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## MUST FILE WATER APPROPRIATION

### NEW IRRIGATION ACT OF LEGISLATURE PROTECTS PRIORITY RIGHTS THUS.

Certified Copies of Filing Must Be in Austin Within Next Seven Months.

The Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, provided under an Act of the last Legislature at its regular session, is getting worried about the fact that few of the holders of water appropriations throughout the State have complied with the stipulation that all such persons, to hold their appropriations, must file certified copies of same with this board before the first of next July. It is quite probable that many have overlooked this matter, and that others have been neglecting it. These should realize that they are in a sense jeopardizing their interests, and should lose no time in making their filings with the board.

This Act of the legislature promises to do more for the Trans-Pecos country than any other single measure that has been passed for a decade. It is under its provisions that the Ward County Irrigation District will be organized and financed, and, once its possibilities are fully realized, many other reservoir and canal systems will be developed within the next five years that would otherwise have had to wait for capital for a quarter of a century. Following is the statement sent out by the Board of Water Engineers:

"Under the provisions of the General Irrigation Act, chapter 171 of the general laws passed by the Thirty-third legislature in regular session, a Board of Water Engineers has been appointed, one from each of the three water divisions fixed by the law. The act became operative, by its terms, ninety days after the adjournment of the regular session of the legislature, namely, July 1, 1913, but the Board of Water Engineers did not actually begin its work until September 1, 1913.

"The first two sections of said act read as follows:

"Section 1. Certain Waters Declared State Property.—The appropriated waters of the ordinary flow and underflow and tides of every flowing river or natural stream, of all lakes, bays or arms of the Gulf of Mexico, collections of still water, and of the storm, flood or rain waters of every river or natural stream, canyon, ravine, depression or watershed, within the state of Texas, the title to which has not already passed from the state, are hereby declared to be the property of the state, and the right to the use thereof may be acquired by appropriation in the manner and for the uses and purposes hereinafter provided.

"Sec. 2. Purposes for which Storm, Flood or Rain Waters May Be Diverted.—The storm, flood or rain waters described in the preceding section may be held or stored by dams, in lakes or reservoirs, or diverted by means of canals, ditches, intakes, pumping plants, or other works, constructed by any person, corporation, association of persons, or irrigation district created under the statutes, for the purpose of irrigation, mining, milling, manufacturing, the development of power, the construction and operation of waterworks for cities and towns, or for stock raising.

This act provides that all parties who have made beneficial use of any of the public waters of this state prior to January 1, 1913, may preserve their priority of right to such waters by filing with this board certified copies of their original filings made with the county clerks under prior irrigation laws, together with certified copies of maps, and also sworn statements showing what has been done since making filings with the county clerks, wherever such filings with the county clerks have been heretofore made. Also, in cases where filings have not been heretofore made with said clerks, same may be made now; provided beneficial use of the public waters was made prior to Jan.

1, 1913. All such certified copies of appropriations and maps, together with the required sworn statements, must be filed with the Board of Water Engineers before July 1, 1914, in order to preserve priority rights.

Attention is called to the fact that this act covers not only irrigation from impounding reservoirs and flowing streams, but also from wells. It also covers the use of water where power is generated for any purpose, such as mining, milling, etc., and applies also to water supplies for cities and towns, and for stock raising.

Sections 91-95 of the act apply to wells; 91 defining artesian wells, 92 and 93 applying to waste, 94 providing a penalty for waste, and 95 requiring records of borings.

The board has prepared an information sheet and forms relating to filings under the provisions of Sections 12, 13 and 14; also of Sections 15 and 16, which last mentioned sections cover the steps necessary in making applications for permits to appropriate public water. Parties desiring to make personal use of same, may obtain these forms, free of charge, on application to this board.

The board is issuing this statement for the purpose of disseminating information generally to all parties who may be interested.

### BETTER ROADS ARE NEEDED LEADING OUT OF PECOS

#### A Porterville Citizen Says That There is a Movement to Turn Trade to Barstow.

I was talking with a citizen who lives at or near Porterville one day last week and he informed me that the citizens of Reeves and Ward counties who live up the river were up in arms against Pecos on account of the bad road leading out up the river which goes by Mrs. Mitchell's place.

He said that there was so much of the time that this mile and a half of the road was almost impassible with a heavy load, but that from Mrs. Mitchell's place on up the road was all right, but that if the Pecos merchants and people did not fix up this part of the road the people up there would be compelled to go to Barstow to do their trading.

The people of Barstow have already made them a proposition to grade and clean out a good road on the east side of the river up to the Ward county line if they would do their trading in Barstow.

We believe it behooves us Pecosites to get busy at once and commence putting all the roads leading into Pecos in first class shape, for there is scarcely nothing that will help build up and make a town a city more than good, substantial graded, graveled roads.

Reeves county should get a move on herself and vote bonds sufficient to put every prominent road in the county in such condition that no matter how much rain we have the roads will be in good condition for travel. There is one thing that our people haven't got straight on and that is, oppose a proposition that will do our town much good, just because it will also help the neighboring towns some.

The county should vote not less than \$500,000 bonds and distribute it among the different precincts according to the amount of taxable property listed in same. These bonds in addition to the road and bridge tax already levied would give Reeves as good as any county in the state has.

The tax levy of Reeves county is \$8,593.313, and in order to pay the \$500,000 bond issue it would only be necessary to levy an 8-cent tax on the \$100, which would pay the interest and leave plenty for a sinking fund. It would be an easy matter to sell the bonds on a twenty or forty-year time, and the increase valuation each year would help so that the bonds could be retired long before the forty years had expired, and in this way we could be having the benefit of the good roads.

#### TAXPAYER.

#### Calves from Toyahvale.

Last Saturday Beau McCutcheon and Bill Kingston shipped out eleven cars of calves from their ranches, loading them at Toyahvale.

Six cars of steers were sold to Bemmer and sent to Sanderson, and five cars of heifers were sold to Orshner and shipped to his ranch in Missouri.

Quite a good many prospectors in Pecos this week and some property changing hands.

