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SHUPAK

Nothing Succeeds Like  
**Success**



THE reason why we are having all we can do is because we have met with success in pleasing our customers. There is that satisfaction about their apparel that produces an air of satisfaction in their countenances. We are doing the business—not all we can do, but nearly all. We will be pleased to have your order.

**Shupak Tailoring Company**  
Crockett and Teague

SHUPAK

No. 8742  
**REPORT OF THE CONDITION  
OF THE  
First National Bank**  
AT LOVELADY,  
In the State of Texas, at the close of  
business, Nov. 27, 1908.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$19,110.16
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	256.45
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	6,250.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	289.06
Furniture and fixtures	1,977.55
Other real estate owned	952.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	433.80
Due from State Banks and Bankers	275.24
Due from approved reserve agents	22,459.04
Checks and other cash items	483.63
Notes of other National Banks	1,530.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	106.43
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:	
Specie	\$1,583.15
Legal tender notes	130.00
	1,713.15
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasury, 5 per cent of circulation	312.50
Total	\$56,149.01
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$25,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	1,179.08
National Bank Notes outstanding	6,250.00
Individual deposits subject to check	23,719.93
Total	\$56,149.01

State of Texas, County of Houston, }  
as: J. W. C. PAGE, cashier  
of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear  
that the above statement is true to the best  
of my knowledge and belief.

W. C. PAGE, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd  
day of December, A. D. 1908.

SAM H. SAAR, Notary Public.  
Correct—Attest:  
J. O. MONDAY,  
H. H. LARUE,  
C. G. LEFFLER,  
Directors.

**GRAFT AND GRAFTERS.**  
**Big and Little Ones—Its Awful Proportions.**

Jacob and his mother in a graft against Isaac and God. Gen. 27 chapter.

Come see the picture of the man who found that it was only iron pyrites the hill contained, which the widow woman owned, whom he had married, believing it was a mountain of gold. The above will be my next Sunday morning sermon. Every-body invited to hear me. James A. Arnold, Pastor Christian church.

Invitations have been received at Crockett announcing the approaching marriage of Miss Jessica Mae Malone to Mr. Leon Blum Wootters Wednesday evening, December 23, at 9 o'clock, 437 West Twelfth street, Oklahoma City, Okla. The at-home card reads Lufkin, Texas. The invitations are issued by Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Stringer, of whom the coming bride is a sister. Mr. Wootters is the youngest son of Mrs. J. H. Wootters of this city and is a young man of sterling habits and high ambitions. He is at present connected with one of the banks of Lufkin and is held in the highest regard in both the business and the social world. In his native town as well as in the town of his adoption he has many friends who are pleased to extend congratulations. To his bride-to-be, who is said by those who know her to be one of the most charming young ladies in the new state to our north, many expressions of best wishes are conveyed along with a hearty welcome to a new home in sunny Texas.

**HOLIDAY EXCURSION RATES  
VIA I. & G. N. R. R.**

Visit "The Old Folks at Home" at Xmas Time.

Excursion rates to St. Louis, Kansas City, Memphis and the old States in the Southeast; also principal points in Mexico. Tickets on sale Dec. 19-20-21, limit Jan. 17th. To all points in Texas: Tickets on sale Dec. 18-19-23-24-25-26 and Jan. 1st, limit Jan. 5th.

For rates, apply to nearest Ticket Agent, I. & G. N. R. R. or address D. J. Price, G. P. & T. A., Palestine, Tex.

**Everybody Read This.**

Next Sunday at the Baptist church Pastor Harris will preach on the following subjects: "Home" at 11 o'clock, and at 7 p. m., "The House of God." It is earnestly requested that every member be present with a contribution for our orphan's home. Some can give large amounts; all can give something.

**Buttons! Buttons! Buttons!**

I have an up-to-date machine for making covered buttons, in small, medium and large sizes at 20, 25 and 30c. per dozen. This is 5 and 10 cents cheaper than the button houses make them. Send material of which you wish them made. Orders filled same day received.

Mrs. Hayne Yainer, Lovelady, Texas.  
Itch cured in 30 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Lotion. Never fails. Sold by Murchison & Beasley, Druggists.

J. W. MADDEN C. M. (MARVIN) ELLIS  
**MADDEN & ELLIS,**  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,  
CROCKETT, TEXAS.

Will practice in all the State and Federal Courts and in both Civil and Criminal cases. Special and prompt attention given to all business placed in our hands, including collections and probate matters. Madden & Ellis.

**OPERA HOUSE**  
ONE NIGHT ONLY  
**Saturday, Dec. 12**

Messrs. Copeland Bros. present a superb company of dramatic artists headed by  
**MR. N. BAKER and  
MISS MARGARET FRANCE**

IN THE UNIVERSAL  
WESTERN SUCCESS

**The Opium  
Fiend**

Special Scenery Special Effects  
**Prices 25, 50 and 75 Cents**  
Seats on Sale at Usual Place.

For Eczema, Tetter and Salt Rheum.  
The intense itching characteristic of these ailments is almost instantly allayed by Chamberlain's Salve. Many severe cases have been cured by it. For sale by Murchison & Beasley.

Koley's Orino Laxative cures chronic constipation and stimulates the liver. Orino regulates the bowels so they will act naturally and you do not have to take purgatives continuously. McLean's Drug Store.

**OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE  
Crockett State Bank**  
AT CROCKETT,

State of Texas, at the close of business on the 27th day of November, 1908, published in the Crockett Courier, a newspaper printed and published at Crockett, State of Texas, on the 10th day of December, 1908.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$ 49,172.94
Loans, real estate	23,116.69
Overdrafts	7,879.51
Bonds and stocks	000.00
Real Estate (banking house)	9,500.00
Other real estate	000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	3,216.34
Due from approved reserve agents	\$19,115.99
Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check	000.00
	19,115.99
Cash Items	3.20
Currency	3,877.00
Specie	3,770.55
	7,650.75
Other resources as follows:	000.00
Total	\$119,652.22
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	2,000.00
Undivided profits, net	4,451.40
Due to banks and bankers, subject to check	000.00
Individual deposits subject to check	63,200.82
Time certificates of deposit	000.00
Demand certificates of deposit	000.00
Cashier's checks	000.00
Bills payable and re-discounts	000.00
Other liabilities as follows:	000.00
Total	\$119,652.22

State of Texas, County of Houston.  
We, James T. Crysyp as president, and W. H. Denny as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

JAMES T. CRYSUP, President.  
W. H. DENNY, Cashier.  
Sworn and subscribed to before me this 7th day of December, A. D. nineteen hundred and eight.

Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.  
J. B. STANTON,  
District Clerk, Houston County, Texas.

Correct—Attest:  
W. I. KENNEDY,  
W. A. NORRIS,  
C. C. STOKES,  
Directors.

Don't send your money out of the state. I give you better whiskey for the same money. Write for my price list and order blanks. Address Hyman Harrison, Palestine, Texas.



## Holiday Goods

The time is near when you must get busy with Old Santa Claus, and the sooner the better.

We have a carefully selected stock this year, in fact the best line ever carried here before.

Do not wait, but come early and take your time to do your selecting. You will get better attention, also better results.

**Below Are a Few of the Many Articles in Stock**

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| Toys galore,          | Toilet Sets,            | Traveling Cases, |
| Work Boxes,           | Dolls,                  | Cut Glass,       |
| Hand Decorated China, | Xmas boxes of Gunther's | Smoking Sets,    |
| Nut Sets,             | Chocolate Candies,      | Shaving Sets,    |
| Collar Bags,          | Manicure Sets,          | Puff Boxes,      |
| Jewelry Boxes,        | Namara Ware,            | Vases,           |
| Pictures,             | Hand Mirrors,           | Manicure Sets,   |
| Silver Novelties,     | Candelabras,            | Ink Wells, Etc.  |

Buy from Us and Save Money. Don't Forget the Place.

# Sweet's Drug Store.

# THE December Jubilee!

Begins Saturday, Dec. 5, Closes Thursday, Dec. 24

Clearance, quick, decisive and complete, is the object; fearless price-cutting annihilation of profits, a total disregard of cost, is the method; fast, fierce selling, eager and zealous buying, happy and jubilant buyers and smaller, cleaner stocks will be the outcome. Some of the choicest bargains are limited in quantity and they will be snapped up before the first day is over, perhaps just the ones you want, so come early.

## General Jubilee Sale of Elegant Coats and Skirts

We will offer this season's choicest models in coats and skirts in a general jubilee sale, and our patrons can readily appreciate the significance of this statement. All our tailor-made garments of excellent quality material, in the much wanted colors, up-to-date styles and effects, are included in this event. Make a memorandum of these prices and come and get the one you want. Do it now.

### Ladies' Jubilee Skirt Clearance Sale.

Our entire line of \$11.50 skirts at.....	<b>\$8.50</b>	Our entire line of \$6.00 skirts at.....	<b>\$4.98</b>
Our entire line of \$8.50 skirts at.....	<b>\$6.00</b>	Our entire line of \$5.00 skirts at.....	<b>\$3.48</b>

### Ladies' Jubilee Cloak Clearance Sale.

Our entire line of \$22.50 cloaks at.....	<b>\$17.50</b>	Our entire line of \$15.00 cloaks at.....	<b>\$9.98</b>
Our entire line of \$20.00 cloaks at.....	<b>\$15.00</b>	Our entire line of \$12.50 cloaks at.....	<b>\$7.50</b>

## A Combination of Special Silk and Dress Goods Values.

We show more styles and prices than any house in Crockett—moreover, our styles are more carefully selected, our silk and wool fabrics cannot be improved upon; the values are unmatched and unmatchable.

36-inch Black Guaranteed Taffeta, oil boiled and one of the most satisfactory Taffetas we have ever sold, \$1.25 grade, special.....	<b>1.00</b>	36-inch Gray Taffeta Silk, \$1.25 grade.....	<b>1.00</b>
Navy, Pink and Black China Silk.....	<b>35c</b>	36-inch Garnet Taffeta Silk, \$1.25 grade.....	<b>1.00</b>
\$1.25 Brown Serge, 44 inches wide.....	<b>85c</b>	36-inch White Taffeta Silk, \$1.25 grade.....	<b>1.00</b>
\$1.50 Black Broadcloth, 52 inches wide.....	<b>1.00</b>	85c Brown Waterproof, 54 inches wide.....	<b>50c</b>
\$1.50 Black Green Plaid, 36 inches wide.....	<b>1.00</b>	85c Navy Waterproof, 54 inches wide.....	<b>50c</b>
\$1.75 Cream Broadcloth, 54 inches wide.....	<b>1.25</b>	85c Black Waterproof, 54 inches wide.....	<b>50c</b>
\$1.50 Check Wool Suiting, 44 inches wide.....	<b>1.00</b>	85c Blue Check Serge, 38 inches wide.....	<b>50c</b>
\$1.50 Castor Satin Finish Cloth, 42 inches wide.....	<b>1.00</b>	75c Cream Mohair, 36 inches wide.....	<b>50c</b>
\$1.50 Green Broadcloth, 54 inches wide.....	<b>1.00</b>	85c Gray Serge, 36 inches wide.....	<b>50c</b>
\$1.25 Light Gray Serge, 44 inches wide.....	<b>85c</b>	75c Navy Mohair, 36 inches wide.....	<b>50c</b>
\$1.25 Gray Serge, 44 inches wide.....	<b>85c</b>	75c Black Brilliantine, 36 inches wide.....	<b>50c</b>
\$1.50 Black Voile, 44 inches wide.....	<b>1.00</b>	75c Black Ground White Dot Mohair.....	<b>50c</b>
		75c Navy Gray Plaid Panama, 38 inches wide.....	<b>50c</b>

## Special Jubilee Sale of Silk Petticoats.

A decisive mark down enables us to offer extraordinary values in silk petticoats. The lots are small, but values excellent. All leading colors will be found in the assortment. Do not miss this opportunity. They will be on sale until all are disposed of. Come, make your choice.

Green silk taffeta petticoat, \$6.50 value, at.....	<b>\$4.98</b>	Brown silk taffeta petticoat, \$6.50 value, at.....	<b>\$4.98</b>
Changeable silk taffeta petticoat, \$8.50 value, at.....	<b>\$6.98</b>	Brown silk taffeta petticoat, best quality, \$7.50 value.....	<b>\$5.98</b>

## Clothing! Clothing! Clothing!

All round sale of boys' and youth's clothing, a really extraordinary money-saving buying time, long before the season is over, in order to do us good and allow our customers the benefit of present season's wear at after season's prices. The importance of this event is best told by the price lots arranged on special tables, but to which we add the choice of all other lines in this section at special prices; so whether you buy from any of the advertised lots or not, you are bound to save money. Come to-morrow.

