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## Oil Showing in Well at Los Angeles?

There were persistent rumors Monday and Tuesday that the drill in the well going down at Los Angeles, 18 miles East of Cotulla had gone through 10 feet of oil sand, and for some reason the well had shut down. The shut down as usual, prompted the belief by many that oil had been actually struck.

The report that oil had been struck spread far in a short time. From the oil fields near Laredo and from San Antonio came dozens of cars loaded with oil men. The Record man went to Los Angeles Tuesday evening. Operations had been suspended and there was no one at the site of the well. We did not see any indications whatever of oil. There was no claim that oil had been found. There was some oil on the water in the slush pit but evidently that came off a string of casing that had been put down.

The well is 2480 feet deep according to the information we received. Considerable water has been struck, but the big strata will not be found until the drill goes probably 400 feet deeper, taking into consideration the depth of the Harriss Valley well which is just about one mile Northwest.

The Harriss Valley well had no showing of oil.

Will Held is advertising a thousand acre cotton farm for cheap cash rent at Millett. This farm was rented for the party financing it failed to comply with all details of the contract. This is said to be one of the best farms in La Salle county and the right party who will properly farm it could handle it so as to make good money next year with the present prospect for good cotton prices.

## Juan Rodriguez Kills Big Panther on La Motta Ranch.

Juan Rodriguez killed a panther on the La Motta Ranch Thursday morning that measured 6 feet 2 inches from tip to tip, and it was a young panther at that.

Rodriguez was deer hunting. He had found a deer partly devoured and decided that it was the work of a panther. He had gone but a short distance from the carcass when he heard a vicious growl and within a few feet of him he saw a large panther glaring at him. Quick as a flash Rodriguez' rifle went to his shoulder and a bullet went whizzing into the brain of the animal. It was a dead shot but the hunter took no chances and fired another shot into the body of the big cat.

This is the second panther that has been killed in that section of the county within the last ten days. The first was caught in a steel trap on the Dobie Ranch.

It is said that from the numerous tracks seen in that section of the county there evidently is many panthers there. For several years there has been seen from time to time a panther, but ranchers say there never was as many as there are now. It is probable that the oil activity in the lower country have driven these animals out of the territory below to this part of the county.

Rodriguez brought his trophy to town and it was viewed by hundreds of people as it lay on the sidewalk in front of the Cotulla Mercantile Company. The panther was mounted.

E. Mayor made a business trip to San Antonio this week.

For Sale—Good Sewing Machine cheap. Apply this office.

## Texas Lines of Katy Bought by New Yorkers.

J. & A. W. Seigman & Company and Haigarten & Company of New York have bought the Texas lines of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad. The sale was at auction held at Sherman, Texas, on Thursday. The sale price was \$6,500,000.00. This was \$100 more than the minimum bid. The Oklahoma properties of the Katy were bought the day previous by the same parties.

## Beer and Wine Would Be No Compromise

The proposal to nullify the Eighteenth Amendment by allowing the sale of beer and wine is often described as a "compromise."

It is no compromise whatever. It would bring the saloon back. It would bring the Brewers' Association and the German-American Alliance back.

It would bring back more than 90 per cent of the entire liquor trade.

It would bring back a new evil in the cultivation of the so-called "Home trade" in beer.

It would bring five billion dollar liquor bill and violate every economic argument against license.

It would bring back a lower standard of living; more pauperism, and more drink caused crime.

It would bring back whisky as a bootleg adjunct to beer saloons. It would bring back absolutely everything that is against the prohibition law.

It is no compromise.

Cotulla has the largest onion crop this year ever planted along the Nueces in this territory. Just why this increased acreage is hard to explain, especially in the face of an enormous Northern crop of onions that are now going into storage at low prices. The large crops here means plenty of work for the laboring class all the winter, which in turn means business for the merchants. If good prices are obtained for the onions, or even fair prices, things will be booming here next year as the biggest cotton crop we ever had will be planted.

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## 3,290,000 Bales Raised in Texas.

Cotulla, Texas, Dec. 14.—Production of cotton in Texas on 1922-23 is estimated to be 3,290,000 bales (not including lint) equivalent to 3,290,000 bales of 500 pounds gross weight (434 pounds of lint and 21.6 pounds bagging and ties estimated per 500 pounds gross weight bale). Total production in 1921 was 2,198,000 bales. The average yield of lint is estimated at 132 pounds and the acreage harvested at 11,942,000 for the year 1922.

The crop has been made on one of the largest harvested acreages in history. This was particularly true of the north-west, west center and south districts where large increases occurred and much new land was rendered available.

Good Show at the Dixie to night.

## Cold Wave Misses Southwest Section.

The cold wave that brought below freezing weather to North and Northwest Texas this week was knocked forward by a result the temperature in that section did not go below 40.

A cool norther blew up Monday evening and the sky was clear late into Monday night with every indication that clear freezing weather would prevail Tuesday morning but when dawn came Tuesday it was raining. However, the precipitation was of short duration and did not amount to much. Cloudy, drizzly weather prevailed most of the week.

## Want Something?

Advertise for it in these columns

## 1250 Acres Onions Are Transplanted.

We understand that a compilation of the onion acreage at Cotulla gives a total of approximately 1250 acres, which is in the face of any other onion acreage here was...

In addition to the increased onion acreage there is also an increased spinach acreage. This crop is still being planted for late shipment. Often, when late freezes come along the Atlantic coast, spinach is a good price in March and April.

J. E. Bishop and W. C. McLelland came in Thursday night from an auto trip down in the Rio Grande valley. They said that part of Texas was in pretty fair condition and that the man who had a citrus grove was sitting easy. Growers of truck have not made so much money, they said, as the freight haul is long and markets uncertain.



# With Santa in Toyland

## Mayor & Pate's Big Toy Sale!

December 15th. to 23rd.

Bring the Children to see Santa Claus.



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Cotulla needs some new residences. Why don't somebody start the ball rolling and build a few neat bungalows. They could be rented for good prices. It is true that lumber and labor is so high that it costs a great deal of money to build, but rentals must be on a level with the present cost of building. The day of dwellings renting for \$12 to \$15 per month is a thing of the past.

Texas had a cold wave this week. It was a pretty good one in the Northern part but down this way pretty well fizzled before it reached here. It is getting the time of the year when a good, genuine freeze would do good. There are lots of insects that have been multiplying all this warm fall that are going into hibernation. Before they get into their winter quarters, if a real freeze could catch them it would save the farmer lots of trouble next spring.

Dilley had a big Trade Day last Saturday from all accounts. It was a good thing for the business man of Dilley and a good thing for the farmer who attended with their families and a good thing for the town in general. Dilley business men went at it in the right way and they got the crowd. They carried half page advertisements in Frio and La Salle county papers and they talked it long and loud. It was a paying proposition. It was a paying proposition. It took somebody's time to work out the details of the program that was carried out, but the point is—it paid. We would

In this issue of the Record Cotulla merchants are telling you what they have to offer in the way of Holiday goods, and we ask you to read these advertisements as they will help you solve the problem of "what to give." Cotulla stores carry a line of Holiday goods that are equal to stores of much larger towns. In fact you can find right here in Cotulla the things that you desire and you will find them at prices that are not any higher than other towns or at the city stores. When you buy an article you have the satisfaction of seeing it and examining it before you buy it, and that is worth something. Oft' times articles ordered by mail are not satisfactory. From practical gifts down to toys you will find in the Cotulla stores and shops, and just bear in mind that when you spend that dollar or that ten dollars or that hundred dollars in your home town you are helping to build up your home town. When you spend it with home merchants you spend it with men who help pay the taxes that keep up your schools, and help to build the roads that you ride over. They contribute to every church enterprise and never fail to be called on for every item of charity. It is not because of this that they deserve your trade, but it remains a fact nevertheless, that a great deal of the home merchant's profit goes into the upkeep and rebuilding of the town. When you send a dollar to the mail order house it is gone never to return. The few cents that you might save by sending your money away would come back to you in some round about way, if you spent it in the community in which you live.

ALL PREFER MAN AS "BOSS"
Workers of Both Sexes Practically Unanimous—Women Too Fond of Finding Fault, Claim.
During your working hours, would you rather have a man or a woman for a boss? This question has been asked in Chicago, with replies that are unanimous in their tenor. You can probably guess the answer.

A middle-aged advertising man says he prefers to work for a man, because a man doesn't want to be bossed by a woman, anyhow. Seriously, he says, a man is more likely to be solid, stable and businesslike, while a woman is more prone to be temperamental and to "act the part of the modern woman," whatever that is.

The men are not alone in this view, it appears. A young woman artist says she would rather be bossed by a man, any day. A man, she says, from the depths of her experience, will not find as many faults with your work as a woman will. A woman will scrutinize every angle and try to find something to complain about, while a man will simply let it go for what it's worth—perhaps, though she does not say so, in resigned despair of getting anything better. Moreover, this girl has found out that men will pay more than women.

Then there is the opinion of a student, who has not yet gone to work, but who wants a man boss when she does. Men, she says, haven't the nerve to tell a woman to do more than she is able to do. "A man respects a woman and he'd rather do something for her to save her the trouble. A woman won't do anything like that."

WATER HAS PECULIAR ACTION
Objects Placed in Irish Lake Undergo Partial Petrification in Comparatively Short Time.

What is undoubtedly one of the most curious lakes in the world is to be found in Ireland. This lake has the power of petrifying any substance that may fall into it.

Of course, the petrification is not absolute, but the substance is coated with a layer of stone, which is found dissolved in the lake, and the stone then hardens and forms a shell over the substance.

A well-known English cutlery firm heard of this and sent a man over to inspect it. He selected several pieces of hard wood, which he sank with weights, and then marked the places with small buoys.

A fortnight later he returned and took up two pieces of the wood, which he found to be partly petrified.

Two weeks after, he drew up the other pieces, and found each piece to be as hard as flint.

The firm then made several experiments with the wood, and found that at a certain stage of petrification an

Paper the Greatest Invention.
The expansion of literature and the spread of enlightenment, which put an end to the Dark ages, is ascribed to the invention of movable type by Gutenberg, or somebody else, at the end of the Fourteenth century. But the credit belongs rather to the unknown chemist who invented the process of making paper. The ancient Romans stamped their bricks and lead pipes with type, but printing had to wait more than a thousand years for a supply of paper. Movable type is not the essential feature of printing, for most of the printing done nowadays is not from movable type, but from solid lines or pages. We could, if necessary, do away with type and press altogether and use some photographic method of composition and reproduction, but we could not do without paper. The invention of wood pulp paper has done more for the expansion of literature than did the invention of rag paper 600 years ago.

Not Work of One Inventor.
Moving pictures were not invented by any one person. They were developed by many men.

Plateau, a blind man of Ghent, in 1838 made a toy which gave illusion of moving figures by showing numerous drawings in rapid succession. It was known as the "phenakistoscope." In 1860 this idea was incorporated in the "zoetrope," also a toy. In 1872 Muybridge used photography instead of drawings. Peynaud of France in 1877 enlarged the scope of the machine by projecting pictures on a screen with a stereopticon arrangement. Ribbon film was first used in 1888. In 1890 cameras were invented that were able to take ten exposures a second. They were known as Friese, Greene and Evans cameras.

The first really successful machine was the "kinetoscope," invented by Edison in 1893.

Forty-Five Minutes Under Water.
Many persons do not realize that the whale is just as much mammal as a horse. There is no resemblance to a fish to be noted about a whale. It is an animal which has been driven into the water by its enemies and has gradually accommodated itself to life in the ocean. It must come to the surface at intervals for air, but it is enabled to stay under for a period of 45 minutes without any inconvenience. During that time the air in its lungs has become so heated that when the animal comes to the surface and discharges it the air takes the form of vapor. This is what takes place when the whale is said to "spout."

DUE TO MENTAL IRRITATION
Spansity for Smashing Things Explained by British Institute of Industrial Psychology.

What makes the cook smash dishes, even when she is not angry, and what causes a factory hand to damage production unintentionally, has been puzzled out by experts of the National Institute of Industrial Psychology of Great Britain.

Pieces of mental grit get into human machinery and play hob. A large amount of breakage is due to mental irritation, which is largely a result of fatigue. The worker who is not tired has sufficient energy to use in checking his irritability; the worker who has been performing mechanical motions all day shows his boredom by "wasting something to the floor."

Breakage becomes epidemic at times, the British experts have found. Where groups of workers are engaged in handling the same material, excitement, fluster, hurry or irritation in one section quickly spreads to another. There is a regular flow of material with rush periods it is found that both the excitement of the rush and the reaction of the slack time cause efficiency and incidentally damage the things that are being handled. By introducing a steady flow of material there is a noticeable rise in efficiency.

DIDN'T PAY TO KEEP BOOKS
On the Contrary, New York Storekeeper Found He Made Money by Not Doing So.

