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## HALE COUNTY POULTRY CROP WORTH \$500,000

### IS GROWING BY LEAPS AND BOUNDS, RANKING WITH WHEAT

The growth of the poultry raising business in Hale county during the past seven years has been astonishing. From practically nothing in a commercial way, it has increased until this year it will rank up with the wheat crop.

In 1914 the first solid carload of poultry was shipped out of Plainview. In the year 1915 three carloads were shipped out, two being live poultry, besides the heavy express shipments.

For the first seven months of this year, 1921, to August 1st, not including local express shipments, or those made from Hale Center, Abernathy and other shipping points in the county, there were shipped out of Plainview alone forty-five solid carloads of eggs, seventeen solid carloads of live poultry and seven solid carloads of dressed poultry. This leaves five of the heaviest shipping months of the year not counted, for since August the 1st the heavy shipments of turkeys and hens have been made. For the three weeks immediately preceding Thanksgiving, we are told that one poultry buying firm in Plainview averaged \$1,500 a day paid out for turkeys alone. The other poultry firms also bought heavy and shipped out in carload lots.

It is estimated that the value of the poultry crop in Hale county this year is \$500,000.

During the spring and early summer two to four solid carloads of eggs were shipped out of Plainview each week.

It is said that 90 per cent of the maize and kaffir shipped out of Hale county is used for feeding poultry. In fact, it is said this proportion holds good all over the Panhandle and Plains. One local buyer it is stated has this year shipped seventy-two cars of threshed maize and kaffir to Petaluma, Calif., where it is used as poultry feed. A recent article in the Saturday Evening Post told of what a great industry poultry raising has become in the county in which Petaluma, Calif., is located. The poultry and egg shipments from that county are now \$16,000,000 a year. Those people have to pay three or four times as much for their feed as it costs the people of the Plains to raise theirs, the climate there is not nearly so good for poultry as that here, and the haul from California to Chicago and New York is twice as far as from Plainview. Hence, if properly developed, it is easy to see what great riches can be brought into the Plains country from poultry raising.

The poultry show held in Plainview each December is doing a great work in the encouragement and development of the poultry raising industry, and the coming exhibitions promise to be far ahead of any of its former shows, all of which have been successful, that of last December ranking second in the Southwest and third west of the Mississippi river.

Entries to the West Texas State Poultry Show, to be held in Plainview December 15 to 20, are now coming in thick and fast, so reports F. B. Miller, secretary. He is of the opinion there will be about five thousand birds on exhibition when the show begins, and they will come from possibly twenty-fifty states as he has had inquiries and requests for entry blanks from fanciers from many states, far and near. He expects 1,500 Bantams, as the Southern Bantam association will hold its annual meet here.

A very large exhibit of White Orpingtons from Wm. Laubach of Houston has been entered, and Mrs. W. R. Gill of Dallas has entered twelve different varieties of Bantams.

**Pigeons Will Be Shown**  
Several hundred pigeons will be shown at the West Texas State Poultry Show to be held in Plainview, Dec. 15 to 20 in addition to the 500 standard bred chickens expected. The Plainview Poultry Show has been selected by the Texas Pigeon Association for the annual State Pigeon Show and practically all members of the association will enter their birds.

F. W. Kazemier, head of the Poultry Extension Department of A. & M. college has sent assurance that he will lecture each day of the West Texas State Poultry Show. Mr. Kazemier, together with E. C. Branch and Walter Burton, the judges, will give instruction in all phases of poultry raising and will conduct actual demonstrations on culling, mating and treating of defects.

Additional entries for the show continue to pour in. Several entries from Illinois and other northern states were received by Secretary Miller, during the week. The Pacific Coast Ban-

## PLAINVIEW HIGH WINS IN WAYLAND CONTEST

### College Defeated by Score of 9 to 6 In City Championship Game

Plainview high school won the city championship of Plainview Tuesday by defeating Wayland college 9 to 6 in the most exciting game seen here this season. Wayland was leading 6 to 0 at the end of the first half by virtue of a long end run by Blakemore in the first quarter. The high school team took the lead toward the last of the third quarter when Alexander raced 70 yards with a pass.

Bryan kicked goal, then. The additional two points were made when Daniel was tackled behind the Wayland goal for a safety. McVicker, Hal and Turner were bright lights for the high school and Blakemore, Reeves and McWhorter starred for Wayland. A big crowd witnessed the contest despite the high wind.

## WAYLAND COLLEGE CLASSED AS A PLUS SCHOOL

### Is Highest Rating Possible for a Junior College in Texas To Receive

Wayland College has been classed as an A Plus Junior College by the State Teachers' association, which recently met at Dallas, according to word received by Dr. E. B. Atwood, president of the school.

This gives Wayland the highest rating possible for a junior college in Texas to receive. Material improvement in the instruction given and the addition of much new equipment within the past year was responsible for the higher classification.

## Buick Car Burned

A Buick touring car, said to have been driven by Amarillo parties, caught on fire while traveling along the road four miles south of Hale Center Sunday afternoon, and was destroyed. Possibly an electric connection caused the fire. The parties deserted the car and took another that was coming along in order to get to Hale Center in time to catch the northbound train, so their names were not secured.

## Wayland College Trustees

The Baptist State convention in session in Dallas last week appointed the following board of trustees for Wayland college:

H. J. Matthews, G. I. Britain, J. L. Overvall, Dr. J. H. Wayland and W. A. Donaldson, all of Plainview; H. W. Virgin, Amarillo; W. C. Garrett, Matador; R. F. Jenkins, Amarillo; C. A. Pierce and C. E. Carter, Plainview; E. D. Morgan, Canadian; Dr. J. E. Nunn, Amarillo; W. L. Tubbs, Amarillo; E. E. Dawson, Tulsa, and W. A. Brown Lubbock.

## Cars Collide at Street Corner

Saturday afternoon a Ford roadster driven by Mr. Clark, a student in Wayland college, ran into the Ford coupe of L. B. Morris at the northwest corner of the square. The roadster was considerably damaged but the coupe was not hurt much.

## Cold Norther and Snow

There was a cold norther accompanied by some snow Saturday.

A good rain or heavy snow is needed badly on the Plains, as the wheat is in need of moisture.

Poultry Association members will have a heavy display of the miniature fowls. All members of the local poultry association are enthusiastic over the prospects of having one of the largest shows ever held in the southwest.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram has written to John Boswell, secretary of the Plainview Chamber of Commerce, that it will send Frank Evans, a staff correspondent, and also a staff photographer, to the West Texas State Poultry Show, to be held in Plainview. Mr. Evans will give the show and poultry raising on the Plains a very extensive write-up, and the photographer will take pictures of the show and the winners and these pictures will be published in the Star-Telegram.

A meeting of the local poultry breeders will be held Wednesday night at 7 o'clock at the Texas Land & Development Co. offices, and all persons interested in poultry raising, no matter whether a member of the association or not, are urged to be present. Final plans will be matured for the successful holding of the show.

Floyd county will be well represented at the show, as J. M. Lipscomb, superintendent of the show, has been assured there will be between four and five hundred birds entered from that county.

Visits from the Stork  
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jesse O. Handy, Plainview, Dec. 1, girl.

## LIME STONE STRUCK IN BLEDSOE OIL WELL

### DRILLERS SAY THIS FORMATION INDICATES STRONG OIL SAND SOON

Sunday night a strata of lime rock was struck in the Bledsoe oil well four miles west of Abernathy, at a depth of 1,421 feet, and oil men and drillers declare this formation presages a strong oil sand soon, and they expect to have a big flow when this ledge of rock is drilled through.

The editor of the News visited the well Sunday afternoon for the first time. Drilling was in progress, and a red sand was handicapping the operation, as the drill was pounding at the sand and the water was coming in to the hole making drilling very slow. The slush bucket brought up the red sand and water and we saw an oily scum on it as it was poured out in the sluceway. The owner of the well and the drillers were optimistic, and a very large crowd of people, possibly seventy-five cars, were at the well, and a continual string had been coming and going all the day, which indicates the interest being shown in the development.

There is considerable changing of leases in the vicinity of the well, and values are increasing as the drilling progresses.

The drilling is being rushed, two twelve hour shifts working each day and night.

It is now thought that the 1,700 foot depth where Mr. Bledsoe has all along confidently asserted oil or gas in paying quantities will be struck, will be reached within the next few days. He has an instrument with which he located the well, and believes implicitly that oil will be struck in paying quantities and a great field opened in Hale county.

## CONGRESS HAS BIG PROGRAM OF WORK

### Tariff and Foreign Debt-funding Bills Will Come First—Ship Subsidy Later

Congress met yesterday in regular session.

1. Appropriation of funds for the operation of the government during the fiscal year which begins July 1, 1922.
2. Passage of the permanent tariff bill.
3. Passage of the foreign debt funding bill, to grant the administration power to fund the obligations of foreign governments.
4. Decision on the question of providing a ship subsidy, to be asked by President Harding, and amendment of the merchant marine act.
5. Enactment of the soldier bonus or definite rejection of the project.

## FLOYD DAVENPORT WOUNDED IN AMARILLO DIFFICULTY

### Stabbed Twice Under Left Arm—R. A. Blackshear May Lose An Eye

Domestic trouble is understood to be the cause of the affray between R. A. Blackshear and Floyd Davenport yesterday afternoon at Sixteenth and Jackson Streets, when the latter was stabbed two times under the left arm with a pocket knife, it is alleged. Blackshear was admitted to bail of \$2,500 on a charge of intent to murder by C. G. Landis, justice of the peace.

Blackshear lives at 1603 Monroe Street and Davenport at 1601 Monroe Street. Understanding that there had been some difficulty among members of the family, officers said that they believe Davenport quizzed Blackshear about it on Jackson Street, the affray resulting.

Although Davenport is said to have been stabbed twice, members of his family last night said that he was not seriously hurt.

Reports from Blackshear's home last night were that Blackshear would lose his left eye, and that the affray had injured him internally. Blackshear will be 60 years old in March, and Davenport is a young man now engaged in the purebred dairy cow business, it is understood.

Examining trial will be held Saturday for Blackshear.—Amarillo News, Dec. 6.

Today's Local Markets

Wheat, milling, bu.	\$1.05
Maize heads, ton	\$8.50 to 90c
Threshed maize, cwt.	60c
Alafafa hay, baled, ton	31c
Buttefat, lb.	31c
Butter, lb.	25c to 35c
Eggs, doz.	40c
Hens, lb.	12c
Turkeys, lb.	27c

Amarillo had a half-inch of snow Saturday.

## PLAINVIEW MADE TRI STATE HEADQUARTERS

### FARMERS EQUITY UNION EXCHANGE HOLD MEETING AND ELECTS OFFICERS

The Farmers Equity Union Exchanges of Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico, met with the Plainview Equity Union Exchange Saturday, and organized what is to be known as the "Texas Union Exchange," with headquarters in Plainview.

This organization is to combine all the buying and selling powers of all the Equity Union Exchanges of Texas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico, into one central office, to be located at Ft. Worth.

Mr. C. O. Drayton of Greenville, Ill., was elected chairman, and L. W. Sloneker of Plainview secretary pro-tem.

The chairman upon resolution appointed a board of five out of 15 delegates represented as temporary directors to meet in Amarillo in January, 1922, at the call of the president. The following were appointed: J. B. Stogner, Hedley, Texas; L. W. Sloneker, Plainview; Charles Adams, Thomas, N. M.; S. N. Rodgers, Goodwell, Okla. And the unanimous consent of the house was that C. O. Drayton be the other director making the five. C. O. Drayton was elected president, and L. W. Sloneker, vice president of the board of directors.

Mr. Drayton informed the people of Plainview and those from elsewhere, that after April 1st, 1922, he would become a resident of this place, and give his entire time to the organizing and promotion of this work. We are indeed glad to have Mr. Drayton with us, for he is a very prominent farmer organizer.