## "MR. BOB" WAS PLEASANT SURPRISE

### YOUNG PEOPLE TREAT LARGE CROWD TO DELIGHTFUL EVENING.

#### More Than Ordinary Talent Shown by Amateurs in Presentation of Novel Skit.

The troubles of an elderly maiden aunt who is afflicted with a desire to establish a home for indigent cats, together with a little love story that was wound up in a most entrancing way in a sort of modern "Comedy of Errors," formed the basis of a two-act farce presented last Wednesday night at the Music Hall for the benefit of the ladies of the Methodist church of Pecos. It might be thought an extravagance to the person who was not present, to say that it was an all-star cast, but really that would be the only way to do justice to all to the members of the company.

Briefly, the story of the playlet runs thus: Miss Rebecca Luke, a maiden lady as aforesaid, finds herself in a position to put a long cherished philanthropy into execution, in the founding of a home for homeless cats. There is a missing codicille to a will which left the lady money enough to indulge this whim, but the idea very naturally stirs the heart of Phillip Royson, Miss Rebecca's nephew, with repugnance. His feelings, too, are shared to some extent by his cousin, Katherine Rodgers. Of all the household, however, Jenkins, Miss Rebecca's butler—Jenkins of noble line and impeccable dignity—feels the humiliation most deeply. Patty, the daintiest and most sunny little maid that ever attended a whimsical spinster,—dramatic little Patty—heads the servants of the house in presenting a petition praying for the removal of the cats under pain of a domestic strike. Then there was Robert Brown, a law clerk with the firm of Benson & Benson, solicitors—poor Brown, who was manhandled and made much of, dined every few minutes and thoroughly berated, to his entire bewilderment—who called for the purpose of delivering the codicille that was missing, and who dropped into the most complex situation of cross-motives that ever a man faced. And finally, there was "Mr. Bob," (beg pardon) Miss Marion Bryant, Katherine's young lady friend whose mannish nickname helped to make the mix-up in identities a general one.

Miss Luke is expecting a Mr. Brown, an architect, to arrive with plans for the construction of her cattery, and instructs the servants to keep his identity hidden from her niece and nephew. Shortly thereafter poor Brown, the law clerk, drops in with the codicille, and is not even allowed to state his mission. Patty and Jenkins hushing his explanations with a mysterious "sh-h-h," and Phillip landing on him with a welcome that is like a thousand of brick, thinking that he is the "Mr. Bob" whom his mischievous cousin has led to believe is a young man who loves her. Brown at once conceives that he is in a house of lunatics and commences to humor all ideas that are advanced.

Meanwhile Miss Bryant has arrived and is dodging Phillip in high feather over the joke that she and Katherine are playing on that young man. Phillip enters into a compact with Aunt Rebecca, that he will give up yacht racing, not even entering his boat in the race that day, if the cat project is dropped. He has fondly hoped that Mr. Bob would be able to enter for him that his boat might win, after all, but is disgusted with poor Brown's slight frame and weak stomach, and fails to understand that worthy's fascination for his cousin, Marion Bryant, however, is a sport herself, and engages with the skipper of the fleet to enter Phillip's yacht without the knowledge of the latter.

Phillip, in his anxiety to be away from the scene of his boat's disgrace, leaves for town. Jenkins has been ordered to pack his bag, and here the plot thickens, for pretty Patty has sought to play a joke on Jenkins by putting two of the blackest cats in a traveling-bag. She is dancing across stage with this bag when Phillip enters and takes it off, thinking that Jenkins has prepared it for him. Patty is dismayed, and the noble Jenkins

is constrained to unbend his dignity to the point of laughing.

Brown, meantime, has been served with some three or four luncheons in his various capacities—as Mr. Bob by Phillip, as Ned Saunders, for whom the girls take him, and as Brown the architect, whom Miss Rebecca believes him to be—and is now well-nigh desperate. He has given Miss Rebecca the codicille, but she thinks that it is the draft of the plans for her cattery, and drops asleep in a chair with the resolution to destroy it when she awakes, in harmony with her agreement with her nephew. Brown finds her so, and recovers the codicille, substituting blank paper. Patty and Jenkins then enter with some more of their dramatic Romeo and Juliet love-making, and Patty leaves her strike-notice in Miss Rebecca's lap.

Phillip boards his train for town, but discovers the cats in his grip and returns in a towering rage. The melee becomes general when Marion enters after having put Phillip's yacht through for the prize, and she and Phillip find that they are friends of auld lang syne. By dint of much exertion Brown then straightens out his variegated identity, and Phillip and "Mr. Bob" presumably live happy ever after. The surmise is strong, too, that Patty and her noble Jenkins become a real Juliet and Romeo.

The part of Phillip Royson was taken by Haldean McChesney. Mr. McChesney was strong throughout and was "well cast," though he found it much easier to be dour than cheerful. He entered into the spirit of his part with plenty of life and action, and stiffened the interest at all times. John Cole, as Robert Brown of Benson & Benson, was inimitable. His air of bewilderment, as he was successively forced to humor the whims of the people whom he thought were crazy, was side-splitting.

W. E. Waldron, as Jenkins, upheld the traditional dignity of the proud butler, and helped to convulse the audience more times than one. Mrs. Clay Cooke, as Patty, the maid, won every heart with her winsome simplicity and her stage ambitions, and her entry was looked forward to each time with pleasure.

The two arch-conspirators, Katherine and Marion, Misses Lillian Pruett and Julia G. Davis, were both brilliant in their work. Their acting was realistic in its naturalness, and of a piece with the spirit of their parts. Probably the fact that they are themselves living through the same mischievous period of young-ladyhood, helped them in this particular.

And last is Miss Rebecca Luke, the part taken by Miss Wyckoff with such admirable dignity. As a champion of cats, she was "hard to beat," and her portrayal of helpless spinsterhood was most amusing. Yet withal she showed the big human heart that animated Aunt Rebecca, even with respect to cats.

The Music Hall was comfortably filled, and the audience quite appreciative as was attested by the frequent applause and the rising gales of laughter that often interrupted the actors. A substantial sum was realized, too, for the support of the good work that is being done by the ladies of the Methodist church. Home talent productions are usually pleasant for home people, and this one was especially so. The young people composing the caste are to be congratulated upon their success.