A prominent denizen of Wall Street, who summers at a fashionable seashore resort, was annoyed on his return home to receive a bill for a few small trinkets for which he was sure he had paid previous to his departure. Having always prided himself on his efficient business methods, and since the same store had done the identical thing the year before, he wrote a scathing letter to the storekeeper, giving his opinion of the man who employed methods which were the direct antithesis of his own. The incident soon slipped his mind and was not recalled until the following summer when he happened to pass the store. His anger having cooled he determined to give the storekeeper some friendly advice.

"Well," said the storekeeper, in reply to his lengthy discourse, "we don't keep any books and, to tell the truth, I pay you not to. For example, last summer I sold a saddle, but when it came time to make out the bill I couldn't find the life of me remember who bought it. I finally narrowed it down to four people and sent them all bills. As a result, I was paid by three of them, so you see there is no necessity for our keeping books."

Custom of Breaking To break a piece of

Travelers had then to trust to the hospitality of strangers living on the road, and it was customary at passing to divide some article, such as a white stone or small coin, and for the host and guest each to take a part, the if the host required similar hospitality from his guest he might claim it by showing his token.

In the Revelation of St. John this custom is referred to where Christ says, "To him that overcometh will I give a white stone," so that at the Day of Judgment he may demand admission into heaven.

Electro-Chemical Colors.
The preparation of mineral and artificial organic colors by the aid of electricity has made considerable progress and it is suggested that the products of the industry may eventually replace those derived from coal tar. Among the colors now produced in commercial quantities by the employment of the electric current are vermilion, Scheel's green, cadmium yellow, Japanese red, cerise or cherry red, Berlin green and zinc white, besides a number of organic colors. The process consists essentially in sending an electric current through a solution containing the elements required for the production by precipitation, of the coloring matter desired.—Exchange.

Famous Old Restaurants.
What is the oldest restaurant in the world now open for business? Paris has at least one restaurant, the Cafe de la Regence, which is more than 200 years old; the Mitre hotel at Oxford, England, is said to be 500 years old; the Rathauskeller at Bremen was built in 1465, the curious little restaurant known as the Baitwurstdocklein, in Nuremberg, which is part of a church, has, it is believed, been serving roast sausages since the year 1400; and the Capello Nero restaurant, in Venice, traces its beginnings back to the year 1876.

Hawaii's Equable Climate.
There is no question but that Hawaii has great natural beauty and a climate that is probably the most equable in the world. The average temperature for 30 years in Honolulu was 76 degrees, 24 hours a day, 12 months in the year. There is probably no other spot in the world that can boast such an even climate; but the rainfall varies according to the location. Honolulu's rainfall average about thirty inches a year, but on the windward side of some of the islands the rainfall sometime reaches 800 and 400 inches a year.—Adventure Magazine.

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## Jacques' Christmas

By Eleanor E. King

**A** BLIZZARD was brewing. Little cutting pieces of snow were being blown in whirls around corners and down the street. Huddled down in his coat stood a newsboy of some eight or nine years. His face was drawn with the cold and he beat his hands against his sides to keep them warm.

Last-minute Christmas shoppers, hurrying along to get their various errands done, gave no thought to the little fellow who pestered them with his papers. He ought to have known better when they had so many things to think about.

"Yeh, all the news—the latest news. Won't cha buy one, mister? I only have a couple more." He looked up pleadingly into the face of a passer-by.

"Sorry, sonny," smiled the man, "got one here now that I probably won't ever get a chance to read—so busy," and he hurried along his way. The rush of pedestrians subsided a moment. The boy singled out a young woman, as he said, "She looks kind. I'll try her."

"Yeh—all the latest news—just out—won't cha buy one, please, lady? I only have a few."

She opened her purse and started to hunt for the money. "I've just got to sell these papers out early tonight, 'cause it's my last chance to buy that doll. You know, my little sister, they say, isn't very well, and the only thing she says she wants is an orange for Christmas, but I know better." He paused for breath.



She Opened Her Purse.

"She wants a doll, but she thinks she can't ask for it 'cause we haven't money for dolls. I have, though," he said promptly. "I've been watching a doll in one of the windows here. I'm going by tonight and get it."

"What is your name, son?" "Jacques and my sister's—ma petite soeur—Marthe."

"Zaback?—What a queer—" "No; it isn't," he said, anticipating what she was going to say. "My mother is French. Those names are beautiful—to us," he added after a pause.

"Where do you live, Jacques?" "Sixty-nine Kensington Square. Top floor, back two rooms, I've got that down pat now, haven't I?"

"Yes, you won't get lost right soon," she replied as she put her arm around him, and gave him a gentle tap on the shoulder. "Merry Christmas, Jacques," and she was on her way. She stopped a little way down the street, however, wrote something down, then hurried on.

Another half hour found Jacques hugging an orange and a little doll under his coat as he trudged along home. When he opened the door a little voice started chanting, "Frere Jacques, Frere Jacques—you're late tonight."

"Oh!," said Marthe in a disappointed tone. Jacques' mother was sewing busily upon a garment she was intent upon finishing. Tomorrow was Christmas, and no sewing was going to be left over to bother her.

Marthe's bedtime came, and Jacques fixed his presents in preparation for the morning. He had found a Christmas tree branch in the street, and this he made into a little tree under which he placed his gifts.



His Mother Was Just as Excited as He.

Christmas morning dawned brightly in the little French home. Jacques' surprise was complete, for Marthe went into raptures over the tree and her presents. She alternately hugged and kissed her doll, keeping up a constant chatter to it in French. The orange and a few other presents that she had found under the tree she put on the shelf, so that she could admire them while she rocked her doll.

Jacques had had his surprise, too—"Give and it shall be given unto you"—for his two packets under the tree had grown to be six or seven.

"Mother," he said, "I think I will have to try my new mittens and see exactly how warm they are." So saying, he slipped into his coat and pushed on the door. What ailed it? Was it frozen shut, stuck, or what was the matter?

With his mother's help the door was opened. To their surprise they found that a huge pile of packages had been the cause of their trouble.

Jacques gave a cry of delight as he pounced upon the bundles. His mother was just as excited as he, as she helped carry in the stuff.

Then followed one of the happiest hours the family had ever known—whole two-dozen oranges and all sorts of wholesome food. Jacques' mother fairly wept with joy.

Santa remembered us after all, mother," said little Jacques, "and he left this note on one of my presents. Look, mother, it says:—

"I hope you will always be as thoughtful of your sister, Jacques. A Merry Christmas and a Bright and Happy New Year

SANTA CLAUS."

### EXHIBIT POWER TO REASON

Remarkable Examples of Intelligence Displayed by Colony of Ants in the London Zoo.

Lord Avebury once wrote of ants: "It is difficult to deny them the gift of reason. Their mental powers differ from those of men not so much in kind as in degree."

Among the most interesting things at the zoo in Regent's park are two nests of wood ants, fascinating in their social instincts and industry. Thousands of these insects are housed in an "island" surrounded by a moat to prevent them from straying too far from home.

In this community there are males, females and a whole host of "workers." The workers guard the nest, excavate galleries for the reception of the young, procure food, tend the eggs and the helpless grubs and wait upon the queens.

They appear to have the power of communicating with one another and may often be seen co-operating in the performance of a task that has proved too much for one.

In their abode at the zoo they have formed a ridge around one edge of the moat, supposedly because too many ants tumbled into the water and had to be hauled out by their relations!

Recently it was noticed that the ants were building a new mound right in the middle of their island. They were seen to be in a great hurry, for some of them worked even during the night.

Gradually the new building was seen to be a series of galleries made up of leaves, refuse and twigs. A few days after the completion of this work a new brood put in an appearance, which shows the admirable intelligence and foresight of these little insects.

### HIDE WILLS IN ODD PLACES

Documents Lost for Years Have Been Found Long After the Death of Their Makers.

Occasionally a missing will is found in time to provide an unexpected fortune. In 1909 a peasant woman of Brittany was feeding her fowls, when, among the corn in the bin, she came across a notebook which contained the will of a farmer who had died 14 years previously.

More romantic was the accidental discovery of a will after the lapse of a quarter of a century, by which a small estate was restored to its old owners. On the death of a member of the family no will could be found, so the estate was sold and the proceeds divided among the next of kin, among whom was a daughter who regretted the sale, as her father had always said he hoped circumstances would never force them to part with it.

Twenty-five years later a distant relative died and when his house was being overhauled the contents of several old chests and cases were examined. In one was the missing will, which stated the estate was not to be sold. On being approached, the gentleman who had bought it expressed his willingness to sell it back to the daughter.

Sorry She Asked.  
He—Before I married you I never thought of saving.  
She—And now?  
He—Now I am always thinking what a lot I could have saved if I hadn't married you.

### HARD TO TRACE BEGINNING

Custom of Applying Christian and Surname to Individuals Has Been Long Used.

The principal sources from which surnames are derived are personal characteristics, rank or profession, localities, animals or natural objects, or patronymics. Surnames in many languages are derived from the same sources. Thus, Black, White, Brown are with the Germans Schwartz, Weiss, Braugh; with the French, Lenoir, Leblanc, Lebrun. The Gaelic prefix Mac, the Irish O', the Norman-French Fitch, the German affix -shon or -son, the Scandinavian -sen, the Russian -vitch, are all equivalents of the English affix -son.

It is impossible to ascertain with any degree of certainty when the system of having one name for the individual (Christian or baptismal name) joined to a second name which is common to the family to which he belongs (surname) was adopted.

Compounds in names were often the result of applying a sobriquet to a Christian name—for instance, Little-John or Micklejohn.

In most nations the wife changes her surname on marriage to that of her husband. In Spain, however, she retains it, while the son may adopt either the maternal or paternal name.

### Second Thoughts.

In a certain island section of Florida a good many rough characters live, who are idle, quarrelsome, shift about a good deal and are hard to keep track of. One of them, named Tomlinson, was accused of robbery, and the sheriff went to arrest him. But Tomlinson "got the drop" on the officer, disarmed him and kept him two days. Finally Tomlinson released the sheriff and gave him back his pistol, first throwing the cartridges out.

Then the sheriff returned home, Tomlinson landing him on the mainland. "Well," the deputy asked his chief, "did you get your man?" "No," the sheriff replied, "he's about the only man over there who does anything, and I thought I would let him alone."—E. W. Howe's Monthly.

### Cats Carry Diphtheria.

A curious case is cited by Simmons. An elderly lady developed a fatal diphtheritic pharyngitis after close contact with a cat (A) which had been sick one week. A second cat (B) which had been in contact with the first cat (A) became sick and died ten days later. The patient had grayish-brown pseudomembrane covering her tonsils and posterior pharynx. She had a small yellowish-gray membranous ulceration in the mouth. The cat (A) showed a grayish-white false membrane. Diphtheria bacilli of intermediate virulence for guinea pigs were isolated from all three lesions.—Journal of the American Medical Association.

### The Witch!

Conductor—Pardon me, madam, but your girl seems more than twelve.  
Her Mother—Conductor! Would you take me to be the mother of a girl that age?  
Conductor—Lady, don't tell me you're her grandmother!—Sydney Bellet.

### PART OF YOUTH'S EDUCATION

University Authority Says Some Sort of Athletics Should be Indulged in by Collegians.

The chancellor of an eastern university advises all students to take part in some form of college sport. His reason is that the training and discipline gained from participation in organized sport of any sort will be of service in the major effort of acquiring knowledge in the class or lecture room. Discipline and training team work and the submerging of the individual for the good of the whole are lessons that each student needs to learn.

A broadening of vision, a clearer outlook, a greater faculty for seeing the other fellow's side, with the consequent breaking down of the walls of selfishness that shut off the true picture of life must come from the active practice of any of the games now prevalent at the big schools, observes the Omaha Bee. It is not essential that one make the team or become adept in the pursuits of a particular sport, but it is required that the matter be pursued sufficiently to develop the spirit of true sportsmanship, for that is opposed to the self-centered attitude sought to be overcome. When this is done, the student will take up his scholastic work with better zest, and, by reason of his communication with other students on campus or field, or in the gymnasium, he will get more out of his college life than if he remains a recluse and a grind.

### Land Grass at Sea.

Fringing the pools left by the receding tide may frequently be seen the long strands of a green weed. Its leaves, which look like so many ribbons, are less than half an inch in width, though often they are three or four feet in length. This particular weed is called grass-wrack, and, strange to say, it is not really a seaweed at all. It is a land plant which for some reason has taken to a marine life. If you examine it carefully you will find real flowers growing upon it, each encased in a kind of sheath formed by one of the shorter leaves. No proper seaweed blossoms in this way. Why it should have chosen to go to the sea instead of remaining on land no one can say, but probably it found that it was easier to live under water than on dry land. In some places it is so common that it is harvested by the day, and is used after it has been dried, instead of straw for packing glass, china and other delicate objects.

