitchell, E. L. West, Henry Aven, T. E. Rowden, Max Ritz, J. Y. Powell, W. H. Casey, W. H. Matthews, Vertner Gage, E. R. Patterson, G. W. Dwyer, Jr., Glen Mansfield, G. W. Fletcher, W. T. Moseley, F. H. Curry, J. K. Blackard, M. L. Roddy, Felix Scholtz, C. W. Goedeke, J. L. Vawter, J. C. Hollebeke, B. F. Capps, J. H. Tom, F. M. Boykin, Webb Courtney, Rudolph Hoefs, C. W. Capps, E. R. Thomas, Young Bell, J. W. Brady, H. E. Barber.

**Today.**

Cream Puffs, Cream Puffs and other good things to eat at Eisele's Bakery.

The Means Cattle Company are building some large pens north of the Santa Fe stock pens where they expect to feed a big bunch of cattle during this winter.

We are agents for the celebrated line of Kingsbury hats; they sell for \$3.00.—W. T. Read Merc. Co.

Kent Harrison, Hall Harrison and Herbert Baistow went to Fort Stockton and spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. C. Horton.

We are glad to report that Judge Hefner was able to be out in his yard Tuesday, the second time since his illness.

Watch This Paper For Our  
**HOLIDAY AD**

Santa Claus will be here in full blast, and we will be in a position to please you and to save you some money.

**PECOS DRUG CO.**

**Fine Exhibit.**

M. L. Swinehart, vice-president of the Commercial Club has returned from Chicago where he had gone on business, and while there assisted in getting the Reeves county agricultural exhibit placed. Mr. Swinehart says the exhibit is attracting a great deal of attention and is among the best exhibits at Chicago.

**Lost, a Neck Fur.**

Lost, Monday night, on streets of Pecos, a neck fur. Will pay \$5 reward to anyone bringing same to me. FRANK RATLIFF.

Dr. R. M. Harkey left Tuesday for Kentucky where he hopes to interest parties in Reeves county dirt. He expects to return via St. Louis about the 10th of December. If the doctor can persuade the people there to believe half the truth about this county he ought to get a good bunch of them.

We are exclusive agents for Headlight Overalls; not equaled on the market.—W. T. Read Merc. Co.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Farwell are making preparations to build a residence on lot south of C. W. Tudor's home.

Mrs. Albert Sisk and daughter Dorothy returned from the Cooksey ranch Monday evening.

W. B. Cravey, representing the Texas Drug Co., Dallas, was doing business with our druggists this week.

We have just received a large shipment of men's odd pants. When you are in need of a dress pant, come in and see us: we can save you money.—W. T. Read Merc. Co.

H. G. Eppler and wife of Cisco, father and mother of Mrs. Max Krauskopf, are in the city, guests of their daughter.

Dr. Jim Camp left yesterday for Fort Worth, Dallas, Waco and Oklahoma. At the latter place he will visit his mother. He expects to be gone about three weeks.

S. M. Beverly is in Pecos conferring with the Commercial Club regarding locating a cement factory to manufacture plaster cement and plaster of paris.

C. L. Anderson, P. V. agent at Saragosa, has been transferred to the Pecos office and Festus Calvert of up the Valley will take his place at Saragosa.

M. A. Lilly, of the big drug firm of Ely, Lilly & Co., Indianapolis, was in town Wednesday of this week. He is a live one and reports business pretty fair all over the country.

B. R. Petrikin of Parkersburg, W. Va., is a business visitor in our city this week. He was chief engineer for the T. & P. railroad company when that road was built through this section. This is Mr. Petrikin's first visit to Reeves county since 1894, and he states that he is surprised at the remarkable advancement made by our town and country since that time.

Miss Ruby Stephens resigned her position as operator at the telephone office on the first.

**The Man of the Hour.**

George Broadhurst's wonderful success, "The Man of the Hour," is typically the play of the hour and will be seen at Pecos Music Hall December 10. The production will be staged with the same beautiful scenic effects and elaborate costumes. As the title indicates the time of the play is the present and the scene almost any large city in the United States. "The Man of the Hour" is certainly a revelation in play writing and has set a pace so hot that its competitors have been left far in the rear. A company of unusual strength will present the play here.

**HOD-CARRIER HAD NERVE**

Gifford Pinchot's Story To Illustrate the Colossal Impudence of the Corruptionists.

"Gifford Pinchot, the famous forester, is a very entertaining talker," said an Asheville lawyer. "During his splendid work at Biltmore we often dined together.

"Pinchot was a foe to corruption. He dilated, one night at dinner, on the impudence, the nerve, of the corruptionists. He said that this impudence was as bad as the little hod-carrier's.

"He said that, one bleak winter morning in Hogan's saloon, as half a dozen men were warming themselves with peppered ale, a little hod-carrier entered, clumped noisily in his big boots to the bar, pushed a couple of ale drinkers aside so that he could reach the matchbox, and taking a match, lighted his short clay pipe. Then he turned and clumped out.

"Hogan, astonished, gazed after him and wondered who on earth he could be.

"The next morning the little man appeared again. He clambered as noisily as before to the matchbox, lighted his pipe, and turned away again. But as he opened the door, Hogan shouted:

"Say, who are ye?"