Children's two-piece suit, worth \$1.50, at.....	<b>98c</b>	Lot 1—Men's high grade clothing, \$15.00 value, at.....	<b>12.50</b>
Boys' suits, good quality of goods, regular \$2.50 value, during this sale at.....	<b>1.48</b>	Lot 2—Men's high grade clothing, \$12.50 value, at.....	<b>10.00</b>
Boys' suits, good quality of goods, regular \$4.50 value, during this sale at.....	<b>3.98</b>	Lot 3—Men's high grade clothing, \$10.00 value, at.....	<b>8.50</b>
		Lot 4—Men's high grade clothing, \$8.50 value, at.....	<b>6.50</b>

## The Staples.

Best outing, per yard.....	<b>8c</b>
Calicoes, per yard.....	<b>5c</b>
Twenty yards bleached domestic, yard wide.....	<b>\$1.00</b>
Twenty yards brown domestic, yard wide.....	<b>\$1.00</b>
Twenty-five yards cotton checks.....	<b>\$1.00</b>
Twenty-five yards apron checks.....	<b>\$1.00</b>
All wool flannel, red and white, per yard.....	<b>37c</b>
Best percale, per yard.....	<b>9c</b>
Ginghams, all color, per yard.....	<b>9c</b>
11-4 Brown sheeting, per yard.....	<b>20c</b>
11-4 Bleached sheeting, per yard.....	<b>23c</b>
Heavy huck toweling.....	<b>9c</b>
Men's heavy fleece lined undershirts.....	<b>39c</b>
Men's heavy fleece lined drawers.....	<b>39c</b>
Ladies' heavy fleece lined vests.....	<b>23c</b>
Ladies' heavy fleece lined drawers.....	<b>48c</b>
Ladies' all wool hose, per pair.....	<b>19c</b>
Men's all wool hose, per pair.....	<b>19c</b>
Men's heavy cheviot work shirts.....	<b>43c</b>
A. C. A. feather tick, per yard.....	<b>12c</b>
Mattress tick, per yard.....	<b>5c</b>

Remember the Sale Begins  
**Saturday**  
**December 5**  
and Closes Thursday, Dec. 24, 1908

## Jubilee Sale of Shoes.

A special under-price sale, for a limited time only, of high grade, dependable footwear for women, children and men—footwear that is dependable in every way—stylish, comfortable and perfect-fitting, made by skilled workmen from well selected stock. Among them are many of our own well known makes. In this cut-price sale we have marked all winter stocks extremely low so as to insure a quick and positive clean-up of this season's stock. Remember these prices, cut them out and bring them along with you and see them just as we advertise.

### Shoes for Men.

Endicott-Johnson, box calf blucher.....	<b>\$1 98</b>
World-Over, hand sewed, patent leather.....	<b>1 50</b>
Courtney's National, vici kid.....	<b>1 68</b>
Endicott-Johnson's Prince, satin calf.....	<b>1 88</b>
Hoyt's Custom Shoe, congress, box calf.....	<b>2 68</b>
Dittman's S. R. Shoe.....	<b>1 58</b>
Vici blucher 922.....	<b>1 10</b>
Arco kid blucher.....	<b>1 38</b>
Courtney's \$2.50 shoe.....	<b>2 00</b>
Vici kid blucher.....	<b>2 25</b>
Corona colt blucher.....	<b>2 98</b>
Hoyt's Glenwood, vici blucher.....	<b>2 58</b>
Jas. S. Shivers' glazed kangaroo.....	<b>3 00</b>
Endicott-Johnson, bright kangaroo.....	<b>3 00</b>
Clover Brand, Sir Knight, \$4.00 shoe.....	<b>3 48</b>
Dittman's Custom Welt.....	<b>2 39</b>
Own Make, patent colt.....	<b>3 28</b>
Peter's Koh-I-Noor.....	<b>2 38</b>
Endicott-Johnson, patent colt blucher.....	<b>2 28</b>
Peter's Black Diamond shoe.....	<b>1 68</b>
Courtney's National, box calf.....	<b>1 98</b>
Hoyt's Kenwood, box calf blucher.....	<b>2 25</b>
Clover Brand, Dress Well.....	<b>2 78</b>
Dittman's Apollo, patent calf.....	<b>2 98</b>
Dittman's Champion, box calf.....	<b>2 38</b>

### Shoes for Women.

Dittman's Josephine.....	<b>\$1 10</b>
Dongola Polish.....	<b>1 10</b>
Dittman's New Idea.....	<b>1 68</b>
Fredman's Dolly Madison.....	<b>1 25</b>
Courtney's Luzana, box calf.....	<b>1 10</b>
Courtney's Lively.....	<b>1 38</b>
Dittman's O. K.....	<b>1 88</b>
Courtney's Lady Jefferson.....	<b>2 98</b>
Bradley & Metcalf's Rosahe.....	<b>1 68</b>
Courtney's Wonder.....	<b>1 48</b>
Box Calf.....	<b>1 10</b>
Desnoyer's Victoria.....	<b>1 38</b>
Dittman's Solid Leather.....	<b>1 48</b>
Dittman's 883.....	<b>1 00</b>
Banner Line.....	<b>1 00</b>
Dittman's 1472.....	<b>98</b>
Dittman's Made Well.....	<b>1 48</b>
Dittman's Peach.....	<b>1 10</b>
Dittman's Columbia Calf.....	<b>1 48</b>
Clover Brand Faultless.....	<b>1 38</b>
Fredman Bros.' National.....	<b>2 10</b>
Courtney's X-L-N-T.....	<b>1 78</b>
Dittman's Special.....	<b>2 38</b>
Courtney's Wonder.....	<b>1 48</b>
Dittman's Dazzler.....	<b>1 10</b>

THE BIG STORE



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C. W. Post, of Battle Creek, Mich., will sink a test well for oil and gas soon on the land at Post City in West Texas.

Active work is in progress on new flouring mill in San Angelo, which is to be ready by the first of the new year.

Heavy rains near Sword, north of Oklahoma City, washed out 200 feet of track belonging to the Santa Fe Sunday.

Mrs. J. H. Davis was burned to death Saturday evening while burning trash from a garden patch, at Medford, Okla.

Van Alstone has just closed a two days' poultry show, and, despite the inclemency of the weather, it was a great success.

Mrs. J. H. Hughes was struck and run over by a Texas & Pacific locomotive at Sherman, Tuesday. She died in twenty minutes.

For the second time since 1861 the Grand Council of the Royal and Select Masters of Texas met in Waco Monday afternoon, Nov. 30.

William Biggley, Chief of Police of San Francisco, drowned Tuesday night, while returning across the bay in the police patrol launch.

Preparations are being made to occupy the new \$100,000 hospital recently completed in Temple for use of the Santa Fe employees.

R. S. Payne, a capitalist and hotel man from Cincinnati, Ohio, is in San Angelo, and will consider the proposition to build a \$100,000 hotel.