### Dogs and Their Day.

Every dog has his day; the proverb seems to hold true of the whole breed. Many breeds have had their day, and some have faded into oblivion. Thirty years ago the bulldog was the watchdog of the home. Mastiffs and hounds were some of the best of the land of no-where. Newfoundland and St. Bernard are other breeds that used to find general favor when dog meat cost a cent a pound or so. The Great Dane has kept a sort of country house popularity; one must have space before these huge animals can enjoy life. Little dogs suffice to satisfy the mere sentiment to love and cherish. As big dogs grow more expensive, and less necessary, man's love for them, even in the country, has lessened.—Baltimore American.

## The Wonderful Tree

By Christopher G. Hazard

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**I**T STOOD in the corner of a rather needy room. It was festooned with strings of popcorn and cables of cranberries. Whips of tissue paper and tinsel ornaments were out upon the branches, and small candles stood ready to illuminate the occasion. There were many invisible things upon the tree, too. The imaginations of the children had been as busy as their dreams. Family resources may be limited, but there are no bounds in the realms of Santa Claus and hope. In the magical Christmas time the clouds of poverty are all as gilded and beautiful as any sunset can furnish. Anything may happen then. Cinderella is as hopeful as her more favored sisters; not an urchin but an expectant eye. So the Tanner Christmas tree was as beautiful as a picture and as full of presents as a picture could be.

But, however pictured by fancy and made of good wishes, the presents were all invisible. No one could see what was in the heads of the dreamers and the hearts of the anxious but needy providers. For weeks the mill had been closed, and now the family pocketbook was about empty. Father Tanner looked at the tree, could not see a gift on it, and shook his head. Mother Tanner was inclined to make the best of it.



Yes, the tree was one of the family. It had been the tree of last year's Christmas and the tree of the year before that. It was a tree that kept its evergreen habit and that did not seem to grow old. It was like a living tree, made to bring forth its fruit every year. It had been so good to them that they had named it Bounty. And now it stood there in the dark, all dressed up, but with nothing but blossoms, without any fruit. It could see the hurrying children running to their morning disappointment. It could

hear their cries of surprise and chagrin. Billy Sam, more needy of amusement than the others, would look in vain for his expected go-cart; Sue would miss the two dress patterns for her big doll, her new hat and high chair for her little doll; Bill Tanner would not get his shawls. Dick would still need a sled. It was a wonderful tree.

But it was a wonderful tree. It had a power of making a neighborhood. It was a tree that went through walls and over things. It reached as far as the folks who were having a Christmas eve party two blocks away and made them think of Mr. Folsom's mill boss and Mrs. Folsom's laundry woman. They had been wishing for some new fun for their party that day and now it came into their heads to go over and be Santa for the Tanners. So the tree drew a very silent but very busy company to the Tanners' back door.

As the children had left directions for Santa on the table it was easy to find out what the tree was expected to do, so, presently, it did it. There was more, too, than orders for the wanted things; the merry-makers had brought with them enough to satisfy any reasonable tree; there were picture books,

picture puzzles, games, a scissors grinder that could make the sparks fly, a train of cars that could go, a doll that could say "mama," and candy enough to go round. For Father and Mother Tanner there was a pocketbook with gold in it, and a note of good cheer that was better than the gold.

So the wonderful tree spent the rest of the night in trembling joy. It could not sleep for thinking of the friendly love that had provided such a happy morning to come. And when the first of the morning light brought all the Tanners downstairs the tree fairly shook with pleasure, and the wonder and the glee of that Christmas day.

As for the servants of Santa Claus, they had never had such a merry Christmas before. Their hearts were so warm that they did not mind the frost. They sang over the pleasure of giving pleasure and relief. They said they knew that Santa Claus had to live up North so that he could cool off after his warm interest in the happiness of others. They addressed him in verses that must have made him jollier than ever, calling him:

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Of the Cotulla Record published weekly at Cotulla, Texas, for Oct. 1922.

State of Texas, County of La Salle, ss:

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared C. E. Manly, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says and says that he is the Editor of the Cotulla Record and that the following is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily paper, the circulation,) etc. of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 443, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to-wit:

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C. E. Manly,  
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**SHERIFF'S SALE.**

The State of Texas, County of La Salle.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 19th District Court of McLennan County, of the 10th day of November 1922, by Clerk of said District Court for the sum of Two Thousand Two Hundred and Fourteen and 96/100 Dollars and cost of suit, under a judgment, in favor of Pio Crespi in a certain cause in said Court, No. 26245 and styled Pio Crespi vs R. Q. Flournoy et al, which said judgment is a foreclosure of a deed of trust lien, placed in my hands for service, I, T. H. Poole as Sheriff of La Salle County, Texas, did on the 8th day of December 1922, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in La Salle County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: All that certain tract, piece of parcel of land in the County of La Salle, State of Texas, about fourteen miles in an Easterly direction from the Town of Cotulla in said County, and being part of the property formerly known as the T. W. House ranch and being 100 acres out of that tract of land conveyed by C. F. Place to W. F. Hodges on October 12, 1909; said tract being out of two sections in the form of a parallelogram 1900 vs. wide from North to South and 3800 vs. long from East to West; said 100 acres being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the SE corner of the most Easterly one of said two sections; thence North along the East line of said 1280 acre tract 950 vs to corner; thence West at right angles to said East line 950 vs to

South line of said 1280 acre tract; thence East 954 vs to place of beginning; containing 100 acres more or less, and being same tract of land conveyed by Bain to R. Q. Flournoy, and levied upon as the property of R. Q. Flournoy and that on the first Tuesday in January 1923, the same being the 2nd day of said month, at the Court House door, of La Salle County, in the town of Cotulla, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. by virtue of said levy and said order of sale I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said R. Q. Flournoy.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Cotulla Record, a newspaper published in La Salle county.

Witness my hand, this 8th day of December, 1922.

T. H. POOLE,  
 Sheriff La Salle County, Texas.  
 By John Wildenthal, Deputy.

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**Hunting Notice.**

The public is hereby notified that we will allow no hunting in our pastures and anyone caught will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Mrs. A. Burks,  
 J. W. Baylor.

**Hunting Notice.**

No hunting or trespassing will be allowed in pastures owned or leased by me. Pastures are in McMullen, Webb and La Salle counties. All violations will be prosecuted. All previous permits are hereby revoked.

J. M. Dobie.

**Hunting Notice.**

Absolutely no hunting allowed in the Cartwright ranch. Can't afford to have hunters running my big steers that have to go on a hard market before severe weather and thus increase an already heavy loss. Will keep men on lookout and prosecute trespassers to the utmost. Any permits heretofore granted are hereby revoked.

Matthew Cartwright.

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**MUST REST IN CHINESE SOIL**

No Son of the Flowery Empire Allowed to Remain Perpetually in a Foreign Grave.

It is not perhaps generally known, but no Chinaman's remains remain indefinitely on foreign soil. At the west coast where Chinese are much more numerous than in the East, Chinese cemeteries are large and there are lots of them. In the graveyard is a large, hollow cement dome with a small hole just above a small altar table. Plunks, or small tapers, are burned continuously on this altar during a burial ceremony and the object is to drive the evil spirit into the dome and hold him there until the remains are interred. From the time the body leaves the house until it is covered, prayer papers are continually in the air. These papers are punched with numerous small holes, and the belief is that the bad spirits must creep through each of these holes before they can enter the body.

Periodically the bones of the departed are disinterred and packed in small caskets. On all the P. and O. liners are sections devoted entirely to the carrying of these small, bone-filled caskets, back to China for final reinterment. No Chinese bones are knowingly allowed to remain on foreign soil. Thus China is a land of graveyards and the greatest difficulties found by railway companies building in China is to avoid disturbing the remains of China's honored dead.

**Youthful Beau Too Stingy.**

When I was sixteen, I went to my first show with a boy whom I greatly admired. Before we reached the show he went into a candy store and bought a box of chocolates. Thinking it was for me, I held out my hand for the box. He opened the box and offered me a piece and put the box in his coat pocket. That was the last I saw of the box of candy and, believe me, it ended my first love affair.—Exchange.





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## The Left-Over Doll

By Christopher G. Hazard

WHAT was the left-over doll thinking about as she hung on the topmost twig of the Christmas tree all alone? Perhaps about all the other gifts that had been taken off by loving hands and given to the boys and girls. Maybe she was wondering whether there would be a Christmas tree every winter, bearing such nice fruit in such a strange season. If there had not been such a great gift from God as come on Jesus' birthday. More than all, however, she must have been asking herself why she was left over, why nobody wanted her, why the name that was pinned on her dress had not been called.

She was as good a doll as ever was made. Her eyes would open and shut, she always had a smile upon her face, her cheeks were rosy, she did not have a pug nose, and her dress was beautiful. When they put her on the tree she thought her name would be the very first one. She could hardly wait to hear it, and she wondered if they would never get through singing carols. Now it was all over and she wasn't wanted at all, not by anybody, not even by Sally Wiggins, who had no doll—not even one. She wasn't wanted! Oh, it was too bad, and her eyes tried to wink out two tears.

So they put her in the basket with the other unwanted things, and there the minister found her the next Sunday. She was lying there fast asleep, with a little carpet sweeper near her, and a box of candy close by, and a looking glass by her side. At her feet there was a spruce cone that had fallen off of the tree, and the bit of paper that had told who she was meant for, but her eyes were shut—she had retired from the world, no one wanted her.

There she was still when the minister came into the room the next Sunday morning. But now her eyes were wide open, only she wasn't looking at the presents in the basket. She was awake, but turned away, and still trying to squeeze out some tears because she was left over. And every time the minister took her up she would see her name on the top of the box.

Right Way to Breathe. The fundamental of health—also of beauty—is proper breathing. Most people don't bring the remote cells of the lungs into use. Reducing the respirations to ten per minute for five consecutive minutes three times a day will insure full breathing. For instance, as you are walking, instead of breathing as you ordinarily do, make ten complete respirations per minute (ten inhalations and ten exhalations). In other words, you breathe in for three seconds and out for three seconds, making a complete respiration every six seconds, at which rate your respiration will be at the rate of ten per minute. To simplify, make 60 complete respirations last you for five minutes. At the end of five minutes you will find that you will be breathing deeply and filling your lungs to capacity. This is simply an exercise, and three or four times a day will be found sufficient, according to a Delineator writer.

Portuguese Women Good Porters. The porters of Portugal are women who carry great burdens upon their heads. It is a common thing for one of these Amazons to carry a filled steamer trunk on her head from the ship landing to the hotel, a distance of a mile and mostly up a steep hill. Every conceivable kind of load is carried in this way. Peasant women will carry a closed umbrella neatly balanced on their heads. I once saw a woman coming into market, says a recent traveler, with a sleeping infant in a small round basket on her head, one hand holding the basket and the other an umbrella to shield off the strong rays of the sun.—Philadelphia Record.

Why Called Achilles' Tendon. The Achilles' tendon is a strong sinew running along the heel to the calf of the leg.

A post-Homeric story is that Thetis took her son Achilles by one of his heels, and dipped him in the River Styx to make him invulnerable. The water washed every part of his body, except the heel covered by his mother's hand. It was on this vulnerable point that the hero was slain in battle. And the sinew of the heel is called, in consequence, tendo Achillis.

The vulnerable or weak point in a person's or a nation's character also is often referred to as the heel of Achilles.

"Santa Claus" is a corruption which originated apparently in Flanders or possibly among the Dutch, of the name St. Nicholas, a saint noted for his love of children and his boundless charity. His "day" was perhaps December 8, originally, but since the displacement of Old Father Christmas, the British representation of the Christmas spirit, he is celebrated almost universally as the Christmas saint.

HOME GREETING MEANS MUCH  
Children Apt to Remember in After Life the Kind Reception They Were Given.

## HOME GREETING MEANS MUCH

Have you ever realized what a difference the home greetings make to the children, make, in fact, to every member of the family? When they come home from school, when they run in from their playing, when they arrive home from a day's outing or a short visit, how do we greet them?

Do we ever say sharply: "Mary, when will you ever remember to wipe your feet?" or, "Dick, why will you persist in dashing in like a wild Indian when I've told you so often about coming in quietly?" or, "Billy, you've ripped a button off. Come here quickly and let me fix it!" Do we quench their enthusiasm, their joy at getting home, by such remarks? Will the children greeted so look forward to their home-comings, look forward to their mother? Will they have a picture in later years of a loving, smiling mother, always glad to welcome them back to the home nest, or a sharp, scolding, criticizing mother, ready to find fault?

Surely it is worth while to control our manner, our speech, and never let anything prevent us from giving the warm, hearty, loving welcome home we would wish to give our children, our loved ones, making them love the home-comings, says the Delineator. If faults must be reproofed, advice given, save it for other times than the moment of arrival. Let the greeting be hearty and loving, one which will warm the children's hearts at the time and which they will remember with joy in the after years.