**BETWEEN "BEST FRIENDS."**

"I had my hair twisted into such a tight knot that it gave me a headache."

"It doesn't make my head ache no matter how tight I twist my hair."

"Well, my hair is fastened to my head."

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Application for entry as second-class matter at the postoffice at Pecos, Texas, pending.

No progressive citizen of Pecos can afford to stay away from the polls tomorrow—and it goes without saying that no progressive citizen will fail to cast a vote for sewerage bonds.

The West Times has the following bit of wisdom which is worthy the consideration of the buying people: Never go where you are not wanted. If a man wants you to go to his room he will invite you to do so and if a merchant wants you to visit his place of business he will invite you through the columns of your local paper. It is wrong to intrude upon privacy; don't do it.

Cast your vote for sewerage bonds tomorrow and help hold up the record of Pecos as one of the most progressive and up-to-date towns on the map. Our citizens have been practically a unit in every other venture tending toward the upbuilding of our beautiful little city. Let every voter go to the polls tomorrow and advertise to the world that we are not lacking in any one point to make Pecos the best town on the map.

The people of Pecos have not only the money necessary in the building of a city and placing in the forefront one of the best counties in the entire state, but they have the energy, enterprise and way of showing and proving their confidence by standing as a unit and turning loose some of their coin when the time comes. With such enterprise and all pulling together nothing short of an earthquake can keep Pecos out of the front rank.

Tomorrow, Saturday, the people of Pecos will again have an opportunity to demonstrate their progressive spirit. If there is any one thing needed in Pecos more than another to make her attractive to the outside world and comfortable and healthful for her own citizens, that one thing is a good sewerage system. We have the water and the proper drainage and all that is lacking is the funds with which to put in the pipe, connections, etc., and when the last vote is cast in tomorrow's election the progressive people of Pecos will make proper provision for the necessary funds.

The Record does not believe it necessary to deliberately lie about our soil, water or climatic advantages. It is hard enough to make an outsider believe the truth in this matter. People here who are acquainted with these conditions (and who are not pessimists from principle) are boosters for Reeves county and are putting their surplus cash in Reeves county lands. In conversation with a prominent business man in Pecos this week—and, by the way, one whom the writer has known for years to be a man of good business judgment and always with a level head—stated that with \$100,000 invested judiciously in Reeves county soil it would only take five or ten years at best to

make him a millionaire. That would be making some money, but it can and will be done. What Reeves county needs to make her flourish and make rapid strides along with the progress of the times is men with capital to develop her rich soils by putting in pumping plants and tilling the soil in a proper manner. This is now being done in parts of this county and before long there will be many eyes opened to the opportunities now offered them to gain a competency by a little effort and with a little capital.

Pecos may secure a \$100,000 plaster of paris and cement plant, a proposition having been submitted to the executive committee of the commercial club by S. M. Beverly to put in such a plant here, with a daily capacity of 30 tons. Mr. Beverly asks \$7500 bonus from the city and \$7500 stock to be subscribed locally. The matter will be discussed at a meeting of the executive committee.

Officials of the Pecos Valley lines of the Santa Fe system have visited Pecos on an inspection of the lines in Pecos and vicinity. The following composed the party: F. C. Fox, general manager; G. C. Starkweather, general superintendent; D. Elliott, assistant general superintendent, and J. A. Roach, chief engineer. The matter of better train service over the Santa Fe between Pecos and Carlsbad was taken up with General Manager Fox, who stated that he would go into the matter in detail a little later with a committee of Pecos business men.

### PROUD OF HIS FAME.

When a man succeeds in making a name there is one class that receives the news with delight, mingled with no feeling of envy, and that is his old school fellows. This is the case with M. Jean Aicard, the eminent writer. His classmates at the Lycee de Toulon have presented him with his sword for his reception among the immortals. The sword is inclosed in a green sheath of Russia leather. It is ornamented with the "cigale provencale." One ornaments the pommel, another the guard and the ceinture of Russia leather is clasped with the same device. Upon the naere at the initials of the new academician and on the sword blade the flowers of the Midi are depicted. M. Poincare, the famous lawyer, was the recipient of a sword in similar circumstances recently. It seems that M. Aicard's sword was not of regulation design, but the academy, taking the will of the alumni of Toulon into consideration, overlooked the mistake.—London Globe.

### MODERN WAY.

Author—I have a play here, sir, which I wish you would read.  
Manager—Is it a modern play?  
Author—Oh, yes, sir. It is a play which no young man or woman would care a carefully brought up parent to see.  
Manager—Does it end happily?  
Author—Sure. The hero and heroine are divorced in the last act and live happy ever after.—Baltimore American.

### FOUND OUT QUEER THINGS.

Mrs. Sophia Loebinger is the New York woman who has brought out strange disclosures in regard to stored meat and vegetables. She found some beef that had been in storage for three years and was as hard as leather. She is an ardent advocate of the boycott of meat, while Mrs. Frederick Nathan, of the Consumers' league, believes in inquiring, but not in boycotting, to make the price of living less.

