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## A REASON FOR EVERYTHING

Things in this world don't just happen. There's always a reason. If Jones runs faster than Brown, the reason is that Jones is a better runner. The reason why one stream is more rapid than another is because the incline of fall is more acute. A man partakes of a meal for the reason that his appetite has indicated that his stomach requires replenishing. The reason that a general store is very successful is because it has live management that buys in the best markets and gives the customers the opportunity of participating in the good values which naturally pertain in such an establishment. During the last five years, under far seeing management, the establishment of The Roach McLymont Company has increased its annual turnover to four times the original amount. There is a reason, which is most obvious—"The Store That Serves Ten Counties", under conditions of alert management has been in a position to serve its many customers with goods exceeding in value those offered by competitors to the public, with the result above stated.

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## SONORA MOTOR COMPANY.

## HARDING TAKES OATH OF OFFICE FRIDAY

IS READY TO ENTER AN ASSOCIATION FOR CONFERENCE ONLY

## MAKES PLEA FOR HARMONY

Simple Ceremonies Mark Induction Into Office of Chief Executive of United States

Washington—The people of the United States now have a new president, vice president and a new congress.

The inauguration at the capitol of Warren G. Harding of Ohio, as president, and Calvin Coolidge of Massachusetts, as vice president, took place Friday, at about the noon hour. The inaugural program began at ten o'clock when the joint congressional committee, headed by Senator Knox of Pennsylvania and Uncle Joe Cannon of Illinois motored to the Willard Hotel and took under escort Mr. Harding and Mr. Coolidge.

The White House, where President Wilson joined the party, was the next stop; after which the motor cars under military escort started for the capitol.

In the first car rode President Wilson, President-Elect Harding, Knox and Cannon. The second car contained Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Harding, Senator Nelson and Representative Rucker. In the third was Vice President Marshall, Mrs. Coolidge and Senator Overman. The fourth carried Vice President-Elect Coolidge, Mrs. Marshall and Representative Reavis.

Upon arriving at the capitol, Harding and Coolidge went to an anteroom of the senate chamber. Wilson went to the president's room near by to sign or reject last minute legislation.

Congress shortly before noon paused. House members marched to the senate chamber where the diplomats, army and navy officers and the supreme court witnessed the induction of Coolidge as Vice President. Wilson and Harding attended the ceremony. Then congress was declared adjourned and everybody went to the east front of the capitol for the inauguration of Harding.

Immediately after taking the oath of office which was administered by Chief Justice White, President Harding delivered his inaugural address, outlining what he thought the policies of the American government should be on various foreign and domestic problems.

After the ceremonies the Hardings went to the White House, where luncheon was served for the Harding family. The Wilsons then went to their new home.

### Text of Speech

Washington—The text of President Warren G. Harding's inaugural address follows:

My countrymen, when one surveys the world about him after the great storm, noting the marks of destruction and yet rejoicing in the ruggedness of things which withstood it, if he is an American he breathes the clarified atmosphere with a strange mingling of regret and new hope. We have seen a world-passion spend its fury, but we contemplate our republic unshaken and hold our civilization secure. Liberty—liberty within the law and civilization are inseparable, and though both were threatened we find them now secure, and there comes to Americans the profound assurance that our representative government is the highest expression and surest guaranty of both.

Standing in this presence, mindful of the solemnity of this occasion, feeling the emotions which no one may know until he senses the great weight of responsibility for himself, I must utter my belief in the divine inspiration of the founding fathers. Surely there must have been God's intent in the making of this New World Republic. Ours is an organic law which had but one ambiguity, and we saw that effaced in a baptism of sacrifice and blood, with union maintaining the nation supreme and its concord inspiring. We have seen the world-rivet its hopeful gaze on the great truths on which the founders wrought. We have seen civil, human and religious liberty verified and glorified.

In the beginning the Old World scoffed at our experiment. Today, our foundations of political and social belief stand unshaken, a precious inheritance to ourselves, an inspiring example of freedom and civilization to all mankind. Let us express renewed and strengthened devotion in grateful reverence for the immortal beginning, and utter our confidence in the supreme fulfillment.

Progress Proves Wisdom  
The recorded progress of our republic, materially and spiritually, in itself proves the wisdom of the inherited policy of noninvolvement in Old World affairs. Content of our ability to work out our own destiny and jealously guarding our right to do so, we seek no part in directing the destinies of the Old World. We do not mean to be entangled. We will accept no responsibility, except as our own conscience and judgment, in each instance, may determine.

Our eyes never will be blinded to a developing menace, our ears never deaf to the call of civilization. We

recognize the new order in the world, with the closest contacts which progress has wrought. We sense the call of the human heart for fellowship, fraternity and co-operation. We crave friendship, and harbor no hate. But America, our America, the America builded on the foundation laid by the inspired fathers, can be a party to no permanent military alliance. It can enter into no political commitments, nor assume any economic obligation which will subject our decisions to any other than our own authority.

I am sure our own people will not misunderstand, nor will the world misconstrue. We have no thought to impede the paths to closer relationship. We wish to promote understanding. We want to do our part in making offensive warfare so hateful that governments and peoples who resort to it must prove the righteousness of their cause or stand as outlaws before the bar of civilization.

### Association for Counsel

We are ready to associate ourselves with the nations of the world, great and small, for America, for counsel, to seek the expressed views of world opinion, to recommend a way to approximate disarmament and relieve the crushing burdens of military and naval establishments. We elect to participate in suggesting plans for mediation, conciliation and arbitration and would gladly join in that expressed conscience of progress which seeks to clarify and write the laws of international relationship and establish a world court for the disposition of such justiciable questions as nations are agreed to submit thereto. In expressing aspirations, in seeking practical plans, in translating humanity's new concept of righteousness and justice and its hatred of war into recommended action, we are ready most heartily to unite; but every commitment must be made in the exercise of our national sovereignty. Since freedom impelled and independence inspired and nationality exalted, a world super government is contrary to everything we cherish and can have no sanction by our republic. This is not selfishness, it is sanctity. It is not aloofness, it is security. It is not suspicion of others, it is patriotic adherence to the things which made us what we are.

