

The Necessity Store

H. L. A. FRANK, Proprietor

Plainview, Texas, Oct 20

Dear Sir:-

Your success and ours are related. We are partners in business. In all the bustle of this rushing world we sometimes forget, that after all, it is friendship that binds us together.

There comes to us now, this being the Ninth Anniversary of our beginning business in Plainview, the thoughts of another milestone of life and the nearly decade of serving you and our other customers, and looking back there is a feeling of enjoyment and satisfaction in knowing you.

It is our wish to clasp your hand and tell you in person our feelings at this time, for to you and the many others of our constituency we are due the success we have achieved in these nine years. Without your efforts would have been in vain.

In the months and years to come we trust our friendship may continue to grow warmer, and that we may serve you in many ways.

Again thanking you for favors, and with best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

H. L. A. FRANK.

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The semi-annual meeting of the Hale County Federation of Women's Clubs, held in Hale Center Saturday, was a success. Hale county has many smart and cultured club women, and they are doing a great work in making the Plains a better place in which to live.

There have been plenty of hot heads in the past who have shouted "To hell with the law," but nobody remembers much about them now, while the law still stands and civilization marches on through orderly reform and evolution far more consistently than through riot and revolution.

One of the bunch on the corner is missing. It seems he bought a new pair of shoes last week, but they hurt his feet so bad he could not stand on them, and has to stay at home and sit down in order to wear them. He declares "the city ought to put seats at the corner. What are we paying taxes for, anyway?"

The census report shows that the Plains counties have fewer persons who can neither read or write than any other section of the state—Haskell county being the banner county in all Texas, the record showing only one person out of each thousand. Willacy county, in Southwest Texas, has 44 out of each 100 who are illiterate, most of them being Mexicans. The Plains people believe in education, and vote highest taxes for the support of schools. A larger per cen-

tage of Plains boys and girls attend colleges and universities. Making money is but proper, but the Plains people know that there are better things in life. That is the reason we have such a superb citizenship.

The hens in Hale county the coming months are going to have a great part in "Keeping things moving." The poultry shipments bring a goodly sized and constant stream of money flowing into local channels. The poultry raising business should become many times greater than it is, and we are sure that within the next several years it will. There's money in chickens, turkeys and eggs.

Good health is coming into its own as never before. It is to be systematically taught in schools, the health nurse is to be a health asset in every county; touring, camping, play ground activities and general out-door appreciation are contributing. Even college girls, oft time "pale and intellectual," have now only half the death rate of their less educated sisters. This is attributed to their better knowledge of how to live and calls attention anew to the possibility of preventing needless life-wastage.

A Lockney man has a sure way of getting rid of company that comes and tries to stay too late. He gets out of his chair stretches, yawns right loud, pulls off one shoe and throws it against the floor, puts the cat out, winds the clock, turns down the light, and then, if they don't take the hint he lights his right strong pipe, and sneezes two or three times.

It is pleasant to read the announcement of the Music Publishers' association that the good old songs of home and heart and mother and mother love are growing in favor. There is a continuing demand for these dear old familiar melodies, homely but wholesome as some of them may be breathing their message of normal human emotions and love, picturing the sweet and beautiful part of life. There is joy roused by the announcement they are crowding out the abomination of jazz, that has made it an-

no reason for continuance. There is more joy that the unmusical melodies of Hawaii are losing steadily in public favor. Jazz and the Hawaiian melodies, like the joy ride, raise a great dust and commotion, but the is inevitable. Lovers of music have reason for joy that has been reached in musical life. There is so much of beautiful music within the reach of the most modest purse, no reason exists why the cheap vulgar, the abominable and the nerve racking substitutes should ever be given a hearing.

The churches of McKinney are its most valuable assets. Remove the churches and property will decrease in value at once. Yes, take the churches from the community and life, and virtue will no longer be safe. We heard a minister once relate that a ship was wrecked on an island which was inhabited by a blood thirsty tribe of cannibals. The sailors knowing their peril sent a man out to explore the island to ascertain as to whether any of the savages were near. The man climbed to a high hill, and when he reached the top, those who were waiting below noticed that his actions were very strange. He was jumping and swinging his arms and from the distance came his voice shouting with joy. The other members of the party hastily climbed the hill and this is what they saw. Down in the valley on the other side was a little church steeple towering toward the heavens proclaiming that these people were followers of Jesus Christ. These men knew that their lives were safe wherever Christ was supreme. The churches are in charge of a loyal group of concentrated soul loving pastors. These ministers are standing for those things which are up-lifting and elevating. These men are here to serve. In case of illness death or other troubles, any of the city's ministers will be glad to help you.—McKinney Democrat-Gazette.

* BOBBED HAIR

In the midst of real evils, we stoop to make a fight on Bobbed Hair. How puzzling to the innocent little lass in her teens who has never known anything else and to the college miss who will shake her very bobbed hair in defiance!

Of course, there are freakish ones who carry every style to excess. It is probably against such that these thunderous polemics are aimed.

When the majority of women have come to wear short or near-short hair, then our protean critics will rush to caricature those "old foggy women" who persist in wearing it long, just as they now poke fun at whiskers.

It was not so remotely that men wore long hair. George Washington not only submitted to frills in neck and sleeves, but even donned a dainty periwig. Our men are no longer such ruff-necks, and their hair they can scarcely shave close enough. Daniel Boone, the hardy pioneer, wore long hair. It has been the masculine vogue for ages. The doughty warriors, before the battle of Thermopylae, combed their long tresses ceremoniously that they might die as befitted their dignity.