## TOKYO WAS FRIGHTENED

Violent Eruption of Asamayama, Long Quiet, Alarmed the Great Japanese City.

Describing a peculiar incident that frightened the Japanese capital recently, a local newspaper says: "At about 7:45 p. m. Tokyo had a most unusual experience. All the windows and doors shook violently for nearly a minute, yet the earth was quite tranquil and nothing like a shock of earthquake was experienced. It was presently learned that this curious phenomenon was due to an atmospheric disturbance caused by a violent eruption of Asamayama. Reports from all the regions surrounding the mountain speak of a heavy fall of ashes which were belched forth with incredible violence.

"In ordinary circumstances such a sudden outburst of activity would have been accompanied by a destructive earthquake, but although houses were considerably shaken, no damage was done beyond the breaking of a few utensils, nor does it appear that there was any injury to life or limb. The most serious feature seems to be a forest fire of very large dimensions, which was still raging at the time of dispatching the last advices.

"It is 120 years since Asamayama behaved in this manner and on that occasion 35,000 lives were said to have been lost. People are naturally nervous at the thought that this eruption may prelude others."

## HAREM CHEAPER THAN WIFE

Persian or Turk Can Maintain His Household for Less Than American Wife Costs.

A few months ago King Edward announced that the distinctive feature of an American woman was her back. He could tell at a glance from the rear whether a woman hailed from this country by the way in which she was gowned.

This is all right so far as it goes, but it is a very slight instance. There are a good many other distinctions which go to make up the American woman, notably her general outlook on life, which is that man was made for her amusement and her support. Our men do not dispute the fact. They are never permitted to talk back, so they simply grub a little harder to pay the ever-increasing pile of bills which come in.

It is estimated that a man in Persia or Turkey can maintain a first-class harem on half the sum that a single American wife costs a man of equal standing with the oriental. We give this for what it is worth, not that it bears upon the matter in hand. Americans are impune from polygamy, even if there were no other factor than cost.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

## WAS RATHER INDEFINITE

Young Englishman in Philadelphia Had Not the Faintest Idea of His Destination.

A young Englishman, just arrived in Philadelphia, was taken to see the sights of the city by a lady relative. Late in the afternoon at the crossing of two thoroughfares the lady, feeling a little undecided as to the best route to take to a certain point of interest, asked the young man to go and inquire of one of the policemen who regulated the traffic at this intersection whether the street cars transferred with the avenue cars.

Confused, he pushed through the rowd and accosted the policeman: "No," said the guardian of the peace in reply to the young man's inquiry, and looking down from his superior height upon one whom he deemed to be a stranger, alone and possibly lost in Philadelphia, "the street cars don't transfer with the avenue, but I guess I can tell you some other line of cars to take. Where do you want to go?" "Oh, ah," said the Englishman, deprecatingly, "I really have not the faintest idea."

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## Church Unity

### Wichita Falls Pastor to Have Part in Removing Differences

Rev. C. M. Bishop, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of Wichita Falls, Texas, left a few days ago for Baltimore, where he will join a committee of nine from each of the three branches of the Methodist church in America with a view of formulating a basis of union of the three denominations into one organization comprising a membership of nearly six million. Rev. Mr. Bishop was one of a committee of nine at the last general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, at Nashville.

W. M. Ikens of Saragosa was a pleasant caller at the Record office while in our city Tuesday.

J. W. Hunt, the new blacksmith whose shop is located just south of Prewit & Wadley's livery stable, has been turning out some splendid work. He appears to have the knack and when he turns out a job you may rest assured it is done right. While he runs an ad in the Record, his work is as good an advertisement as demanded by the patron who desires the best. Call in and see him.

"Farmer Ruhlin," presented at the Music Hall last week by local talent under the direction of Mrs. W. T. Christian, was a decided success and received much merited praise from those who were fortunate enough to attend.

The Record will pay 5c per pound for clean cotton rags.

## Ministers Attention.

Remember the regular monthly meeting of the Ministers' Association of Pecos, Wednesday, Dec. 7, at 10 o'clock, at the residence of Bro. C. S. McCarver.

HOMER L. MAGEE,  
Secretary.

Two small children of Rev. D. E. Adams, who lives on the creek about 14 miles from town, were severely burned the first of the week by the overturning of a skillet of hot grease. They are doing nicely.

S. A. Breen has recently moved from up the river in Ward county to a farm south of Pecos which he has purchased. Mr. Breen will make a good citizen and help prove the value of Reeves county soil. He will read the Record.

## For Sale.

Two three-year old heifers, will be fresh Dec. 1st. One good Jersey cow, four years old. Two heifer calves, five and nine months old. Cash or time.

BERT TIMMONS.

T. E. Gibbons, Ponder S. Carter, J. C. Lewis and Dug Coalson, all prominent Toyah citizens, were among the visitors in Pecos this week who will hereafter keep up with the happenings in Reeves county through the medium of the Record.

Brown & Martin are now in J. W. Moore's auto building near the courthouse and have all kinds of auto supplies on hand and are prepared to do all kinds of auto work.

Phone the Record the news.