Today, better than ever before, we know the aspirations of human kind and share them. We have come to a new realization of our place in the world and a new appraisal of our nation by the world. The unselfishness of these United States is a thing precious, our devotion to peace for ourselves and for the world is well established, our concern for preserved civilization has had its impassioned and heroic expression. There was no American failure to resist the attempted reversion of civilization; there will be no failure today or tomorrow.

### Rests on Popular Will

The success of our popular government rests wholly upon the correct interpretation of the deliberate, intelligent, dependable popular will of America. In a deliberate questioning of a suggested change of national policy, where international duty was to supersede national duty, we turned to a referendum to the American people. There was ample discussion and there is a public mandate in manifest understanding. America is ready to encourage, eager to initiate, anxious to participate in any seemingly program likely to lessen the probability of war and promote that brotherhood of mankind which must be God's highest conception of human relationship. Because we cherish ideals of justice of peace, because we appraise international comity and helpful relationship no less highly than any people of the world, we aspire to a high plane in the moral leadership of civilization and we hold a maintained America, the "proven" republic, the unshaken temple of representative democracy, to be not only an inspiration and example, but the highest agency of strengthening good will and promoting accord on both continents.

Mankind needs a world-wide benediction of "understanding." It is needed among individuals, among peoples, among governments and it will inaugurate an era of good feeling to mark the birth of a new order. In such understanding men will strive confidently for the promotion of their better relationships and nations will promote the comities so essential to peace.

### Trade Ties Bind

We must understand, that ties of trade bind nations in closest intimacy, and none must receive except as he gives. We have not strengthened ours in accordance with our resources or our genius, notably on our own continent, where a galaxy of republics reflect the glories of new world democracy, but in the new order of finance and trade we mean to promote enlarged activities and seek expanded confidence. Perhaps we can make no more helpful contribution by example than prove a republic's capacity to emerge from the wreckage of war. With the world's embittered travail did not leave us devastated lands nor desolated cities, left no gaping wounds, no breast filled with hate it did evolve us in the delirium of the expenditure, in expanded currency and credits, in unbalanced industry, in unspeakable waste and disturbed relationships. While it uncovered our portion of hateful selfishness at home, it also revealed the heart of America as sound and fearless and beating in confidence unflinching.

Amid it all, we have revisited the gaze of all civilization to the unselfishness and the righteousness of representative democracy, where our freedom never has made offensive warfare, never has sought territorial aggrandizement through force never has turned to the arbitrament of arms until reason has been exhausted. When the governments of earth shall have established a freedom like our own and shall have sanctioned the pursuit of peace as we have practiced it, I believe that sorrow and the final sacrifice of international warfare will have been written.

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Sonora, Texas, March 12, 1921.

**PROCLAMATION**  
 By the Mayor of Sonora, Texas.

Whereas the Governor of the State of Texas has at the request of the State Health Officer, designated the week beginning March 13th as Health week, and

Whereas the citizens of Sonora through the local organization of the Women's Club has endorsed the movement and will undertake a clean up campaign for Sonora, to begin with an address by Rev. W. E. Hashorn at the Baptist church on the night of Sunday, March 13th and will start the Clean Up campaign on Monday, March 20th, 1921, and

Whereas the Governor in his Proclamation uses this language: "The greatest instrument of liberty that has ever been written enunciated the truth that every man is born with certain inalienable rights, among which are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, and whereas without perfect health man can neither enjoy his life, liberty nor be happy, etc."

Now, Therefore, I, C. S. Keene, Mayor of Sonora, Texas, do hereby Proclaim the week beginning Monday, March 20th, 1921, as Health and Clean Up week for the City of Sonora, to be observed by all the people.

Given under my hand and by the authority vested in me this 9th day of March, 1921  
 C. S. KEENE,  
 Mayor of the City of Sonora, Texas

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**The Whittlers of Eldorado.**

By Mrs. Jack Miles.  
 Take a walk up the street, just to look around  
 You'll see the sign of "Whittlers," all over town.  
 They whittle up the side walks, they whittle on the wall,  
 They whittle on the telegraph posts, telegraph posts and all,  
 They whittle, whittle, from early morn 'til night,  
 The floor in front of the market, I say it is a sight!  
 No seats are furnished, out in front of the door  
 To get even with the owner, they are whittling up his floor.  
 They sit upon the side-walk, there they chew and spit  
 And look around for a piece of pine, to whittle a little bit.  
 Every man here owns a knife, with IXL on the blade  
 Judging the shavings fly, when the whittlers are in the shade.  
 They talk at the weather, the cotton and the sage  
 And wonder to the Lord, if its ever going to rain.  
 The trees can't grow they whittle a little, they pierce them to the core  
 Each whittler as he comes along cuts one name or more.  
 At the hotel they whittle on the benches, they whittle on the chairs,  
 They whittle on the counter, they whittle on the stairs,  
 They even whittle on their shoes, and boots, as well  
 Every thing that cuts, the whittler give it a whittle  
 While I sit here writing, I looked across the street  
 Three men sat there whittling, I never saw the best.  
 I laughed aloud—but lo, in one moment more  
 A fat man came 'round the corner, and sat down on the floor.  
 Says I old man I'll watch, and see what you will do  
 So he got him a shingle and went to whittling too.  
 The maize has been headed, the cotton is plowing too  
 The reason for the whittling I presume, there's nothing else to do.  
 So here's a look to the whittlers, I now bid you adieu  
 If I lived in Eldorado, guess I'd learn to whittle too.