According to the report of the Department of Public Health there were in Texas during the month of September only 1381 deaths and 4057 births.

President D. J. Nell, of the Farmers' Union, has issued a call for a meeting of all county presidents throughout the State to be held in Fort Worth December 20-21.

The Kansas City Stock Yards Company will begin, the first week in January, the erection of a new eight-story Live Stock Exchange building and new cattle and hog pens.

With a roar that could be heard for miles the mine of the Pittsburg-Buffalo Coal Company at Marlanna, Pa., exploded Saturday, and after careful search it is estimated that one hundred and twenty lives were lost.

When Rev. Dr. William R. Huntington, rector of Grace Church, New York, sat down to his breakfast Tuesday morning, he found under his plate a check for more than \$40,000, voluntarily contributed by members of his congregation as a token of their esteem.

In his annual report to the secretary of war Lieut. Col. George W. Goethals, U. S. A., chief engineer of the Isthmian Canal Commission shows that dirt has been flying in the excavation work of the last year and that \$34,572,998.55 had been spent, with an available balance of \$36,391,470.03 on July 1, 1908.

A tragedy occurred in Ardmore, Okla., Tuesday evening in which Luther Ford, a boy of 12 years, is dead, with three buckshot in the back. Policeman Smith Redmon is wounded with four shot, and William Bellew was shot in thirty places from the hips to the head.

That a gigantic corporation to control every stick of standing timber in the Western Hemisphere is being agitated at the present time, was the admission made in Washington by T. B. Walker of Minneapolis, owner of the largest tracts of standing pine in the United States.

Herbert Neal, foreman of the Texas Central switch engine at Hico, had his hand very badly mashed Friday evening while switching in the yards.

At El Paso, Tuesday, ground was broken for the construction of a \$65,000 ice plant and also for an \$85,000 flouring mill.

News of a gold strike at Gold Pass, a new mining camp a few miles from Sylvanite, N. M., was brought to El Paso Tuesday by C. G. Campbell, who claims to have struck paying ore.

The tuberculosis exhibit which has for some time been at Brownwood was sent to Waco Monday.

The four offices of assistant postmaster general will be abolished, a director of posts with seven assistants provided for and the entire postal service of the United States divided into fifteen separate districts, if the bill providing for the revision of the postal bill, which is being prepared by the Joint Postal Investigation Committee of Congress appointed two years ago is passed by congress.

#### WHAT WOULD HE HAVE SAID?



"Get up, Jack. You mustn't cry like a baby! You're quite a man now. You know if I fell down I shouldn't cry, I should merely say—"  
"Yes, I know, pa; but then—I go to Sunday school—and you don't."

#### TORTURED SIX MONTHS

By Terrible Itching Eczema—Baby's Suffering Was Terrible—Soon Entirely Cured by Cuticura.

"Eczema appeared on my son's face. We went to a doctor who treated him for three months. Then he was so bad that his face and head were nothing but one sore and his ears looked as if they were going to fall off, so we tried another doctor for four months, the baby never getting any better. His hand and legs had big sores on them and the poor little fellow suffered so terribly that he could not sleep. After he had suffered six months we tried a set of the Cuticura Remedies and the first treatment let him sleep and rest well; in one week the sores were gone and in two months he had a clear face. Now he is two years and has never had eczema again. Mrs. Louis Leck, R. F. D. 3, San Antonio, Tex., Apr. 15, 1907."

The blind population of Great Britain is about 40,000.

**The Changing Times.**  
Times have changed since 450 years ago, when Halley's comet, for whose reappearance astronomers are now looking, was in the heavens. Then the Christian world prayed to be delivered from "the devil, the Turk and the comet." Now it says the devil is not as black as he has been painted, the Turk is a negligible quantity and the comet would be rather welcome than otherwise.—Boston Transcript.

Not "Just as Good"—It's the Best  
One box of Hunt's Cure is unfailingly, unqualifiedly, and absolutely guaranteed to cure any form of Skin Disease. It is particularly active in promptly relieving and permanently curing all forms of itching known. Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm and all similar troubles are relieved by one application; cured by one box.

An Opinion Confirmed.  
"That's the toughest piece of steak I ever struck," said the man in the restaurant.

"I guess you're right, sir," replied the waiter; "the man who had it before said the same thing!"

## Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna

acts gently yet promptly on the bowels, cleanses the system effectually, assists one in overcoming habitual constipation permanently. To get its beneficial effects buy the genuine.

Manufactured by the  
**CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.**  
SOLD BY LEADING DRUGGISTS—50¢ PER BOTTLE

## Save \$23.50 on a Top Buggy

This handsome buggy sells for \$20 and \$25 at every carriage store. Our price, \$46.50 complete with double braced shafts, leather cushion and back, quarter leather top, full length body irons and dust-proof axles. Our low prices are the result of twenty years' experience in the production of vehicles and harness. Write for free catalog.  
Mosehart & Keller Co., Dept. W, Houston, Tex.

KNOWN SINCE 1876 A RELIABLE TRADE MARK

## PLANTEN'S C & C OR BLACK CAPSULES

SUPERIOR REMEDY FOR URINARY TRACT DISEASES. DRUGGISTS OR BY MAIL IN REFERENCE TO PLANTEN & SON, PHENIX, ILL.

**PARKER'S HAIR BALM**  
Cleanses and beautifies the hair. Promotes a luxuriant growth. Never Falls to Boston Gray Hair to its Youthful Color. Cures scalp disease & hair falling. 25¢ and \$1.00 at Druggists.

## We Have for Sale

Good improved and unimproved land at prices that are very reasonable and on good terms. Write us for lists. Graham & Cook, Cuero, Texas.

**McCANE'S DETECTIVE AGENCY,**  
Houston, Texas, operates the largest force of competent detectives in the South, they render written opinions in cases not handled by them. Reasonable rates.

## PENSIONS

How Laws Sanctioned  
Texas Volunteers, 1861-62 entitled. Write Nathan Hickford, 162 N. Y. Ave., WASHINGTON, D. C.

If afflicted with Thompson's Eye Water  
W. N. U., DALLAS, NO. 50, 1908.

Are your shoes going down hill? They haven't lived up to the salesman's say-so. Take our say-so this time. Get stylish White House Shoes. They fit from tip to counter. From welt to top face, they meet the graceful shape of your foot. And they hold that shape.

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Women, of course, suffer more pain than men. These pains are due to general weakness, to deranged functions, to diseased organs, to over-work, worry, nervous debility, and many other burdens that women have to bear.

Lift them off, with Wine of Cardui, that welcome, helping hand, that all women may grasp, to help themselves out of the slough of disease.