## NOT ALL MERE SUPERSTITION

General Dislike for Two-Dollar Bills Partially Explained by Boston Banker.

The reason for the superstition that \$2 bills bring bad luck are problematical.

One popular explanation is that folks are afraid they will pass a "two" for a "one." Gamblers and sports, particularly, carry their money in heavy rolls with the largest bills inside, and claim that it is easy to peel a \$2 bill from the outside and pass it for a one. Arguments and disputes with shopkeepers frequently follow as to the denomination of the bill passed.

Again, folks, who handle large numbers of small bills are likely to get a \$2 note sandwiched in with a number of \$1 bills and in counting forget to make allowance for the extra "second." Still another possible reason for the jinx was suggested by a Boston banker.

"Two-dollar bills are frequently used by counterfeiters and crooks," said he. "If you take a \$2 bill, then split a twenty, paste one part of the two with another half of the twenty and thus make two twenties out of a \$20 and a \$2 bill. By passing the \$20 side up they can get away with it more often than you would believe."

## Walpurgis Night

In Germany "Walpurgis night"—the night preceding the first day of May—corresponds to Hallowe'en in this country, and considering that All Saints' day was originally kept on the first of May, there would appear to be but little doubt that Hallowe'en and Walpurgis have a common origin, which, doubtless, dates back to the earliest belief in a personal and all-powerful Evil one.

The German peasants believe that on Walpurgis night there is a witch festival, or gathering of evil spirits on the summit of the Brocken, in the Harz mountains, and the malign influence of this convocation is believed to be felt all over the surrounding country. It was an old custom, and still observed in some places, to light great bonfires of straw or brush on that night, to drive away the spirits of darkness supposed to be hovering in the air.

## "Walking" Millinery Shops

In a certain section of Mexico there are women who wear 150 hats at one time. They are "walking" millinery shops.

Instead of "setting up shop," the Mexican woman carries her store around with her. The hats, which are of light straw, are for sale, and the walking millinery shop often carries about fifty baskets with her besides. And the baskets are not small fancy affairs, but oftentimes, are of half-bushel size. It is usually the Indian women who do this, and the hats and baskets are woven in most attractive Indian designs.

The prices of these hand-made articles are very low. Baskets that would sell for a dollar in American money sell for only a few cents in Mexico, and hats which sell for 35 or 50 cents would cost many dollars in other countries.

## "Habeas Corpus" Act

The "Habeas Corpus Act" was passed in the reign of Charles II, and defined a provision of similar character in Magna Charta, to which also it added certain details.

The act provides that any man taken to prison can insist that the person who charges him with crime shall bring him bodily before a court and state the why and wherefore of his detention. As soon as this is done the court is to decide whether the accused is to be admitted to bail.

## THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

By Mary Graham Bonner

ELLEN had been feeling that there was no such thing in the world as a Christmas spirit.

During the summer, for example, she had taken a trip. Everyone seemed to enjoy it. Everyone seemed to be glad to get away from the world with its scandals and its spoilt civilization. That was what everyone said as they took the trip through the simple wild, remote and picturesque and old.

This seemed to be the life everyone longed for and then some one mentioned a scandal which had taken place nearby some months before.

With a dash everyone made for the scene—so they could tell the people back home that they had seen the locality of the scandal and Ellen had been disgusted. Was it such a sordid world after all?

Then she had taken some poor children to a big store to see the Christmas display and they had been refused admittance. The customers had objected to such crowds of children—they wanted to see the display themselves—why should poor children see the toys when they could only look? And all about the outside of the store were eager little faces peering into the windows and hoping that perhaps they could get in when the one who watched at the door was not looking. Once in a while one did and the children from outside waited for the news.

"What did you see? What did you see?" they shouted as the lucky one came out again.

Other stores had been different. Other stores had not had their rich



customers complain. But it had saddened Ellen. And one of these very complainers had bought six copies of "The Christmas Carol" by Dickens to give away to friends. Ellen heard that later. It had not improved matters.

And on this same Christmas trip another she had met had said to her that these children had such shamefully poor coats and had reproved Ellen.

"I wish," the woman who had spoken so sharply to Ellen had said, "that they had some of the nice warm things belonging to my children," but when Ellen suggested that she should do something for these children she had gone off angrily.

And another person had said she had seen her children and had said:

"A fine work, my dear." And Ellen knew that the woman felt she had showed Christmas duty and Christmas service and Christmas love by making that speech.

But when Ellen began to see the trees which were sent to the city for Christmas she felt better. The smell of the trees gave her some of the Christmas spirit. Oh, yes, it was all right after all, she had been seeing only what was disagreeable and everything else had passed her by.

And then one day in the crowded section of the city she saw a small crippled new-boy go up to a Salvation army bucket and put in his donation. Helping others to have a Christmas dinner when he was none too sure of his own!

As she saw it she involuntarily smiled and a smile answered her. A strange man was smiling at her.

Was some one going to be impertinent to her? Was the incident of the



little boy only going to serve as an excuse for a man to smile at her?

But in another moment he was apologizing.

"I'm so sorry," he said. "I was trying to place you in my mind. I was so sure I knew you. And then I remembered that you were the picture of the girl on the cover of a magazine last Christmas which I saved all the year and so which is naturally very familiar to me. I am so sorry!"

And then Ellen laughed. For last year she had posed for one of her artist friends.

"I don't suppose you've any idea," the man continued, "how much good that picture did. I've heard so many speak of it and of the Christmas spirit it expressed. You fairly breathed it—then."

"And now I'm different?" she asked. "You don't look just as—just as Christmasy," he faltered.

And Ellen felt ashamed. For she had been critical of others and in worrying about the world's shortcomings she had lost her own Christmas spirit. "But it had been merely wandering—it was not utterly lost—and the man? The man who had found it again for her?"

They became friends and then they became sweethearts and they made of their love a permanent thing and were married.

And he always called Ellen his beautiful Christmas picture. And Ellen was glad that he did. It kept constantly in mind the Christmas spirit that had once almost left her for good and all!



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 For Sale--About 10 acres yellow onion plants. Freddie Johnson.  
 Xmas Cigars at Gaddis Pharmacy.  
 P. A. Childers is back on the ranch after an absence of several months at Temple.  
 Get your Xmas candy at S. Cotulla's.  
 FOR SALE--Yellow Bermuda onion plants. Prices reasonable. J. P. Daniel.  
 Born to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Turner Sunday, December 3rd, a fine girl.  
 COTTON farm for rent. Cheap cash rental. See Will Held, Millett, Texas.  
 Electric Irons, Toasters, Percolators, Hair Curlers--Gaddis Pharmacy.  
 A Big picture at the Dixie Christmas night. Don't fail to see it.

Come in Monday and leave your order for Christmas cards.  
 Coming Metro's Million dollar production. "4 Horseman of the Apolypees" Dixie Theater.  
 COTTON farm for rent. Cheap cash rental. See Will Held, Millett, Texas.  
 Try a can of Gold Plume coffee and you won't use any other kind.--S. Cotulla.  
 Born to Mr. and Mrs. Earle Avant at Woodward, a fine girl Dec. 4.  
 3 great stars in "Don't Tell Everything." at the Dixie Dec. 25th and 26th.  
 For Sale Cheap--Pair small mules, wagon and harness, apply at this office.  
 Hemstitching, prices reasonable.--Mrs. Goodwin, Ring 35, East Heights.  
 FOR SALE--18 1-2 acres joining the townsite of Gardendale. Dr. J. H. Womack, Waco, Tex.  
 Wanted--Two boarders. Also have room to rent.--Mrs. Goodwin. East Heights.  
 Xmas decorations -- Gaddis Pharmacy.  
 COTTON farm for rent. Cheap cash rental. See Will Held, Millett, Texas.  
 RING LOST--Small diamond, Tiffany mounting, engraved inside the name Ruth Peden. Will pay reward.  
 For Sale or Trade--Have 20 h. p. Tips Engine for sale or trade. O. A. Hiatt, Valley Wells Texas.  
 Hemstitching, accordion, bo and side plaiting, button and buttonholes made.--Mrs. H. B. Houston, Uvalde, Texas.  
 100 acres of red land within three miles of Cotulla. For sale quick at \$10 per acre. The Manly Agency.

...ing work is going  
 ... building this  
 ... Mrs. J. B. O'Brien of  
 Artesia Wells were in the city  
 yesterday.  
 For Lease--160 acres one mile  
 North of Woodward. See C. E.  
 Manly.  
 Trunks, Traveling Bags and  
 Suitcases. We have them, all  
 sizes--best quality, will make  
 excellent Xmas gifts. Cotulla  
 Merc. Co.

For sale--About 75 head of  
 the best bred Hereford cattle in  
 La Salle Co. at my ranch 3 miles  
 West of Woodward. J. A. West.  
 COTTON farm for rent. Cheap  
 cash rental. See Will Held,  
 Millett, Texas.  
 Cutlery of all kinds--includ-  
 ing Pocket Knives, Razors, Sels-  
 sors and Table and kitchen  
 knives--goods of quality--make  
 suitable and useful gifts. Co-  
 tulla Merc. Co.

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TO MAKE THE HEART

- OF
- Dad
  - Mother
  - Sister
  - Brother
  - Him

OR  
 - Her GLAD

Give Something Practical that  
 will not Pass with the Day.

Visit Our Store for Gifts.

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## Gift Suggestions

Ladies Silk Underwear  
 Ladies Silk Hosiery  
 Vanity Bags, Powder Puffs  
 Table Linen, Handkerchiefs  
 Boudoir Slippers

All Christmas Boxes

Men's Ties, Handkerchiefs  
 Silk Hose, Belts, Gloves  
 Lounging Slippers  
 Hats, Hand Bags, Etc.

Do your Christmas Shopping Early  
 and get a better selection.

**Mayor & Pate**

Dry Goods and Furnishings.

T. K. and S. F. Dixon, prominent business men of Houston, were here this week on a brief visit to their sister, Mrs. O. W. Holman. While here they took a three days hunt and were successful in bagging three bucks which they took home, with them on their return yesterday afternoon.

The Cotulla Onion Grower's Association is steadily growing. Hardly a week goes by but what one or two new members are added. However, the membership here is less than at any other point in the upper counties. In Frio, Dimmit and Zavalla counties more than 80 per cent of the growers belong to the Association.

**Makes Good Record.**

Marion L. Gaddis recently took an examination before the State Board of Pharmacy and has been notified that he successfully passed the examination and has been granted a certificate to practice Pharmacy. There were 125 applicants that took examination before the board this year and only 25 passed, young Gaddis being among that number. Marion is a graduate of the A. & M. College and the past spring took a special course in Pharmacy at Little Rock, Ark., where he made a splendid record.

Hemstitching and piecing neat and prompt service. Straight ruffles cotton 7c silk 9c. Bias ruffles and all other work cotton 8c, silk 10c.--Mrs. L. E. Blackaller, Pearsall, Texas.

Imported Japanese Cups and Saucers, Tea Sets, Celery Sets, Cheese and Cracker Sets and numerous other items--all that go to make useful and beautiful gifts. Cotulla Merc. Co.

**Why She is a "Pippin."**

How and why the word "pippin" ever broke into the slang language, is not known definitely, but the word is an Anglized form of the medieval French word pepin, which means seed or seedling. When an apple lover of the Dark ages produced a new variety he called it such-and-such a pepin. It is said that there is no apple stock that is more than 400 years old, though the statement would be hard to prove. A Yorkshire pippin must be very old, and a pearmain may have descended from the days of the Romans.

**Dislike Ordinary Salt.**

A report made to the French Society of Biology shows that 25,000,000 human beings in the Congo region commonly employ salt of potassium instead of salt of sodium for seasoning their food. They obtain this salt from the ashes of certain plants. Since the opening up of the country ordinary salt has been largely imported, but the negroes regard it as insipid, and abandon with regret the use of their familiar ashes. They take the imported salt only because it is cheap.

**Parent-Teachers Association.**

The Parent-Teacher's Association met at the Auditorium Friday, Dec. 4, 3:30 p. m. The following program was arranged by Mrs. F. D. Lown, and greatly enjoyed by those present.

Piano Selection--Convent Bells --Eula May Ferguson.

Reading--When Hilda expects her Beau--Kathryn Wiggington. Duet--On the Race Course.--Mrs. Wiggington and Lucile Burris.

Reading--A Boy's Tribute--I ma Moore.

Duet--When Love Is Young--Mrs. Wiggington and Winnie May Moore.

The next meeting will be held at the auditorium the first Friday in January. Start the New Year right and attend your Parent-Teacher's Association.



Gaddis Pharmacy

## Dixie Tonight

RAY STEWART IN  
 "Red Haired Cupid"

also

SNUB POLLARD.



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## Oil Showing in Well at Los Angeles?