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**HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.**

Chapel services were held in the School Auditorium on Tuesday morning, March 8. The program consisted of a very interesting talk by Bishop Capers of San Antonio and songs led by the glee club.

A great interest was taken in the procedure of court as was shown, by the fact that very few pupils attended school Monday. The Annual staff is now busy collecting jokes and kodak pictures for the annual.

The finished pictures for the Annual are expected from the photographer this week. The staff will then soon have all in readiness for the engravers and then the printers.

A number of the high school boys are showing a considerable interest in the plans for the local athletic meet, which will be held April 1. The district meet will be held in San Angelo on April 15 and 16. The winners in the local meet will thus be given two weeks to prepare for the finals at Angelo.

Another court for the use of the tennis club is being prepared this week. We hope to develop some winners in both the boys and the girls tennis teams.

Sam Allison has withdrawn from school in order to assist his father on the ranch.

**HONOR ROLL.**

Below is given the Honor Roll for the Sonora Public School for the sixth month of the term.

**FIRST GRADE.**

- Lena V. Stokes
- Milburn Smith
- Harold Kitley
- Howard Muerer
- Clarence Beyers
- Allie Halbert
- Ambrose Guest
- Charles Harold Evans
- Annelia Stites
- Edwin Sawyer
- Jack Pfister
- DeWay Martin
- Wesley Hill
- Walter Holmig
- Walter Ford

**SECOND GRADE.**

- Jesse Louie Evans
- Lottie Hall
- Lillian Robinson
- Mary Schweining
- Dorothy Baker
- Ed Cooper
- Lex Allison
- Woodrow Norris
- Lola Jess McCollum
- May Cauthorn
- Zella Lee Thorpe
- DeWitt Blanton
- Clinton Lindsey

**THIRD GRADE.**

- Otis Murray
- Marvel Ford
- Mildred Turner
- Essa D. Skekel

**FOURTH GRADE.**

- Margaret Hull
- John McClelland
- James Caldwell
- Andrew Mitchell

**FIFTH GRADE.**

- Barnie Muerer
- Clayton McCollum
- Eric Clark
- Lester Archer

**SIXTH GRADE.**

- Billie Caluwell
- Joseph Rainier
- May Holmgren
- Arlis Logan
- Bernice Stokes
- Mary Mattie

**SEVENTH GRADE.**

- Gwynne Blanton
- Rada Moore
- Hattie Ory
- Keara Britt
- Hamilton Ford
- Dyampie Trainer
- Thelma Kees
- Ilma Pfister
- Ray Glasscock

**HIGH SCHOOL.**

- Ethel May Jones
- Gwen Keith Kidley
- Dorcy Archer
- B. M. Seward
- Gladys Martin
- Angie Robinson
- Marvin Logan

**JUNIOR CLASS.**

- John Eaton
- Mary Ann Wilson
- Leah Hull

**SENIOR CLASS.**

- Kathleen Cooke
- Elis Averet
- Woo sun Hebert
- Gaila Lowrey
- Evelyn Trainer

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**J. M. LEA HAS HOPE OF A MARKET FOR WOOL**

J. M. Lea, representing Crummins & Police Co., wool and mohair dealers of Boston, is here looking over the range conditions and the coming clip prospects. Mr. Lea says he will be joined shortly by his associate, Mr. Ahearn, who is expected from Boston about the first of the month. They have no instructions or information as to the probable market price for the new clips, but Mr. Lea says he feels confident they will have buying orders at some price in the near future. Their house handled some of the best clips from Texas last season and expect to do so again. It is estimated the short clip from Texas will amount to less than 3,000,000 pounds this spring and this will have a tendency to strengthen the price for the short wools. The wool dealers as well as the growers met with reserves and the business has not yet recovered its equilibrium. The sales that have been made on the Boston market by their firm has been to the mills and there has been no speculation apparent.

Mr. Lea will at a later date give a review of their business with the local clips they handled and try to show what the different terms used in market quotations mean.

Charles Schreiner of Kerrville is reported to have sold 500,000 pounds of short or six months wool at 15 3/4 cents per pound.

E. C. Beam, who ranches in Edwards county, was here this week on business.

E. F. Vander Stucken, the merchant, left on Monday for Dallas and Fort Worth on a business trip. He is expected home today.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Evans have gone to San Antonio on a visit and will not return until after the Cattlemen's convention.

Claude Keene of the City Garage made a business trip to San Angelo this week. The City Garage is having a good sale of Fisk Red Top casing in all sizes.

Jack Moore sheriff of Kerr county was here Monday on business. He was accompanied by Ernest Wellhorn and C. F. Limberger stockmen and farmers of Center Point who were prospecting for ranches.

W. D. Barton manager of the Sonora Mercantile Co. spent Sunday with his family in Ozona. Mr. Barton is very well pleased with Sonora now that he is getting acquainted with the people and meeting with many of his old friends among the traveling men.

Manuscripts 'Strangely Recovered.' Some valuable manuscripts went down in a torpedoed ship during the war. How they were recovered has been told by the Rev. J. Alston at St. Martin's church on behalf of the British and Foreign Bible society. He said the late Archbishop Dennis, a missionary in South Nigeria, spent several years in compiling a dictionary and grammar of the Ibo language, comprising six distinct dialects, to enable the Bible to be printed and circulated among the native tribes. When on his way to England his vessel was torpedoed, and he lost his life. Some months later his manuscripts were found in a crate of the rocks on the Welsh coast, where they had been washed up by the sea. They are now awaiting publication.