## NATIONAL GUARD MAY BE ORGANIZED HERE

### American Legion Plans to Form Unit of Panhandle Battalion—Capt. Adams Here

Plans to form a National Guard company in Plainview, which will be a unit of a Panhandle battalion, are being made by local members of the American Legion. Major C. A. Adams and Captain E. R. Hankins of Austin have conferred with Capt. Carl Brown and others of Plainview regarding the Plainview company and these men will return soon to supervise the organization work. The company will be known as Company E, 142d Infantry.

Major Adams stated that the other three companies in the battalion would probably be organized at Amarillo, Hereford and Clarendon. A payroll of about \$10,000 per year is guaranteed for each company and the National Guard also agrees to build an armory.

## Fined \$200 for Carrying Pistol

W. A. Padgett was yesterday fined \$200 and costs in county court on a charge of carrying a pistol.

Padgett was tried in district court at the last term on a charge of hijacking some negroes in Plainview and robbing them of money, and it was with this pistol, so it is alleged, he held them up. His acquittal at that time resulted.

## Hung Jury in Arbuckle Case

The jury in the case of Fatty Arbuckle, who is charged with murdering Miss Rappé in a carousal in a San Francisco hotel several months ago, failed to agree and was discharged.

Two other cases are pending against Arbuckle, relative to violating the prohibition law.

## HOGS ARE DYING FROM PNEUMONIA

### HOG MEN URGED TO CLEAN PREMISES, SPREAD OIL AND CRESOTE

On account of a number of hogs dying on the Plains of late the State Sanitary Live Stock Commission sent Dr. W. M. Thaxton of Fort Worth here to co-operate with Dr. S. C. Ross, local veterinarian.

It was found that the hogs are contracting pneumonia, caused by the intense dust that is to be found most everywhere now. Also worms are getting into their intestines, lungs and livers.

The veterinarians urge that hog owners clean up their hog yards and put them into the best sanitary conditions. They should also wet their feed lots and about the watering places, and then spread crude oil, and follow this with a sprinkling of cresote on top of the oil. All straw beds should be cleaned out, as only by thorough sanitation can many hogs be saved from pneumonia.

## I. C. C. CUTS RATES ON FARM PRODUCTS

### 10 Per Cent Slash in Freight Rates To Be Six Months—As An Experiment

Washington, Dec. 3.—A general reduction of 10 per cent of freight rates of products of farms, orchards, garden and ranges, was ordered today by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The reduction is accordance with a recent proposal of the railroads that rates be thus cut for an experimental period of six months as a substitute for the recent order of the commission reducing rates on hay and grain 16 per cent.

The cut in rates will save millions to farmers and lives stock breeders and will be passed down in a large measure to the consumers, officials believe.

The action of the commission suspends the recent rate cut of 16 per cent on hay and grain and their products, but brings these under the general reduction.

Labor leaders read into the action of the railroad involuntarily reducing rates a step by the executives to further cuts in railroad wages. They state that this is really the only reason why the roads reduced rates. The executives hope in this manner to gain the sympathy of the public for their planned attack to reduce wages an additional 10 to 15 per cent, it is charged.

Labor officials point out that the railroads announced their intention to cut rates 10 per cent soon after the threatened railroad strike was called off. They agreed however, that a cut in rates will be of general benefit. While much of this year's crops have been moved to market, mills and storage houses, there still remains a huge quantity of farm and garden productions which will be moved at the lower rates.

## HALE COUNTY TEACHERS WILL HOLD MEETING

### Program for a Conference at the Plainview High School Saturday, Dec. 10th

At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of the Hale County Teachers' Association we decided to hold a meeting in the Plainview high school building on Dec. 10th, beginning at noon with the following program:

1. 12 o'clock, free lunch by Domestic Science Dept.
  2. Special music.
  3. Address by Mr. J. A. Hill, President, West Texas State Normal.
  4. Special music.
  5. Five minute talks from the officers of the University Interscholastic League as follows:
  6. W. E. Patty, Director General of County.
  7. Ray Pinson, Director of Athletics.
  8. Mrs. A. G. Harrison, Director of Spelling.
  9. Miss Jaunita Smith, Director of Essay.
  10. W. G. Sears, Directors of Debate.
  11. Special music.
  12. Address Judge L. D. Griffin.
- Report from teachers who attended the Texas State Teachers' Association at Dallas as follows: Miss Seta Smith, Miss Lora Lane, Miss Laura McCulloch, and any others who were in attendance.

All teachers are urged to be present at the high school promptly at 12 o'clock, Saturday, Dec. 10th.

Program committee,—W. E. Patty, W. G. Sears, R. B. Sparks and Miss Jaunita Smith.

## Will Save \$100,000 Year

When President Warren G. Harding two weeks ago signed the new internal revenue tax bill eliminating the eight per cent war tax on passenger tickets and the three per cent war tax on freight shipments, he signed nearly a hundred thousand dollars into the pockets of Plainview merchants, farmers, shippers and travelers.

The new law will go into effect on January 1, after which time passenger rates to all points in the United States will be approximately eight per cent cheaper than heretofore.

## Clever Girl in University

The student body of Taylor University by a vote gave Miss Maurine Richards of Amarillo the honor of being the "cleverest girl" in the University. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Richards, who formerly lived in Plainview.

## Kress Boy Accidentally Shot

Lee Cobb, who lives at Kress was accidentally shot last week, when his gun was accidentally discharged. The shot being small only made a fleshly wound in his left side.

Malone Kicked by Horse  
Robert M. Malone was kicked on the leg by a horse one day last week, and is limping around now.

## MAY FORM ALLIANCE OF THREE NATIONS

### U. S., GREAT BRITAIN, JAPAN AND FRANCE WOULD BE PARTICIPANTS

Washington, Dec. 5.—The question of a three or a four power agreement to replace the Anglo-Japanese alliance is demanding increased attention among the arms delegates, while they wait for Japan to define her position on the naval ratio.

The latest suggestions contemplating an entente to include the United States, Great Britain, Japanese and France has developed to the point where a tentative treaty draft is under consideration in some quarters although it has not been formally presented to the conference.

There are indications that the Japanese delegates, and perhaps the British as well, are consulting their home governments on such a proposition at the same time that they are asking for further instructions in regard to the naval ratio.

On the part of the American government there apparently is no disposition to entertain an entente proposal, at least at the present stage of the negotiations. Later such suggestion may receive consideration, provided it includes no requirements counter to American public opinion.

Upon high authority it was said that the naval problem as it was referred to Tokio after the last meeting of the "Big Three" involves no proposal for a political agreement of any character, but is concerned solely with the naval and military aspect of the situation. The American delegation adheres to its expectations that the naval issue will be settled without conditioning the decision on any sort of a political rearrangements.

## PLAINVIEW HAS GOOD BASKET BALL QUINSET

### Coach Duncan Has Ten Good Men and Twenty More to Pick Team From

The athletics energies of Plainview high school have been directed to basket ball since the victory of the football team over Wayland College Friday in the last game on the football schedule. Coach Horace Duncan and a big squad of aspirants for the Plainview high school quintet are ready to enter practice for a successful season today. Uniforms and new equipments for the big round horse-hide exponents have arrived. At least thirty men will report for the first workout today.

With ten experienced men and twenty willing and able, but inexperienced, to pick from, Coach Duncan is expecting to march up and down the Panhandle this winter with the Bulldogs casing everything in sight to high bush.

Coach Duncan is well qualified to tutor the Plainview boys to championship. He was a guard on the Burlington College team which won the Southwestern championship of Junior colleges in 1918. He also played guard on the Baylor quintet in 1919. Last year he was captain of the champion team in the Waco City League.

## MRS. SHEFFY INJURED FALLING FROM AUTO

### Found by Roadside Unconscious—Concussion On the Head, Shoulder Blade Fractured

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Sheffy went to Amarillo Friday afternoon to meet Mrs. Sheffy's sister. On the return after dark, the car was not running well. Mrs. Sheffy thought she had discovered the car to be on fire and called to Mr. Sheffy to stop. Just what happened, none of the three can say. Mrs. Sheffy does not remember to have jumped for the car, and it is thought that possibly the door came open and she fell out while trying to see whether or not the car was on fire.

Mrs. Sheffy was found by Mr. Sheffy and her sister unconscious by the roadside. She was hurried home and found to have fallen on her face and head. There is a slight concussion on the head, the shoulder blade fractured and her face and head baly bruised. She suffered very greatly for several hours after the accident, and while she will be disabled for several weeks from the results of the accident, her many friends are glad to know that she is recovering as well as could be expected.—Canyon News, Dec. 2.

Mrs. Sheffy is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Smith of Plainview. Mr. Sheffy was raised just south of Plainview.

Will Issue New Directory  
Mr. Covington, directory agent for the Southwestern Telephone Co., was here last week, making arrangements for the issuing of a new directory, about Feb. 1.

A HAPPY CHRISTMAS, YET AN INEXPENSIVE ONE, CAN BE HAD BY TRADING AT—

# FRANK'S Necessity Store

WE HAVE MADE A DECIDED CUT IN ALL OUR CHRISTMAS GOODS IN KEEPING WITH THE DOWNWARD TREND OF PRICES AND LABOR.

WE CAN SAVE YOU MONEY.

IT PAYS YOU TO TRADE AT FRANK'S

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The typewriter is one of the deadliest weapons of war these days, but we do not think the arms conference should outlaw it.

Being a democrat, we are in favor of the election by popular vote of all bank cashiers. Then they would be afraid to refuse a loan to a poll tax holder.

It can be said that there has been considerable improvement in war armaments since the time David swatted Goliath with a rock from a sling.

Several of the cities that have been visited by Gen. Foch have presented him with live pets. So far we have not heard of any of them handing him a blind tiger.

There is possibly an even dozen candidates for U. S. senator already announced, and fully as many more are contemplating casting their sombrero into the ring. The voter who cannot be pleased with the line-up in the next primary will be sure enough cranky.

Let it be remembered, that the Texas man or woman who fails to have a poll tax receipt before February 1, will not be permitted to vote at any election to be held in the state during the year 1922. And there will be several important contests for the voters to decide.

It is a noticeable fact that practically all the ex-soldiers who fought in the recent war, or other wars so far as that is concerned, are in favor of disarmament, they want to cut the armament down to a very small affair, too. They know what war is, and they also know that a nation armed to the teeth is just as sure to get into a fight as an individual who makes of himself a walking arsenal.

\*Babe Ruth, the base ball player is to receive a salary of \$60,000 for next year's season. The president of the United States receives \$75,000 a year. People have gone "hog-wild" over sports when it is possible to pay the salaries base ball players get. But, base ball is a clean sport, if conducted on the square, and some people are constituted that if they don't expend their surplus energy at a base ball or other such game they become criminals.

Squirm as they may, President Harding and the republican leaders, cannot get out of the trail blazed by Woodrow Wilson. The "continuing association of nations," which according to reports, President Harding has foreseen as a possible outcome of the armament conference, would be "the old League of Nations under another name," declares Senator Borah, the republican senator from Idaho, author of the plan calling for the present disarmament conference.

Now is about the best time a person could find to build if they are planning to build any time in the near future. Materials are reasonable and workmen are plentiful, and many are in need of employment. Build your new residence now. Build that new store building now. Paint that house now. Do everything you can that you are contemplating doing in the near future to stimulate business and tide over the close times and at the same time get help to you to live.

The Childress Index has just entered its thirty-fourth year of usefulness. The Haskett family has had it in charge for more than thirty years. It is one of the best local newspapers in the Panhandle, and is a great factor in the development of its town and section.

### WOODROW BLAZED THE PATH

It is predicted by most everybody that the arms conference now in session in Washington will agree upon plans for reduction of armaments. It is also predicted that in order to carry the agreement into effect some sort of an international association will have to be formed.