# Take Cardui

Mrs. Katie Burlison, of Goreville, Ill., writes: "I suffered with female troubles and was so sick I could not stand on my feet. Finally, I began to take Cardui, and soon began to mend. Now I am able to do all my housework and am in much better health than I was before." Try it. Sold at all druggists, with full directions for use.

**A Multiplicity of Fathers.**  
Ardyce had been learning to sing "America" at school and was trying to teach it to brother Wayne. One morning his father heard him shouting: "Land where my papa died, land where my papa died."  
Ardyce interrupted: "Oh, no, Wayne, not that way. It is 'Land where our fathers died.'"  
Wayne's expression could not be described as he tipped his head sideways, and in a very surprised tone gravely asked: "Two of 'em'?"—Delineator.

**"It Knocks the Itch"**  
It may not cure all your ills, but it does cure one of the worst. It cures any form of itch ever known—no matter what it is called, where the sensation is "itch," it knocks it. Eczema, Ringworm and all the rest are relieved at once and cured by one box. It's guaranteed, and its name is Hunt's Cure.

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"It's easy to be gay and make people about you forget their troubles."  
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**Pity She Couldn't.**  
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"Then shut up," muttered the old-fashioned curmudgeon in the corner, "for the new ones are something fierce."—Judge.

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Whether from Colds, Heat, Stomach or Nervous troubles, the aches are speedily relieved by Capudine. It's Liquid-pleasant to take—Effects immediately. 10, 25 and 50¢ at Drug Stores.

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An old lady was accosted in a London street by a well-dressed and refined-looking stranger, who effusively claimed her as a friend. "I really don't believe you remember me!" she exclaimed, reproachfully, and the old lady, never doubting that her memory was at fault, confessed that she could not quite recall the name. "Ah! but I have changed it since you knew me," said her interlocutor, gayly, and after a few more lively speeches she passed on, having possessed herself meanwhile of the old lady's purse.

**Don't Delay**  
The season of coughs and colds is not yet past—they will be prevalent for some months to come. Do not neglect or experiment with them. Use the safe and sure remedy—Simmons' Cough Syrup. It heals the soreness and stops the cough.

Later on some of our street contractors may get a chance to repair some of those pavements made of good intentions.

**Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.**  
For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25¢ a bottle.

To feign a virtue is to have its opposite vice.—Hawthorne.

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# RANCHMAN MURDERED.

DIVORCED WIFE AND BROTHERS  
ARRESTED AT DEL RIO.

## MYSTERY SURROUNDS CRIME.

A Few Days Ago He Was Granted a Divorce From His Wife and Allowed Custody of His Child.

Del Rio, Tex.—Considerable excitement was created here Thursday when Benjamin Newman was found dead in bed from a 44-caliber bullet, which had entered the top of his head, passed out the left cheek and on through the left arm, lodging under the skin. At first it was reported he had committed suicide, but a more careful examination showed that the wound could not have been self-inflicted. Newman is a ranchman, living about forty miles north of here. He has a wife and three children. On the first day of this month his wife was granted a divorce, but he was allowed the custody of the child, a girl. Mrs. Newman, with two of her brothers, Edward and Albert Welch, have been staying this week with friends here. Last night Newman and one of the brothers were out together and returned to the house where Mrs. Newman was staying, and they all slept in one room. Mrs. Newman and the children were in one bed, Newman and the two brothers in another.

When the death became known Thursday morning Justice of the Peace L. F. Garner went to the house to hold an inquest. The conditions were such that the authorities took Mrs. Newman and the two brothers into custody. Justice Garner held the inquest but returned a sealed verdict to the district court clerk, to be given sealed to the foreman of the grand jury, now in session. An autopsy was held and every structure of the skull was found to be torn apart from the concussion of the shot, which must have been fired at short range. There is considerable mystery connected with the case.

## RUSH OF HOMESEEKERS.

Half as Many Again to Arrive and 100 Per Cent More to Purchase.

San Antonio, Tex.—That 50 per cent more homeseekers will come to Texas this winter than for any previous period and will make 100 per cent more purchases is the opinion of C. W. Strain. Mr. Strain has been in close touch with the homeseeker movement and notes a remarkable augmentation since the recent financial depression and the pre-election scare.

"They are coming with bags of money," he said. "The improvement in the class is most noteworthy. The great bulk coming in now are thrifty and will make good citizens."

He says that on this week's excursion half a dozen trainloads of homeseekers will reach Texas, and that there will be an increased demand for land for homesteads.

"Texas is in the minds of the farmers of the United States," he continued. "There is no place in the world where the land is as fertile and as cheap, the climate as good and the possibilities of diversification so great. I look for the population of the state to double within the next ten years."

## Russian Caracul Sheep for Texas.

New York.—If fifteen sheep which reached this port Thursday thrive as well as is expected, the price of a caracul coat will fall within the reach of every woman within a few years. The sheep are to be taken to Texas. In the lot which arrived on the Estonia of the Russian-American Line are seven rams and eight mothers. They are real Russian caracul sheep, the first, it is said, that were ever imported into this country. They came from the province of Bessarabia, bordering on Black Sea, where the climate is said to be like that of Holliday, Texas, in the neighborhood of which is the ranch upon which they will be placed.

## Shad for Texas Waters.

Washington.—Commissioner Bowers of the Fisheries Bureau is going to try again to establish the shad in Texas waters. At the solicitation of Mr. Burselon he has consented to see if they can be propagated in the Colorado and Neches rivers. It is intended to turn loose a half million of the new fish within a year. They will be got from North Carolina and shipped to Texas in cans. The shad requires rather clear waters and for this reason there is some doubt whether the fish will thrive in the Colorado and Neches.

## Nord Alexis Deposed.

Port au Prince.—President Nord Alexis has been deposed and is now safe on board the French training ship, Duquay Trouin, and Port au Prince is in the hands of the revolutionists. Gen. Simon, the leader of the insurgents, marched up the peninsula with an army of 5,000 men and a new president, Gen. Legitime, has been proclaimed.

# A. AND M. COLLEGE BUILDING.

ENGINEERING BUILDING NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

Planned by College Architect. Erected by Texas Contractor, and Material Produced in Texas.

College Station, Tex.—Planned by the college architect, to be supervised as it is constructed by the man who planned it, being erected by a Texas contractor, and all material of its construction, as far as possible being produced in Texas, the work on the engineering building which will be another added to the group on the campus of the A. and M. College of Texas, is now under way.