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LOOK AROUND AND SEE IF THERE IS NOT SOMETHING FOR YOU TO DO?

Protect your family from disease and discomfort.  
 Make your home more pleasant and beautiful.  
 Make your community a safe and healthful place to live in.  
 Be a good neighbor and a good citizen. Don't be responsible for sickness and death.

Start to clean up Sunday, March 20th.

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SONORA, TEXAS, March 12, 1921.

All Resolutions of Respect, Cards of Thanks, Notices of Entailments where an admission fee is charged, Etc., will be charged for at our regular advertising rates.

#### HEALTH SUNDAY AND HEALTH WEEK.

Sunday night, March 13th, there will be held in the Baptist church a service which every citizen of the community should attend.

Responding to proclamations from Governor Neff and Mayor Keene of Sonora and complying with the urgent request from our State Health Officer the Sonora Woman's Club will undertake to carry out as far as practicable the program of HEALTH WEEK.

We have invited Rev. W. E. Hathorn to preach this special sermon and we are expecting a large attendance. There will be no other service in town, Rev. O. E. Moreland being in Dallas.

For good reasons we have thought best to postpone the carrying out of the full program of Health Week until week after next. But the opening gun of the campaign will be fired at the Baptist church Sunday night.

Mrs. Roy E. Aldwell, Chairman, Mrs. W. E. Caldwell, Mrs. J. A. Cope, Mrs. Fred Simmons, Committee.

Unusually heavy rains fell Monday night in parts of the Sonora country. Between here and McKeavett, in the head of the North Llano country, and on the South divide it was almost a waterspout and was accompanied by hail in spots. The Experiment Station 25 miles to the South the precipitation measured 64 one hundredths of an inch, but the hail there was light and the stones small. In the South Divide country it is thought the downpour amounted to three inches and in a few places the hail was in drifts on the ground for several hours. The storm came to within ten miles on the Southeast of Sonora.

T. L. Miller, the jeweler, can fit your eyes with proper glasses. 64

#### Baptist Church, Next Sunday.

Sunday school at 9.45 a.m. Preaching at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

The 11 o'clock sermon will be one of the series on "The Life and Teaching of Jesus." The beginning of the "Great Galilean Ministry" will be the section of His life presented in this sermon. The sermon at nine will discuss the vital question of health. It will be preached in response to a request from the Sonora Woman's Club. This will be a "community" service and it is hoped that the community will attend.

**Mothers Should Know This**  
Every mother knows the value of Milk of Magnesia for infants and children's digestive and bowel troubles. Every mother should also know that for the protection of their children they should always buy Fidelity Quality Milk of Magnesia of guaranteed purity and quality. Sold and recommended by all druggists and in Sonora by the Sonora Drug Co.

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If you belch up a bitter-tasting liquid, suffer from heartburn and sour stomach, you need the tonic properties of Peppine. It is a purifying and strengthening medicine for the stomach, liver and bowels. Price, 50 cents. Sold by the Sonora Drug Store.

The Woman's Club Library will be open on Wednesday afternoon of each week from 2 to 5 o'clock.

For rapid healing there is nothing like Liquid Borzone. It mends torn flesh, heals cuts, burns or sores so quickly no time is lost from work. Price, 50c. and \$1.20. Sold by the Sonora Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Walter Davis are here for a few days visit to the boys Haynie and Tom Davis on the ranch. On the way here from Austin where Mrs. Davis is living while the younger children are in school, they were joined by Mr. and Mrs. R. Roemer of Angelo, former friends of theirs at Elgin, who will be their guests at the ranch for a few days.

#### BISHOP CAPERS.

Rt. Rev. William T. Capers, D.D. of San Antonio, Bishop of the Diocese of East Texas of the Episcopal church, was in Sonora this week on his annual visitation. Bishop Capers is the son of the late Bishop of South Carolina, Dr. Ellison Capers, who was a general in the Confederate army, and Secretary of State of South Carolina, and is the grand son of Dr. William Capers, the first Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, who established the Southern Christian Advocate.

Bishop Capers is known as one of the most eloquent and forceful preachers of the Episcopal church and the Episcopal church in Sonora was crowded Tuesday night to hear the distinguished prelate. Those who heard the Bishop on this occasion will do so again when the opportunity presents itself. His message was not to the members of his church alone but to all the community and was a plea for more religion in business, in home, in churches and in National life.

The Bishop complimented the local congregation on the recent improvements to the church and expressed himself as always pleased with his visit to this community. In the morning he visited the school and addressed the pupils and teachers. In the afternoon at 6 o'clock he administered Confirmation to Miss Mary Dan Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Will Wilson.

#### STYLE SHOW AT DEL RIO.

A unique announcement is made in our advertising columns by the Roach McLymont Co., of Del Rio in which they notify the fair sex that they are featuring their Spring opening with a Style Show. Beautiful garments direct from New York will be displayed on living models who will feature the latest creations for Spring fashions. The Roach McLymont Co. have a very spacious and beautifully equipped ladies department which is an excellent place for such an interesting display. Music and flowers are announced and the show will be held from 2:30 to 6 p.m. on Friday March 12.

The Organ at the Baptist Church is for sale. Price \$15. If interested phone 62.

#### DISTRICT COURT.

The Grand Jury for the regular Spring term of the District court of Sutton county was sworn, impaneled and entered upon the discharge of their duties Monday morning having been given the customary charge by Hon. James Cornell Judge of the 88rd Judicial District. The Court appointed H. P. Allison foreman, the other members being Fred Berger, R. H. Chalk, Jim Caldwell, Frank Eaton, G. P. Hill, Vernon Hamilton, R. J. Riddle, Dan Cauthorn, Joe F. Logan, Ozaal Ogden, Wm. Mitrel. The bailiffs appointed to the Grand Jury were J. L. Cook, W. McCombs, door bailiff.