#### Notice to Firemen.

There will be a meeting of the Pecos firemen at the Commercial Club rooms Monday, ec. 15, at 7:30 p. m. It is very important that all members be present as it is an annual meeting to elect our officers for the ensuing year.

WILL P. BRADY, Pres.

F. E. CALVERT, Sec.

#### Joyriders from Barstow.

A gay party from Barstow passed through Pecos last Tuesday on a pleasure trip, going first to the Dyer ranch in the Panama neighborhood, and from there they expect to visit Fort Stockton before returning home.

The personnel consisted of Col. Dyer and wife, his son F. J. Dyer and wife; Miss Agnes Lloyd, Mr. Rinehart and wife and also Dr. T. L. Dean.

Just as the party arrived in the city one of the tires of Mr. Rinehart's car received a puncture and they had to halt long enough to replace it with a new one, but were soon on their way again.

### PECOS BAR IS HONORED.

#### Mr. and Mrs. Will P. Brady Treat Attorneys to Turkey and Trimmings for Thanksgiving.

Ask any member of the Reeves County Bar Association, or any visiting members of the profession practicing this term at the Pecos bar, what his best reason is for being thankful for this good year 1913, and he will probably heave a reminiscent sigh and say that the best reason occurring to him is that he was able to do justice to the dinner served to the bar by Mr. and Mrs. Will P. Brady last Thursday night. It was a gala occasion in every respect; and one that could not be forgotten either by the epicure, or by the lover of pleasant things fitly and gracefully accomplished.

The Brady home was a harmony of orange and white, the scheme being carried out on the tables, where two long orange ribbons crossed each other, to the vases filled with yellow and white chrysanthemums, and the electric light bulbs that were a glory of golden light, shining through the fluffs of artificial chrysanthemums.

Four dainty maidens made the service charming by waiting upon the tables, and through the seven courses, nothing was lacking in any particular to please any of the senses. The members of the bar and their escorts were delighted with the spirit of the evening that resulted from the cordiality and hospitality of the Brady home, and anecdotes, jokes, and bright repartee made the time fly. The evening's success was due in a large measure to Mrs. Brady's social art. Misses Mildred McCarver, Nannie Mae Collins, Stella Weyer and Colon Prewitt were the charming waitresses.

Those invited were: Messrs. and Mesdames W. A. Hudson, E. C. Canon, H. C. Cooke, J. W. Parker, J. A. Drane, J. A. Buck, J. E. Starley, Ben Palmer, Ben Randals, J. F. Ross, W. Hubbard, L. C. Majors, F. C. Rarey, S. J. Isaacs, S. B. Pugh, J. R. Gibson, A. J. Wilson, T. J. Hefner, H. N. McKellar, Ponder S. Carter, Burch Carson, B. W. Baker, T. J. Slack and Tom Harrison; Miss Willie-de Woods, and Messrs. Harry MacTier, L. Needham and H. B. Link.

#### Kermit News.

This part of the country is on a regular boom.

Fine season in the ground and stock are fat and fine. A good many are selling.

Halley & Lewis sold 8 carloads, Campbell Bros, Crawford, Neil, Leck, Stewart, Priest and Lovett have sold quite a number.

Judge Baird has sold some fine stock and has purchased quite a number from H. B. Lovett.

W. F. Stewart has just returned from Odessa, where he purchased a bunch of white-faced male calves. They are full blood and fine.

W. A. Priest is off for the Fat Stock Show.

Cleave Dawson is off on a business trip.

H. B. Lovett is moving his business house to Main street, which will be occupied by the Kermit Grocery and Drug Company.

Mr. Glisson has rented a house and will move to Kermit for school purposes.

Mr. Brookfield has rented the Hutchinson house and will move in right away.

F. H. Mitchell has just returned from Des Moines, Iowa, where he was visiting home folks. Frank says the snow and ice did not look good to him and he is glad to get back to Texas.

#### District Court Jurors, Fourth Week.

J. A. Brady, O. P. Spring, J. M. Scanlon, E. F. Fuqua, F. A. Bessire, V. D. Havess, Rudolph Hoefs, Allen Schreyer, J. W. Crane, C. J. Charske, Ollie Craig, C. W. Crawford, W. R. Glasscock, B. G. Smith, Jno. Wilson, A. B. Bryant, J. W. Brooks, Hugh Brock, Chas. Weinacht, J. K. Webb, J. C. Palmer, J. B. Davis, R. F. Grisom, C. C. Johnson, R. H. Prunty, W. C. Holbert, H. T. Collier, J. J. Pope.

#### Two New Stores for Pecos.

Gorden Bros. have opened up "The Popular Dry Goods 'Cut Price Store'" in the building recently vacated by the racket store.

They have a nice new stock of dry goods, shoes, ladies' and gents' furnishings and notions.

These gentlemen are both experienced merchants and salesmen and will undoubtedly receive their share of trade.

## CLUB MEETING TUESDAY NIGHT

### MATTER OF GOOD ROADS WILL BE SPECIAL TOPIC FOR DISCUSSION.

Sentiment Strong for Bond Issue for East Half of County—Will Submit Petition.

The December meeting of the Pecos Commercial Club will be held next Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock, in the club rooms. Good roads will be the principal topic of discussion, though other topics of general interest will be taken up.

A petition will be presented to the County Commissioners Monday, for the calling of an election to be held in Commissioners' precincts Nos. 4 and 5, to vote on the question of issuing \$100,000 of bonds for the building of roads in these precincts. It will be one of the principal objects of the meeting Tuesday night to boost the bond issue, and to have a full and frank discussion of the matter. The Commissioners will by that time have acted upon the matter, and will probably have set the date for the election.

Those promoting the proposed bond issue will have as much data as can well be prepared on the matter in so short a time, and will endeavor to answer all questions as fully as possible. The valuation of property in the two precincts is between four and five million dollars. To pay interest on the bonds, and to provide a sinking fund for their ultimate payment, will require a tax of about fifteen cents on the one hundred dollars valuation, or only five cents more than is at present levied for the special road tax in the county. In other words, the man who owns a thousand dollars worth of property in Reeves County, will have to pay, as his share of the good roads expense, a dollar and a half each year. That is surely a small price for so great an improvement—especially when it is borne in mind that this property-owner is already paying one dollar of that amount each year for the present system of roads.