And this brings up the fact that it was Woodrow Wilson who blazed the path looking to such an organization in principle in his League of Nations, for there must needs be some kind of a world's tribunal to adjudicate questions that may arise between nations from time to time, or the agreement to disarm will not last long, as some troublesome matter may arise and one of the nations repudiate the agreement and begin increasing its armaments and this will force the others to do so.

It was the greatest political crime of the centuries when Lodge, Penrose and the other republican leaders conspired and planned the fight against the ratification of the Versailles treaty, and by a partizan vote in the senate defeated it. Had that treaty been ratified the world would not have been plunged into the troubles that have come upon it since the war.

Do your Christmas shopping early. Then you can have plenty of leisure to mix with the late shoppers and have a good time without worrying.

The only man who needs to fear competition is one who lacks faith in himself and confidence in the merchandise he sells.

In the dim and distant days there were wild beasts that proved a constant menace to growing youth; then came the period of continued strife between tribes; later on the duel interrupted many a promising life. In this day there is the automobile and the airplane looming on the horizon. Always there is danger to be avoided, but in the pressing on to achievement who cares for the danger? Man never has and he is not going to let fear prevail now.

### IN A MINOR STRAIN

A North Texas man bit into a dynamite cap the other day to see if it was loaded. It was. Amount of life insurance not stated.

Don't worry because the tide is going out. It always comes back.

The time to be cheerful and happy is right now.

Mix merry laughter with earnest labor.

### THE ONLY CREATOR

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.—John 1:1-3.

### TECHNICAL TERM

Snowball: "Say dar, Rastus, Ford dem dice!"  
 Restus: "Whufoh' vo' you means, Ford dem dice?"  
 Snowball: "Yo' knows what Ah means; Ah means shake, rattle and roll, niggah; shake, rattle and roll!"

The Panhandle Swine Breeders convention and sale will be held at Hereford on Wednesday and Thursday, January 18 and 19.

Lubbock seems to be infested with a considerable bunch of gamblers, and the officers are rounding them up every few days. The Avalanche is urging that they be punished severely and made to refrain or leave the town.

## THE GOVERNMENT ESTABLISHED BY THE CONSTITUTION

Elihu Root

The Constitution of the United States deals in the main with essentials. There are some non-essential directions such as those relating to the methods of election and of legislation, but in the main it sets forth the foundations of government in clear, simple, concise terms. It is for this reason that it has stood the test of more than a century with but slight amendment, while the modern state constitutions, into which a multitude of ordinary statutory provisions are crowded, have to be changed from year to year. The peculiar and essential qualities of the government established by the Constitution are: First, it is representative.

Second, it recognizes the liberty of the individual citizen as distinguished from the total mass of citizens, and it protects that liberty by specific limitations upon the power of government.

Third, it distributes the legislative, executive, and judicial powers, which make up the sum total of all government, into three separate departments and specifically limits the powers of the officers of each department.

Fourth, it superimposes upon a federation of state governments a national government with sovereignty acting directly not merely upon the states but upon the citizens of each state, within a line of limitation drawn between the powers of the national government and the powers of the state governments.

Fifth, it makes observance of its limitations requisite to the validity of laws, whether passed by the nation or by the states, to be judged by the courts of law in each concrete case as it arises. Every one of these five characteristics of the government established by the constitution was a distinct advance beyond the ancient attempts at popular government, and the elimination of any one of them would be a retrograde movement and a reversion to a former and discarded type of government. In each case it would be the abandonment of a distinctive feature of government which has succeeded, in order to go back and try again the methods of government which have failed. Of course we ought not to take such a backward step except under the pressure of inevitable necessity.

### WASTING TIME

One of the most ridiculous things we have read of lately is the report of Texas teachers traveling from the end of their great state to Fort Worth, to hear a serious discussion of the evils of school girls bobbing their hair, and wearing knee dresses. If that is a sample of the nonsense with which the baldheads conducting the meeting wasted the time of their audience, we think the state should pension these leaders off immediately for having outlived their usefulness, and entered their dotage. Anybody who remembers how girls used to frizz their hair will perfer the bobbing of today, likewise the short dresses permitting the freedom of limb are to be preferred to those trailing in the dirt of one generation ago. Even where some girls go to the extremes in wanting sanitary and commonsense clothes, the fact that their dresses are inch too short will not prevent them from becoming fine women. Why can't men find something better to do than trying to dictate to women how to dress?—Quannah Tribune.

### PRESS COMMENT

The mails are being flooded by eastern capitalists trying to create sentiment against Secretary Hughes' plan for sinking the war ships. These gentlemen argue that the having to America will be only a pittance of about 10 per cent on federal taxes. The thing that hurts this bunch is the fact that they have a lot of money in munition manufacturing plants which they are fearful of being wrecked if the disarmament question really gets to the people of the world. Suppose this first step is only a saving of 10 per cent. The people are beginning to realize what a foolish thing war and preparation for war really is. If the plan before the present conference can be put over, there will be another conference next year or the year following that will further limit armament. There are certainly no people in this section foolish enough to lend their support to this bunch trying to block the arms conference by writing to Texas congressmen and senators to vote against any plan submitted to congress.—Canyon News.

\*An Amarillo negro stepped over the color line to associate with a dissolute white woman—and the Amarillo Klux Klan dealt with the negro in a way that he will always remember. Two white men at Plainview committed an outrage on an innocent girl, the recounting of which sounds like a cheap imitation of Arbuckle's stunt—and the men are out under bonds of only \$3,000 to answer to the court. As between the two, the negro's stunt was a gentlemanly escapade compared to the Plainview affair. There is absolutely no justification for the negro violating the laws of decency; he was just as guilty of misconduct as he could be. Yet much greater was the crime of the Plainview men, who, the preliminary evidence indicates, attempted to commit a crime in a closed car thru force of superior brute strength. Crime is crime, no matter

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what the race or color of the guilty one is—Canadian Record.

### Cost of Minor Luxuries

Federal tax returns have been given curious applications in connection with the problems now before the conference on limitation of armament. Statisticians for the government have labored hard to bring the relative figures as to military expenditures and the amounts spent by the people of our country for amusements and minor luxuries out so sharply that their significance would be seen at a glance.

One set of tables shows that against \$418,000,000 spent for the army in 1921, the country spent \$750,000,000 for candy and chewing gum; \$834,000,000 for soda and confections and \$959,000,000 for perfumery, jewelry, silk stockings and other articles for personal adornment.

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Following this large deal Mr. Barnett says he himself has acquired the Whitewright mill through a private trade with Mr. Gilbreath, giving in exchange for it property in Hereford, including Mr. Barnett's home, and other property in Amarillo and in the state of Oklahoma.—Hereford Brand.

### Former Plainview Boy Hurt

Eugene Devereux, one of the most prominent young men in the Normal was injured in the society football game on the Normal grounds Saturday, while tackling a man and was hit on the head by the runner's knee. He was unconscious for several hours.

Physicians believe there is a small blood clot over the brain and that the covering of the brain was injured.

He was taken to Amarillo Tuesday afternoon for treatment.

The accident was one of the most regrettable to happen this year in the school. The physicians do not believe an operation will be necessary, but it will take weeks for nature to cure the injury.—Canyon News, Dec. 2.

Burglars broke into the Blair & Hughes Co. wholesale grocery in Amarillo Friday night and stole \$1,227 worth of cigarettes.

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## HALE COUNTY HAPPENINGS

### ELLEN

Dec. 5—Well we continue to have north winds, but no rain, which is very much needed. Wheat is needing rain badly.

The Ellen Literary Society met last Friday night. The debate was very interesting, the subject for discussion being "Resolved that disarmament of the nation is not best at the present time." With Clyde M. Haddick on the affirmative, and W. N. Benson on the negative side. The judges decided for the affirmative.

The Literary Society will meet again Friday, Dec. 16th, at 8 p. m. Everybody is invited.

Sunday school is progressing nicely. Attendance and interest are growing from time to time.

Quite a number were out last Thursday night to hear C. O. Drayton, National President of the Farmers' Equity Union Exchange, speak.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Buchanan of Dimmitt, were shaking hands with friends here Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan formerly lived here.

We are sorry to say that Little Willie Marsh Chappell is on the sick list this week, and also Miss Louise Fuller is on the sick list.

Miss Mary Porter visited in Plainview this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Line were shopping in Plainview Thursday.

Miss Georgia Saunders of Dallas, visited her sister, Mrs. J. F. McDonough, Friday night. Miss Saunders is in the Plainview Sanitarium nursing her sister, Miss Lela Saunders, who is ill with typhoid fever.

We are glad indeed to say that we have one of the most progressive schools that Ellen has had for some time.

### KRESS

Dec. 1.—The Kress community has been visited with light showers and we hope next week we can report big rains everywhere.

Ray Pool, who has been away for some time, returned home Sunday.

Mrs. C. M. Houser left Tuesday for Canyon, where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Campbell.

Mr. Harkey of Plainview, was attending to business matters in Kress Wednesday.

Miss Abbie Schaeffer and Mrs. Edna Stoddard, operator of the Southwestern Telephone Co., at Tulsa, were visitors in Kress last Thursday.

Dud Usher left Tuesday for Shattuck, Oklahoma on business.

Dyer Maynard, telephone manager at Tulsa, was a business visitor in Kress Monday. He was accompanied by Mr. Archie Anderson.

Lee Cobb was accidentally shot last Tuesday. A crowd was out hunting and some one accidentally fired a shot gun, but luckily it did not kill. He was immediately brought home and Dr. McFarland was called. At this writing he is doing nicely.

E. H. Rudd, of Maryneal, formerly of Kress, is a business visitor here this week, and he is also visiting in the Elliott home.

There was a pie supper at Auburn school last Saturday night, for the interest of the school. Miss Jewelle Dege, who is principal of that school, reports that the supper was a success.

J. F. Moore of Canyon, was in Kress the first of the week. Mr. Moore and J. W. Skipworth, Jr., were business visitors in Plainview Monday.

Last Thursday being one of the greatest days of all the year, Thanksgiving, there was services at the Methodist church at 11 o'clock, led by Rev. Smallwood. The Methodist ladies had prepared a dinner at the Kerr-Tracy garage. After all expenses were taken out, the amount that the dinner brought was \$45. Thursday night the Kress school delivered a nice program at the school auditorium which everybody seemed to enjoy.

Wednesday night is prayer meeting night at both Methodist and Baptist churches. Everybody invited to attend.

Our basket ball girls are still winning the games they play. Thursday the game was at Whitfield vs. Kress. Our Kress girls brought victory home with them, 97 to 13 in favor.

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### BEERY STUDIO AND GIFT SHOP

OF Kress. Quite a few from Kress witnessed the game, and they are still praising the girls for their good work.

The Methodist Ladies Missionary Society met Thursday afternoon at the Methodist church and entertained the ladies of the other churches. They had a splendid program which was as follows:

"Japan, New and Old."—Mrs. Ira Kerr.

"What Japan Needs"—Mrs. Sanders.

"The Opportunity of American Christians."—Mrs. W. A. Kerr.

"The Burdens of Japan."—Mrs. Harry Tracy.

"Japan Solutions for Japan's Problems."—Mrs. J. A. Hamilton.

"The Seeds of Conflict in Korea."—Mrs. E. J. Meyers.

"The Revolution and Its Results in Korea."—Mrs. Luck Skipworth.

"Christianity's Foundation in Korea."—Mrs. L. B. Smallwood.

"Christianity's Task in Korea."—Mrs. W. J. Gregg.

After the program was over, sandwiches, salad, cake and hot chocolate were served.

Rev. Smallwood filled his regular appointment last Sunday at Olton and Halfway.

There being no services in town Sunday night, there was singing at the Methodist church.

### WAYS TO MAKE DELICIOUS AND UNUSUAL SOUP

Almost everybody likes soup. Good soup is an economy, for it saves the roast.

The best soup pots are those of the earthen, pipkin type, enamel-lined iron pots or the granite or white ware. Do not use an aluminum kettle for this purpose if acid vegetables are to be among the soup ingredients.