There were persistent rumors Monday and Tuesday that the drill in the well going down at Los Angeles, 18 miles East of Cotulla had gone through 10 feet of oil sand, and for some reason the well had shut down. The shut down as usual, prompted the belief by many that oil had been actually struck.

The report that oil had been struck spread far in a short time. From the oil fields near Laredo and from San Antonio came dozens of cars loaded with oil men. The Record man went to Los Angeles Tuesday evening. Operations had been suspended and there was no one at the site of the well. We did not see any indications whatever of oil. There was no claim that oil had been found. There was some oil on the water in the slush pit but evidently that came off a string of casing that had been put down.

The well is 2480 feet deep according to the information we received. Considerable water has been struck, but the big strata will not be found until the drill goes probably 400 feet deeper, taking into consideration the depth of the Harriss Valley well which is just about one mile Northwest.

The Harriss Valley well had no showing of oil.

Willi Held is advertising a thousand acre cotton farm for cheap cash rent at Millett. This farm was rented for the next year. Mr. Held said that the party renting failed to comply with all details of the contract. This is said to be one of the best farms in La Salle county and the right party who will properly farm it could handle it so as to make good money next year with the present prospect for good cotton prices.

## Juan Rodriguez Kills Big Panther on La Motta Ranch.

Juan Rodriguez killed a panther on the La Motta Ranch Thursday morning that measured 6 feet 2 inches from tip to tip, and it was a young panther at that.

Rodriguez was deer hunting. He had found a deer partly devoured and decided that it was the work of a panther. He had gone but a short distance from the carcass when he heard a vicious growl and within a few feet of him he saw a large panther glaring at him. Quick as a flash Rodriguez' rifle went to his shoulder and a bullet went whizzing into the brain of the animal. It was a dead shot but the hunter took no chances and fired another shot into the body of the big cat.

This is the second panther that has been killed in that section of the county within the last ten days. The first was caught in a steel trap on the Dobie Ranch.

It is said that from the numerous tracks seen in that section of the county there evidently is many panthers there. For several years there has been seen from time to time a panther, but ranchers say there never was as many as there are now. It is probable that the oil activity in the lower country have driven these animals out of the territory below to this part of the county.

Rodriguez brought his trophy to town and it was viewed by hundreds of people as it lay on the sidewalk in front of the Cotulla Mercantile Company. The hide was sent to Von Ormy to be mounted.

A. E. Mavor made a business trip to San Antonio this week.

For Sale—Good Sewing Machine cheap. Apply this office.

## Texas Lines of Katy Bought by New Yorkers.

J. & A. W. Seigman & Company and Hailgarten & Company of New York have bought the Texas lines of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad. The sale was at auction held at Sherman, Texas, on Thursday. The sale price was \$6,500,000.00. This was \$100 more than the minimum bid. The Oklahoma properties of the Katy were bought the day previous by the same parties.

## Beer and Wine Would Be No Compromise

The proposal to nullify the Eighteenth Amendment by allowing the sale of beer and wine is often described as a "compromise."

It is no compromise whatever. It would bring the saloon back. It would bring the Brewers' Association and the German-American Alliance back.

It would bring back more than 90 per cent of the entire liquor trade.

It would bring back a new evil in the cultivation of the so-called "Home trade" in beer.

It would bring five billion dollar liquor bill and violate every economic argument against license.

It would bring back a lower standard of living; more pauperism, and more drink caused crime.

It would bring back whisky as a bootleg adjunct to saloons.

It would bring back absolutely everything that the American people have tried to destroy by the prohibition law.

It is no compromise.

Cotulla has the largest onion crop this year ever planted along the Nueces in this territory. Just why this increased acreage is hard to explain, especially in the face of an enormous Northern crop of onions that are now going into storage at low prices. The large crops here means plenty of work for the laboring class all the winter, which in turn means business for the merchants. If good prices are obtained for the onions, or even fair prices, things will be booming here next year as the biggest cotton crop we ever had will be planted.

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Coupe	618.76
Touring Car,	476.10
Roadster	445.99
Truck	462.57

**LET US TAKE YOUR ORDER NOW FOR A NEW FORD.**

## 3,290,000 Bales Raised in Texas.

Houston, Texas, Dec. 14.—The total production of cotton in the season 1922 is estimated will amount to 1,576,239,000 pounds (not including linters.) equivalent to 3,290,000 bales of 500 pounds gross weight (478.4 pounds of lint and 21.6 pounds bagging and ties estimated per 500 pounds gross weight bale). Total production in 1921 was 2,198,000 bales. The average yield of lint is estimated at 132 pounds and the acreage harvested at 11,942,000 for the year 1922.

The crop has been made on one of the largest harvested acreages in history. This was particularly true of the north-west, west center and south districts where large increases occurred and much new land was rendered available.

Good Show at the Dixie tonight.

## Cold Wave Misses Southwest Section.

The cold wave that brought below freezing weather to North and Northwest Texas this week was knocked skyward by a "low" from the East and as a result the temperature in this section did not go below 40.

A cool norther blew up Monday evening and the sky was clear late into Monday night with every indication that clear freezing weather would prevail Tuesday morning but when dawn came Tuesday it was raining. However, the precipitation was of short duration and did not amount to much. Cloudy, drizzly weather prevailed most of the week.

## Want Something?

Advertise for it in these columns

## 1250 Acres

We under the onion to be given a total of approximately 1250 acres, which is in excess of any crop ever planted in this vicinity. Last year the acreage here was under 900.

In addition to the increased onion acreage there is also an increased spinach acreage. This crop is still being planted for late shipment. Often, when late freezes come along the Atlantic coast, spinach is a good price in March and April.

J. E. Bishop and W. C. McLelland came in Thursday night from an auto trip down in the Rio Grande valley. They said that part of Texas was in pretty fair condition and that the man who had a citrus grove was sitting easy. Growers of truck have not made so much money, they said, as the freight haul is long and markets uncertain.

**CHRISTMAS DINNER**  
at COTULLA CAFE, December 25th, 1922.

Consomme Royal en Cup	Stuffed Celery	Salt Sticks
Roast Turkey	Nut Dressing	Cranberry Sauce
Escalloped Potatoes	Creamed Hot Peas	
Fritters Supreme	Head Lettuce	1000 Isle Dressing
Fruit Cake	Brandy Sauce or Plum Duff	Fruit Sauce.
Coffee	Tea	Milk

**With Santa in Toyland**

**Mayor & Pate's Big Toy Sale!**  
**December 15th. to 23rd.**  
**Bring the Children to see Santa Claus.**



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Cotulla needs some new residences. Why don't somebody start the ball rolling and build a few neat bungalows. They could be rented for good prices. It is true that lumber and labor is so high that it costs a great deal of money to build, but rentals must be on a level with the present cost of building. The day of dwellings renting for \$12 to \$15 per month is a thing of the past.

Texas had a cold wave this week. It was a pretty good one in the Northern part but down this way pretty well fizzled before it reached here. It is getting the time of the year when a good, genuine freeze would do good. There are lots of insects that have been multiplying all this warm fall that are going into hibernation. Before they get into their winter quarters, if a real freeze could catch them it would save the farmer lots of trouble next spring.

Dilley had a big Trade Day Saturday from all accounts. A good thing for the business. Dilley and a good farmer who at their families and a for the town in gen- they business men went the right way and they the crowd. They carried page advertisements in rio and La Salle county papers and they talked it long and loud. It was a paying proposition. It took somebody's time to work out the details of the program that was carried out, but the

like to see Cotulla put on a regular Trades Day.

In this issue of the Record Cotulla merchants are telling you what they have to offer in the way of Holiday goods, and we ask you to read these advertisements as they will help you solve the problem of "what to give." Cotulla stores carry a line of Holiday goods that are equal to stores of much larger towns. In fact you can find right here in Cotulla the things that you desire and you will find them at prices that are not any higher than other towns or at the city stores. When you buy an article you have the satisfaction of seeing it and examining it before you buy it, and that is worth something. Oft' times articles ordered by mail are not satisfactory. From practical gifts down to toys you will find in the Cotulla stores and shops, and just bear in mind that when you spend that dollar or that ten dollars or that hundred dollars in your home town you are helping to build up your home town. When you spend it with home merchants you spend it with men who help pay the taxes that keep up your schools, and help to build the roads that you ride over. They contribute to every church enterprise and never fail to be called on for every item of charity. It is not because of this that they deserve your trade, but it remains a fact nevertheless, that a great deal of the home merchant's profit goes into the upkeep and upbuilding of the town. When you send a dollar to the mail order house it is gone never to return. The few cents that you might save by sending your money away would come back to you in some round about way, if you spent it in the community in which you live.

**ALL PREFER MAN AS "BOSS"**

Workers of Both Sexes Practically Unanimous—Women Too Fond of Finding Fault, Claim.

During your working hours, would you rather have a man or a woman for a boss? This question has been asked in Chicago, with replies that are unanimous in their tenor. You can probably guess the answer.

A middle-aged advertising man says he prefers to work for a man, because a man doesn't want to be bossed by a woman, anyhow. Seriously, he says, a man is more likely to be solid, stable and businesslike, while a woman is more prone to be temperamental and to "act the part of the modern woman," whatever that is.

The men are not alone in this view, it appears. A young woman artist says she would rather be bossed by a man, any day. A man, she says, from the depths of her experience, will not find as many faults with your work as a woman will. A woman will scrutinize every angle and try to find something to complain about, while a man will simply let it go for what it's worth—perhaps, though she does not say so, in resigned despair of getting anything better. Moreover, this girl has found out that men will pay more than women.

Then there is the opinion of a student, who has not yet gone to work, but who wants a man boss when she does. Men, she says, haven't the nerve to tell a woman to do more than she is able to do. "A man respects a woman and he'd rather do something for her to save her the trouble. A woman won't do anything like that."

**WATER HAS PECULIAR ACTION**

Objects Placed in Irish Lake Undergo Partial Petrification in Comparatively Short Time.

What is undoubtedly one of the most curious lakes in the world is to be found in Ireland. This lake has the power of petrifying any substance that may fall into it.

Of course, the petrification is not absolute, but the substance is coated with a layer of stone, which is found dissolved in the lake, and the stone then hardens and forms a shell over the substance.

A well-known English cutlery firm heard of this and sent a man over to inspect it.

He selected several pieces of hard wood, which he sank with weights, and then marked the places with small buoys.

A fortnight later he returned and took up two pieces of the wood, which he found to be partly petrified.

Two weeks after, he drew up the other pieces, and found each piece to be as hard as flint.

The firm then made several experiments with the wood, and found that

excellent razor hone could be manufactured from it.

**Paper the Greatest Invention.**

The expansion of literature and the spread of enlightenment, which put an end to the Dark ages, is ascribed to the invention of movable type by Gutenberg, or somebody else, at the end of the Fourteenth century. But the credit belongs rather to the unknown chemist who invented the process of making paper. The ancient Romans stamped their bricks and lead pipes with type, but printing had to wait more than a thousand years for a supply of paper. Movable type is not the essential feature of printing, for most of the printing done nowadays is not from movable type, but from solid lines or pages. We could, if necessary, do away with type and press altogether and use some photographic method of composition and reproduction, but we could not do without paper. The invention of wood pulp paper has done more for the expansion of literature than did the invention of rag paper 800 years ago.

**Not Work of One Inventor.**

Moving pictures were not invented by any one person. They were developed by many men.

Plateau, a blind man of Ghent, in 1833 made a toy which gave illusion of moving figures by showing numerous drawings in rapid succession. It was known as the "phenakistoscope." In 1860 this idea was incorporated in the "zoetrope," also a toy. In 1872 Muybridge used photography instead of drawings. Feynaud of France in 1877 enlarged the scope of the machine by projecting pictures on a screen with a stereopticon arrangement. Ribbon film was first used in 1888. In 1890 cameras were invented that were able to take ten exposures a second. They were known as Friese, Greene and Evans cameras.

The first really successful machine was the "kinetoscope," invented by Edison in 1893.

**Forty-Five Minutes Under Water.**

Many persons do not realize that the whale is just as much mammal as a horse. There is no resemblance to a fish to be noted about a whale. It is an animal which has been driven into the water by its enemies and has gradually accommodated itself to life in the ocean. It must come to the surface at intervals for air, but it is enabled to stay under for a period of 45 minutes without any inconvenience. During that time the air in its lungs has become so heated that when the animal comes to the surface and discharges it the air takes the form of vapor. This is what takes place when the whale is said to "spout."

**DUE TO MENTAL IRRITATION**

Responsibility for Smashing Dishes Explained by British Institute of Industrial Psychology.

What makes the cook smash dishes, even when she is not angry, and what causes a factory hand to damage production unintentionally, has been puzzled out by experts of the National Institute of Industrial Psychology of Great Britain.

Pieces of mental grit get into human machinery and play hob. A large amount of breakage is due to mental irritation, which is largely a result of fatigue. The worker who is not tired has sufficient energy to use in checking his irritability; the worker who has been performing mechanical motions all day shows his boredom by crashing something to the floor.