Word comes from Fort Stockton that Pecos County will hold an election on the 15th day of December for the voting of \$85,000 of bonds. Secretary Giles of the Stockton Commercial Club, has sent word up here that Pecos County citizens don't want to have to build a good road to the Reeves County line and then come the rest of the way to Pecos through the mud, ruts or dust. Reeves County people are hoping that this won't be the case.

A petition is being started today, asking for the election, and there has been little trouble experienced in getting the required fifty signers. In fact, sentiment is strong for the bond issue, and the election should result in the approval of the proposition by a safe majority.

Remember the time of the meeting—Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock, at the Commercial Club rooms. Remember, too, that everyone in Reeves County is invited, these meetings not being restricted to those who have membership in the club. Come along, and bring a friend with you. The Commercial Club is for Pecos and the Pecos County, and you can help with your presence, your personal interest, and even by your criticisms. The Commercial Club Band will be on hand, and an effort will be made to keep the program from dragging.

#### Purchased New Home Here.

H. W. Roop of Warrensburg, Mo., has purchased the L. W. Anderson residence on the northwest corner of Oleander and Fourth streets and he and his family are now comfortably domiciled in same.

Mr. Roop expects to make a trip to his old home next week to settle up some business, after which he will be with us all the time.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson have moved into the F. W. Johnson residence in the western part of the city.

The Times heartily joins in extending a sincere welcome to Mr. Roop and family, and may they never have just cause to regret casting their lot in Pecos.

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# GOVERNOR KILLS FOUR GUARDS

FEARS TREACHERY AT THEIR  
HANDS AND PROCEEDS TO  
TAKE LIVES.

Knife Plunge Intended for Heart of  
Official, but Wound in Hand  
Is Inflicted.

Hongkong, China, Nov. 30.—Gen. Chi Kuang Lung, governor of Canton, today, for the second time within a fortnight, was attacked by an assassin who endeavored to plunge a knife into his heart.

The general escaped with a wound in the hand.

He personally killed four of his guards, fearing treachery at their hands.

Serious trouble in Canton is anticipated shortly. The Chinese are apprehensive and business is becoming stagnant. The police have been reinforced.

Bombs are frequently found in the city.

## PLANS TO ATTACK MEXICAN NATIONAL PALACE FILED

Military Prison Officials Are Sent to  
Penalty Colony at Quintanroo,  
Yucatan.

Vera Cruz, Mexico, Nov. 29.—Maj. Garcia de la Cadena and Lieutenant de la Pena, the governor and the commander of the guard of Santiago military prison in City of Mexico, arrived here today under charge of a strong detail of soldiers of the presidential guard, and were taken on board the gunboat Vera Cruz, bound for the penal colony of Quintanroo, Yucatan.

The arrest of the two officers was the result of the discovery in the prison of a serious anti-Huerta conspiracy, the intention being to arm and release all the prisoners and then cooperate with bodies of disaffected troops in an attack on the National palace.

The arrests were effected yesterday afternoon immediately after the discovery of the plot.

Extraordinary precautions were taken to prevent any communication with the prisoners after the arrival of the train and pending the preparation of the gunboat for their reception.

## "Pride of the Villalistas"

El Paso, Tex., Nov. 28.—Flushed with fever and suffering from a wound inflicted by a bursting shell, little Pedro Huerta, age 19, the "pride of the Villalistas," is lying on a white cot at the Mexican Hotel in Juarez anxiously inquiring for news from the front.

## College Waitresses.

There is a hotel up in the White Mountains that has only college girls as waitresses during the summer season. There are more than fifty such girls employed in the hotel, and the proprietor of the hostelry now says he would not have any other kind of help.

He has applications at this time of the year for the coming season from Wellesley, Smith, Vassar, Wells, and many other girls' colleges for positions as waitresses, and, in fact, has so many candidates that he selects his help by a most rigorous examination.

The girls are on duty only for breakfast, luncheon and dinner, and have the rest of the day absolutely free. As the majority of these girls rank high in class, and as many children are in the hotel with their parents, they have abundant time to do tutoring in the summer and make large fees.

The proprietor is satisfied with the arrangement and usually encourages the girls to make all the money they can. He has found his scheme successful, says the New York Press, and observes that his guests invariably are satisfied. "There is a superstition," said he, "that a college education unfits a girl for efficient work, but this is nonsense. I have had experience with all kinds of servants, and if I am given my choice I invariably pick the college girl. Not only does the college girl attend to her work better than the ordinary servant, but her work is much more finished. She has a better idea of what is required, and she has a better idea of the place of work in the world."

A man in British West Indies writes: "Wherever I am I find Hunt's Lightning Oil indispensable. It is only a wonderful remedy for pains. In cases of Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Headaches, Sprains, etc. you should just try it and be convinced. Your druggist sells it."

## WHY McFADDEN RESIGNED.

Gives Reasons for Leaving Meeting of  
Executive Committee of Texas  
Association Wednesday.

Fort Worth, Nov. 27.—President McFadden of the Texas Cattle Raisers Association said this evening that he intended his action in tendering his resignation and leaving the meeting of the cattle raisers executive committee yesterday afternoon to be a protest against what he regards as a lack of loyal interest in Texas to the cattle industry. He offered a resolution designed, he said, to protect the small shipper as well as the big, and he was surprised that any one should oppose it. When his resolution failed of approval he said there seemed to be no place for him in the meeting and he thought he had better resign and withdraw. He said he would resign and then left the meeting. No action was taken by the committee.

The text of the resolution is:

"Resolved, by the executive committee of the Cattle Raisers Association of Texas, in session in Fort Worth Nov. 26, 1913, that the attorney of this association prepare a bill which has the approval of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission of Texas; to be introduced in congress, which shall have for its object the securing of a regulation from the department of agriculture providing that when cattle have been dipped and moved under the authority of an inspector of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission of Texas, and allowed to be yarded in native pens, that the inspector for the Bureau of Animal Industry shall inspect and, if found free from infection, issue a government certificate permitting the cattle to be moved interstate."