A colander, a fine wire sieve, a purse sieve, a long-handled spoon and fork and a skimmer and a ladle are necessities in soup making. It is well to have some white blotting paper at hand to remove the small particles of grease from the surface after the soup has been skimmed. The grease which comes off the top of a beef and vegetable soup makes an excellent flavoring fat for sauces or in hash.

**Brown or White Rous Soup Thickening.**

Melt one cupful of butter slowly, when hot skim carefully, then pour off the clear oil without the sediment into another saucepan. Reheat the oil slowly, then stir in one large cupful of sifted flour, and cook twenty minutes, stirring very often so that the roux does not burn or brown. This will keep if put away in a covered jar in a cool place, for some time to use for soup or sauce thickening. For brown roux use browned flour.

Add the dice to three pints of well-made veal or beef stock, and boil fifteen minutes. Add seasoning and a cupful of diced Swiss cheese, remove from the fire and serve a slice of bread fried in butter in each soup plate with the hot soup turned over it.

**Swiss Potato Soup**

Pare and dice two large potatoes, in a half-cupful of butter for five minutes, stirring all the time. Stir in salt pepper, a little sugar and two tablespoonfuls of flour. Gradually add a pint of hot water, and simmer for fifteen minutes, then strain into a double boiler in which is an egg beaten into a cupful each of cream and milk. When hot, serve.

**Parsnip Soup**

Peel and slice three large parsnips thinly and put them into a saucepan with two tablespoonfuls of butter. Simmer until tender, then add a pint of veal stock and cook gently for half an hour. Rub through a fine sieve, add a pint more stock that has been heated, season and let come to boiling point, then serve with toasted croutons.

**French Spinach Soup**

Prepare and cook as much spinach as is usually bought when used as a vegetable. When done, chop coarsely, add pepper, salt, a chopped hard-boiled egg and a teaspoonful of butter. Add juice of an onion and a beaten egg. Form the spinach into small balls and lay them in the bottom of the tureen. Have two quarts of good clear soup ready to pour over the balls. Serve at once.

**Chicken Gumbo Soup**

Clean and joint a small plump chicken and put it into a pan with two tablespoonfuls each of butter and lard or drippings. Cover with two quarts of water and cook until the chicken is tender, then add half a can of corn, seven pods of okra sliced thinly, and a half-cupful of chopped, cold-boiled ham. Simmer well, covered, until the chicken pulls from the bones easily, pull out the bones, season and serve.

Crisp soup sticks are good with this soup. The juice of an onion and plenty of red pepper are usually added.

**Noodle Soup**

Add a can of tomatoes to three quarts of veal or mutton, stock, then add a chopped onion, a stalk of celery, a bay leaf and a little parsley. Cook for one hour, strain, reheat, season, and when it boils add a large handful of noodles and keep boiling for fifteen minutes. Serve with grated cheese. This is one of the hearty soups which agreeably help out a slim dinner.

**New Ambulance Receives First Call**

The Plainview Undertaking Co. used its new ambulance the first time Sunday evening. A. A. Hatchell and Miss Fullinger, a nurse at the sanitarium, drove to Quitaque and brought back Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sanders, who have been ill with typhoid fever for some time.

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### Plainview Couple Married In Tulia

Miss Lena Hooper and Mr. O. T. Mitchell, of Plainview, were married last Sunday afternoon, November 27, about 1 o'clock, at the Baptist parsonage, Rev. E. E. Dawson officiating.—Tulia Herald.

The groom is employed in a local drug store, and the bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ace Hooper of the Westside of Hale county. They have many friends who extend congratulations and best wishes.

### Rotary Club Observes "Health Week" With Program

At its luncheon today at noon, the Rotary Club observed "Health Week" with a program in which health problems were discussed.

R. E. Hörne was in charge of the program. Dr. J. C. Anderson, county health officer, told of the importance of health examination as a preventative of disease, and urged that every person should undergo a complete physical examination once or twice each year, for it would prolong life as well as make living more agreeable as many ailments can be cured when known of and treated at their incipency. He told of large corporations which employ hundreds and thousands of people employing medical examiners and insisting on their employees being examined two or three times a year at the firm's expense.

Miss Nancy Kritzer, the Red Cross nutrition worker, told of the great work being carried on by the Red Cross in the conservation of health. She told of how here in Hale county only four per cent of the school children are perfect physically, and that a very large per cent show mal-nutrition. She said that there are many children in Hale county who are starving by not eating such things as they should have to build them up in the right way. Only through such work as the Red Cross is doing can children be brought up physically as they should and be capable of doing their best in the world's work. She said that on account of the small amount secured in the recent Red Cross drive in Hale county, her work must cease after this month unless some way of financing it be found. The Red Cross headquarters has been asked to send a representative here to see what can be done to continue the work until the end of the school year in June.

Dr. E. F. McClendon, city health officer, spoke on sanitation and communicable disease. He said there were ten cases of scarlet fever, twenty-two of diphtheria, eighteen of typhoid fever this year in Plainview and no cases of smallpox since early spring. He told of how by vaccination and inoculation these diseases can be prevented. All but three of the typhoid fever cases were people who came in to Plainview with it, hence these cases should not be charged up to the towns, for sanitary conditions are good here. He urged that sanitation be practiced by everybody, to the end that disease may be kept down.

Dr. C. C. Gidney was called upon and told of how in the old times nearly all doctors wore high silk hats, side whiskers and other distinguishing dress so that people would know their profession. Now they dress and do like ordinary business men.

R. A. Underwood, recent president of the Kiwanis club, was a guest, and spoke of the co-operation of the clubs. Frank Butler led the club singing, with Mrs. Guy Gibbs as accompanist.

### Miscellaneous Shower for Miss Mabel Barnaby

Tuesday night of last week at the home of Mrs. R. W. O'Keefe the Wesley Girls of the Methodist Sunday school gave a miscellaneous "surprise" shower for Miss Mabel Barnaby. Miss Barnaby will be married Dec. 7th to Mr. R. C. Brown of Floydada, at the home of her mother in Walnut Springs.

The guests were met at the door of the O'Keefe home with a large basket to receive the gifts by Miss Berly Visor, Miss Ruth Neal and Miss Mary Bryan. The music room was lighted only by a soft glow from the fireplace and was decorated with pink and white carnations and ferns. Here the thirty

three guests assembled to await the bride-to-be.

On the table in the dining room was a miniature lake at the edge of which stood a tiny bride awaiting the arrival of the groom. At the head of the table stood a Kewpie bride at whose feet lay a card bearing the names Barnaby-Brown, December seventh.

There was a mock wedding with Miss Ann Morgan as the groom and Mrs. Arilla Peterson as the bride.

In the library Miss Barnaby fished from behind a curtain for the gifts, the last but not least being Mr. Brown A vocal solo by Miss Ruth Neal and violin music by Mrs. A. A. Beery were other features of entertainment.

Ice cream and cake were served. Miss Barnaby has been in charge of the millinery department at the Cecil & Co. store for the past three seasons, and has made many friends because of her many genial traits of character. Mr. Brown is a contractor and builder at Floydada, where they will make their home.

### Mrs. L. A. Knight Entertains Thursday Bridge Club

Mrs. L. A. Knight entertained the Thursday Bridge Club last Thursday. Mrs. Lemond won high score for the members and Mrs. H. M. Burch for the guests.

A salad course was served. Mrs. R. C. Joiner will entertain the club Thursday at 2:30.

### Civic League Wants \$18

The Civic League announces that \$18 is still due on the trees set out in the parking on Ash street last spring, and would be glad to have people donate this much. Send Contributions to Mrs. W. B. Martine.

### Elks Hold Memorial Service

The Elks held their annual "Lodge of sorrow" Sunday afternoon, when services were held at the lodge hall, with a large number of people in attendance.

J. J. Bromley presided and the principal address was delivered by A. E. Boyd.

There was a musical program by Mrs. Arilla Peterson, Mrs. R. W. O'Keefe, Mr. Matt Cram and Mr. Dave Neal, with Mrs. Guy Jacob as accompanist.

### Elks Club Has Dance

More than forty couples enjoyed a dance at the Elks club Thursday night, an orchestra named the Dizzy Harmony Four furnishing the music. A number of Plains towns were represented among the guests, among them being R. L. McMillan, Snyder; Jno. Reagan, Maury Hopkins, Roy Snodgrass, Mrs. Tom Triplett, Misses Harmon, Alma, Kitty and Mabel Long all of Floydada; Jno. Heard, McKinney; Ben Burkett, Amarillo; Bill Burleson and Miss Alice Lee Lubbock, and Miss Irene Dailey of Floydada.

### Circle No. 2

Circle No. 2 of the M. W. M. society met Friday afternoon, Dec. 2nd, at the home of Mrs. B. L. Spencer, with Mrs. D. F. Sansom and Mrs. L. S. Kinder as hostesses. There were twenty-four present, including six visitors.

The sixth lesson of our Bible lesson was conducted by Mrs. James Picket. After the business of the Circle was disposed of the following officers were elected to serve next year:

Mrs. Mary Dye, chairman; Mrs. James Picket, vice chairman; Mrs. L. D. Harrison, treasurer; Mrs. T. H. Beebe, secretary. The meeting was then turned over to the hostesses, who served splendid refreshments of coffee, sandwiches and cake. We had a very pleasant social time.

The next meeting will be at the Methodist parsonage, Jan. 6th. Mrs. Will Martine as leader of Bible study. Reporter.

### Confederate Meeting Postponed

On account of the disagreeable weather that was blowing the meeting announced to be held at the court house for the purpose of organizing the Sons and Daughters of the Confederacy was postponed to next Saturday afternoon, when it will be held. Gen. Scurry of Dallas, it is announced will be in Plainview at an early date and deliver an address to the local camp of Confederate veterans.

John Boswell went to Amarillo this morning to attend a meeting of the Panhandle-Plains Chamber of Commerce.

### CHRISTMAS THEN AND NOW

In the Old Days Gifts Were Tokens of Love, In Keeping With the Day Celebrated.

What a vast difference there is in the Christmas of today, from the Christmas of our forefathers. In those days there was not the hurry scurry shopping, and costly, somewhat useless gifts given with the thought that the receiver might give a finer one in return. The gifts given in those days were gifts of love, wholly in keeping with the day celebrated, says a correspondent in an exchange.

For many weeks and months did mother spin, color and wind the yarn, and knit on wooden needles or a bone hook the warm neck scarf or mittens for her loved one, every stitch bearing a message of love. And then as the time drew near how savory the kitchen smelled every time one entered, but, of course, nothing was visible for mother or aunty or grandmother had safely hidden away the tender gingerbread and spice cakes, and the brittle molasses taffy, plates of butterscotch and other candy rich in nut meats.

What happy times when the stockings of all sizes, and almost all colors, were hung on the mantel shelf above the wide fireplace, where old Santa had no trouble at all to come down and deposit the numerous things from his pack in the dangling stockings.

Everyone was remembered with some sort of a gift, none were forgotten, and I feel sure the home-made goodies were devoured with as much relish and with less after effects, as the store goodies of today. There were no coal tar dyes in the Christmas candy grandmother made.

Then when the team was hooked to the farm sled, with the farm wagon bed on it partly filled with straw and bed covers, what a fine ride to church over the shining snow, to hear a real Scripture sermon about the birth of our Savior, on earth peace, good will to men.

The night that erst no name had worn,  
To it a happy name is given,  
For in that stable lay, newborn,  
The peaceful prince of earth and heaven.  
—Alfred Dommett.

### Co! Christmas Comes Again

Come, glory night! Come, spirit light! Come, joy, thy sweet bells ringing! Behold! His star is shining bright! The angel choir is singing.

But near—too near, the cannon's roar,  
The shield and saber's rattle;  
The Christmas anthems sound no more,  
Across—the field of battle.