The Grand Jury returned two bills of indictment and were discharged for the term Wednesday. One of the indictments was against Troy Baker, and his case was continued and he was released upon his own recognizance. No arrest has been made on the other indictment.

In District court a number of old cases in which no arrests had been made were on motion of the District Attorney dismissed. The three charges against E. L. Kiser for theft of sheep, were dismissed on motion of the District Attorney.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Morris and baby were in town Tuesday from the ranch near Juno.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Martin were in from the ranch Thursday. T. A. Williams, the Rock Springs lawyer was a visitor here during court.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lee of Del Rio are stopping at the Commercial Hotel.

Miss Eula Nlston of Sterling City was here Saturday enroute to Del Rio.

W. B. Hunter and son Bill, and George Broome were here this week from Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Willoughby were here Tuesday from the ranch in Schleicher county.

Bert Page, a well known ranch man of Schleicher was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Mrs. A. B. Whitehead of Del Rio is here this week the guest of her sister, Mrs. Roy E. Aldwell. F. M. Faulkner who ranches near the head of the North Llano was a visitor here this week.

T. B. Adams and D. T. Hanks well known breeders of sheep in the Angelo country were here this week on business.

Mrs. Hunt and daughter, Miss Mamie Frank Hunt, were here this week visiting their son and brother, Bryan Hunt.

Bishop Capers and son Samuel Capers of San Antonio were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bond while in the city the first of the week.

W. B. Adams of the North Llano country was in town Monday on business. Mr. Adams reports the conditions most favorable for the farmer-stockmen in that locality.

W. L. Aldwell, president of the First National Bank, left on Monday on a business trip to Fort Worth, Dallas and San Antonio. John Hoffer, of San Angelo, deputy supervisor of oil and gas department of the Railroad Commission of Texas, was in Sonora Tuesday. Mr. Hoffer was on his way to Edwards county to report on the Empire well on the Bogges & Kust ranch.

The 88rd Judicial District, of which Hon. James Cornell of Sonora is the Judge, has been changed and enlarged by the Legislature so as to include the counties of Sutton, Crockett, Reagan, Upton, Pecos, Brewster, Presidio, Jeff Davis. The last three have been added to the district and Edwards county put in the Del Rio district.

No school or Parent Teachers entertainment would be complete without the able assistance of Miss Ray Riffe, the efficient teacher. And yet we are guilty of having omitted her name from those who took part in the Feast of Nations entertainment at the Club on the night of Feb. 28th. Miss Riffe was chairman of the Cyprian and much of the success of this branch of the entertainment was due to her efforts.

#### FAILED TO AGREE.

The argument in the case of the State vs. J. Velasco, charged in an indictment by the Grand Jury of Pecos county with the murder of R. Martinez, and called for trial here on a change of venue from Pecos county, was closed by the State at about ten o'clock Monday night and at two o'clock Tuesday afternoon the jury reported to the Court that they could not agree on a verdict and after being thanked by the Court for their patience and attentiveness in the hearing of the case were discharged for the term.

J. Velasco was arrested at Fort Stockton in October, 1920 on complaint charging him with the murder of R. Martinez of Marfa and made a statement before the County Judge, sitting as a Magistrate, in which he admitted the killing of Martinez but claiming self defense.

The statement was to the effect that on October 28th 1919 Velasco bought a Ford car from Martinez and that while driving Martinez back to the railroad the engine went dead and that a dispute arose as to who would crank the motor, both men had been drinking, and that Martinez chased Velasco around the car several times, threatening Velasco's life with a pair of scissors. Velasco fell down and shot Martinez three times.

The evidence of the State went to show that a week later a number of citizens, including the Sheriff, Dad Barker, of Pecos county, were going hunting and came across Velasco and another Mexican, about 20 miles from Fort Stockton, and near where they were was the body of a man who had been dead several days. Velasco told the Sheriff and party that he had found the body and was going to bury it. The party examined the body and found three wounds in the head, presumed to have been made by bullets, the corpse was that of a man about medium height and weight of 40 or 45 years of age, etc. The Sheriff's party buried the remains near where found.

The Grand Jury of Pecos county at the December term 1920, returned the indictment against Velasco. About this time the grave was opened and only a few bones were found and whatever articles of identification were found at the time of the burial had been lost.

The defense was mostly based on lack of identification, two witnesses stating that R. Martinez of Marfa was a large man and that the money Velasco had was in his possession prior to the time the murder is alleged to have been committed.

Immediately on the discharge of the jury, Velasco was turned over to J. C. Perkins, a deputy sheriff of El Paso county, on a warrant charging Velasco with murder in that county. This crime is alleged to have been committed also in October 1919. Claude R. Sutton of Marfa was the defendant's attorney while District Attorney N. W. Graham, of Ozona, County Attorney W. A. Hadden of Fort Stockton, with W. C. Linden of San Antonio and Arthur & Elliott of Sonora private prosecutors, represented the State.

It is not probable that the case will be tried again in this county because it would be impossible to secure a jury.

Don't forget the place to save money on diamonds. T. L. Miller, Jeweler.

H. H. Sharp of the Mayer community was a visitor here Tuesday. Frank Decker, Notary Public Sutton County, Texas.

Cleve Jones of the Middle Valley country was a business visitor here Tuesday.

When the bowels are costive the waste matter ferments, producing a gaseous condition that is disagreeable. To remove the impurities quickly, a dose of Peppine is needed. It does the work thoroughly and pleasantly. Price 50c. Sold by the Sonora Drug Co.