His long hair was the undoing of Absalom, or rather his up-doing. Samson is the only athlete on record who thrived on long hair. The modern Maraton contestants would find such a "crown of glory" as is advocated for womankind would forfeit for them the crown of laurel which they much prefer.

Since long hair is a handicap in prowess, exactly why, we wonder, do men wish it upon women?

As to beauty—is long hair the open sesame? No matter how precisely confined, it is wont to slip from place, and disheveled, straggly locks are the first "make-up" for the hag or witch.

There is no disputing it, Bobbed hair is in line with freedom, efficiency

THE BRITISH CONSTITUTION

Joseph Addison

Our American Constitution has derived more from the English constitution and charters than from any other source. We are heirs to all that is best in English life and letters. There is a brotherhood of common beliefs that binds the two nations as no treaties or agreements ever could. It is with a feeling of profound gratitude and pride, therefore, that we acknowledge our kinship to the great minds of England and the debt we owe them.

Regarding the English form of government, it is interesting to note that about 1711, Joseph Addison wrote as follows:

I look upon it as a peculiar happiness that were I to choose of what religion I would be, and under what government I would live, I would most certainly give the preference to that form of religion and government which is established in my own country. In this point I think I am determined by reason and conviction; but if I shall be told that I am acted by prejudice, I am sure it is an honest prejudice; it is a prejudice that arises from the love of my country, and therefore such a one as I will always indulge.

That form of government appears to me the most reasonable, which is most conformable to the equality we find in human nature, provided it be consistent with public peace and tranquility. This is what may properly be called liberty, which exempts one man from subjection to another so far as the order and economy of government will permit.

Liberty should reach every individual of a people, as they all share one common nature; if it only spreads among particular branches, there had better be none at all, since such liberty only aggravates the misfortune of those who are deprived of it, by setting before them a disagreeable subject of comparison.

This liberty is best preserved, where the legislative power is lodged in several persons, especially if those persons are of different ranks and interests; for where they are of the same rank, and consequently have an interest to manage peculiar to that rank, it differs but little from a despotical government in a single person.

It is odd to consider the connection between despotical government and barbarity, and how the making of one person more than man, makes the rest less. Riches and plenty are the natural fruits of liberty, and where these abound, learning and all the liberal arts will immediately lift up their heads and flourish. As a man must have no slavish fears and apprehensions hanging upon his mind, who will indulge the flights of fancy or specu-

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ation, and push his researches into all the obtruse corners for truth, so it is necessary for him to have about him a competency of all the conveniences of life.

Besides poverty and want, there are other reasons that debase the minds of men who live under slavery, though I look upon it as the principal. The natural tendency of despotic power to ignorance and barbarity, though not insisted upon by others, is, I think, an unanswerable argument against that form of government, as it shows how repugnant it is to the good of mankind and the perfection of human nature, which ought to be the ends of all civil institutions.

A phenomenal incident reaching almost to the occult is reported from the village cemetery at Hooker, Okla. There came strange noises from many of the graves, and it seemed that there was a rattling of dry bones on coffin box floors, groans as of stiff joints long unused, and a tearing and rending sound like as of burial clothes being parted by suddenly aroused energy that was taking the place of motion long arrested by the destroying processes of nature. There was a clicking of jaws than took on the sound of smacking lips. The chorus of groans and chants of anticipation indicated that some one in that graveyard was under the impression that Gabriel had started up the eternity time on his trumpet. The curious thing about it all was that the laboring seemed to come from the graves of the old soaks who died gabe and drinking to the last. The grave digger found a barrel of home brew in the cemetery tool house, and when this was destroyed peace and quietude again reigned over the City of the Dead, and the threatened insurrection vanished like an Indian Summer dream.—Canadian Record.

Mexico under the impulse of the radicalism preached from Washington did some queer things. The legislature of the State of Vera Cruz passed a law requiring all industries to divide their profits with their workmen, and providing for the confiscation and sale of all concerns refusing to obey the law and the distribution of the proceeds among the workmen. This is an echo of Lenin's work in Russia and was intended as a blow at foreign investments. French and Spanish interests have started a fight against the law and all outside interests will be compelled to protest against it or submit to extermination. Mexico is reaping a bitter harvest from its revolutionary war damage and the end will not come until it takes the back track and invites the aid of foreign capital and of individual effort in the work of reconstruction. Socialism has power only to destroy. The profits of socialized industry have been enjoyed by the laborers of Russia for three years and most of the wheels are now still, and deadly famine confronts the land.

The Joke That Won a Prize

In the September issue of the "Flash," a magazine devoted to smart paragraphs, The Crescent Wins the Prize, for a paragraph written by J. Adam Bede, former congressman from Minnesota, and associate editor of the Crescent.

Here is the winner:

"A cow died in Nevada, recently, after swallowing several nails, an automobile key, three screws, a long strand of fence wire and—a General Line of Ford Accessories; some body twisted her tail, which made her jump in high and run herself to death.

France's harvests were so good last year that imports of foodstuffs have virtually ceased.

Big Results From A Small Outlay of Money

The News carries the largest volume of Want Ads of any paper in this section. There is a reason for this, for if satisfactory results were not obtained people would not continue to spend their money for Want Ads in this paper.

The News is read by more farmers and other people in Plainview trade territory than any other newspaper, and these people buy lots of things. They sell lots of things. They rent rooms and houses, etc.

A Want Adv. in the News costs only 15c for fifteen words and 1c for each additional word, but it is read by possibly six to eight thousand people. Isn't that very cheap publicity? Can you beat it?

If you have anything to sell or trade, a room or house or farm to rent, there is something you want to buy or trade for; something lost or found; a cow or horse strayed, some notice you wish to give publicity to, you will get results if you use the News Want columns.

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