Oh, Christmas spirit! Calm our fears,  
Close down in pity stooping,  
Alas! Thine eyes are filled with tears,  
Thy radiant wings are drooping.

The happy bells, the joyous bells  
That set the echoes rolling  
Through silent streets and frosty dells  
Are slowly, sadly tolling.

Come, glory night! Come, spirit light! Come, joy, thy mute bells ringing! Through clouds the star is shining bright! Far off the choir is singing.  
—Clara E. Putnam, in Oklahoma Farmer.

### GREAT IS OLD MISSISSIPPI

Big River Easily the Longest Continuous Waterway of Which the World Can Boast.

The Mississippi is the main stem of the greatest drainage system of North America. There are 1,257,000 square miles in the drainage system. It extends from within 100 miles of Canada to the Gulf of Mexico in a water course of about 1,550 miles. It forms the total or partial boundary line between ten states. It has on its banks four cities with from about 250,000 to 750,000 inhabitants—New Orleans, St. Paul, Minneapolis and St. Louis. It has about 100,000 tributaries, 240 large enough to figure on small-sized statistical charts.

The greatest of the affluents of the Mississippi is the Missouri river. The Missouri river proper begins at the confluence of the Jefferson, Madison and Gallatin rivers. The length of the whole course is about 2,915 miles. The Missouri river enters the Mississippi river 20 miles north of St. Louis. From the source of the Missouri to the mouth of the Mississippi is a total length of 4,200 miles, the longest continuous waterway in the world. The Missouri river and its tributaries drain about 500,000 square miles of country or about two-fifths of the Mississippi basin. The principal cities on the Missouri river are Great Falls and Fort Benton, Mont.; Bismack, N. D.; Pierre, S. D.; Sioux City, Ia.; Omaha, Neb.; Leavenworth and Kansas City, Kan.; St. Joseph, Kansas City and Jefferson City, Missouri.

### Armenian Literature.

Prior to the Fifteenth century Armenia's literature is entirely in the form of religious verse and prose. The record of secular events is entirely in her songs. The desire for freedom and patriotism is the theme of her many old songs, just as her modern music is the expression of intense struggle against oppression. The period of national greatness, when as a nation Armenia was free and prosperous, is told in songs sung by shepherds, and at firesides.

# AFTER THE SALE---

The most successful sale the store ever held, we find we have many lines so badly broken as to sizes and assortments. We have decided to close them out at even less price and profit than our general sale price carried, so read on, this may be what you are looking for.

**We are Selling one lot of Remnants of all kinds of Piece Goods and Ribbons at Half Price**

**We are Selling one lot of new Ribbons, 4 to 5 1-2 inches wide, by the bolt or yard, at only 27 1-2c Yd**

**We are Selling one lot of fine French Kid Gloves, assorted colors; 6 to 6 3-4, at only \$1.39**

**We are Selling one lot of Ladies' Ready-to-Wear and Trimmed Hats, for only 99c**

**We are Selling one lot of Children's and Misses Hats at only Half Price**

**We are Selling all Women's wool dresses at exactly Half Price**

**We are Selling all Children's and Misses' wool dresses at exactly Half Price**

**We are Selling all Children's and Misses' winter coats at 1-3 Less than Regular Price**

**We are Selling guaranteed pure wool plaid Blankets for per pair, only \$8.75**

**We are Selling one lot of Boys' Suits at exactly Half Price**

**We are Selling one lot of Boys' Corduroy Suits at only \$7.50**

**We are Selling one lot of Boy Scout Hats at only 75c**

**We are Selling one lot of Men's Dress Shirts at only \$1.00**

**We are Selling one lot of Men's and Young Men's all wool Suits at \$17.50**

**We are Selling Men's and Young Men's Overcoats at \$12.50 to \$22.50**

**We are Selling Men's Blanket lined Moleskin Pants at only \$3.25**

**We are Selling Men's Standard Khaki Pants at only \$2.25**

**We are Selling one lot Men's Black and Brown Dress Sox at 12 1-2c**

**We are Selling one lot Men's Fleeced Lined Under Shirts and Drawers at per garment 75c**

**We are Selling Everything Cheap**  
**The Plainview Mercantile Co.**  
**BURNS & PIERCE, Proprietors**

**Special Reduction on Children's Hats for One Week beginning Saturday, Dec. 10th**  
Wonderful bargains in all Millinery.  
**The Band Box**

# NIGHT SALE

The Store offers these Specials for Thursday and Friday Nights, 6:30 to 8:30.

## For Thursday Night

### FUR CAPS

1 lot at  
\$3.95

### BOYS' POLO CAPS

1 lot at  
HALF PRICE

All Wool 36 inch storm serge,  
Middy red  
98c

36 inch all wool French serge,  
green and purple, only  
98c

1 lot 58 inch all wool Jersey,  
\$3.50 value, in Taupe, tan and  
heather  
\$1.98

## For Friday Night

### MEN'S SHIRTS

1 lot at  
69c

1 lot of \$1.50 to \$3.50 values  
75c to \$1.75

### BLOUSES

HALF PRICE

### SHIRTING SILKS

33 inch Crepe, \$2.50 value  
\$1.69

1 lot good quality Suisene and  
Minuet Silk, light shades  
25c

1 lot 40 inch Georgette, light  
colors  
98c

## CARTER-HOUSTON'S

### THE SOLE OBJECT

of our shoe-sole repairing is to save you money on your shoes, to make them last longer, to give you better shoe service. If you have one or more pairs you think are hopelessly worn out, let us have a look at them. We may save them for many months of useful year.

### HOLT'S SHOE SHOP

### City Is Paying Local Bills

Recently the city council sold the water and sewer bonds, and got in a lot of money. Because of the delay in selling the bonds, which were voted last December, the city had to pay the bills on the water and sewer extensions from the general funds and other available funds of the city, thus depleting them. This caused people who had bills against the city, except for labor, salaries, and other pressing claims, to have to wait for payment. Since the city received this new money it has been paying these outstanding bills, and we have been told that between fifteen and twenty thousand dollars has been paid out in the past month, thus relieving those who held accounts, and also putting considerable money into local circulation. The Board of City Development was unable to pay its bills until the city paid it the \$4,000 due during the past nearly one year.

Roy Bailey and family of Petersburg are moving to Lorenzo, where he will give his entire time to operation of the telephone exchange, which he owns.

District court convened in Tulia yesterday morning, and the court officers and a number of local attorneys are in attendance.

### PERSONAL MENTION

J. W. Robinson of Tahoka had business in Plainview Friday.  
W. E. Spencer of Cisco and L. A. White of Carbon are here on business.  
C. V. Bryson left Sunday morning for a trip to Brownwood.  
L. A. Knight left Sunday morning for a business trip to Kansas City.  
J. G. Harrington of near Hale Center was in town yesterday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Alva Hooper returned this morning from a trip to Dallas.  
E. H. Perry has been in Oklahoma for several days on business.  
Mrs. Wm. Rippey has gone to Fort Worth to spend the winter.  
B. F. Landers of Cuervo, N. M., is here attending to business matters.  
W. A. Hill and family left this morning for Cleburne and Crawford.  
Mrs. M. R. Weaver of Amarillo is here visiting the Misses Ansley.  
R. L. Grover of Brownfield was here yesterday.  
Scott May of Lubbock was in town yesterday.  
Attorney R. A. Sowder of Lubbock was here yesterday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Sam Denman of Lubbock were here Friday.  
Herbert Gallaway of Clovis, N. M., is here visiting his parents.  
W. W. Kirk had business in Amarillo yesterday.  
Claud Callison of Floydada was visiting friends here Sunday.  
C. R. Houston of Floydada spent Sunday in Plainview.

Mr. Belcher of New Mexico is here visiting his sister, Mrs. L. J. Halbert.  
Mrs. Jim Welker of Tulia came here last week to take x-ray treatment.  
Hal Lattimore of Amarillo passed through here yesterday morning en route to Abernathy.  
Mr. Edins of Abilene has been here this week visiting his sister, Mrs. A. J. Allison.  
W. H. Gassaway returned yesterday from a trip of about two weeks to Beaumont.  
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Barrett expect to leave soon for Corpus Christi to spend the winter.  
Henry Cram has gone to Southern California to possibly make his home. Mrs. Cram will follow at an early date.  
Mrs. Dan M. Cook and little daughter of Mt. Pleasant arrived Saturday to visit her parents, Judge and Mrs. R. C. Joiner.  
J. B. Gilliland went to Post City yesterday morning where he and his son, Craig, recently leased the Algerita Hotel.  
Mrs. J. P. Crawford was expected home yesterday from a stay of some time in Mineral Wells.  
C. L. McKinney and family have moved from near Ellen to the C. L. Gilbert farm south of Plainview on Rt. A.  
Earnest Woolverton, P. H. Andrews and son, Rall, returned Friday night from a ten day hunt in the Big Bend district on the Pecos. They report lots of game.

Mrs. B. S. Westbrook is entertaining this week, her brother, R. M. Ayers, of Tampico, Mexico, her mother, Mrs. M. E. Ayers of Chillicothe and her niece, Miss Dora Ayers, of El Paso.  
E. A. Gilbert and family of the Runningwater community have returned from a two months' visit in their old home in Chrisman, Ill., making the trip in a car.  
Geo. Moody of near Hale Center returned this morning from Kansas City, where he has been in a hospital with a broken arm for two months.

Texas Utility Officers Here

H. Wurdick, president of the Texas Utilities Co., and Judge T. R. Kelo, general attorney, both of St. Louis, spent the past several days here, looking after matters in connection with the local electric power, lights and ice plant, which is owned by the company, and which supplies lights and power to a number of other towns in this section. They had been in Lubbock to make arrangements for the rebuilding of the plant there, which was recently destroyed by fire.  
They have visited Plainview a number of times, and take a great interest in the development and growth of the town. They say it is one of the very best towns they know. They plan to make such improvements and extensions of the local plant as are necessary from time to time.

The industrial committee of the Board of City Development had these gentlemen as guests at a luncheon yesterday at the Ware hotel. They departed for St. Louis this morning.

Life is a process; progression is aspiration. Since the sun still shines, since earth puts forth her blossoms anew, since the bird builds its nest, and the mother smiles at her child, let us have the courage to be men and commit the rest to Him who had numbered the stars.

Miss Vesta Fay Warren (pupil of David Unruh of Baylor University and Oklahoma Baptist University, and Mrs. Lovette of Baylor College) is organizing a voice class in Plainview. Pupils interested in voice can see her at Mrs. Homer Beck, across street south of Methodist church.

W. N. McDonald left this morning for Gainesville, in response to a message saying his uncle, Wm. Kilgore, was dangerously sick. He is seventy-five years of age.

W. C. Fyfe returned yesterday from a trip to Raymondville, in the Lower Rio Grande valley.

### SCOUTS CELEBRATE END OF THE SCOUT YEAR

Elects Officers for Ensuing Year—Sixty-Six Present—Chocolate Doughnuts Served

At the scout meeting held Friday, Dec. 2, officers and patrol leaders were selected for the new scout year.  
The committeemen are, Frank Butler, W. J. Klinger, and Judge L. S. Kinder.

F. E. Offlighter has again been selected for scoutmaster. The assistant scoutmasters are, Hamilton Luna, Lynn Pace, Earl Miles, Virgil Rogers, Will Dowden, Fred Hulbrut, and G. A. Wright.

E. M. Carter, Jr., was appointed scribe and treasurer Mack Boswell is to be the reporter and Ralph Wallin his assistant. For librarian Tyrol Formby was selected and Bush Wilmet is to be the assistant librarian. A. B. Rosser was appointed for bugler.

The patrol leaders are Frank Fellows, Eugene Wilmet, Otis McClain, Melvin Hunter, Vincent Tudor, Everett Dye, and Miriam Browning.