Will Whitehead the Del Rio banker and ranchman was a business visitor here Monday and was accompanied by Sam Bruce who has been with the Whiteheads for over 20 years.

Cold settled in the muscles of the neck, arms or shoulders makes every movement painful. Use Ballard's Snow Liniment. It relieves the pain and relaxes the muscles. Three sizes 50c, 60c and \$1.20 per bottle. Sold by Sonora Drug Co.

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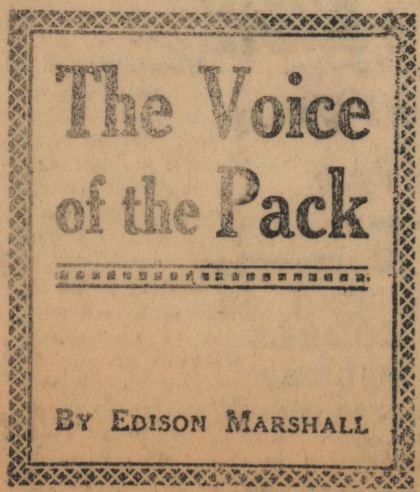
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When Snowbird first heard the step in the thicket beside her, she halted bravely and held her lantern high. She understood at last. The very extremity of the beams found a reflection in two very curious circles of greenish fire...

She identified it at once. Only the eyes of the felines, with vertical pupils, have this identical greenish glare. The eyes of the wolves glow in the darkness, but the circles are usually bright points. Of course it was a cougar.

She didn't cry out again. Realizing at last the reality of her peril, her long training in the mountains came to her aid. That did not mean she was not truly and terribly afraid. The beast was hunting her. She couldn't doubt this fact. Curiosity might make a lion follow her, but it would never beget such a wild light of madness in his eyes as this she had just seen. She simply clamped down all her moral strength on her rising hysteria and looked her situation in the face. Her hand flew instinctively to her side, and the pistol leaped in the lantern light.

But the eyes had already blinked out before she could raise the weapon.



She Shot Twice.

She shot twice. The echoes roared back, unbelievably loud in the silence, and then abruptly died, and the only sound was a rustling of leaves as the cougar crouched. She sobbed once, then hurried on.

She was afraid to listen at first. She wanted to believe that her pistol fire would frighten the animal from her trail. She knew, under ordinary conditions, that it would. If he still followed, it could mean but one thing—that some unheard-of incident had occurred to destroy his fear of men. It would mean that he had knowingly set upon her trail and was hunting her with all the age-old ferocity of the wild.

For a little while all was silence. Then out of the lush thicket suddenly crashed and shook on the opposite side of the trail. She fired blindly into the thicket. Then she caught herself with a sob. But two shells remained in her pistol, and they must be saved for the test.

Whisperfoot the cougar, remembering the lessons of his youth, turned from the trail when he had first heard Snowbird's step. He had crept and hid for her pass. She was walking into the wind; and as she was at the closest point a message had blown back to him.

The hair went straight on his shoulders and along his spine. His blood, running cold an instant before from fear, made a great leap in his veins. A picture came in his dark mind: the chase for a deer when the moon had set, the stir of a living thing that broke twigs in the thicket, and the leap he had made. There had been blood, that night—the wildness and the madness and the exultation of the kill, but of course there had been terror first, but the terror had soon departed and left something lying warm and still in the thicket. It was the same game that walked his trail in front—game that died easily and yet, in a vague way he did not understand, the noblest game of all. It was living flesh, to tear with talon and fang.

He had come creeping back. He hunted his own way, waiting on the trail; and his madness was at its height. He was not just Whisperfoot the coward, that runs at the shadow of a tall form in the thicket. The consummation was complete, and that single experience of a month before had made of him a hunter of men. His muscles set for the leap.

So intent was he that his keen senses didn't detect the fact that there was a curious echo to the girl's footsteps. Dan Felling had slipped down from his terrified horse and was running up the trail behind her, praying that he could be in time.

Snowbird heard the pat, pat of his feet; but at first she did not dare to hope that aid had come to her. She had thought of Dan as on the far-away marshes; and her father, the only other living occupant of this part of the Divide, might even now be lying dead in his house. In her terror, she had lost all power of interpretation of events. The sound might be the cougar's mate, or even the wolf pack, jealous of his game. Sobbing, she hurried on into Whisperfoot's ambush.

Then she heard a voice, and it seemed to be calling to her. "Snowbird—I'm coming, Snowbird," a man's strong voice was shouting. She whirled with a sob of thankfulness.

At that instant the cougar sprang. Terrified though she was, Snowbird's reflexes had kept sure and true. Even as the great cat leaped, a long, lithe shadow out of the shadow, her finger pressed back against the trigger of her pistol. She had been carrying her gun in front of her, and she fired it, this last time, with no conscious effort. It was just a last instinctive effort to defend herself.

One other element affected the issue. She had whirled to answer Dan's cry just as the cougar left the ground. But she had still been in range. The only effect was to lessen, in some degree, the accuracy of the spring. The bullet caught the beast in mid-air; but even if it had reached his heart, the momentum of the attack was too great to be completely overthrown.

Snowbird only knew that some vast, resistless power had struck her, and that the darkness seemed to roar and explode about her.

Hurled to her face in the trail, she did not see the cougar sprawl on the earth beside her. The flame in the lantern almost flicked out as it fell from her hand, then flashed up and down, from the deepest gloom to a vivid glare with something of the effect of lightning flickering in the sky. Nor did she hear the first frenzied thrashing of the wounded animal. Kindly unconsciousness had fallen, obscuring this and also the sight of the great cat, in the agony of its wound, creeping with broken shoulder and bared claws across the pine needles toward her defenseless body.