Mr. McFadden said as it now is only United States government inspection was accepted, even if after private dipping the cattle were found free from infection. That is, cattle twice dipped might come to the native pens and be entirely free from infection, but under the existing regulations they were required to be dipped again. His position is, he said, that it would be greatly to the advantage of the small stock farmer or cattle raiser to have the new regulation, the reasonableness of which must appeal to all. He also stated that former Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, after a full explanation of the position of the State Sanitary Commission in this matter, agreed it was but reasonable and just and promised to have such a regulation enacted. But somehow he had failed to do so. It was so palpably for the general good, said Mr. McFadden, not only for much of Texas, but for all of the Southern states infested with Spanish fever ticks, that it should meet general approval. This regulation, if adopted as he advocates, would enlarge the market of the small stock raiser and permit him to get his cattle to the Northern feeders without any danger of the infection being carried.

## WILL FIGHT UTAH BANDIT WITH POISONOUS GAS

Posse Making Plans to Asphyxiate  
Mexican at Bay in Mine.

Bingham, Utah, Nov. 30.—Hope of driving Ralph Lopez, slayer of six men, from his refuge in the Utah-Apex mine was abandoned today, and tonight preparations are being made to force poisonous gases into the mine in an attempt to asphyxiate the fugitive. Fourteen of the fifteen exits have been stopped with bulkheads.

Lopez attempted to break down a bulkhead at the mouth of the tunnel today, but after tearing away one board retreated when the guards opened fire. Lopez has been in the mine since Thursday with only a small supply of food.

The bodies of Deputy Sheriffs Douglas Hulsey and Tom Mandrich, who were killed by the desperado yesterday, were recovered today by a posse, headed by E. P. Strauper, mayor-elect of Bingham. Strauper selected five men of several hundred who volunteered and made a dash into the mine after Lopez had been driven away from the mouth of the tunnel.

It was reported today that a man who shot and seriously wounded his wife several days ago also is a fugitive in the mine and co-operating with Lopez.

## Fit His Case Exactly.

"When father was sick about six years ago he read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Tablets in the papers that fit his case exactly," writes Miss Margaret Campbell of Fort Smith, Ark. "He purchased a box of them and he has not been sick since. My sister had stomach trouble and was also benefited by them." For sale by all dealers.

Any lady, young or old, has a chance to win the \$400 piano to be given away by the W. T. Read Mercantile Company. 761f

# STOVES

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# Helps for the Housewife

"Wire screens in the windows may keep the undertaker away."

## Household Economy.

"I have been a housekeeper many years, and during that time have learned many lessons in economy," a woman writes. "There are three grown people in our family, and by good management we have meat once, a day every day in the week, and often twice, at an outlay of from \$1 to \$1.15 a week. We quite often buy a beef roast of six or seven pounds. I roast it in a covered roasting pan and make a dressing as for roast turkey. I roast it from one to two and one-half hours.

"About an hour before taking it from the roaster I put the dressing in one corner of the pan. After taking up the meat and dressing I make a nice thickened gravy, and with creamed potatoes and a simple dessert the meal is good enough for anyone.

"The next day I take the same roast and put it in the roaster with more dressing and heat it thoroughly, when it is fully as good as the day before. Then for the third day, for a change, I cut off enough to make a meat pie, baking a three-pint basin with a small cup in the center to hold the crust.

"The fourth day I slice some of the roast which remains, and put it in a stewpan with some potatoes sliced and a slice or two of onion, a little butter and salt and pepper, cook until the potatoes are tender, then thicken with a spoonful of flour.

"There is meat for four days, and you still have a good sized piece of your roast left, which is very nice sliced cold or made in hash, or chopped and made into meat balls, so that there is not a mouthful wasted.

"I have learned to cook without wasting a spoonful of anything. I do all of my own baking, put up my own fruit, make jelly, jam, all kinds of pickles, pack eggs in the fall or late in the summer in water-glass, and so reduce grocery bills. We also use oleomargarine, which I color myself, working in one teaspoonful of salt with the coloring in a two-pound package, and we much prefer it to any creamery butter that we can buy."

## Earning Money at Home.

A pretty cape for an infant can be made from three-quarters of a yard of batiste, twenty-seven inches wide, and the same amount of silk. Line the cape thoroughly with silk and featherstitch or crochet around the

edge. These capes are simply made and sell for about \$5. A dainty handkerchief may be easily made by crocheting a simple edging around the hem of a plain handkerchief. These are pretty if crocheted in blue or pink or any pale color, and sell for from 35c to 50c, according to the price of the linen used. One woman is very successful in supplying these things to her friends.

## The Value of Domestic Science.

(By Mrs. Pearl Keller.)

There is a growing, aggressive demand for the assignment of domestic science teachers to a position of importance in our school curriculum. What do you think about it? You consider a knowledge of domestic science necessary for women who are home-makers of the land? Of course you do. The old saying that "The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world" is now changed to "the hand that stirs the batter rules the world." Inasmuch as the woman is the money spender, the food provider, the home-maker and the bearer and trainer of children, surely she governs the world.

Ever since the first days woman has been giving food to man to his good or his hurt. The physical, mental and spiritual life of every individual depends upon his nourishment. He may be without shelter of any kind, he may lack adequate clothing for his needs, but food he must and will have, and upon his food depends his capacity for doing work and doing it well.

The baby, the child, the adult and the sick all have different food demands, and every woman ought to know what foods to give her babies, her growing children and the other members of her family. Women give their children those foods which will develop the body and the mind and lay the foundation for a healthy man or woman.

Thousands of dollars are being spent annually in studying the diseases of chickens and cattle, in sending out bulletins to the farmers throughout the country, so that they may give balanced rations to the stock on the farm; and yet, how many dollars are being spent on our girls to teach them to prepare balanced rations for the family?

One of our authors says that the brain is in the custody of the stomach. This certainly explains some of the irritability, dullness and misbehavior of our children. A large percentage of the absences from school are due to mal-nutrition. Women's clubs are awakening to the fact and are establishing lunches in both town and rural schools.

Another thing which is taught in the cooking room is unselfishness. Every day there are vast opportunities in the cooking laboratory for a girl to learn to share her finished products with her neighbor, with her teacher or with the unexpected guest.

The home is the greatest thing in the nation, and in the making of a home the woman stands supreme. A man may build the house, but he cannot make the home. A woman must do that.