The assistant patrol leaders are, Bill Formby, Laurence Wallin, Sterling Rosser, Bob Wayland, Geo. Bennett, Tom Bennington, and Oliver Bier. The senior patrol leader is Lavorn Covington.

The attendance at the meeting was 66; 53 scouts, 3 officials and 1 visitor. Two boys joined the scouts, they are Charlie Hearst and Earle Boswell.

The treasurer reported that there was \$20 in the treasury. Short speeches were made by F. E. Offlighter, W. J. Klinger and Hamilton Luna. Hot chocolate and doughnuts were served at the meeting. Everybody had all the hot chocolate they could drink, some of the boys drinking about four cups. Boxing furnished amusement for those present until the meeting was over.

All committeemen and assistant scoutmasters are requested to be at the next meeting, which will be held Friday, Dec. 9, at 7:30 p. m.

Reporter.

### GOVERNOR ARRAIGNS STATE FOR MUCH LAWLESSNESS

More Murders in Texas Last Year Than in Whole British Empire, Says Neff

Dallas, Nov. 1.—Governor Pat M. Neff, speaking at a Baptist Devotional service here last night asked citizens to support him in upholding the laws of Texas.

The state leads the country "in many particulars of lawlessness," he declared.  
"There were more people lynched in Texas in 1920 than in any other state in this union or any other civilized country," the governor said.

"There were more persons murdered in Texas last year than in all the British Empire.

"Human life is the cheapest commodity in this state."

Mr. Neff declared crime is organized in this state, citing 900 automobile thefts last year without a single conviction.

Bootlegging across the Rio Grande also is organized and six officers have been murdered while attempting to enforce the prohibition law, he said.

It is time that a cry should go out from the pulpits, from editorial columns of newspapers and from the voices of the people for the supremacy of the law in Texas, the governor concluded.

### City Council Proceedings

The city council at its meeting last night, approved the work done on the extensions of the city water mains by Erick & Son.

Block 30, O. T., where the Knight Auto Co. and Wooldridge Lumber Co. are located, was added to the fire district.

Messrs. Wurdick and Kelso of St. Louis, officers of the Texas Utilities Co., were before the council and asked that better fire protection be accorded their plant in this city. This will be given at once, and the city engineer will confer with them. They also discussed the matter of the contracts with the city for street lights, and also the renewal of the contract for the pumping of water for the city, which contract expired some time ago.  
The contract with the Magnolia Petroleum Co. for fuel oil for the city was ordered renewed for another year.

The electric wiring in the truck room of the city hall was ordered repaired. It seems that the city has been enforcing the electric wiring ordinance against property owners of the city, without taking notice that it was violating it.

A discarded water heater owned by the city was given to Prof. Duncan for the high school athletic club's shower bath.

### Will Hold Public Sale

Ed Whiting of near Abernathy was in town yesterday having some bills printed for a public sale he will hold Dec. 14, in which he will sell horses, mules, cows, farm implements, etc., a list of which will appear in Friday's News. Auctioneers Nash and Seal will have charge of the sale.

Mr. Whiting and family will move to near Wichita, Kans. He has not sold his farm near Abernathy.

The public sale by C. A. Mickey, which was to have been held at his farm, three miles south of Petersburg, Saturday, on account of the bad weather, was postponed to Thursday, Dec. 8.

## CHURCHES

### Church of Christ

There was a large attendance at Sunday school, with the best of interest.

O. M. Reynolds, Christian evangelist, who is doing local work for the Church of Christ, preached Sunday morning on the subject of the "Talents" to a very large audience, many declared it to be one of the best sermons ever heard on that subject, and at 7 p. m., he preached on the "Parable of the Sower."

The work of the church is progressing beyond expectation. An invitation is extended to all to attend these services.

### Notice

The Presbyterian Missionary Society will send a box to the Reynolds' Orphanage at Albany, Texas. Any one having any thing in the way of clothing or Christmas toys to send will please leave them at the Presbyterian manse not later than Wednesday, Dec. 7th.

### Sunbeam Band

Sunday, Dec. 11, 3 P. M.  
Mission Study—China.  
Scripture.  
Story—Willie D. Cross.  
Reading—Evelyn Hutton.  
Vocal Duet—Elizabeth Putnam and Catherine Malone.  
Reading—Eloise Clements.  
Story—William Smith.

### Borean Bible Class

The Bible class is progressing nicely with large attendance as usual. There will be a stone put up this week at the scout home for the class.

Reporter.

### Will Have Christmas Tree

The Sunday school of the First Christian church will have a Christmas tree and program at the church Christmas-evening.

### Methodist Pastor Entertains Stewards With Oyster Supper

Monday night after the business meeting of the stewards of the Methodist church there was a short program at the church, addresses were made by E. C. Lamb of the local board Rev. Mr. Doak, educational secretary for the Northwest Texas conference, and Rev. G. W. Sherrard, presiding elder of the Lubbock district.  
Rev. O. P. Clark, pastor, then invited the members of the board and the visitors to a down-town cafe, where he was host to them with an oyster supper.

### Packing Employes on Strike

The big packing house strike started yesterday morning in Kansas City, Chicago, and other packing centers, the 40,000 union workers having voted to strike rather than accept a 10 per cent cut in wages.

There is conflicting reports as to how many persons went out on the strike—the union leaders claiming 80 to 90 per cent, and the packeries declaring only a few.

The strike is doomed to failure, as the plants continue in operation as they are having no trouble to fill the strikers places with the many idle workers. Besides, the packeries have all their storage houses filled with meats and can stand out a long time and still supply the trade, at increased prices, thus making millions of dollars because of the strike.

### Good Cotton on South Plains

H. F. Meadows has returned from a trip to Lamesa, Dawson county, where he owns a farm. He says the people in that county are in good condition, as the cotton has made from a half to two-thirds of a bale per acre, and there is feed galore, such as corn kaffir and maize. The gins in Lamesa have turned out over ten thousand bales of cotton, and the price has ranged high; it was 16c a pound Saturday. Corn is selling at 30c a bushel.

On his farm fifty-five bales of cotton were made, and the price was ranged above 20c.

### Spending Winter in Valley

G. L. Phillips of the Runningwater community writes to us that he and his wife and their son and daughter, Walter and Miss Nora, have gone to Weslaco, in the Rio Grande valley near McAllen, to spend the winter.

Mr. Phillips, in writing to us to send his News to Weslaco, enclosed a clipping from a Harlington newspaper telling of 1,680 grape fruit being counted upon one tree in the valley.

Burglars broke into the Blair & Hughes Co. wholesale grocery in Amarillo Friday night and stole worth of cigarettes.

TYPEWRITER SUPPLIES  
kinds of typewriter ribbons, paper, typewriter linen paper, sheets, etc., at the News of

### CLUBBING RATE

The Plainview News and the Dallas Semi-Weekly

one year  
The Plainview News and Amarillo Daily News

for  
The Plainview News and Kansas City Weekly

## FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS

We have Everything in Christmas Flowers and Holiday Decorations

POT PLANTS, such as cyclaman, primrose, begonia, poinsetta and other flowering plants.

Christmas trees of all sizes.

Holly, Mistletoe; and all other decorative evergreens, also eucalodium and red freize. Holly and other wreaths.

## Plainview Floral

Phone 195

E. S. Keys, Prop.

Plainview



## SOUR STOMACH INDIGESTION

**Theford's Black-Draught Highly Recommended by a Tennessee Grocer for Troubles Resulting from Torpid Liver.**

East Nashville, Tenn.—The efficiency of Theford's Black-Draught, the genuine herb, liver medicine, is vouched for by Mr. W. N. Parsons, a grocer of this city. "It is without doubt the best liver medicine, and I don't believe I could get along without it. I take it for sour stomach, headache, bad liver, indigestion, and all other troubles that are the result of a torpid liver.

"I have known and used it for years, and can and do highly recommend it to every one. I won't go to bed without it in the house. It will do all it claims to do. I can't say enough for it."

Many other men and women throughout the country have found Black-Draught just as Mr. Parsons describes—valuable in regulating the liver to its normal functions, and in cleansing the bowels of impurities.

Theford's Black-Draught liver medicine is the original and only genuine. Accept no imitations or substitutes. Always ask for Theford's. E. 18

### CAN'T DO THE WORK

It's too much to try to work every day against a constant, dull backache, or sudden darting pain in the small of the back. Be rid of it. Try Doan's Kidney Pills. Your neighbors recommend them. Ask your neighbor.

Mrs. R. L. Doruff, Plainview, says: "When I first began using Doan's Kidney Pills my back and kidneys were in an awful condition. At times I couldn't do my work and couldn't get around for a week or two at the time. There was a steady, bearing down pain through the small of my back and life. Two boxes of Doan's cured me when I stooped over sharp, knife-like pains would catch me in my back, so I could hardly straighten up. I suffered day and night from this trouble and every muscle in my body was sore. I often became so tired, I could hardly stand up and suffered quite a bit of the time form headaches. My kidneys didn't get right at all I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised and bought two boxes at R. A. Long's Drug store. The gave me instant relief of every symptom of kidney trouble." 60c. at all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

### CALOMEL SALIVATES EVEN WHEN CAREFUL

Treacherous Drug Can Not Be Trusted and Next Dose May Start Trouble

Calomel is dangerous. It may salivate you and make you suffer fearfully from soreness of gums, tenderness of jaws and teeth swollen tongue, and excessive saliva dribbling from the mouth. Don't trust calomel. It is mercury; quicksilver.

If you feel bilious, headachy, constipated and all knocked out, just go to your druggist and get a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tonic for a few cents which is a harmless vegetable substitute for dangerous calomel. Take a spoonful and if it doesn't start your liver and straighten you up better and quicker than nasty calomel and without making you sick, you just go back and get your money.

If you take calomel today you'll be sick and nauseated tomorrow; besides, it may salivate you, while if you take Dodson's Liver Tonic you will wake up feeling great. No salts necessary. Give it to the children because it is perfectly harmless and can not salivate.

## ASPIRIN

Name "Bayer" on Genuine



Take Aspirin only as told in each package of genuine Bayer Tablets of Aspirin. Then you will be following the directions and dosage worked out by physicians during 21 years, and proved safe by millions. Take no chances with substitutes. If you see the Bayer Cross on tablets, you can take them without fear of Colds, Headache, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, Earache, Toothache, Lumbago and for Pain. Handy tin boxes of twelve tablets cost few cents. Aspirin is the trade mark of Bayer Manufacturing of Monoaceticacidester of Salicylicacid.

### CLUBBING RATES

The Plainview News one year and the Dallas Semi-Weekly News one year ..... \$3.25  
The Plainview News one year and Amarillo Daily News one year for ..... \$3.25  
The Plainview News one year and Kansas City Weekly Star ..... \$2.85

### HIS WAGES ONE CENT A YEAR

Early Carrier of Mails Certainly Not in the Business for Purpose of Making Money.

Maurice Proctor, a man of wealth, was so anxious for his coach to bear the distinguishing "U. S. Mail" sign of the postal service that he made absolutely certain, when a service line was established between Mineral Point (where he lived) and Dodgeville, Ia., he would be the lucky one allotted the honor.

There were 20 competitors and each turned sick with disgust when they heard of the bid of the wealthier man, says an early volume of the Strand Magazine. It was the custom then to ask prospective employees to bid for the job, as contractors bid now. Proctor bid 1 cent. Which is to say, he volunteered to do the job for a remuneration of 1 cent a year in wages.

Every day, rain or shine, he twice carried the mail between the two cities, proud of the "U. S. Mail" on the side of his coach. At the end of the year his enthusiasm had not worn off, so he renewed his contract, agreeing to do the work at the same rate for four more years—in all, for 4 cents. The government considered him financially responsible for this amount, and gave him the job. The 4 cents were paid to him in four annual installments.

His pay for the first year came in the form of a postal warrant signed by the secretary of the treasury and made out to the order of the carrier, Maurice Proctor. It was in payment for his services, and the amount was 1 cent. Needless to say, it was considered as a great curiosity, so the carrier sold it at once for \$36.