## Lawyer Refuses to Defend Bootlegger

It happened in Mangum, the county seat of Greer county, not long ago, that a certain man was arrested on the charge of bootlegging. Mangum is a dry town and public sentiment is in favor of keeping it dry, consequently the bootleggers in that city are few. However, there was one found and after his arrest he began looking around for a lawyer to defend him and to his surprise, and it may be said to the credit of the legal profession of Mangum, that not a lawyer in the town could be found who would take the bootleggers case. When the case came on for trial the judge, wanting to do the fair thing by the defendant, undertook to appoint an attorney to defend the man at the bar, but each lawyer asked to be excused, giving as his reason for doing so, that he had declined to take the case for pay and didn't feel like defending the man. The judge was forced to send out of the county to get a lawyer who would consent to defend a bootlegger.

This is mentioned merely to show the trend of affairs in Oklahoma and to emphasize the fact that a great many of the best lawyers of the state not only don't want this kind of business but absolutely refuse to take it.—Lawton Constitution-Democrat.

## SINKING NEW OIL WELL NEAR TOYAH

Corsicana Petroleum People are Interested in the Work.—City Well Shows Traces of Oil.

Toyah, Tex., Nov. 29.—Operations in the oil field here have been started on a larger scale than formerly and great activity is shown. Ed E. Dismuke is sinking a well in section 44, which is six and one-half miles north of Toyah, and much nearer town than the wells of the Texas Company. His drill is a rotary and the derrick is 84 feet high, which is twelve feet higher than any other in use here. He is doing work in conjunction with the Corsicana Petroleum Company.

Near the Gibbons place south of Toyah a well has been sunk to a depth of 400 feet, and the well which was started in the streets of Toyah is still being sunk to considerable depth. Both show traces of oil.

Dave Adams, the genial bookkeeper for the Pruett Lumber Co., was the first man to hand in \$1 on subscription to the Record. The Record would like to have a thousand do the same kind of a kindly act. You will get your money's worth and it will enable the proprietors to give you a much better paper. Make yourself and friends a Christmas present of the Reeves County Record and they will enjoy the gift for twelve long months. What else could you buy with one dollar that would give as much pleasure and be a source of greater profit for a year?

Ladies, when you are in need of a pair of shoes, don't fail to come in and see our lines of Krippendorf & Dittmen, and Godman shoes. None better on the market.—W. T. Read Merc. Co.

# Ten Days Special Sale on Shoes

SALE BEGINS THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1st

WHILE I am very grateful to the people of Pecos and surrounding country for their very liberal patronage given me on Feed and Groceries, which has enabled me to build up a business in that line that I am proud of, still I am not satisfied with my Shoe Business. For that reason I am going to offer you for the next Ten Days a Special Discount of Twenty (20) Per Cent Off on All Shoes now in Stock. That means:

\$5.00 Shoes for.....	\$3.80	\$1.50 Shoes for.....	\$1.20
4.50 Shoes for.....	3.60	1.35 Shoes for.....	1.08
3.00 Shoes for.....	2.40	1.25 Shoes for.....	1.00
2.50 Shoes for.....	2.00	1.00 Shoes for.....	.80
2.00 Shoes for.....	1.60	.65 Shoes for.....	.52
1.75 Shoes for.....	1.40	.35 Shoes for.....	.28

I handle the well-known "Hamilton Brown Shoes." There are others as good but none better. I want to call your special attention to the American Gentlemen Shoes for Men and the American Lady Shoes for women, Success and Security Shoes for Boys and Girls. Remember this special sale on shoes will last only Ten Days, but our special sale on Feed and Groceries runs 365 days in the year.

16 lbs. best Granulated Sugar for.....	\$1.00	3 lbs. nice Dried Peaches.....	.25
16 lbs. Navy Beans for.....	1.00	3 lbs. nice Dried Raisins.....	.25
16 lbs. Pink Beans for.....	1.00	2 lbs. nice Dried Apricots.....	.25
10 lbs. Cottolene for.....	1.50	12-quart Dairy Pail.....	.25
10 lbs. white Cloud or Jewell Lard.....	1.25	10-quart Galvanized Pails.....	.20
100 lbs. pure Corn Chops.....	1.50	10 lb. pail good Syrup.....	.45
100 lbs. best Bran in Pecos.....	1.50	Rub Boards 30c to.....	.45
100 lbs. Trico.....	1.00	1 number 1 Lamp Chimney.....	.05
5 lbs. good Coffee.....	.95	2 number 2 Lamp Chimney.....	.15
2 lbs. Arbuckles Coffee.....	.35	2 pint Cups.....	.05
10 lbs. good Potatoes.....	.25	Good number 2 Lamp complete.....	.50
10 lbs. sweet Potatoes.....	.25	Good Lantern.....	.65
5 gallons best Oil.....	.85	6 cakes of any Laundry Soap.....	.25
5 gallons best Gasoline.....	1.00	6 packages of any wash powder.....	.25
25 ounces K C Baking Powder.....	.20	3 dozen Pickles for.....	.25
50 ounces K C Baking Powder.....	.40	Pickles, per gallon.....	.50
1 lb. can Jack Frost Baking Powder.....	.20	3 lbs. bulk Kraut.....	.25
3 lb. can Jack Frost Baking Powder.....	.60	5 gallon keg Kraut.....	2.75
		5 gallon keg Pickles.....	2.75

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## Reeves County Property Valuation

Property Increases Amount to More than \$2,000,000 Over that of Last Year.