And now we come to the last phase of woman's sphere, the greatest of all—the bearing and nurture of the children. The teacher of domestic science is but an assistant to the head teacher, the mother. The mother has the exclusive care of the child's education for the first five years of its life, before it reaches the kindergarten teacher—years in which the whole health is formed for the better or for the worse. Surely, then, we should equip our girls for this important work.

But remember the day is near at hand when every school child in the land will be guided by intelligent hands over the threshold of that earthly paradise—a clean, restful, beautiful home.

## Relief for Indigestion.

One woman, when she is attacked by indigestion, relieves herself this way: She goes upstairs, where she will be alone, and begins crawling about the floor on her hands and knees, as a baby creeps. She does this with no particular haste, but keeps steadily at it for fully ten minutes. This greatly relieves her. She says that the remedy is one that she learned from her grandmother. It is probably successful because the position of the body and the accompanying gentle exercise are instrumental in bringing an extra supply of blood to the stomach, and thereby digesting the food which is giving trouble.

A hot-water bag placed high up on the stomach will also bring the blood to the desired spot and digest troublesome foods. Good massage will frequently do the same.

## Tell Why They Want to Vote.

(Farm and Fireside.)

I wonder if there is anything or anyone in all Christendom superior to that most superior of all human beings, the masculine opponent of Woman's Suffrage? I doubt it sincerely and were we not rather a brave lot we would surely shrivel up and blow away when these very superior humans assume a cheery air and from their height smile down at us as they ask, "Why do you want to vote?"

They assume that time worn attitude that women never have a reason for anything and that she plunges into whatever she does in a reckless, haphazard fashion without really knowing what she is about. Sometimes they meet a clinging vine whose innate gentleness and extreme timidity prevents her voicing her reasons, but in this up and coming age the average woman not only knows what she wants but is thoroughly capable of telling in a thoroughly clever way why she wants what she wants.

In a recent issue of the "Woman's Political World" the following list of reasons why we unreasonable human beings want the vote appeared and for the enlightenment of men who can not at all understand the "suffrage campaign" we think it not amiss to give it. The reasons:

Because they are human beings and respond to the moving spirit of their time and generation.

Because they with all classes of men have been drawn into the great stream flowing toward democracy.

Because, like the men of every civilized country in the past century, they have heard the call for self-expression, self-government.

Because, like the men of China, they rebel against the rule of mandarins.

Because, like the men of Ireland, they want home rule.

Because, like the men of Portugal, they want to escape all forms of monarchy and under a republican form of government establish the rule of the whole people.

Because they are thinking, sentient beings and know themselves to be fit for self-government.

Because they wish to remove from government every vestige of sex-aristocracy.

Because they wish to govern themselves.

## Would Imprison Runaway Husbands.

Addressing the state conference on Charities and Corrections at La Crosse, Wisconsin, Mrs. Catherine L. Van Wyck of Milwaukee, state president, said she had seen some homes which she did not blame men for running away from. At the same time she strongly advocated the enactment of a federal law which would place runaway husbands in the penitentiary. —National Weekly.

To catch runaway husbands! Who would care for such a catch, unless he could be confined in some safe place where he would be forced to work and support the wife and family he was trying to get away from. We

have long advocated some sort of state institution where men who would not work could be made to work, the profits of their labor to be divided between the home and the state. These should include indigent sons who leave their mothers to struggle for their living, as well as delinquent husbands. Like the lady quoted, we have seen homes so devoid of all effort to make them clean, comfortable and happy we could not blame a genteel man for wishing to get away but, if he had assumed the obligations of keeping up a home and caring for a family, he should be made to do this, even at a distance.

## Umbrella Cases.

Because in many boarding schools the girls sharing a room also have to share a closet it is the wise thing to have a plainly marked umbrella case which can be hung on a hook behind one or more garments. This case, large enough to hold several umbrellas, is made of heavy dark denim, bound at the long edges, at the short closed end and at the wide mouth with thick worsted braid and on both flat sides plainly marked in white tape with the initials of the owner. Much of the trouble which arises among girls rooming together at boarding schools grows out of misunderstandings with regard to appropriating each other's small belongings, but the student who arrives armed with one of these cases clearly indicates to her companion that she regards her umbrellas as her own property.

## Needlework Notes.

To make dress shields for thin white waists cut thin white flannel the size desired, trim the edge with narrow lace and tie in the dress with narrow tape.

An excellent way to finish armholes in a fine lingerie blouse is to sew the sleeves in by machine, then button-hole around the edges with either a coarse thread or soft floss.

To keep a placket from tearing, fasten the last or bottom hook and eye, then clamp it with a hammer. It can not come unhooked; can not tear or rip and eases the strain on the goods just below the placket at the spot which so often is torn, even on comparatively new goods.

A new fancy is to have white wash petticoats of pique or poplin closely fitted to the figure and finished around the bottom edge with embroidered scallops. Such a skirt is daintier, less expensive and more durable than those made of silk and is worn with tailored suits and closely fitting light weight wool dresses.

To put sleeves in correctly put the under arm seam of the sleeve just the length of your second finger ahead of the underseam of the waist. This is an easy way and they are always in the right place.

A table runner observed had a border at each end of pink roses in loop stitch against a solid tapestry background of pale yellow. Little bow-knots were carried out in Alice blue, while the whole design was inclosed in a double outlining of brown and black.

Pretty Dutch collars and coat collar and cuff sets may be made from rick-rack braid shaped by means of a crochet design between the scallops, forming stars, diamonds, waves or any design you wish. The braid may be simply stitched together with thread and formed into stars, diamonds or other shapes. It would make beautiful yokes and belts. For beauty and durability no other trimming for underwear can compare to rick-rack braid.

## Leave Your Windows Open.

Fresh air is the first requisite to good circulation and pure blood, and these are essential to good health.

The season for window closing is approaching, and the question of outdoor sleeping should be again brought to mind, as it is no superfluous fad but a hard-shell necessity. While it is true that the people on the farms almost have a "corner" on fresh air, it is still imperative that during the winter months they give due consideration to the ventilation of their sleeping rooms. Leave the windows and doors of your bedrooms open at night in winter as well as in summer and reap the reward of a system strong enough to combat ills that are so prevalent during the winter months.