There are some fine buildings on the campus, and during the past year the new natatorium, which is of brick, the new Goodwin hall, which is brick and cement, together with a number of frame buildings, have been constructed, but heretofore the designs for large buildings have been made by various architects, the selection of plans being in competition, but the one which is now in course of construction was designed altogether in the architectural department of the college under the direction of F. E. Giesecke, the college architect. It is just recently that this title was conferred upon Prof. Giesecke, who is a member of the faculty, being professor of architectural engineering and drawing. He has directed the plans for the smaller buildings in the past, but this is the first large one under his direction as to plans and drawings, and he will supervise the work. Ground was broken December 1 by J. S. Harrison, contractor, of Waco, the time limit of his contract being until September 1, but it is believed it can be finished before that time.

The need of this building has been apparent for some time. The department of civil engineering under Prof. J. C. Nagle and that of architectural engineering under Prof. Giesecke have long needed additional room, and the last legislature appropriated \$65,000 for the purpose. In the meantime the department of electrical engineering has been growing so rapidly that it must have house room, so when the proposed building was designed, arrangements were made for those departments. As it is, they will be crowded into inadequate quarters. It is expected that the growth of the school will result in that liberality of expenditure on the part of the legislature that will give another building later for electrical engineering, leaving the civil engineers and the architects in this new building to divide it between them. Thus it is that the engineering building is under way.

The site of this proposed engineering building is about 170 feet south of the main building between the main building and the Assembly Hall, and between Foster Hall and the Agricultural building. It is to be 125x54 feet in size, three stories and a basement. The basemen will be occupied by laboratories for electrical and civil engineers, each having equal room.

The first floor will be devoted to the electrical engineers, laboratories, class rooms, instrument room and offices for those in charge of the department.

The second floor will be devoted to civil engineers, for lecture rooms, drafting room, library and offices for the instructors.

On the third floor will be the lecture room, drawing rooms and library for the architects and offices for the head of the department and those assisting. On the roof will be a blue print room.

The foundation of this new building will be reinforced concrete to a depth of five feet. The walls will be of concrete up to the first floor and above that they will be of Corsicana brick, faced with manganese brick from the Butler brick works at Elgin. The floors will be of reinforced concrete and the partition walls will be plaster two inches thick on metal laths. The walls and floors will be supported by steel frames, fire proofed with concrete. There will be no lumber in the building except the lining for the floors, the doors and door and window frames. It will be practically fireproof. There will be no galvanized iron trimmings. All will be artificial stone made from crushed granite by the Dallas Cement Stone Company, which will establish a plant on the grounds for that purpose. The building will be steam heated, but has not been determined whether to pipe the heat from the central plant or put in an independent plant. The contract price for this building is \$55,375. It will cost only about nine per cent more than if it had been constructed of ordinary wood floors and walls. It will be lighted by electricity. The design is a modern classic.

The engineering department, which will occupy this building are watching the work with interest. The departments are growing, especially that of electrical engineering, and it is believed it will be a more popular department hereafter.

# TEXAS SCHOOL FUNDS.

THE PERMANENT FUND OF SOME COUNTIES.

## NOT ENJOYING FULL BENEFITS

Only the Interest Should Be Used for the Schools—No Authorized Official to Bring Suit.

Austin, Tex.—The Department of Education entertains some apprehension for the well-being of the permanent school fund of several counties of the state. Of late years there has been a disposition on the part of certain counties not to take the care of the fund that they should, and as a result their permanent funds are not enjoying the same condition of healthfulness that others are or that they should.

The state gave each county about 17,000 acres of land for its permanent school fund. The county is supposed to protect this property, as the state protects the permanent school fund. The county permanent fund may not under the law be used. If the land is sold the revenue from the sale shall be invested and the interest on it alone must go to defray the expenses of the county's schools in so far as it can pay them.

When the Department of Education checks up the various county funds, it frequently finds a number of them short. The department knows exactly what the county originally had, and calls on it for the balance, or rather notifies the treasurer that the deficit in the permanent school fund must be made good. Frequently the department receives a reply conveying the information that in the county involved it has been the custom for years to make each county fund pay its own expenses, and the amount deducted from the permanent school fund has been accordingly applied.

This is altogether wrong, but seemingly there is no way to stop it. The Department of Education can only become indignant and threaten on paper, for it has developed that there is no provision of the law prescribing the official whose duty it shall be to bring the necessary legal suit to recover the money that has been allowed to waste away. This is the key to the whole situation, without which there can be no enforced discontinuance of the practice of permitting the school fund to disintegrate. The Department of Education realizes that the state must look to the future about such matters as a permanent school fund, else posterity may eventually be confronted by conditions less satisfactory than they were fifty years ago.

## DIAMOND IN GRAVEL PIT.

Laborer Found at Denver a Rough Diamond Large as Half an Egg.

Omaha, Neb.—William Ahren, a laborer, walked into the jewelry store of Louis A. Borsheim having in his hand a rough diamond half as large as a hen's egg, which he had picked up in a gravel pit near Denver, where he worked last summer. For three months Ahren carried the diamond around in his pocket without suspecting the true nature of the stone. Borsheim says the diamond is worth at least \$4,000 and probably more than that amount.

Ahren moved to Omaha from Denver recently. He was a laborer in a gravel pit at Denver when he picked up the stone, which he then supposed to be worthless, but which he now finds to be a valuable diamond in the rough.

## Night Riders Threaten Col. Taylor.

Chattanooga, Tenn.—It has been reported that Col. R. Z. Taylor of this place, who made such a miraculous escape from the night riders the night that Capt. Quentin Rankin was hanged at Walnut Log, on Oct. 5, has received a note containing a notice that the night riders will call at his home and take his body, dead or alive, but no date when the attack is to be made.

Cameron, Tex.—On account of the scarcity of cars, or delay in the delivery of them, for cotton seed shipment at Ben Arnold, some of the people who have large quantities of seed have hired it hauled through the country from Ben Arnold to Cameron. The distance is only seven miles and there is not much pay in the haul for the railroads.

Giddings, Tex.—A high wind several days ago wrecked the smokestack of the Giddings Compress Company. Fortunately they were up with their pressing and they ordered a new stack, which has been erected, and they are now ready for business again.

## Shah of Persia Condemned to Die.

Teheran.—Proclamations of the secret revolutionary organization have been posted condemning the shah to death for violation of the constitution.

## PROVED BY TIME.

No Fear of Any Further Trouble.

David Price, Corydon, Ia., says: "I was in the last stage of kidney trouble—lame, weak, run down to a mere skeleton. My back was so bad I could hardly walk and the kidney secretions much disordered. A week after I began using Doan's Kidney Pills I could walk without a cane, and as I continued my health gradually returned. I was so grateful I made a public statement of my case, and now seven years have passed, I am still perfectly well." Sold by all dealers. 50c a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

## ENGLISH HUMOR.



She—Pooh! What is a kiss It is nothing.