Announcement has been made that the assessed valuation of Reeves county for the present year is \$9,307,994, as against \$7,094,546 for the year 1909. This shows a total increase for the county of \$2,306,448, or about 32 per cent.

In 1909 Winkler and Loving counties were attached to Reeves county for all county purposes, they being unorganized at that time. Since then Winkler county has been organized and is not now attached to Reeves county.

The total valuation of property in Winkler and Loving counties last year was slightly over \$1,000,000, so that notwithstanding Winkler county assessments are not included in Reeves county assessments this year, Reeves county still shows an increase in valuation of nearly \$3,500,000. Deducting the valuation of Winkler county assessments, 1909, from that, the real increase of Reeves county assessments has been about \$3,000,000. This, however, includes the assessment of Loving county, still attached to this county, the total assessed valuation of which for 1910 is \$495,234. With this deduction the assessed valuation of Reeves county alone is about \$9,000,000, or about twice what it was three years ago, when two adjoining counties were attached to it.

Announcement is also made that state and county tax rate for the present year has been placed at 19.28 1-2, which is an exceptionally low rate.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Means and little daughter Katherine came in from their ranch to spend a week with their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Collings and family. Mr. Means is here on business, buying and selling cattle.

Joe Dean passed through Pecos Monday returning from Fort Worth where he had been the past week. Mrs. Dean joined him and they will make their home in Toyah. Joe is with the First National Bank.

L. D. Collings went to Toyah Monday on business.

## Barrickman Boosts Pecos.

W. C. Barrickman, field secretary of Texas Commercial Secretaries and Business Men's association, who is on a tour of the state in connection with the work visited Pecos Monday and Tuesday of this week interesting our people in the work of the State organization. The Pecos Commercial Club renewed its membership in the parent organization and pledged in addition to \$10 annual membership dues, \$100 additional to the work. Mr. Barrickman also secured a subscription of \$5 here to the work of the Texas Prosperity Club, an adjunct to the main organization.

In conversation with a Record representative Mr. Barrickman said: "I consider that there is no other city in Texas of Pecos' class that has anything like the opportunity before it that your city has. I look to see from 10,000 to 20,000 people living in Pecos by the time the fourteenth decennial census is taken ten years hence. With three railroads now entering and two more promoted and building towards your town, I cannot see why a remarkable growth should not occur here. You are, too, the metropolis of a great and growing country, and its settlement along rapid lines is sure and certain. Even today you stand in a class of your own as regards development already in its inception, and I for one cannot but believe that Pecos is a coming town; a town which, in a few short years, must be reckoned with all over the State."

Mr. Barrickman left Tuesday night for Midland, thence to Sweetwater and San Angelo. He will attend the big Booster Meeting of the El Paso Chamber of Commerce Friday night.

## Putting in Large Farm.

Mr. Yates of Carlsbad, N. M., owner of nine sections down the river twelve miles from Pecos, is preparing to improve it in a way which means something for himself and Reeves county. He is putting down wells for irrigating—one is already down 300 feet with water within four feet of the top. G. W. Reed of Pecos has contracted with Mr. Yates for the grubbing of one section and is now at work. He will probably contract with Mr. Reed for the clearing and grubbing of the entire nine sections.

This is what Reeves county needs to bring her to the front as nothing else will do. Let the good work go on and in a short while people of the east will be flocking to our rich soils like blackbirds to a newly plowed cornfield.

Mrs. L. D. Collier came in last Saturday from the Collier-Love ranch. She is stopping with Mrs. Heard and Mrs. Beauchamp.

Mrs. Sid Cowan entertained a few friends at her home last Friday afternoon with forty-two. Those present were Mrs. E. W. Farwell, Mrs. C. F. Thomason, Mrs. J. C. Pruett; Mrs. W. Brown, Mrs. S. G. Douglas, Mrs. L. D. Collings.

We have a few second hand cars for sale cheap.—Brown & Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Roberts left Monday in their auto for a week's visit to relatives at Alpine.

Remember, we are sole agents for Navarre shirts.—W. T. Read Merc. Co.

The "42" club met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. L. D. Collings. They organized last week with twelve members.

## A Most Delightful Entertainment

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Christian Give Cast in "Farmer Ruhlin" a Delightful Evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Christian entertained in a very delightful manner Tuesday evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Leeman. The affair was given to entertain the members of the home-talent play, "Farmer Ruhlin." Those in attendance were: Misses Lillian and Pearl Pruett, Sue Alley; Mr. and Mrs. Whaley; Messrs. Earl Collings, Ralph Landrum, Reginald Irving, Kent Harrison, Ralph Williams, E. O. Royce and C. B. Jordan, with Miss Lucile Leeman as hostess.