Breakage becomes epidemic at times, the British experts have found. Where groups of workers are engaged in handling the same material, excitement, fluster, hurry or irritation in one section quickly spreads to another. Where there is a regular flow of material with rush periods it is found that both the excitement of the rush and the reaction of the slack time damage efficiency and incidentally damage the things that are being handled. By introducing a steady flow of material there is a noticeable rise in efficiency.

**DIDN'T PAY TO KEEP BOOKS**

On the Contrary, New York Storekeeper Found He Made Money by Not Doing So.

A prominent denizen of Wall Street, who summers at a fashionable seashore resort, was annoyed on his return home to receive a bill for a few small trinkets for which he was sure he had paid previous to his departure. Having always prided himself on his efficient business methods, and since the same store had done the identical thing the year before, he wrote a scathing letter to the storekeeper, giving his opinion of the man who employed methods which were the direct antithesis of his own. The incident soon slipped his mind and was not recalled until the following summer when he happened to pass the store. His anger having cooled he determined to give the storekeeper some friendly advice.

"Well," said the storekeeper, in reply to his lengthy discourse, "we don't keep any books and, to tell the truth, we don't use not to. For example, last summer I sold a saddle, but when it came time to make out the bill I couldn't remember the life of me remember who bought it. I finally narrowed it down to four names and sent them all bills. As a result I was paid by three of them, so there is no necessity for our keeping books."

Custom of Breaking Money To break a piece of money

ing, each acceptance of a note of fidelity at one time among lovers. This came from very remote times, before inns and houses of public accommodation were known.

Travelers had then to trust to the hospitality of strangers living on the road, and it was customary at parties to divide some article, such as a white stone or small coin, and for the host and guest each to take a part, that of the host required similar hospitality from his guest he might claim it by showing his token.

In the Revelation of St. John the custom is referred to where Christ says, "To him that overcometh will I give a white stone," so that at the Day of Judgment he may demand admission into heaven.

**Electro-Chemical Colors.**

The preparation of mineral and artificial organic colors by the aid of electricity has made considerable progress and it is suggested that the products of the industry may eventually replace those derived from coal tar. Among the colors now produced in commercial quantities by the employment of the electric current are vermillion, Scheel's green, cadmium yellow, Japanese red, cerise or cherry red, Berlin green and zinc white, besides a number of organic colors. The process consists essentially in sending an electric current through a solution containing the elements required for the production by precipitation, of the coloring matter desired.—Exchange.

**Famous Old Restaurants.**

What is the oldest restaurant in the world now open for business? Paris has at least one restaurant, the Cafe de la Regence, which is more than 200 years old; the Mitre hotel at Oxford, England, is said to be 500 years old; the Rathauskeller at Bremen was built in 1405, the curious little restaurant known as the Burtwurstglocklein, in Nuremberg, which is part of a church, has, it is believed, been serving roast sausages since the year 1400; and the Capello Nero restaurant, in Venice, traces its beginnings back to the year 1876.

**Hawaii's Equable Climate.**

There is no question but that Hawaii has great natural beauty and a climate that is probably the most equable in the world. The average temperature for 30 years in Honolulu was 78 degrees, 24 hours a day, 12 months in the year. There is probably no other spot in the world that can boast such an even climate; but the rainfall varies according to the location. Honolulu rainfall average about thirty inches a year, but on the windward side of some of the islands the rainfall sometimes reaches 800 and 400 inches a year.—Adventure Magazine.

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## Jacques' Christmas

### Eleanor E. King

BLIZZARD was brewing. Little cutting pieces of snow were being blown in whirling eddies down the street. Huddled down in his coat stood a newboy of some eight or nine years. His face was drawn with the cold and he beat his hands against his sides to keep them warm.

Last-minute Christmas shoppers, hurrying along to get their various errands done, gave no thought to the little fellow who pestered them with his papter. He ought to have known better when they had so many things to think about.

"Yeh, all the news—the latest news. Won't cha buy one, mister? I only have a couple more." He looked up pleadingly into the face of a passer-by.

"Sorry, sonny," smiled the man, "got one here now that I probably won't ever get a chance to read—so busy," and he hurried along his way.

The rush of pedestrians subsided a moment. The boy singled out a young woman, as he said, "She looks kind. I'll try her."

"Yeh—all the latest news—just out—won't cha buy one, please, lady? I only have a few."

She opened her purse and started to hunt for the money.

"I've just got to sell these papers early tonight, 'cause it's my last chance to buy that doll. You know, my little sister, they say, isn't very well, and the only thing she says she wants is an orange for Christmas, but I know better." He paused for breath.

She opened her Purse.

"She wants a doll, but she thinks she can't ask for it 'cause we haven't money for dolls. I have, though," he said promptly. "I've been watching a doll in one of the windows here. I'm going by tonight and get it."

"What is your name, son?"

"Jacques and my sister's—ma petite soeur—Marthe."

"Zack?—What a queer—"

"No; it isn't," he said, anticipating what she was going to say. "My mother is French. Those names are beautiful—to us." He added after a pause.

"Where do you live, Jacques?"

"Sixty-nine Kensington Square. Top floor, back two rooms. I've got that down pat now, haven't I?"

"Yes, you won't get lost right soon," she replied as she put her arm around him, and gave him a gentle tap on the shoulder. "Merry Christmas, Jacques," and she was on her way. She stopped a little way down the street, however, wrote something down, then hurried on.

Another half hour found Jacques hugging an orange and a little doll under his coat as he trudged along home. When he opened the door a little voice started chanting, "Frere Jacques, Frere Jacques—you're late tonight."

"Yes, Marthe. Today I was talking to Santa on the corner, and he said he was awfully busy. He doubted if he would get around this year."

"Oh!" said Marthe in a disappointed tone.

Jacques' mother was sewing busily upon a garment she was intent upon finishing. Tomorrow was Christmas.



His Mother Was Just as Excited as His.

and no sewing was going to be left over to bother her.

Marthe's bedtime came, and Jacques fixed his presents in preparation for the morrow. He had found a Christmas tree branch in the street, and this he made into a little tree under which he placed his gifts.

Christmas morning dawned brightly in the little French home. Jacques' surprise was complete, for Marthe went into raptures over the tree and her presents. She alternately hugged and kissed her doll, keeping up a constant chatter to it in French. The orange and a few other presents that she had found under the tree she put on the shelf, so that she could admire them while she rocked her doll.

Jacques had had his surprise, too—"Give and it shall be given unto you"—for his two packets under the tree had grown to be six or seven.

"Mother," he said, "I think I will have to try my new mittens and see exactly how warm they are." So saying, he slipped into his coat and pushed on the door. What ailed it? Was it frozen shut, stuck, or what was the matter?

With his mother's help the door was opened. To their surprise they found that a huge pile of packages had been the cause of their trouble.

Jacques gave a cry of delight as he pounced upon the bundles. His mother was just as excited as he, as she helped carry in the stuff.

Then followed one of the happiest hours the family had ever known—whole two-dozen oranges and all sorts of wholesome food. Jacques' mother fairly wept with joy.

Santa remembered us after all, mother," said little Jacques, "and he left this note on one of my presents. Look, mother, it says:—

"I hope you will always be as thoughtful of your sister, Jacques. A Merry Christmas and a Bright and Happy New Year.

SANTA CLAUS."

## EXHIBIT POWER TO REASON

### Remarkable Example of Intelligence Displayed by Colony of Ants in the London Zoo.

Lord Avebury once wrote of ants: "It is difficult to deny them the gift of reason. Their mental powers differ from those of men not so much in kind as in degree."

Among the most interesting things at the zoo in Regent's park are two nests of wood ants, fascinating insects with social instincts and industrious habits. London Tit-Bits states. Thousands of these insects are isolated on an island surrounded by water, and prevent them from straying too far from home.

In this community there are males, females and a whole host of "workers." The workers guard the nest, excavate galleries for the reception of the young, procure food, tend the eggs and the helpless grubs and wait upon the queens.

They appear to have the power of communicating with one another and may often be seen co-operating in the performance of a task that has proved too much for one.

In their abode at the zoo they have formed a ridge around one edge of the moat, supposedly because too many ants tumbled into the water and had to be hauled out by their relations!

Recently it was noticed that the ants were building a new mound right in the middle of their island. They were seen to be in a great hurry, for some of them worked even during the night.

Gradually the new building was seen to be a series of galleries made up of leaves, refuse and twigs. A few days after the completion of this work a new brood put in an appearance, which shows the admirable intelligence and foresight of these little insects.

## HIDE WILLS IN ODD PLACES

### Documents Lost for Years Have Been Found Long After the Death of Their Makers.

Occasionally a missing will is found in time to provide an unexpected fortune. In 1908 a peasant woman of Brittany was feeding her fowls, when, among the corn in the bin, she came across a notebook which contained the will of a farmer who had died 14 years previously.

More romantic was the accidental discovery of a will after the lapse of a quarter of a century, by which a small estate was restored to its old owners. On the death of a member of the family no will could be found, so the estate was sold and the proceeds divided among the next of kin, among whom was a daughter who regretted the sale, as her father had always said he hoped circumstances would never force them to part with it.

Twenty-five years later a distant relative died and when his house was being overhauled the contents of several old chests and cases were examined. In one was the missing will, which stated the estate was not to be sold. On being approached, the gentleman who had bought it expressed his willingness to sell it back to the daughter.

Sorry She Asked.

Ho—Before I married you I never thought of saving.

She—And now?

Ho—Now I am always thinking what a lot I could have saved if I hadn't married you.

## HARD TO TRACE BEGINNING

### Custom of Applying Christian and Surname to Individuals Has Been Long Used.

The principal sources from which surnames are derived are personal characteristics, rank or profession, localities, animals or natural objects, or patronymics. Surnames in many languages are derived from the same sources. Thus, Black, White, Brown are with the Germans Schwarts, Weiss, Braugh; with the French, Noir, Leblanc, Lebrun. The Gaelic prefix Mac, the Irish O', the Norman-French Fitch, the German affix -shon or -son, the Scandinavian -sen, the Russian -vitch, are all equivalents of the English affix -son.

It is impossible to ascertain with any degree of certainty when the system of having one name for the individual (Christian or baptismal name) joined to a second name which is common to the family to which he belongs (surname) was adopted.

Compounds in names were often the result of applying a sobriquet to a Christian name—for instance, Little-John or Micklejohn.

In most nations the wife changes her surname on marriage to that of her husband. In Spain, however, she retains it, while the son may adopt either the maternal or paternal name.

## Second Thoughts.

In a certain island section of Florida a good many rough characters live, who are idle, quarrelsome, shift about a good deal and are hard to keep track of. One of them, named Tomlinson, was accused of robbery, and the sheriff went to arrest him. But Tomlinson "got the drop" on the officer, disarmed him and kept him two days. Finally Tomlinson released the sheriff and gave him back his pistol, first throwing the cartridges out.

Then the sheriff returned home, Tomlinson landing him on the mainland.

"Well," the deputy asked his chief, "did you get your man?"

"No," the sheriff replied, "he's about the only man over there who does anything, and I thought I would let him alone."—E. W. Howe's Monthly.

## Cats Carry Diphtheria.

A curious case is cited by Simmons. An elderly lady developed a fatal diphtheritic pharyngitis after close contact with a cat (A) which had been sick one week. A second cat (B) which had been in contact with the first cat (A) became sick and died ten days later. The patient had grayish-brown pseudomembrane covering her uvula, tonsils and posterior pharynx. Cat A had a small yellowish-gray pseudomembranous ulceration in the left nasal passage and cat B showed ulcerations of both nasal cavities.

Diphtheria bacilli of intermediate virulence for guinea pigs were isolated from all three lesions.—Journal of the American Medical Association.

## The Witch!

Conductor—Pardon me, madam, but your girl seems more than twelve.

Her Mother—Conductor! Would you take me to be the mother of a girl that age?

Conductor—Lady, don't tell me you're her grandmother!—Sydney Bulletin.

## PART OF YOUTH'S EDUCATION

### University Authority Says Some Sort of Athletics Should be Indulged in by Collegians.

The chancellor of an eastern university advises all students to take part in some form of college sport. His reason is that the training and discipline gained from participation in organized sport of any sort will be of service in the major effort of acquiring knowledge in the class or lecture room. Discipline and training team work and the submerging of the individual for the good of the whole are lessons that each student needs to learn.

A broadening of vision, a clearer outlook, a greater faculty for seeing the other fellow's side, with the consequent breaking down of the walls of selfishness that shut off the true picture of life must come from the active practice of any of the games now prevalent at the big schools, observes the Omaha Bee. It is not essential that one make the team or become adept in the pursuits of a particular sport, but it is required that the matter be pursued sufficiently to develop the spirit of true sportsmanship, for that is opposed to the self-centered attitude sought to be overcome. When this is done, the student will take up his scholastic work with better zest, and, by reason of his communication with other students on campus or field, or in the gymnasium, he will get more out of his college life than if he remains a recluse and a grind.