But the terrible fangs were never to know her white flesh. Some one had come between. There was no chance to shoot; Whisperfoot and the girl were too near together for that. But one course remained; and there was not even time to count the cost. In this most terrible moment of Dan Felling's life, there was not even an instant's hesitation. He did not know that Whisperfoot was wounded. He saw the beast creeping forward in the weird dancing light of the fallen lantern, and he only knew that his flesh, not horse, must resist its rending talons. Nothing else mattered. No other consideration could come between.

It was the rest; and Dan's instincts prompted coolly and well. He leaped with all his strength. The cougar bounded into his arms, not upon the prone body of the girl. And she opened her eyes to hear a curious thrashing.

When Dan Felling, riding like mad over the mountain trail, heard the third shot from Snowbird's pistol, he felt that one of the debts he owed had come due at last. He seemed to know, as the darkness pressed around him, that he was to be tried in the fire. And the horse staggered beneath him as he tried to hasten.

He showed no mercy to his mount. Horse-flesh isn't made for carrying a heavy man over such a trail as this, and she was red-nosed and lathered, and she knew a mile had been covered. He made her leap up the rocks, and on fairly level stretches he loosed the reins and lashed her into a gallop. Only a mountain horse could have stood that test. He gave no thought to his own safety. His courage was at the test, and no risk of his own life must interfere with his attempt to save Snowbird from the danger that threatened her. He didn't know when the horse would fall with him and precipitate him down a precipice, and he was perfectly aware that to crash into a low-hanging limb of one of the great trees beside the trail would probably crush his skull. But he took the chance. And before the ride was done he found himself pleading with the horse, even as he lashed her sides with his whip.

The lesser forest creatures sprang from his trail; and once the mare leaped high to miss a dark shadow that crossed in front. As she caught her stride, Dan heard a sound and a rattle of quills that identified the creature as a porcupine.

By now he had passed the first of the worst grades, opening out upon a long, easy slope of open forest. Again he urged his horse, leaving to her keen senses alone the choosing of the path between the great tree trunks.

Then he heard Snowbird fire for the fourth time; and he knew that he had almost overtaken her. The report seemed to smash the air. And he lashed his horse into the fastest run she knew—a wild, sobbing figure in the darkness.

"She's only got one shot more," he said. He knew how many bullets her pistol carried; and the danger—whatever it was—must be just at hand. Underbrush cracked beneath him. And then the horse drew up with a jerk that almost buried him from the saddle.

He lashed at her in vain. She was not afraid in the darkness and the rocks of the trail, but some terror in the woods in front had in an instant broken his control over her. She reared, snorting; then danced in an impotent circle. Meanwhile, precious seconds were fleeing.

He understood now. The horse good still, shivering beneath him, but would not advance a step. The silence deepened. Somewhere in the darkness before him a great cougar was waiting by the trail, and Snowbird, hoping for the moment that it had given up the chase, was hastening through the shadows squarely into its ambush.

Whisperfoot crouched lower; and again his long serpent of a tail began the little vertical motion that always precedes his leap. He had not forgotten he had inadvertently sprung on Lady Aldredth—or how, after his terror had died, he had come creeping back. He hunted his own way, waiting on the trail; and his madness was at its height. He was not just Whisperfoot the coward, that runs at the shadow of a tall form in the thicket. The consummation was complete, and that single experience of a month before had made of him a hunter of men. His muscles set for the leap.

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Our Supreme Task is the resumption of our normal way. Reconstruction, readjustment, restoration—all these must follow. I would like to hasten them. If it will lighten the spirit and add to the resolution with which we take up the task, let me repeat for our nation, we shall give no people just cause to make war upon us, we hold no national prejudices, we entertain no spirit of revenge, we do not hate, we do not covet, we dream of no conquest nor boast of armed prowess.

If, despite this attitude, war is again forced upon us, I earnestly hope a way may be found which will unify our individual and collective strength and consecrate all America, materially and spiritually, body and soul, to national defense. I can envision the ideal republic, where every citizen, young or old, is called under the flag, for assignment to duty for whatever service, military or civic, the individual is best fitted, where we may call to universal service every plant, agency or facility, all in the sublime sacrifice for country, and not one penny of war profit shall inure to the benefit of private individual, corporation or combination. Ours is a constitutional freedom, where the popular will is the law supreme and minorities are scarcely protected. Our revisions, reformations and evolutions reflect a deliberate judgment and an orderly progress, and we mean to cure our ills, but never destroy or permit destruction by force.

I had rather submit our industrial controversies to the conference table in advance than to a settlement table after a conflict and suffering. The earth is thirsting for the cup of good will, understanding is the fountain source. I would like to acclaim an era of good feeling amid dependable prosperity and all the blessings which attend.

Protection of Industries. It has been proved again and again that we can not, while throwing our markets open to the world, maintain American standards of living and opportunity and hold our industrial eminence in such unequal competition. There is arising today in the theory of banished barriers of trade, but preserved American standards require our higher production costs to be reflected in our tariffs on imports. Today, as never before, our people are seeking trade restoration and expansion, we must adjust our tariffs to the new order. We seek participation in the world's exchanges, because therein lies our way to widened influence and the triumph of peace. We know full well we can not sell where we do not buy, and we can not sell successfully where we do not carry. Opportunity is calling not alone for the restoration, but for a new era in production, transportation and trade. We shall answer it best by meeting the demand of a surpassing home market, by promoting self-reliance in production and by bidding enterprise, genius and efficiency to carry our commerce to American bottoms to the marts of the world.