The dining room was decorated with roses and the dining table heaped with all kinds of fruit. The menu card was a folder gotten up as a burlesque and contained the following:

"The Tocsin of the Soul—the Dinner Bell."  
Oysters on the half shell (the other half not found yet)  
Kimono Sandwich—Hidden Tears  
Delightful Dead—Seeds of Evil  
Solitary Croquets  
Staff of Life  
Broken Spring (???) Chicken  
Lovelorn Apple Salad  
Trembling Lady's Fingers  
Frozen Heart—Lost Hope  
Devils and Angels Food  
Flames of Fire

"Since Eve ate apples, much depends on dinner."—Byron.

Among the games of the evening was a "Track Meet," ten events constituting the meet. Tied to each program was a bag of beans which were used to bet on winner of each event. Mrs. Christian had charge of the pool and the booking. Among the best of the events was a "Tug of War," which consisted of a piece of cake tied in the center of a long string. The contestants, one at each end of the string, were to chew the string and the one securing the cake without the use of hands was counted the winner.

The guessing contest was "Works of Art," in which bits of china-ware, pieces of rugs, etc., played a prominent part.

The winners of first and second prizes in all games and contests were: Miss Lillian Pruett and Reginald Irving.

The evening was one of much merry-making and not until the wee sma' hours approached was a good-night said.

The Record covers the field like a blanket.

Vertner Gage was in Pecos Sunday from Toyah.

Miss Lucile Smith returned Saturday from Dallas where she has been having her eyes treated.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cox entertained with a dinner at their home Wednesday evening.

C. B. Durand of Saragosa was a visitor in our city Monday.

J. B. Glaze of Barstow was in Pecos Monday.

Will J. Rhea, manager of the Balmorhea Mercantile Company, was in our city last Saturday.

Miss Johnnie Adams is now employed at the telephone exchange.

The Bachelor girls met Tuesday night with Miss Laro Blevins.

The Twentieth Century Club was to meet with Mrs. J. E. Cox, but owing to illness of Mrs. Cox the club met with Mrs. R. C. Warn.



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## THANKSGIVING!

I am thankful to my new friends for the splendid patronage that they have given me the past month. I am thankful that by doing good work, dealing squarely, treating my patrons with courtesy and attending to my business, that I gained the confidence and good will of as many people of this town and community as I have.

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The following officers were elected by the Bachelor Girls at their last meeting: President, Miss Ruby Grady; vice president, Miss Laro Blevins; treasurer, Miss Lucile Smith; secretary, Miss Minnie Stass.

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### SEEK SMILES AND DIMPLES

Women of To-Day Acquire Them by  
Means of Earnest Training  
of Muscles.

In the days of David Copperfield's Dora smiles and dimples were not regarded as an indication of great strength of mind, but under the rule of the beauty professor of today the prevailing ideas on this subject must be quite different. Now, the woman who possesses these charms may have acquired them only by the exercise of a determination and perseverance worthy of the martyrs. The end is not achieved by passively submitting to the treatment of the expert in the cultivation of feminine beauty, although this is an important part of the process. To train refractory muscles to act with unflinching ease and precision is no light task, but this is what a woman must undertake if she wishes to acquire dimples, for they can only be coaxed into being, when nature has not supplied them, by persistent practice before a mirror under a skilled instructor. A satisfactory smile may be the result of purely mechanical means, too, but serenity of soul, say the authorities, makes it easier.

### WORDS SURVIVE.

How the word survives when the thing has vanished! The railway "guard," "coach," "booking office"—all are here, survivals in an iron age of the coaching era. And the sun is said to "rise" and "set," though we know it doesn't, and steamers "sail" by the force derived from fiery stokeholds. The election, too, brings its survival in the carpet-bagger. Who ever saw a man, in these latter days, carrying that obsolete thing? Unless it were a cricketer with the implements of his game. Yet is the candidate who swoops down on a constituency by the midday express still a "carpet-bagger," though it would puzzle you to find such an article in all the cloakrooms of the kingdom's railways.—London Chronicle.

### DOMESTIC TRAINING FOR GIRLS.

The proposal which has been set forth in Germany to compel all girls to undergo a period of training as domestic servants was foreshadowed by George Gissing in the "Private Papers of Henry Ryecroft." "I had far rather see England covered with schools of cookery than with schools of the ordinary kind; the issue would be infinitely more helpful. Little girls should be taught cooking and baking more assiduously than they are taught to read. . . . Think of the glorious revolution that could be wrought in our troubled England if it could be ordained that no maid, of whatever rank, might become a wife unless she had proved her ability to make and bake a perfect loaf of bread."—London Chronicle.

### POLICEMEN BEWILDERED.

Philadelphia policemen have had the same experience that rather upset the New York force. They arrested a young woman for aiding the strikers and found out that she was not a working girl at all, but a society sympathizer. Miss Mary Drier, daughter of a former prominent physician and president of the Woman's Trade Union league, was the New York woman, and Miss Frances Travis Cochran, daughter of a Philadelphia capitalist, was the other.

### WHERE HE GOT OFF.

Shopper (in department store)—Say, Mayme, who's the swell old gent who just gave you the keen lookover as he passed.  
Saleslady—That's the Pie-eyed Piper of Hamelin!  
Shopper (dazed)—Please converse in U. S. A.  
Saleslady—Why, he's the new superintendent who's trying to rid the store of rats!