## Land Grass at Sea.

Fringing the pools left by the receding tide may frequently be seen the long strands of a green weed. Its leaves, which look like so many ribbons, are less than half an inch in width, though often they are three or four feet in length. This particular weed is called grass-wrack, and, strange to say, it is not really a seaweed at all. It is a land plant which for some reason has taken to a marine life. If you examine it carefully you will find real flowers growing upon it, each encased in a kind of sheath formed by one of the shorter leaves. No proper seaweed blossoms in this way. Why it should have chosen to go to the sea instead of remaining on land no one can say, but probably it found that it was easier to live under water than on dry land. In some places it is so common that it is harvested like hay, and baled, after it has been dried, instead of straw for packing cases, crates and other delicate objects.

## Dogs and Their Day.

Every dog has his day; the proverb is not so true of the whole breeds of dogs. Many breeds have had their day and sunk into oblivion. Thirty years ago the Great Dane was a great, hulking brute as its watchdog was the only dog that was the heyday of the breed. Mastiffs and hobbos were one of the land of no-where. Newfoundland and St. Bernard are other breeds that used to find general favor when dog meat cost a cent a pound or so. The Great Dane has kept a sort of popularity; but these huge animals can enjoy life. Little dogs suffice to satisfy the mere instinct to love and cherish. As big dogs grow more expensive, and less necessary, man's love for them, even in the country, has lessened.—Baltimore American.

## The Wonderful Tree

By Christopher G. Hazard  
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IT STOOD in the corner of a rather needy room. It was festooned with strings of popcorn and cables of cranberries. Wisps of tissue paper and tinsel ornaments were out upon the branches, and small candles stood ready to illuminate the occasion. There were many invisible things upon the tree, too. The imaginations of the children had been as busy as their dreams. Family resources may be limited, but there are no bounds in the realm of Santa Claus and hope. In the magical Christmas time the clouds of poverty are all as gilded and beautiful as any sunset can furnish. Anything may happen then. Cinderella is as hopeful as her more favored sisters; not an urchin but has an expectant eye. So the Tanner Christmas tree was as beautiful as a picture and as full of presents as a picture could be.

But, however pictured by fancy and made of good wishes, the presents were all invisible. No one could see what was in the heads of the dreamers and the hearts of the anxious but needy providers. For weeks the mill had been closed, and now the family pocketbook was about empty. Father Tanner looked at the tree, could not see a gift on it, and shook his head. Mother Tanner was inclined to make the best of it.

Yes, the tree was one of the family. It had been the tree of last year's Christmas and the tree of the year before that. It was a tree that kept its evergreen habit and that did not seem to grow old. It was like a living tree, made to bring forth its fruit every year. It had been so good to them that they had named it Bounty. And now it stood there in the dark, all dressed up, but with nothing but blossoms, without any fruit. It could see the hurrying children running to their morning disappointment. It could

hear their cries of surprise and chagrin. Silly Sam, more needy of amusement than the others, would look in vain for his expected go-cart; Sue would miss the two dress patterns for her big doll, her new hat and high chair for her little doll; Bill Tanner would not get his skates; Dick would still need a sled. It was anything but a merry tree.

But it was a wonderful tree. It had a power of making itself felt all over a neighborhood. It could summon Santa Claus by a kind of wireless message that went through walls and everything. It reached as far as the folks who were having a Christmas eve party two blocks away and made them think of Mr. Folsom's mill boss and Mrs. Folsom's laundry woman. They had been wishing for some new fun for their party that day and now it came into their heads to go over and be Santa for the Tanners. So the tree drew a very silent but very busy company to the Tanners' back door.

As the children had left directions for Santa on the table it was easy to find out what the tree was expected to do, so, presently, it did it. There was more, too, than orders for the wanted things; the merry-makers had brought with them enough to satisfy any reasonable tree; there were picture books,



picture puzzles, games, a scissors grinder that could make the sparks fly, a train of cars that could go, a doll that could say "mama," and candy enough to go round. For Father and Mother Tanner there was a pocketbook with gold in it, and a note of good cheer that was better than the gold.

So the wonderful tree spent the rest of the night in trembling joy. It could not sleep for thinking of the friendly love that had provided such a happy morning to come. And when the first of the morning light brought all the Tanners downstairs the tree fairly shook with pleasure, amid the wonder and the glee of that Christmas day.

As for the servants of Santa Claus, they had never had such a merry Christmas before. Their hearts were so warm that they did not mind the frost. They sang over the pleasure of giving pleasure and relief. They said they knew that Santa Claus had left up North so that he could cool off after his warm interest in the happiness of others. They addressed him in verses that must have made him jollier than ever, calling him:



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Of the Cotulla Record published weekly at Cotulla, Texas, for Oct. 1922.

State of Texas, County of La Salle, ss:

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared C. E. Manly, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says and says that he is the Editor of the Cotulla Record and that the following is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily paper, the circulation,) etc. of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 443, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to-wit:

1. That the names and addresses of the publisher, editor, managing editor, and business managers are:  
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C. E. Manly, Cotulla, Texas.  
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C. E. Manly,  
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### SHERIFF'S SVLE.

The State of Texas, County of La Salle.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 19th District Court McLennan County, of the 10th day of November 1922, by Clerk of said District Court for the sum of Ten Thousand Two Hundred and Forty seven and 96/100 Dollars and cost, under a judgment, in favor of Crespi in a certain cause in said County No. 26245 and styled Pio Crespi R. Q. Flournoy et al, which said judgment is a foreclosure of a deed of trust lien, placed in my hands for service, I, T. H. Poole as Sheriff La Salle County, Texas, did on the 8th day of December 1922, levy certain Real Estate, situated in La Salle County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: All that certain piece of parcel of land in the County La Salle, State of Texas, about fourteen miles in an Easterly direction from the Town of Cotulla in said County and being part of the property formerly known as the T. W. House ranch and being 100 acres out of that tract of land conveyed by C. F. Place, W. F. Hodges on October 12, 1900 said tract being out of two sections the form of a parallelogram 1900 wide from North to South and 38 1/2 vrs long from East to West; said land being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the S corner of the most Easterly one said two sections; thence North to the East line of said 1280 acre tract 950 vrs to corner; thence West right angle to said East line 950 vrs

South line of said 1280 acre tract; thence East 954 vrs to place of beginning; containing 100 acres more or less, and being same tract of land conveyed by Bain to R. Q. Flournoy, and levied upon as the property of R. Q. Flournoy and that on the first Tuesday in January 1923, the same being the 2nd day of said month, at the Court House door, of La Salle County, in the town of Cotulla, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. by virtue of said levy and said order of sale I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said R. Q. Flournoy.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Cotulla Record, a newspaper published in La Salle county.

Witness my hand, this 8th day of December, 1922.

T. H. POOLE,  
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### Hunting Notice.

The public is hereby notified that we will allow no hunting in our pastures and anyone caught will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Mrs. A. Burks,  
 J. W. Baylor.

### Hunting Notice.

No hunting or trespassing will be allowed in pastures owned or leased by me. Pastures are in McMullen, Webb and La Salle counties. All violations will be prosecuted. All previous permits are hereby revoked.

J. M. Dobie.

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### MUST REST IN CHINESE SOIL.

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It is not perhaps generally known, but no Chinaman's remains remain indefinitely on foreign soil. At the west coast where Chinese are much more numerous than in the East, Chinese cemeteries are large and there are lots of them. In the graveyard is a large, hollow cement dome with a small hole just above a small altar table. Plunks, or small tapers, are burned continually on this altar during a burial ceremony and the object is to drive the evil spirit into the dome and hold him there until the remains are interred. From the time the body leaves the house until it is covered, prayer papers are continually in the air. These papers are punched with numerous small holes, and the belief is that the bad spirits must creep through each of these holes before they can enter the body.

Periodically the bones of the departed are disinterred and packed in small caskets. On all the P. and O. liners are sections devoted entirely to the carrying of these small, bone-filled caskets, back to China for final reinterment. No Chinese bones are knowingly allowed to remain on foreign soil.

Thus China is a land of graveyards and the greatest difficulties found by railway companies building in China is to avoid disturbing the remains of China's honored dead.

Youthful Beau Too Stinky.  
 When I was sixteen, I went to my first show with a boy whom I greatly admired. Before we reached the show he went into a candy store and bought a box of chocolates. Thinking it was for me, I held out my hand for the box. He opened the box and handed me a piece and put the box in his pocket. That was the last I saw of the box of candy and I ended my first love.





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## The Left-Over Doll

By Christopher G. Hazard

WHAT was the left-over doll thinking about as she hung on the topmost twig of the Christmas tree all alone? Perhaps about all the other gifts that had been taken off by loving hands and given to the boys and girls. Maybe she was wondering whether there would be a Christmas tree every winter, bearing such nice fruit in such a strange season, if there had not been such a great gift from God as come on Jesus' birthday. More than all, however, she must have been asking herself why she was left over, why nobody wanted her, why the name that was pinned on her dress had not been called.

She was as good a doll as ever was made. Her eyes would open and shut, she always had a smile upon her face, her cheeks were rosy, she did not have a pug nose, and her dress was beautiful. When they put her on the tree she thought her name would be the very first one. She could hardly wait to hear it, and she wondered if they would never get through singing

carols. Now it was all over and she wasn't wanted at all, not by anybody, not even by Sally Wiggins, who had no doll—not even one. She wasn't wanted! Oh, it was too bad, and her eyes tried to wink out two tears.

So they put her in the basket with the other unwanted things, and there the minister found her the next Sunday. She was lying there fast asleep, with a little carpet sweeper near her, and a box of candy close by, and a looking glass by her side. At her feet there was a spruce cone that had fallen off of the tree, and the bit of paper that had told who she was meant for, but her eyes were shut—she had retired from the world, no one wanted her.

There she was still when the minister came into the room the next Sunday morning. But now her eyes were wide open, only she wasn't looking at the presents in the basket. She was awake, but turned away, and still trying to squeeze out some tears because she was left over. And every time the minister took her up she would shut her eyes and go to sleep again, unless he held her up pretty straight, and then she seemed to be dreaming about being wanted, even while she was awake.

She wasn't awake even on children's day until little baby Mower came in to get ready to be baptized, but as soon as he held her up she opened her eyes, and when she saw what a pleasant little boy he was she looked pleasant and hopeful again. Then he put her down, and she went to sleep and slept until Christmas came again!

With a new Christmas there she was upon a tree once more, and they were singing carols again and getting ready to call off the names. This time she was sure that somebody would want her, for she had been patient a whole year, and she hadn't made any fuss even though she had felt so sorry. Besides, this was the very best tree they had ever had, and so many had come to see it. It was full of gifts—not like the little tree that the minister saw in the corner of a house parlor—the mother said, "It's most all tree and paper, but it's a tree"—there were go-carts, and everything, and an Indian tomahawk to go with a boy's warwhoop, and some fringed pants to be put on with them, and a picture of a little girl in red, under a big umbrella, in a snowstorm, and "Ain't this a nice snowy day?" written under the picture, and lots of things, and the left-over doll, looking so friendly and nice—nicer than ever.

Well, they began to call the names, and almost the first thing somebody took down the left-over doll and gave her to Polly Hankin! Polly is just the dearest child I know. It was Polly who had said that she wished she had a doll to pet and bring up right. If I am sure that Polly will do it. She will make the left-over doll feel very much wanted. She will love her to be always cheerful. She will find her very obedient, and even nicer than she looks, and she will be kind to her. I hope that when the left-over doll is grown up she will be just like Polly!

"Santa Claus" is a corruption which originated apparently in Flanders or possibly among the Dutch, of the name St. Nicholas, a saint noted for his love of children and his boundless charity. His "day" was perhaps December 8, originally, but since the displacement of Old Father Christmas, the British representation of the Christmas spirit, he is celebrated almost universally as the Christmas saint.

## HOME GREETING MEANS MUCH

Children Apt to Remember in After Life the Kind Reception They Were Given.

Have you ever realized what a difference the home greetings make to the children, make, in fact, to every member of the family? When they come home from school, when they arrive home from a day's outing or a short visit, how do we greet them?

Do we ever say sharply: "Mary, when will you ever remember to wipe your feet?" or, "Dick, why will you persist in dashing in like a wild Indian when I've told you so often about coming in quietly?" or, "Billy, you've ripped a button off. Come here quickly and let me fix it!" Do we quench their enthusiasm, their joy at getting home, by such remarks? Will the children greeted so look forward to their home-comings, look forward to their mother? Will they have a picture in later years of a loving, smiling mother, always glad to welcome them back to the home nest, or a sharp, scolding, criticizing mother, ready to find fault?