### BUNGALOWS BUILT BY BIRDS

Are Not Used as Nests, but Seemingly Only Constructed as a Matter of Decoration.

Arbor-like bungalows are built by Australian bower birds. These bungalows are decorated by the birds with flowers and other bright objects.

Sometimes one bird will move a flower placed in position by a fellow. The result is a free fight, for none of the birds will tolerate interference or criticism.

There are several different kinds of bungalows, and each is built by a variety of the bower bird. These structures have nothing whatever to do with the birds' nests. There is a garden in front of the bungalow, and great attention is paid to keeping this fresh. Some of the birds prefer shells as a garden decoration; others use gaily-colored beetles and other insects, while one bird lays out a lawn of moss, which it decorates with all kinds of odds and ends. As soon as any part of the garden becomes faded, the moss, leaves, or flowers are carried to a rubbish heap behind the bungalow.

Dancing displays are given on the lawns, especially at courting time, when the males adopt all kinds of queer attitudes and sing songs to attract the attention of the opposite sex.

### Cultured Slovakian People.

The inn at Turciansky Sv. Martin in northern central Slovakia is a real social center. Here the inhabitants of this cultural center of Slovakia assemble for song and gossip. In spite of the antiquity of their get-up, the peasants of the region are among the most cultured people in Europe; their little town is a center of the printing industry and boasts a most interesting museum. The women of Slovakia, although the difficulty in obtaining linens and colored thread with which to make their embroideries is now great, still work with the same care and reverence for traditional craftsmanship as formerly. Indeed the peasant woman of Detva, Slovakia, both in the work upon which she is engaged and the beautiful clothes she wears, would seem to be a living model for her sisters in the neighboring villages. It is in their gardens that these women work, surrounded by their children.

### The Osci, Early Occupants of Italy.

The Osci, or Oscans, were an Italian people who appear to have been the original occupants, at the earliest known period, of Central Italy from Campania and the borders of Latium to the Adriatic. The Oscans were subdued by the Sabines, a people from the Apennines on the north, of whose previous history little is known, and who probably adopted the language and customs of the conquered, with what modifications cannot be ascertained. The Oscan language was closely allied to the Latin, of which it was probably a parent stock. It appears to have been spoken in the provinces long after Latin became the official language, and it was used of the Latin long after the Roman conquest.

### Birds "Discovered" Baldwin Apple.

The famous Baldwin apple was discovered by Col. Loammi Baldwin, a distinguished resident of Woburn, Mass., during the latter half of the Eighteenth century. While surveying land in Wilmington, Mass., Colonel Baldwin observed a tree on the land of James Butters, which appeared to be much frequented by woodpeckers. Curiosity led him to examine the tree, and he found that it bore apples of an excellent flavor.

The next spring he took cuttings from the tree to graft into trees of his own, and the experiment was so successful that it was not long before the apple was extensively cultivated in many sections of the state.

### FRETTING NAUGHT BUT FOLLY

But Many Sermons on the Subject Have Failed to Convince People of Its Uselessness.

In that doleful, delightful book, "The Education of Henry Adams," occurs a phrase, "the folly of fret," which is better than the usual expression, "the uselessness of worry."

Many sermons have been preached, many lectures delivered, many medical opinions pronounced, many household homilies uttered, on that theme.

The trend of applied science in our century is toward the reduction of friction and the elimination of waste. And a big part of friction and of waste is worry.

We worry about the human machine. We imagine that all sorts of dreadful things are about to happen to us. Our thoughts ought to be on our work—and they are diverted by our worries.

We worry about losing a position in business or our standing in society. There would be less excuse for anxiety if we would spend the energy consumed in trying to do our work still better, trying to serve more satisfactorily the community we live in, striving to discharge the various and delicate offices of friendship with increased tact and perception and sympathetic selflessness.

Worry is quite another matter from a proper carelessness, that weighs a proposition and looks all round its object ere acceptance.

A man who investigates before he buys, who considers alternatives and who asks questions before deciding, who makes no leap in the dark, is not open to the reproach of one whose "folly of fret" merely leads him in frantic circles, like a tethered donkey. All his fuss and clamor issue in nothing but an ecstasy of motion and emotion.

Man power is too precious to be thrown away in these gyrations that are the pantomime of futility.

Give us more of the calm, big men who plan and then proceed.

They seem to have time. They do not operate in a flutter and a fever resembling the hen yard or the stock pen. They make up their minds and preserve their equanimity. Seeing them so cool and controlled, those who do everything in a panic or a paroxysm try their best to excite them by telling them the house is burning down or the world is coming to an end.

But these quiet and capable ones are not deceived. They know that it is not for man to say when his own life or his own work shall end. In trust and peace they continue on their way—avoiding "the folly of fret" that victimizes and weakens other men.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

### Relics of an Extinct Race.

Remains of an extinct Indian race are being uncovered on the Santa Ynez river by a road construction gang under the direction of Ranger R. Forsythe of the Santa Barbara national forest. The discovery is at a point two miles upstream from the foot of the grade of the San Marcos road on the other side of the mountain.

One such relic brought in to Forest Supervisor Thomas B. Sloan's office was a matter of much speculation. It appears to be a piece of black soapstone in the shape of a cylinder about 1 1/2 inches in diameter and four inches long, with a half-inch hole the length of it. The relic is highly polished, and when first excavated was said to be of a softness that permitted scarring its surface. Exposure to the air evidently had hardened it, however, in a few hours.

Forsythe said two other relics similar to this one have been uncovered, and one of the bones of the forearm of a man also has been found.—Santa Barbara Press.

### Some Exceptions.

Among the witnesses called in a trial in a southern court was an old dandy.

"Do you swear that what you tell shall be the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth?" intoned the clerk.

"Well, sah," returned the witness, shifting uneasily, "dis lawyer gemun kin make it a pow'ful lot easier on hisself an' relieve me of a mighty big strain of he'll leave out anything about gin an' chickens. 'Cepting fo' dose, Ah guess Ah kin stick to de truth."—The American Legion Weekly.

### No Joke.

Ex-Chancellor Day of Syracuse university, bemoaning the high price of books, clothes and what-not, said at a dinner:

"Will this thing never end? I heard a story the other day. A charitable lady on a seashore boardwalk dropped a nickel in a beggar's hat. But the beggar returned the nickel to her, saying in not unkindly tones:

"Excuse me, lady; I don't want to hurt your feelin's, but I'll have to return this here nickel back to you. If we take less than a dime we lose our union card."

### Mansfield Uses Phonographs.

Appreciation of music is taught in the schools of Mansfield, Ohio, with the help of phonograph records. In the seven schools of the town there are 37 phonographs. The machines were paid for by the pupils' music club, which includes 600 boys and girls. Each school has a complete library of records and the phonographs and records represent an investment of more than \$5,000. A special textbook in music appreciation guides the teachers in this work, and the music supervisor of the town schools considers the teaching successful.

### WYCLIFFE'S WORK ON BIBLE

Historians Uncertain as to What Part He Actually Took in Translation into English.

John Wycliffe (1335-1384), who has been called the "Morning Star of the Reformation," translated—or caused to be translated—the Bible from the Vulgate (St. Jerome's Latin version) into English, with the assistance of Nicholas of Hereford and John Purvey. Wycliffe and his disciples labored at the translation for some ten or fifteen years. Scholars are not agreed as to exactly what part Wycliffe himself took in the literary work.

"It is a known fact," says the Encyclopaedia Britannica, "that Wycliffe proclaimed the Bible as man's supreme spiritual authority, and that he sought in consequence by every means in his power to spread the knowledge of it among the people. It is, therefore, in all likelihood due to the zeal of Wycliffe and his followers that we owe the two noble fourteenth century translations of the Bible which tradition has always associated with his name, and which are the earliest complete renderings that we possess of the Holy Scriptures into English. The first of these, the so-called early version, was probably completed about 1382, at all events before 1384, the year of Wycliffe's death. The second, or later version, being a thorough revision of the first, is ascribed to the year 1388 by Sir Frederic Madden and Rev. Joshua Forshall in their edition of these two versions.—Detroit News.

### NO CHANGE IN GULF STREAM

Government Experts Correct an Impression Which Has Become More or Less General.

It is hard to be steady, consistent and unswerving in spite of contrary forces, and still to gain the reputation of an erratic wanderer. Yet this is just what has happened to the gulf stream. Indeed, its character is getting so maligned that the United States government itself found it necessary to vindicate this current of the ocean. Much has been said of late years in regard to the changing route of the stream. The government experts declare there is no change in the course, nor has there been for many years. No other physical feature of the ocean is subject to more persistent misinterpretation than is the Gulf stream. It is a pet theory of many that the temperature of Europe is greatly affected by it, but this effect is not as extensive as is commonly thought. Practically starting at the Florida straits, where its volume is made up by the union of currents, it ceases to be a true current by the time not long after it reaches the Grand banks, where it becomes surface drift, governed by the winds.—Christian Science Monitor.

### Ant Families.

One of the most peculiar examples of nature protection found in the world is that afforded by the sugar ant of Australia. The sugar ant is one of the smaller of the field ants of that country. The meat ant, on the other hand, is a very pugnacious creature, so that there are few enemies of its size which dare approach its nest. The sugar ant realizes this, so it seeks protection for its own home by building it at the base of the mound of the meat ant. Then it covers the nest entrance with leaves, so that they are hidden from sight. The meat ant works only during the day; as soon as the sun sets, it goes into its nest and is not easily disturbed, while darkness prevails. On the other hand, the sugar ant comes out at night and feeds upon the honey of flowers or the sap of small plants. In this way the two species of ant do not come in contact with each other, and the meat ant provides plenty of protection for the sugar ant, while the latter is having its daytime sleep. All of which reminds one of the popular old farce of "Box and Cox."—Christian Science Monitor.

### Experience, the Great Teacher.

Observation more than books, experience rather than persons, are the prime educators. Books aid as one has wit to use them to advantage, persons most when seeming not to serve us. Experience converts us to ourselves when books fail us, and this oftentimes against our knowledge and consent. And it remains questionable how far our attainments further or hinder nature's intentions, the art of education being still so complicated and incalculable a matter that not a few of the most striking characters have been formed, untrammelled by our schools, under the more direct and potent influence of life and things, operating under the pressure of necessity and seeming accident.—A. Bronson Alcott.

### Bible vs. Newspaper.

The following statements as to the relative value of the Bible and the Sunday paper, were made by a Kansas city clergyman: The great appeal in all good newspapers is in their style of makeup. Their stories are brief and well told. But no literature can be compared with the Bible. There are no stories so well or briefly told as those in the Bible. The Bible tells the true facts. It is impartial. And it will be used as an example of true literature as long as we have a civilization, while some newspapers are inclined to color their news and try to mold public sentiment into their way of thinking.

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### Santa Fe May Build Line

The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway system is considering plans looking to the construction of a through line from El Paso to Fort Worth, Texas, a distance of about 550 miles, as a consequence of the growth of the Plains section of Texas and the increasing demand for more railroad facilities. The new road will probably run from El Paso via Carlsbad, N. M., and Seminole, Texas, to Lamesa, Tex., whence there is an Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe line of fifty miles to Slaton, where the Santa Fe line to Post, Texas twenty miles, might be followed and from there a straight line would be taken to Fort Worth, perhaps via Haskell, Throckmorton and Graham, Texas. Preliminary surveys are reported made.—Railroad Review.



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## 'HER CLOWNS'

### Sick Child's Life Saved by Celebrated Comedians.

#### Action of French Funmakers That Shines "Like Good Deed in a Naughty World."

The Fratellini brothers, celebrated clowns of Medrano (general favorites of the Continent), were recently the heroes of a singularly touching little incident.