### GREAT VOICES ARE NATURAL

Patti, Melba, Tetrazzini and Other  
Famous Singers All Sang  
from Childhood.

As some of us know, Adelina Patti sang as a child. Her voice required little or no training. Its beauty and placement were God-given. All Patti's wise guardians did was to protect her against exposure of all kinds. Patti made her operatic debut at an age when it would be a crime to begin the vocal training of the average.

Nellie Melba is another whose golden throat was perfected by nature. When Melba left her Australian home for Paris, where she acquired some "frills," her voice was perfect, so no one, unless it be the unknown teacher in faraway Melbourne, can honestly claim any credit for Melba's "vocal method."

Mme. Tetrazzini, who came rather late into her own, was always a natural singer. It is reported that she studied tone production but five months. But Tetrazzini lived in the home of her sister, Mme. Campanini, who is a singer, and hearing this singer practice for years supplied the clever listener with ideas which enabled her to curtail her own studies by several years.—Harper's Bazaar.

### LORDS OF MANY TITLES.

Most members of the upper house of the British parliament possess more than one title, and not a few have a large number. The duke of Abercorn is holder of four Scotch, four Irish and two British peerages. The marquis of Lansdowne has one Scotch, five Irish and two British titles. Other peers who are well equipped in this respect are the duke of Norfolk (seven), the duke of Breckinridge (eight), the duke of Portland (five), the duke of Devonshire (five) and the duke of Northumberland (six).

### SUBSTITUTE LOBSTERS.

Consul Joseph A. Howells writes as follows concerning the fisheries of the Caicos islands: "Last summer this consulate suggested that it might pay American lobster packers to send a man to this colony to visit the Caicos islands to investigate the question of supplementing the home catch of lobsters by using the crawfish, which are plentiful in that vicinity and are similar to our lobsters, minus the large claws. Curiously enough, the report had not been forwarded a month when an Englishman came with a canning outfit, which he put in operation at these islands, and by the last Bristol steamer he made his first shipment of a number of cases of canned crawfish, conchs and green turtle, the latter abounding on the banks which surround the Caicos group."

### WORK TO BE DONE.

The smart young man—his school honors thick upon him, and his intention to teach the world in general, and his father in particular, the manner in which up-to-date commerce should be conducted—stood earnestly holding forth in his father's office.

"You may rely upon me, sir," he was saying with fervid emphasis. "I will devote my whole life to the interests of the business. It shall be my aim and ambition to keep the family name free from stain."

"Good!" said the old man gruffly. "That's the right spirit. Tell the office-boy to give you the whiting and ammonia; then go and polish up the brass name-plate on the door."

### THEY HEARD BOTH SIDES.

The New York State Federation of Women's Clubs, with its 75,000 members, held its annual convention the week of November 8 and certainly learned a few facts on both sides of the suffrage question, as Mrs. Gilbert Jones, the noted anti, addressed them one day and Mrs. Philip Snowden told the suffrage side of the question on another day.

### LIKE CHAPTER OF ROMANCE

Remarkable Career of Lady Cook and  
Her Sister, Who Have Returned  
to Our Shores.

Lady Cook, who was formerly Tennie C. Clavin, has returned here to the scene of her former exploits, declaring that her fortune, of \$1,000,000 shall hereafter be devoted to the woman's suffrage movement. She expresses her intention of going to Washington to talk the subject over with President Taft and with congress. Her career has been a remarkable one. Born in a little town in Ohio nearly seventy years ago, she and her sister Victoria—afterward Victoria Woodhull—became spiritualistic mediums early in life and earned, it was said, as much as \$100,000 a year. In 1896 they appeared on Wall street as partners in a brokerage-business, with a check from Commodore Vanderbilt as their capital. They started a weekly paper later and discussed sex problems in it and on the platform with such freedom that they were both imprisoned for a while in Ludlow street jail. They were emphatically repudiated by the regular women suffrage association. In 1872 they published a sweeping denunciation of Henry Ward Beecher, starting the whole sensational Beecher-Tilton scandal. Four years later they went to England and were soon after well married, Victoria to a wealthy banker, Tennie C.—her name was originally Tennessee—to Sir Francis Cook. Her reappearance here in public life after 30 years—"a small, sprightly figure almost hidden by a huge Gainsborough hat, tied down with a blue veil"—in an event that will set the bells of memory ringing in many a dusty belfry.—Current Literature.

### VODKA IN RUSSIA.

There were in Russia in 1908 2,676 vodka breweries, one fiscal spirit distillery and 43 sections of the same, 511 private distilleries, 26 reserve stores and 27,402 shops for the sale of vodka. The total amount of vodka sold during the year was 232,813,382 gallons, a consumption of 1.66 gallons per capita. The total sales were 2,346,232 gallons less than in 1907. The revenue and expenditures were as follows: Revenue, \$365,015,424; expenditures, \$102,726,605; net revenue, \$262,288,819. The revenue and expenditures of denatured vodka were as follows: Revenue, \$1,275,139; expenditures, \$1,106,228; net revenue, \$168,911.