An America of Homes. We would not have an America living within and for herself alone, but we would have her self-reliant, independent and ever nobler, stronger and richer. Believing in our higher standards, we are through constitutional liberty and maintenance of opportunity, we invite the world to the same heights. But pride in things wrought is no reflex of a completed task. Common welfare is the goal of our national endeavor. Wealth is a means to welfare, it ought to be its friendliest agency. There never can be equality of rewards or possessions so long as the human plan contains varied talents and differing degrees of industry and thrift, but ours ought to be a country free from great stretches of distressed poverty. We ought to find a way to guard against the perils and penalties of unemployment. We want an America of homes, illuminated with hope and happiness, where mothers, freed from the necessity of long hours of toil beyond their own doors, may preside as befits the hearthstone of American citizenship. We want the cradle of American childhood rocked under conditions so wholesome and so hopeful that no blight may touch it in its development, and we want to provide that a selfish interest, no material necessity, no lack of opportunity shall prevent the gaining of that education so essential to best citizenship.

There is no short cut to the making of these ideal things. The world has witnessed again and again, the utility and the mischief of ill-considered remedies for social and economic disorders. But we are mindful today as never before of the friction of modern industrial falls and we must learn its causes and reduce its evil consequences by sober and tested methods. Where genius has made for great possibilities, justice and happiness must be reflected in a greater common welfare.

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Perhaps we never shall know the old levels of wage again, because war inevitably readjusts compensations and the necessities of life will show their inescapable relationship, but we must strive for normalcy to reach stability. All the things that will not be light, nor even fairly distributed. There is no making them so. There is no instant step from disorder to order. We must face a condition of grim reality, charge off our losses and start fresh. It is the oldest lesson of civilization. I would like the government to do all it can to mitigate them in understanding, in mutuality of interest, in common for the common good. Our tasks will be solved. No altered system will work a miracle. Any wild experiment will only add to the confusion. Our best assurance lies in efficient administration of our proven system.

From Destruction to Production. The forward course of the business cycle is unmistakable. People are turning from destruction to production. Industry has sensed the changed order, and our own people are turning to resume their normal, onward way. The call is for a reinvigorated America to go on. I know that congress and the administration will favor every wise government policy to aid the resumption and encourage continued progress.

I speak for administrative efficiency, for lightened tax burdens, for sound commercial practices, for adequate credit facilities, for sympathetic concern for all agricultural problems, for the omission of unnecessary interference of government with business, for an end to government experiments in business and for more efficient business in government administration. With all of this must attend a mindfulness of the human side of all activities, so that social and economic justice will be squared with the purposes of a righteous people.

With the nation-wide induction of womanhood into our political life, we may count upon her intuitions, her refinements, her intelligence and her influence to aid the social order. We count upon her exercise of the full privileges and the performance of the duties of citizenship to speed the attainment of the highest state.

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Prayer for Industrial Peace. I wish for an America no less alert in guarding against dangers from within than it is watchful against enemies from without. Our fundamental law recognizes no class, no group, no section. There must be no class in legislation or administration. The supreme inspiration is the common weal. Humanity hungers for international peace, and we crave it with all mankind. My most reverent prayer for America is for industrial peace, with its rewards widely and generally distributed amid the inspirations of equal opportunity. No one justly may deny the equality of opportunity which made us what we are. We have mistaken unpreparedness to embrace it to be a challenge of the reality, and due concern for making all citizens fit for participation will give added strength and citizenship and magnify our achievement.

If revolution insist upon overturning established order, let other people's make the tragic experiment. There is no place for it in America. When world war threatened civilization, we pledged our resources and our lives to its preservation, and when revolution threatens we unfurl the flag of law and order and renew our consecration. Ours is a constitutional freedom, where the popular will is the law supreme and minorities are scarcely protected. Our revisions, reformations and evolutions reflect a deliberate judgment and an orderly progress, and we mean to cure our ills, but never destroy or permit destruction by force.

I had rather submit our industrial controversies to the conference table in advance than to a settlement table after a conflict and suffering. The earth is thirsting for the cup of good will, understanding is the fountain source. I would like to acclaim an era of good feeling amid dependable prosperity and all the blessings which attend.

Protection of Industries. It has been proved again and again that we can not, while throwing our markets open to the world, maintain American standards of living and opportunity and hold our industrial eminence in such unequal competition. There is arising today in the theory of banished barriers of trade, but preserved American standards require our higher production costs to be reflected in our tariffs on imports. Today, as never before, our people are seeking trade restoration and expansion, we must adjust our tariffs to the new order. We seek participation in the world's exchanges, because therein lies our way to widened influence and the triumph of peace. We know full well we can not sell where we do not buy, and we can not sell successfully where we do not carry. Opportunity is calling not alone for the restoration, but for a new era in production, transportation and trade. We shall answer it best by meeting the demand of a surpassing home market, by promoting self-reliance in production and by bidding enterprise, genius and efficiency to carry our commerce to American bottoms to the marts of the world.

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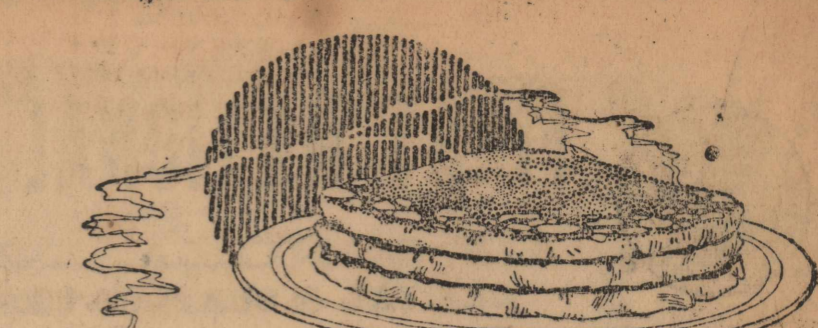
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