## California Woman Seriously Alarmed.

"A short time ago I contracted a severe cold which settled on my lungs and caused me a great deal of annoyance. I would have had coughing spells and my lungs were so sore and inflamed I began to be seriously alarmed. A friend recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, saving she had used it for years. I bought a bottle and it relieved my cough the first night, and in a week I was rid of the cold and soreness of my lungs," writes Miss Marie Gerber, Sawtells, Cal. For sale by all dealers.

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In Court This Week.

The case of Lofina Silvas, a Mexican, was tried for cattle stealing and resulted in a hung jury. This was the second trial for this Mexican.
Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Ruth from Balmorhea are in Pecos this week as witnesses in the Arno land title case. Henry Richburg made a flying trip to Stanton this week.

WEDDINGS.

Parker-Beauchamp.
With a small crowd of intimate friends as witnesses, Mr. G. C. Parker and Miss Duffie Beauchamp were united in marriage Wednesday night at the Baptist church by Rev. J. B. Cole. The wedding, though quiet, was a pretty one.

The altar had been banked with potted plants and flowers, providing a beautiful setting for the ceremony. Mrs. Sam Means sang "Call Me Thine Own," with Miss Nannie Mae Collings at the piano, and Mr. Means playing a violin obligato. After the conclusion of the wedding song, which was sung with passionate sweetness, Mrs. Means took the piano and struck the majestic signal chords of Mendelssohn's Wedding March.

The bride and bridegroom entered from the double doors back of the center aisle and made their way to the altar, where the pastor awaited them. Then, while the piano played a soft sweet accompaniment the marriage vows were spoken and Rev. Cole said the simple words that made them husband and wife, concluding with a prayer of benediction.

The bride is a Pecos girl, having been born and brought up here. No young lady has ever occupied a higher place in the esteem of her home people than she has enjoyed, and none has ever more richly merited that esteem. After leaving the Pecos schools she attended Kidd-Key, at Sherman, Texas, from which institution she graduated some two years ago. Accomplished socially, of sweet, unspoiled disposition, she has long ago endeared herself to all who knew her.

Mr. Parker, the bridegroom, has been in Pecos less than a year, but has made friends as fast as he made acquaintances. He is a valued member of the Pecos Mercantile Company's force of salesmen and is a young man of good business ability. It is a matter of felicitation for the people of Pecos that these young people will make their home here. For the present they will be at the home of Mrs. Alice M. Leavell, but will go to housekeeping after the first of January.

Wednesday afternoon the more intimate friends of the young people had been surprised and delighted to receive invitations to be present at the wedding, and at the reception that followed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Collings. The affair had all the charm of informality, the circle of those present including Pecos young folk who know each other well. It was an old-time evening of enjoyment, the time passing to the accompaniment of jolly conversation and the best of music. In the matter of music the evening was especially a pleasant one.

Several musicians were in the crowd and these were most obliging in accepting invitations to play. Miss Julia Davis and Mrs. Sam Means at the piano, and Messrs. Means and Tatum and Will Moore with the violin, took turns at furnishing instrumental music, and Mrs. Means delighted the crowd with several songs. Marshmallow fruit frappe with whipped cream and cake was served during the course of the evening, and a pleasant time could hardly have been conceived. Mr. and Mrs. Parker were the recipients of the sincerest congratulations, and it was a late hour before the happy crowd broke up, leaving for the popular young couple every good wish for their married life.

Hoefs-Weinacht.

Arthur Hans Hoefs of Saragosa and Miss Lizzie Lee Weinacht of Toyahvale were married in Pecos at five o'clock Wednesday afternoon, December 4. Rev. Homer L. Magee performing the ceremony at his residence.

An Expression of Appreciation.

Pursuant to a motion passed at its last session, the executive committee of the Pecos Commercial Club wishes to take this method of expressing its appreciation of the work of Dr. R. M. Harkey, as secretary of the organization during the past year. We believe this but his just due, and take pleasure in extending to him our thanks for the earnestness and effectiveness of his endeavors toward the upbuilding of this section of West Texas. Speaking for the club, the citizens of Pecos, and for itself, this committee wishes to send after him to his new field, the best wishes of the people whom he is leaving, and their hearty commendation.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Pecos Commercial Club.

The "kitchen" display in the Pecos Mercantile Company's furniture department window has certainly attracted much attention during the past week. We wonder if the "Cook Wanted" is a sly way that Uncle Sid has for securing a housekeeper. Stranger things than that have happened.

Wednesday morning Pecos had a heavy, dark, cloudy morning which was followed up by a damp, cold, drizzling rain, which made it very disagreeable.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. Vada Millican of Van Horn left for her home last week, after visiting a few days with her brother, W. K. Wylie and family in Pecos. Mrs. W. C. Welborn of Welborn, was a Pecos visitor Thanksgiving. Mrs. J. B. Tubb of Saragosa was in Pecos Thanksgiving day.

K. C. Luekes was down from Toyah on a business trip last week.

A. W. Wigley of Balmorhea was circulating among his numerous Pecos friends the latter part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Curtis of Toyah were Pecos visitors last week, Friday. Eugene Kite was up to Kent the past week, having been called there to do some carpentering. He is a first class workman, which guarantees that the work was well done.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Houghton were over from Barstow last week, Friday, on a trading trip at our stores.

The station agent at Toyah was struck by lightning while talking over the phone to the man at the tank, during a thunder storm last Friday evening.

Tatum Moore of Brogado is spending this week in Pecos. C. C. Caldwell returned home last Friday evening from Fort Worth.

T. A. Egell, one of Mont Clair's popular citizens, was down Friday circulating among his numerous Pecos friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Floyd and children and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Richburg went out to Balmorhea Thursday and enjoyed their Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Isa Barlow.

We failed to mention last week that Mrs. M. H. Manning had left on an extended visit with relatives and friends at Fort Worth and at Lytle, Texas. She was accompanied by her grandchild, little Miss Jackie Floyd.

Trav. Windham was a Pecos visitor Wednesday of last week. He reports that the Borilla Draw country never was in better shape than it is at present.

Miss Maggie Joplin came in from her school at Dubose Chapel and spent Thanksgiving with her parents.