He—Well you once said you could refuse me nothing, you know.—Chips.

## LAME BACK PRESCRIPTION

The increased use of "Toris" for lame back and rheumatism is causing considerable discussion among the medical fraternity. It is an almost infallible cure when mixed with certain other ingredients and taken properly. The following formula is effective: "To one-half pint of good whiskey add one ounce of Toris Compound and one ounce Syrup Sarsaparilla Compound. Take in tablespoonful doses before each meal and before retiring."

Toris compound is a product of the laboratories of the Globe Pharmaceutical Co., Chicago; but it is as well as the other ingredients can be had from any good druggist.

## OF TWO EVILS, ETC.

Youngster Evidently Had His Own Idea as to the Choice.

My neighbor, writes a correspondent, has four young sons, whom he and his wife duly lead to church every Sunday. Just as the sermon was about to begin last Sunday one of the boys was observed to look very uncomfortable, and, having explained the nature of his sufferings, was sent home. His younger brother, in an urgent whisper, demanded of his mother: "Where's Tom gone?"

"He's gone home."

"What for?"

"The mother whispered, low: 'He's got toothache.'"

And the lad, as he sat up to listen the preacher, muttered, in a stage whisper: "Lucky dog!"

## Sniffles and Nerves.

Keep to yourself during warm, nerve-irritating weather. It is related that an Atchison man and wife dearly love each other. She is a perfect lady, and apologizes when she says "shucks." But one night, when they were sitting on the porch, presumably enjoying the tender twilight, she suddenly picked up a stool and threw it at his head. "I am not insane," she said, calmly, when he turned a frightened gaze on her; "I am simply worn out by the manner in which you sniffle at the end of every sentence!"—Atchison Globe.

## CAUSE AND EFFECT.

Good Digestion Follows Right Food.

Indigestion and the attendant discomforts of mind and body are certain to follow continued use of improper food.

Those who are still young and robust are likely to overlook the fact that, as dropping water will wear a stone away at last, so will the use of heavy, greasy, rich food, finally cause loss of appetite and indigestion.

Fortunately many are thoughtful enough to study themselves and note the principle of Cause and Effect in their daily food. A N. Y. young woman writes her experience thus:

"Sometime ago I had a lot of trouble from indigestion, caused by too rich food. I got so I was unable to digest scarcely anything, and medicines seemed useless.

"A friend advised me to try Grape-Nuts food, praising it highly, and as a last resort I tried it. I am thankful to say that Grape-Nuts not only relieved me of my trouble, but built me up and strengthened my digestive organs so that I can now eat anything I desire. But I stick to Grape-Nuts."

"There's a Reason."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

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**COURIER HAS BARGAIN MONTH.**

Beginning November 24 and Continuing Until December 24 Inclusive.

The Courier will have some obligations to meet on January 1, 1909, that will require all the money that it can raise by that time. There will not be much doing Christmas week. For these reasons the Courier is going to inaugurate a bargain month beginning November 24 and running to and including December 24. During this time all subscribers paying up back dues can secure a year's subscription in advance to the Courier for 75 cents, a discount of 25 per cent. Twenty-five cents is small, but if you could get all your bills for 1909 discounted at 25 per cent, don't you think you would be making good money?

All subscribers taking advantage of the above proposition will have their subscriptions dated up to January 1, 1910. This is a proposition that the Courier has never made before and it is one that likely will never be made again. We are going to need the money. You will need the paper next year and you might as well take advantage of the 25 per cent discount now while it is being offered. This offer positively will be withdrawn on December 24, 1908. After that the Courier will cost you \$1.00 a year, payable in advance. If you want to save 25 per cent of your Courier subscription account, take advantage of this offer.

If you are not already a subscriber of the Courier and wish to become one, if your subscription is handed in during Bargain Month, you can get the Courier from time of subscribing until January 1, 1910, for 75 cents, cash with subscription.

**Ill Health Is More Expensive Than Any Cure.**

This country is now filled with people who migrate across the continent in all directions seeking that which gold cannot buy. Nine tenths of them are suffering from throat and lung trouble or chronic catarrh resulting from neglected colds, and spending fortunes vainly trying to regain lost health. Could every sufferer but undo the past and cure that first neglected cold, all this sorrow, pain, anxiety and expense could have been avoided. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures of colds, and can always be depended upon. Use it and the more serious diseases may be avoided. For sale by Murchison & Beasley.

**News From Lovelady.**

Miss Lizzie Inman of Groveton was a visitor in Lovelady this week.

Howard Tomme of Percilla visited homefolks Sunday.

Mrs. J. W. Hamilton left Sunday to join Mr. Hamilton in Houston where they will reside in the future.

Misses Lula and Lucy Hartt, Gusette Bedford, Alma Leffler and Enla Brannen spent a few days in Crockett last week.

Mr. F. M. Davis was a visitor in Houston this week.

Jewell Alexander of Palestine spent Sunday with the folks at home.

Mrs. J. W. Adams and Miss Ella Mae LaRue attended the Woman's Home Mission Society in Crockett this week.

Miss Jessie Hill spent Sunday in Crockett the guest of relatives. Miss Alma Moore's many friends are glad to see her up again after a serious spell of typhoid fever.

Miss Verne Monday was a visitor in Crockett this week.

Mrs. J. E. Johnson and little son are the guests of relatives in Houston.

Mr. A. S. Cannon, formerly of this place but now of Greenville, spent several weeks in Lovelady on business.

Rev. J. C. Cameron, former pastor of the M. E. church, was sent to Tyler circuit. Rev. A. L. Carnes will take Bro. Cameron's place here and at Grapeland.

Misses Maud and Letitia Beeson of Nevil's Prairie were the guests of Mrs. H. W. Beeson this week.

**How One Doctor Successfully Treats Pneumonia.**

"In treating pneumonia," says Dr. W. J. Smith, of Sanders, Ala., "the only remedy I use for the lungs is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. While, of course, I would treat other symptoms with other medicines, I have used this remedy many times in my medical practice and have yet failed to find a case where it has not controlled the trouble. I have used it myself, as has also my wife for coughs and colds repeatedly, and I most willingly and cheerfully recommend it as superior to any other cough remedy to my knowledge." For sale by Murchison & Beasley.

Hoarse coughs and stuffy colds that may develop into pneumonia over night are quickly cured by Foley's Honey and Tar, as it soothes inflamed membranes, heals the lungs, and expels the cold from the system. McLean's Drug Store.