It appears that the nine-year-old daughter of the Widow Colicourt, 31 Rue Francoeur, shortly after attending a performance in which the clowns had appeared, fell seriously ill. In her delirium the child was obsessed with the desire to see them again—the marvelous buffoons who made her laugh so on that evening of happy enchantment; she kept calling for "her clowns."

Months passed while the mother stubbornly fought for the life of her child, and gradually the illness responded to the treatment. The little girl, however, remained sad, pensive and lacking animation. The doctor shook his head, puzzled and alarmed by the child's listlessness. "She should have something to distract her," he said.

How entertain her? The mother was far from being a wealthy woman. Since, however, the child continually spoke of "her clowns," why should she not go to the Fratellini brothers, themselves, and ask their help? She reflected that these celebrated artists were good men who gave generously to charity; that they sometimes went to the hospitals to entertain the inmates and bring them cheer. Why should she not go to them and ask them to help save her child?

The upshot was that two days later the widow went to the circus and requested an audience with the Fratellini brothers. They were, at the moment, on the stage; she could hear their silly laughter as she stood in the wings and waited. When, presently, panting from their exertions, they came tumbling off, she made her request hurriedly, stopping them, tears standing in her eyes.

The three clowns are the fathers of 14 children, all told. They promised to go the very next day to see the little sick girl, adding that it would not cost the widow a penny.

And sure enough, the next day, arrayed in their most gorgeous costumes, grotesque, hilarious, altogether marvelous, they enacted from full hearts before the little invalid their most fantastic sketch, singing and dancing and grimacing. And the ecstatic child, mad with happiness and with a new light in her eyes, clapped her hands, laughing through exquisite tears, and shouted: "Encore! Encore!"

The clowns entertained her for two hours; and when they left—quietly and discreetly, as they had come—they promised to come again.

And that is the end of the story, as the mother told it the other day—except that the little girl is well on the road to recovery. The widow came to the writer and related the facts, very simply. And the story seemed to the writer a very good story, indeed.—From Le Petit Parisien.

#### Birth of a Star.

The vast black mass, 20,000,000 times larger than the sun, demonstrated to exist in the heavens by the Dutch scientist, Dr. Pannekoek, seems to upset all earlier astronomical calculations.

It is, comparatively speaking, so near us that Doctor Pannekoek suggests that the sun itself must move round it once in 2,900,000 years—drawing the earth with it.

"We believe that the black body must consist of dust, and that this is the first stage in the birth of a star," said an expert. "As it condenses it gets hotter until it becomes luminous and visible. Sudden 'flares' or 'new stars' have been seen in our lifetime, but the black cloud of dust appears to be the real beginning.

"The amazing feature is the nearness of the body. It is relatively as close to the earth as a foot rule would appear to be if only two feet away from the eye. It is quite possible that even vaster bodies of this kind exist." The nearness is relative. The body is 280,000,000,000,000 miles away.

#### Papal Titles More Costly.

Papal titles have gone up in cost according to a circular which has been sent out by the Vatican announcing an increase in the fees chargeable for the award of papal titles. The following list of titles and costs is given: Prince—Personal title, 10,685 lire. Hereditary title, 21,600 lire. Duke—Personal title, 9,600 lire. Hereditary title, 19,500 lire. Marquis—Personal title, 7,500 lire. Hereditary title, 15,000 lire. Baron—Personal title, 5,400 lire. Hereditary title, 10,800 lire. Payment, it is stipulated, is to be made in gold, which would bring the cost of a princely title to a hundred thousand lire. The nominal value of the title is about 19 cents.

#### Circus to Travel in Motor Trucks.

An eastern circus organization will tour the country this year in motor trucks costing from \$12,000 to \$30,000 apiece. It is estimated the saving in rail charges will go a long way to pay for this equipment. The motorized circus will be able to travel anywhere and, being independent of train service, may make towns not often visited by large shows.

## WORSER THAN ANY HURRICANE

### Arabian Desert Storm Obscures the Sun—Bitter Cold is Followed by Intense Heat.

In the World's Work Thomas E. Lawrence describes the action of a desert storm as follows: "There had been long rolls of thunder all morning in the hills, and the two peaks of Serd and Jasim were wrapped in folds of dark blue and yellow vapor that looked motionless and substantial. A few minutes after we had marched again, I looked back at them, and noticed that part of the yellow cloud off Serd was coming slowly in our direction, against the wind, raising scores of dust devils before its feet. The cloud was nearly as high as the hill, and as it approached it put out two dust-spouts, tight and symmetrical columns like chimneys, one on the right and one on the left of its front.

"When it got nearer, the wind, which had been scorching our faces with its hot breathing, changed suddenly, and blew bitter cold and damp upon our backs. It also increased greatly in violence, and at the same moment the sun disappeared, blotted out by thick mists of yellow air over our heads. We stood in a horrible faint light, ochre-colored and fitful. The brown wall of cloud from the hills was now very near, rushing changelessly toward us, making a loud grinding sound, wrapping us in a blanket of dust, with large stinging grains of sand in it, twisting and turning in most violent eddies, and meanwhile advancing eastward at the speed of a strong gale."

## OLD WAYS OF TELLING TIME

### Early Methods Were Primitive, but Some Sort of Reckoning Always Has Been Kept.

Today when we glance at our watches and ascertain to the second the correct time, we do not stop to think of the first awkward methods used by primitive man. In the earliest days, man divided the time into two periods, the day and the night. The day was then separated into sunrise, noon and sunset, and then the morning and afternoon were further divided by the length and position of the shadows. Our first sundial was a stick set upright in the ground and the time was told by the length and position of the shadows. Nearly all ancient peoples of the world had sundials and with them the time was told to the hour and the minute. The Chinese had them, the Romans set up tall shadow columns with officers to watch them and report hourly on the length of the shadows. Even in the Middle Ages the sundial was still used by those poor people who could not afford such luxuries as water clocks or hour glasses.

#### Chinese Shoes.

Making shoes is the interminable task of Chinese women, from youth to old age. Travelers see them busy in every moment, when necessity does not require attention to some other work, plying the threads back and forth, in and out, in their endless effort to keep the men of their household supplied with footwear. Where there is a surplus, the shoes are sold to the shops.

Only cloth and paper are used. The thickness of the soles, of alternating layers of cloth and paper held together by paste, often indicate in variations of from one-half to two inches, the wealth of the wearers. The shoes are noiseless and comfortable, but on rainy days China stays indoors because the shoes readily absorb water.

The women make their own tiny shoes in the seclusion of their quarters, even the husband being forbidden to watch their manufacture.

#### Buffalo Bill's Quick Wit.

Col. William F. Cody, while traveling in Europe in 1891 with his Wild West show, was on quite intimate terms with royalty. On Buffalo Bill's advent into Berlin Emperor William was entertaining three kings of smaller German powers. One feature of the Wild West performance was the exhibition of an antiquated Deadwood coach, containing passengers who were attacked by Indians and rescued by cowboys. The kaiser asked that he and his guests be allowed to ride in this vehicle during a performance, and of course the request was granted. After the usual attack and rescue the emperor remarked:

"Colonel Cody, I don't suppose this is the first time that you have held four kings?"

"No, your majesty," replied the scout, "you are right, but it is the first occasion that I ever held four kings and the royal joker at the same time."

#### Colonel Yell of Yellville.

Yellville was named in honor of a gallant soldier, Colonel Archibald Yell, who went to his God like a man on the field of Buena Vista. Archibald Yell was a man of parts, a gentleman who in time of peace did his share in politics and in time of war did his share as a soldier. He resigned as a member of congress to enlist as a private at the outbreak of the Mexican war. When the Arkansas troops were organized at Washington, Hempstead county, he was elected colonel of the regiment in which he had enlisted as a private. Albert Pike was a captain under him. At the battle of Buena Vista Yell's command stood against a sweeping charge by a great force of Mexican lancers. Archibald Yell died there fighting hand to hand with the Mexicans.—Arkansas Gazette.

## SANG WITH PATRIOTIC FERVOR

### Britain Owes Great Debt to Charles Dibdin for His Work in Popularizing the Navy.

Charles Dibdin did more to gain recruits for the British navy in the naval war between France and England than all of the press gangs combined, and to him belongs the credit of typifying the British sailor as a being of reckless courage, generosity and simple-heartedness. He sang his patriotic songs with a fervor which was contagious and his notes were caught up and repeated throughout the land, especially those which referred to Admiral Nelson. For this the government gave him a pension of £200 a year. He was paralyzed about a year before his death, which occurred July 25, 1814. The great mass of his songs, however, are now forgotten, although some of his operas still infrequently are heard, and his melody and sweetness are excelled by few. Dibdin wrote a dozen novels, a history of the stage and an autobiography. He was the eighteenth child of a Southampton silversmith, and his mother was nearly fifty years of age at his birth in 1745. Dibdin's parents designed him for the church, but he would have none of the life of the cleric and ran away to London to be near the theaters. When only sixteen he managed to bring out one of his operas, "The Shepherd's Artifice," at Covent Garden, the very theater which made him musical director some years later.—Chicago Journal.

## DELVING INTO MOTHER EARTH

### Man Has Gone Far Underground in Search of Riches That She Has Concealed.

For centuries man has been engaged in burrowing his way deeper and deeper into the crust of old Mother Earth, in order to extract the minerals which she hides beneath her surface.

A century ago 1,000 feet was thought to be a stupendous depth for any shaft; for in those days there were no engines capable of pumping from greater depths, and no system of ventilation had been devised which would make it possible to work in galleries at a greater distance from the surface.

Coal pits over 3,000 feet deep are now fairly common in England, while Belgium has two which exceed 4,000 feet in depth.

But coal is not alone in having deep pits. There is in Australia a silver mine whose bottom is 3,500 feet below the surface, while a gold mine at Bendigo, in Australia, has been sunk to 4,300 feet.

A famous Transvaal gold-mining company is sinking a shaft which, when complete, will measure more than 7,000 feet.

#### Cawdor Castle.

The coming of age of the fifth earl of Cawdor recalls the tradition of the building of Cawdor castle, an ancient, moat-surrounded castle approachable only by a drawbridge, which is perched upon a low rock overhanging the bed of a rushing stream near the town of Nairn. In a dream, so it is told, the founder of Cawdor castle was commanded to load an ass with gold, turn it loose, and follow it until it rested and there build a castle. The ass came to halt beneath the branches of a hawthorn tree, so upon this spot was built Cawdor castle. The trunk of the hawthorn tree, with its roots branching out beneath the floor and its top penetrating the vaulted arch of stone above still remains within the tower to argue for the truth of the story, and, in further allusion to the picturesque legend, the Gaelic salutation to the roof-tree of the Thames of Cawdor is "Freshness to the hawthorn tree."

#### Breathing Under Water.

If a swimmer is three minutes under water he is looked upon as a prodigy, but M. Theoris, a French doctor, declares that a man could remain half an hour if he only knew how to handle the carbonic acid in his system.

A man proved recently to a body of medical experts and scientists that it was possible to remain under water and laugh at the audience surrounding a 12-foot deep aquarium, eat cherries, take out the stones, pull a wry face when the cherry proves sour, and smile when a pretty woman touched the glass with a cigarette.

The secret of all this lies in using a special method of natural breathing as soon as you are under water, to exhale the carbonic acid gas. This requires some practice. When this is done you stop the nostrils, thereby keeping off all inhalation.

Rid of the carbonic acid in the blood, a man is able to remain much longer under water.

#### End-of-the-World Prophecy.

The morning of December 17, 1919, the planets Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn and Neptune came into alignment in the heavens; that is, all the planets, with the exception of the earth, lay in an approximate line with the sun and all of them, except Uranus, were on the same side of the sun. They were strung along in the same plane and approximately the same line, like so many points on one spoke of a wheel. Meanwhile Uranus was on the same line but on the other side of the sun, like the point of the spoke directly opposite. The arrangement had been foretold by astronomers and certain prognosticators predicted the end of the world. However, the sun rose as usual on that day and the weather was normal.



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