Miss Mary Henry Woods, who is teaching in the Barstow schools, was here from Thursday until Sunday evening visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Woods and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Evy Bowles were in Pecos the latter part of last week visiting among their numerous friends.

T. J. Sisk went out to his farm-ranch last week to see how things were progressing and reports that everything was in fine shape.

Sheriff Tom Harrison and M. L. Roddy went up to Van Horn one day last week to see if any of the Mexicans who had a hand in the murder of Fayette Duncan were in the bunch being held there under suspicion, but none of them were the ones wanted.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brady of Barstow were over spending Thanksgiving with relatives and friends.

Mrs. J. L. Moore and boys Joseph and William of Brogado came up Wednesday for the Parker-Beauchamp nuptials.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Robert Higgins, November 18, 1913, a fine boy.

Bob Smith, one of Grandfalls' most popular young men, came up and spent Thanksgiving with his mother, Mrs. J. B. Smith, who is receiving treatment at Miss Bathena Coone's sanitarium. Mrs. Smith's many friends will be pleased to hear that she is convalescent and expects to be able to return to her home in a few weeks.

Tom Mitchell of Barstow was a business visitor in Pecos last week.

Miss Vida Drummond, accompanied by the two Misses Obie and Maud Valentine, both of Stockton, attended a dance at Toyah Thanksgiving night of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Davis visited Toyah Thanksgiving day. Joe Davis was a Toyah visitor last week.

Taylor Gardner visited Toyah on Thursday of last week.

D. J. Moran and family went to Toyah Thanksgiving day to visit Mrs. Moran's father and mother.

Mrs. G. H. Gentry, one of the teachers in the high school at Midland, was visiting her home in Pecos, the grandest city of the Pecos valley.

Misses Nellie and Beatrice Wilcox visited friends in Toyah last week.

J. A. Hardy and Bettie Prewitt, the champion rabbit hunters, killed 97 rabbits Thanksgiving day.

Barney Hubbs, a "previous" devil in the Times office, made a "bike" trip down to Fort Stockton last Thursday, returning home Sunday. He reports having had a fine time.

Mr. F. E. Dobbins from Kansas City, arrived in Pecos Monday and is very much pleased with Pecos and the Pecos Valley.

Judge John Duncan of Lagrange is a Pecos visitor this week and speaks very complimentary of Pecos and this part of West Texas.

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Mrs. W. H. Slaughter of El Paso has been visiting the last week with Rev. and Mrs. Hedgpath. She left Monday afternoon for El Paso.

G. W. Witt, the carpenter and architect, arrived in the city Monday and went from here to Toyah on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wilson left Monday for southwest New Mexico, where they expect to make their future home.

Judge Isaacks adjourned court Thursday evening of last week and went to his home in Midland, returning Sunday.

Pecos was visited last Friday by a heavy rain and hail storm.

Old Nig, the faithful old express horse, took fright last Sunday and ran away, but fortunately there wasn't anyone hurt.

Two new stores opened up in the city this week. Mr. Wright from Colorado, has moved into the brick store next to Dr. Jim Camp and the two Gordon brothers have opened up in the first door north of the First National bank.

Sister Superior Mother Angela and Sister Berchmans arrived from Stanton Friday afternoon and visited until Monday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Chris Ritz and other friends.

Albert Sisk received a letter the first of the week from his brother John Sisk, who is sojourning in Central America, and was accompanied by another telegraph operator and they are having a splendid time.

E. D. Balcom arrived in Pecos the first of the week from a business trip north and east.

Geo. E. Briggs of Barstow was a Pecos visitor Monday.

Mr. Willingham shipped a carload of bulls to Mr. Haden, El Paso, Thursday.

Mrs. Jones Black and children, Ella, Ida and Raymond returned to their home at El Paso Thursday. Mrs. Black has been here the past month helping care for her mother, Mrs. P. L. Whitaker.

Jim Caudle was here yesterday from his home in Oklahoma City, circulating among his old time friends. It has been about six years since he was here and he was very much surprised at Pecos' growth. He made the Times office a pleasant call. Mr.

Caudle was warmly welcomed by his scores of Pecos friends. He left last night for El Paso, where he goes to buy a lot of cattle.

A. J. Crawford and Austin Mitchell of Toyah were business visitors in the Hub City Tuesday.

L. B. Wilson and W. E. Gould were in from Balmorhea, circulating among Pecos friends the forepart of the week.

C. L. Harbert of Saragosa was among the many visitors in Pecos Monday.

R. C. Evans and J. R. Alexander, both of Orla, were transacting business in Pecos Monday.

C. C. Cargill, E. Scott and A. B. Purnard of Toyah were receiving the glad handshake by their many Pecos friends the first of the week while in the hub city.

Totter and Ralph Arnold came up from Saragosa and spent Saturday in Pecos.

Pearl Willis of Porterville was visiting numerous friends in Pecos Sunday.

O. J. Green's delivery horse had a lively run last Saturday evening, breaking up the harness and wagon considerably.

J. W. Bennett arrived Wednesday morning from his home in Erick, Oklahoma, for a few days' stay in Pecos. He reports that they have splendid prospects for a bumper wheat crop next spring. His scores of friends here were pleased to see him again.

J. B. Davis went to Toyah Thanksgiving evening.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Reeves County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon R. L. Russell, Frank Meeks, J. P. Watkins, Jeff Still, T. E. Baldwin by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 70th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Reeves County, to be holden at the court house thereof, in Pecos, Texas, on the third Monday in April, A. D. 1914, the same being the 20th day of April, A. D. 1914, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 19th day of November, A. D.

1913, in a suit, number docket of said court No. 10, J. B. Kynard and T. E. Baldwin, plaintiffs, and R. L. Russell, Frank Meeks, J. P. Watkins, Jeff Still, T. E. Baldwin, defendants. The said petition alleges the plaintiffs' title to said land to be superior to the title of the defendants. The said plaintiffs hold an undivided said section of land, and the said defendants hold an undivided said section of land, and the said plaintiffs' title to said land is superior to the title of the defendants. The said plaintiffs' title to said land is superior to the title of the defendants. The said plaintiffs' title to said land is superior to the title of the defendants.

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