Surely it is worth while to control our manner, our speech, and never let anything prevent us from giving the warm, hearty, loving welcome home we would wish to give our children. Our loved ones, making them love the home-comings, says the Delineator. If faults must be reproved, advice given, save it for other times than the moment of arrival. Let the greeting be hearty and loving, one which will warm the children's hearts at the time and which they will remember with joy in the after years.

## NOT ALL MERE SUPERSTITION

General Dislike for Two-Dollar Bills Partially Explained by Boston Banker.

The reason for the superstition that \$2 bills bring bad luck are problematical.

One popular explanation is that folks are afraid they will pass a "two" for a "one." Gamblers and sports, particularly, carry their money in heavy rolls with the largest bills inside, and claim that it is easy to peel a \$2 bill from the outside and pass it for a one. Arguments and disputes with shopkeepers frequently follow as to the denomination of the bill passed.

Again, folks, who handle large numbers of small bills are likely to get a \$2 note sandwiched in with a number of \$1 bills and in counting forget to make allowance for the extra "seed."

Still another possible reason for the jinx was suggested by a Boston banker. "Two-dollar bills are frequently used by counterfeiters and crooks," said he. "A man can split a \$2 bill right through the middle, then split a twenty, paste one part of the two with another half of the twenty, and make two twenties out of a \$20 and a \$2 bill. By passing the \$20 side up they can get away with it more often than you would believe."

## Walpurgis Night

In Germany "Walpurgis night"—the night preceding the first day of May—corresponds to Hallowe'en in this country, and considering that All Saints' day was originally kept on the first of May, there would appear to be but little doubt that Hallowe'en and Walpurgis have a common origin, which, doubtless, dates back to the earliest belief in a personal and all-powerful Evil one.

The German peasants believe that on Walpurgis night there is a witch festival, or gathering of evil spirits on the summit of the Brocken, in the Harz mountains, and the malign influence of this convocation is believed to be felt all over the surrounding country. It was an old custom, and still observed in some places, to light great bonfires of straw or brush on that night, to drive away the spirits of darkness supposed to be hovering in the air.

## "Walking" Millinery Shops

In a certain section of Mexico there are women who wear 150 hats at one time. They are "walking" millinery shops.

Instead of "setting up shop," the Mexican woman carries her store around with her. The hats, which are of light straw, are for sale, and the walking millinery shop often carries about fifty baskets with her besides. And the baskets are not small fancy affairs, but oftentimes are of half-bushel size. It is usually the Indian women who do this, and the hats and baskets are woven in most attractive Indian designs.

The prices of these hand-made articles are very low. Baskets that would sell for a dollar in American money sell for only a few cents in Mexico, and hats which sell for 35 or 50 cents would cost many dollars in other countries.

## "Habeas Corpus" Act

The "Habeas Corpus Act" was passed in the reign of Charles II, and defined a provision of similar character in Magna Charta, to which also it added certain details.

The act provides that any man taken to prison can insist that the person who charges him with crime shall bring him bodily before a court and state the why and wherefore of his detention. As soon as this is done the court is to decide whether the accused is to be admitted to bail.

Imprisonment in fact, must be either for punishment after conviction, or for safe custody till the time of trial.

## THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

By Mary Graham Bonner

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ELLEN had been feeling that there was no such thing in the world as a Christmas spirit.

During the summer, for example, she had taken a trip. Everyone seemed to enjoy it. Everyone seemed to be glad to get away from the world with its scandals and its spilt civilization. That was what everyone said as they took the trip through the simple wild, remote and picturesque and old.

This seemed to be the life everyone longed for and then some one mentioned a scandal which had taken place nearby some months before.

With a dash everyone made for the scene—so they could tell the people back home that they had seen the locality of the scandal and Ellen had been disgusted. Was it such a sordid world after all?

Then she had taken some poor children to a big store to see the Christmas display and they had been refused admittance. The customers had objected to such crowds of children—they wanted to see the display themselves—why should poor children see the toys when they could only look? And all about the outside of the store were eager little faces peering into the windows and hoping that perhaps they could get in when the one who watched at the door was not looking. Once in a while one did and the children from outside waited for the news. "What did you see? What did you see?" they shouted as the lucky one came out again.

Other stores had been different. Other stores had not had their rich



customers complain. But it had saddened Ellen. And one of these very complainers had bought six copies of "The Christmas Carol" by Dickens to give away to friends. Ellen heard that later. It had not improved matters.

And on this same Christmas trip another she had met had said to her that these children had such shamefully poor coats and had reproved Ellen.

"I wish," the woman who had spoken so sharply to Ellen had said, "that they had some of the nice warm things belonging to my children," but when Ellen suggested that she should do something for these children she had gone off angrily.

And another person had patted her as she had seen her walking with them children and had said:

"A fine work, my dear."

And Ellen knew that the woman felt she had showed Christmas duty and Christmas service and Christmas love by making that speech.

But when Ellen began to see the trees which were sent to the city for Christmas she felt better. The smell of the trees gave her some of the Christmas spirit. Oh, yes, it was all right after all, she had been seeing only what was disagreeable and everything else had passed her by.

And then one day in the crowded section of the city she saw a small crippled newsboy go up to a Salvation army bucket and put in his donation. Helping others to have a Christmas dinner when he was none too sure of his own!

As she saw it she involuntarily smiled and a smile answered her. A strange man was smiling at her.

Was some one going to be impertinent to her? Was the incident of the

little boy only going to serve as an excuse for a man to smile at her?

But in another moment he was apologizing.

"I'm so sorry," he said. "I was trying to place you in my mind. I was so sure I knew you. And then I remembered that you were the picture of the girl on the cover of a magazine last Christmas which I saved all the year and so which is naturally very familiar to me. I am so sorry!"

And then Ellen laughed. For last year she had posed for one of her artist friends.

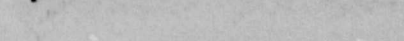
"I don't suppose you've any idea," the man continued, "how much good that picture did. I've heard so many speak of it and of the Christmas spirit it expressed. You fairly breathed it—then."

"And now I'm different?" she asked. "You don't look just as—just as Christmas," he faltered.

And Ellen felt ashamed. For she had been critical of others and in worrying about the world's shortcomings she had lost her own Christmas spirit. But it had been merely wandering—it was not utterly lost—and the man? The man who had found it again for her?

They became friends and then they became sweethearts and they made of their love a permanent thing and were married.

And he always called Ellen his beautiful Christmas picture. And Ellen was glad that he did. It kept constantly in mind the Christmas spirit that had once almost left her for good and all!





LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Fresh oysters, Cotulla Cafe.  
 Typewriter paper at this office.  
 Xmas Turkeys--Gaddis Pharm.  
 Crack A Nuts at S. Cotulla's.  
 See a good show. Dixie to-night.  
 French's Mayonise Dressing at S. Cotulla's.  
 Xmas Boxes--Gaddis Pharmacy.  
 F. Z. Bishop was here from San Antonio Thursday.  
 "Life" a Paramount at the Dixie Tuesday night.  
 Boneless pickled pig feet at S. Cotulla's.  
 Try a package of King's prunes at S. Cotulla's.  
 Xmas candies--Gaddis Pharmacy.  
 For Sale-- About 10 acres yellow onion plants. Freddie Johnson.  
 Xmas Cigars at Gaddis Pharmacy.  
 P. A. Childers is back on the ranch after an absence of several months at Temple.  
 Get your Xmas candy at S. Cotulla's.  
 FOR SALE--Yellow Bermuda onion plants. Prices reasonable. J. P. Daniel.  
 Born to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Turner Sunday, December 3rd, a fine girl.  
 COTTON farm for rent. Cheap cash rental. See Will Held, Millett, Texas.  
 Electric Irons, Toasters, Percolators, Hair Curlers--Gaddis Pharmacy.  
 A Big picture at the Dixie Christmas night. Don't fail to see it.  
 Remodeling work is going on in the Postoffice building this week.  
 Mr. and Mrs. J. B. O'Brien of Artesia Wells were in the city yesterday.  
 For Lease 160 acres one mile North of Woodward. See C. E. Manly.

Come in Monday and leave your order for Christmas cards.  
 Coming Metro's Million dollar production. "4 Horseman of the Apolypees" Dixie Theater.  
 COTTON farm for rent. Cheap cash rental. See Will Held, Millett, Texas.  
 Try a can of Gold Plume coffee and you won't use any other kind.--S. Cotulla.  
 Born to Mr. and Mrs. Earle Avant at Woodward, a fine girl Dec. 4.  
 3 great stars in "Don't Tell Everything," at the Dixie Dec. 25th and 26th.  
 For Sale Cheap--Pair small mules, wagon and harness, apply at this office.  
 Hemstitching, prices reasonable.--Mrs. Goodwin, Ring 35, East Heights.  
 FOR SALE--18 1-2 acres joining the townsite of Gardendale. Dr. J. H. Womack, Waco, Tex.  
 Wanted--Two boarders. Also have room to rent.--Mrs. Goodwin. East Heights.  
 Xmas decorations -- Gaddis Pharmacy.  
 COTTON farm for rent. Cheap cash rental. See Will Held, Millett, Texas.  
 RING LOST--Small diamond, Tiffany mounting, engraved inside the name Ruth Peden. Will pay reward.  
 For Sale or Trade--Have 20 h. p. Tips Engine for sale or trade. O. A. Hiatt, Valley Wells Texas.  
 Hemstitching, accordion, bob and side plaiting, button and buttonholes made.--Mrs. H. B. Houston, Uvalde, Texas.  
 100 acres of red land within three miles of Cotulla. For sale quick at \$10 per acre. The Manly Agency.  
 For Sale--About 75 head of the best bred Hereford cattle in La Salle Co, at my ranch 3 miles West of Woodward. J. A. West.  
 COTTON farm for rent. Cheap cash rental. See Will Held, Millett, Texas.  
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- Boudoir Slippers
- All Christmas Boxes
- Men's Ties, Handkerchiefs
- Silk Hose, Belts, Gloves
- Lounging Slippers
- Hats, Hand Bags, Etc.

Do your Christmas Shopping Early and get a better selection.

**Mayor & Pate**

Dry Goods and Furnishings.

T. K. and S. F. Dixon, prominent business men of Houston were here this week on a business visit to their sister, Mrs. O. Holman. While here they were successful in bagging three bucks which they took home with them on their return yesterday afternoon.

The Cotulla Onion Growers Association is steadily growing. Hardly a week goes by but one or two new members are added. However, the membership here is less than at other points in the upper counties. In Frio, Dimmit and Valera counties more than 80 percent of the growers belong to the Association.

**Makes Good Record.**

Marion L. Gaddis recently passed an examination before the State Board of Pharmacy and has been notified that he successfully passed the examination and been granted a certificate of practice Pharmacy. There were 125 applicants that took examination before the board this year and only 25 passed, young Gaddis being among that number. Marion is a graduate of the A. M. College and the past spring took a special course in Pharmacy at Little Rock, Ark., where he made a splendid record.

Hemstitching and picoting neat and prompt service. Straight ruffles cotton 7c silk 9c. Bias ruffles and all other work cotton 8c, silk 10c.--Mrs. L. E. Blackaller, Pearsall, Texas.

Imported Japanese Cups and Saucers, Tea Sets, Celery Sets, Cheese and Cracker Sets and numerous other items--all that go to make useful and beautiful gifts. Cotulla Merc. Co.

**Why She is a "Pippin."**

How and why the word "pippin" ever broke into the slang language, is not known definitely, but the word is an Anglicized form of the medieval French word pepin, which means seed or seedling. When an apple lover of the Dark Ages produced a new variety he called it such-and-such a pepin. It is said that there is no apple stock that is more than 400 years old, though the statement would be hard to prove. A Yorkshire pippin must be very old, and a pearmain may have descended from the days of the Romans.

**Dislike Ordinary Salt.**

A report made to the French Society of Biology shows that 25,000,000 human beings in the Congo region commonly employ salt of potassium instead of salt of sodium for seasoning their food. They obtain this salt from the ashes of certain plants. Since the opening up of the country ordinary salt has been largely imported, but the negroes regard it as insipid, and abandon with regret the use of their familiar ashes. They take the imported salt only because it is cheap.

**Parent-Teachers Association.**

The Parent-Teacher's Association met at the Auditorium Friday, Dec. 4, 3:30 p. m. The following program was arranged by Mrs. F. D. Lown, and greatly enjoyed by those present.

Piano Selection--Convent Bells--Eula May Ferguson.

Reading--When Hilda expects her Beau--Kathryn Wiggington.

Duet--On the Race Course.--Mrs. Wiggington and Lucile Burris.

Reading--A Boy's Tribute--I ma Moore.

Duet--When Love Is Young--Mrs. Wiggington and Winnie May Moore.

The next meeting will be held at the auditorium the first Friday in January. Start the New Year right and attend your Parent-Teacher's Association.

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