### HIGH HAT ONCE SUPREME.

A remarkable proof of how the high hat, whether of silk or of beaver, once reigned supreme, is seen in the print of the fight between Sayers and Heenan at Farnborough in 1860. Nearly every man in the crowd is wearing a topper, the few with caps—strongly resembling those of the present day—being probably members of "the fancy." Contrast this with a picture of a football final at the palace, with its sea of tweed capped heads, and we realize the revolution that has taken place. The topper was, in fact, for many years the orthodox headgear of every man, from a peer to a plowman. Even Bill Sikes and the Artful Dodger, according to Dickens' illustrations, conformed to the fashion.—London Chronicle.

### BEBEL WRITING MEMOIRS.

August Bebel, who is on the verge of his seventieth year, has taken only a small part in political life during the last two years. The sturdy and eloquent leader of German social democracy is not in very robust health and his appearances in the reichstag and at public meetings are infrequent and uncertain. Berlin papers now report that he has been using his enforced retirement in collecting materials for two volumes of memoirs which are shortly to see the light. These memoirs will be practically a history of the socialist movement in Germany since Bebel first entered the arena, in 1865.

# Begin Early To Do Your Christmas Shopping

SANTA CLAUS HEADQUARTERS

North Pole, Dec. 1, 1910.

Dear Boys and Girls:

Christmas is here again and as usual I have all my toys at the City Pharmacy. You will find just what you want at their store.

All the clerks will be glad to show you what you like and tell you all about them.

Be sure and go to see them.

Pecos Office  
City Pharmacy.

Your friend,  
SANTA CLAUS.

Prescription  
Druggists

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## Church Announcements

Pastors of the various churches of our city are invited to use this space in making announcement of their services, etc. We hope to have all the churches represented.

### CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Lord's Day services: Bible School, 9:45 a. m. Preaching and communion, 11 a. m. Junior C. E., 4 p. m. Senior C. E. 6:45 p. m. Preaching, 7:30 p. m.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. Bible reading at this time will be the 5th chapter of Romans.

Instead of the usual Sunday night service, the local C. W. B. M. will render its annual program, consisting of devotional exercises, papers and addresses.

The public is cordially invited to attend all these services.

HOMER L. MAGEE,  
Minister.

### BAPTIST CHURCH.

There will be preaching at the Baptist church next Sunday morning and evening. The pastor will preach at both hours.

We most cordially invite the people of Pecos and the stranger visiting in our midst to worship with us.

We worship God in old time way of our fathers and seek to be kind to saint and sinner. We wish to be helpful to the needy and sick among us when we can do so, as well as to strive to lighten the burdens of all men.

Cordially,  
J. B. COLE,  
Pastor.

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### Texas Company May be Drilling Another Toyah Well.

The Texas Company, it is reported, has begun drilling another oil well in the Toyah field. The new well is not in the place of the well which recently burned out, but is situated some distance from the old one. F. W. Freeman, manager of the Texas company in El Paso, was seen this morning and all that he would say was that the company had four wells out at the Toyah field, but concerning the drilling of the new well he refused to either affirm or deny.—El Paso Herald.

### S. S. Hamburg Chickens For Sale.

I have a few Silver Spangled Hamburg cockerels for sale at a bargain, or would sell about 20 mature hens, pullets and cockerels—a bargain if you hurry. These are of the best strains in Texas and Illinois, so if you want something good at a record breaking price see me at once.—John Hibdon at Record office.

Freight Agent D. S. Floyd of the Pecos Valley Southern stated to a Record reporter this week that they expected to be running trains into Balmorhea by the last of this week. The road is already receiving large shipments of cattle and business on that road is daily increasing in all lines.

Judge G. N. Gentry is suffering from an attack of rheumatism in the hip. Notwithstanding this he is at his post of duty telling the truth about Reeves county soil.

We have a nice, snappy line of Nettleton shoes; to sell for \$6.00 a pair.—W. T. Read Merc. Co.

J. S. Howe of Pyote, in town Monday on business, took time to say a good word to the Record people and order it sent to his address. He is made of the right kind of mud and will stand the test of a man anywhere. If we had one of his ilk on every section in Reeves county we would have the best and most prosperous county on earth.

FOR RENT—One nicely furnished room.—Mrs. Dr. Leeman.

F. W. Pearson of Brogado was attending court Monday. He is one of those good fellows who knows how and where to hunt and has brought down several bear and too many deer to count from the Davis mountains the past few years.

Our stock of children's shoes is the most complete line in Pecos: do not fail to come in and see them when you want to fit the children.—W. T. Read Merc. Co.

F. J. Billingslea, R. D. Tyler, Murray Jones, Will Schrock, A. Holmes, Chas. Scott, Sam Suttlemeyer and, last but not least in many ways, Patrick Moran of the Toyah Advocate, were among those from our neighboring city who visited Pecos this week.

Just received a large and complete line of shirts, both detached and attached collars; to sell from 50c to \$3.00 each. Come in and see them.—W. T. Read Merc. Co.

For Sale or Trade—One pony mare, as gentle as they make 'em. Will sell or trade for any kind of feed stuff, so cheap you'll think you fell heir to her.—John Hibdon at Record office.

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