**A New Law Firm.**

We beg to call public attention to the ad. of Madden & Ellis, a new law firm composed of J. W. Madden and C. M. (Marvin) Ellis, which will be found in another column of this paper. Both members of the firm were born and raised in this county, are well known to our readers, and hence need no introduction or encomium from us. The senior member, Mr. Madden, has practiced his profession at Crockett for the past seventeen years, and by close attention to business has built up a good practice. His course as a lawyer is a matter of public knowledge and he enjoys the confidence of the bench, the bar and the people. The junior member, Mr. Ellis, is a young man of much promise, is a graduate of the law department of the State University, and by dint of industry, perseverance and natural talent he has, during the few years he has been in the practice, drawn to himself a business and achieved a position in his profession that are quite commendable to a man of his age. We regard this firm as a strong combination of experience and young manhood and vigor, and we bespeak for them that degree of success to which their merits entitle them.

**Mrs. McRaney's Experience**

Mrs. M. McRaney, Prentiss, Miss., writes: "I was confined to my bed for three months with kidney and bladder trouble, and was treated by two physicians but failed to get relief. No human tongue can tell how I suffered, and I had given up hope of ever getting well until I began taking Foley's Kidney Remedy. After taking two bottles I felt like a new person, and feel it my duty to tell suffering women what it did for me." McLean's Drug Store.

**Guilty of Counterfeiting.**

Passing counterfeit money is no worse than substituting some unknown worthless remedy for Foley's Honey and Tar, the great cough and cold remedy that cures the most obstinate cough and heals the lungs. McLean's Drug Store.

**Choked to Death**

It is commonly said of babies who have died of the croup. How unnecessary this is. No child ever had the croup without having a cold or cough at the start. If you will stop the first symptom of the cough with Ballard's Horehound Syrup there is no danger whatever of croup. Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

**For a Lame Back.**

When you have pains or lameness in the back bathe the parts with Chamberlain's Liniment twice a day, massaging with the palm of the hand for five minutes at each application. Then dampen a piece of flannel slightly with this liniment and bind it on over the seat of pain, and you may be surprised to see how quickly the lameness disappears. For sale by Murchison & Beasley.

**It's a Crime**

to neglect your health. The worst neglect that you can be guilty of is to allow constipation, biliousness or any liver or bowel trouble to continue. It is poisoning your entire system and may lead to a serious chronic disease. Take Ballard's Herbine and get absolutely well. The sure cure for any and all troubles of the stomach, liver and bowels. Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

**A Personal Appeal.**

If we could talk to you personally about the great merit of Foley's Honey and Tar, for coughs, colds and lung trouble, you never could be induced to experiment with unknown preparations that may contain some harmful drugs. Foley's Honey and Tar costs you no more and has a record of forty years of cures. McLean's Drug Store.

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young women who bloomed upon the "Wild Rose" bush is Evelyn Nesbit Thaw. It was not a beautiful flower that grew from her connection with that company. Blood and shame were on its petals, sorrow and dishonor ate out its heart. While posing behind the footlights of the Knickerbocker Evelyn Nesbit acquired the fascinating wiles which since have sent one man to his grave and another to a madhouse, for it was in those days that she formed the acquaintance with Stanford White, which led at last to his shooting by Harry Thaw.

Stood by Evelyn Nesbit. Standing in the light of reflected notoriety is May Mackenzie, the chorus girl chum of Evelyn Nesbit, who occupied a prominent place at the Thaw trial as the daily companion and staunch friend of the defendant's wife. For the sake of the "Wild Rose" days, when the two shared the same lip pencil and borrowed each other's powder puff, May Mackenzie unconcernedly braved notoriety to lighten the dark hours in the life of her afflicted friend. Her name was on every lip, her jaunty appearance, causing almost as much comment as that of the "angel child."

And again this sprightly little person has appropriated the limelight, now being hailed as the possessor of the "wickedest eyes in New York." Not that May Mackenzie really likes to have her orbs thought naughty. Dear me, no! It's dreadfully distressing, because, as she plaintively explains, "I can't just make my eyes behave." But by metropolitan theatergoers it is readily remembered that in the "Wild Rose" days those eyes were not of the unmanageable brand, and it is only since she budded in that garden of scandal that May Mackenzie's optical organs have become the "wickedest in all New York."

A little wisp of a girl, with a tiny face, enormous eyes and a lithe figure

gree Miss Forsythe's engagement has been rumored, and it is reported that her latest assiduous admirer is a young son of the Philadelphia Drexels.

Though Hymen has thus far failed to ensnare Hattie Forsythe, Irene Bentley has been busy changing partners in the matrimonial bouquet. While playing a leading role in "The Wild Rose" company the golden-haired actress met its librettist, Harry B. Smith, whose prolific pen has produced numerous successful musical comedies. He was married and so was she, but the divorce mills obligingly ground out the desired decrees, and wedding bells soon told the world that the mystic "Wild Rose" had united its leading lady and its composer.

**Ada Lonsdale and Elkins.**

Last but not least comes Ada Louise Lonsdale, who recently startled not only Washington and New York but Italy as well by bringing a \$100,000 breach of promise suit against Blaine Elkins, son of the Virginia senator and brother of the reported fiancée of the Duke of the Abruzzi. To "The Wild Rose" must be credited this latest sensation, for it was while playing a minor part in that piece that the young actress, who belonged to a good family of Memphis, Tenn., first became interested in Blaine Elkins, then a college youth. When on January 28 last young Elkins eloped and married the daughter of the late Senator Kenna nothing was heard from his former sweetheart, Ada Louise Lonsdale. However, she chose a psychological moment when the announcement of another international engagement was expected, and startled the world at large by the \$100,000 suit. But the suit is said to have been dropped.

When Miss Lonsdale recently disappeared the tongues of the gossips were let loose and they began counting up the sensations that have already bloomed from that "Wild Rose" bush.

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## URGES CHANGES IN LAWS

**Present Currency System Declared Imperfect—Control of Corporations the Province of the National Government—Conduct of Labor Leaders Criticized—For Postal Savings Banks.**

Washington.—In his message to congress, read in both houses Tuesday, President Roosevelt makes important suggestions as to what he considers necessary legislation.

The president congratulates the nation on its present excellent financial standing, but calls attention to the need of remedying defects in the currency system. He says:

The financial standing of the nation at the present time is excellent, and the financial management of the nation's interests by the government during the last seven years has shown the most satisfactory results. But our currency system is imperfect, and it is earnestly to be hoped that the currency commission will be able to propose a thoroughly good system which will do away with the existing defects.

During the period from July 1, 1901, to September 30, 1908, there was an increase in the amount of money in circulation of \$92,991,399. The increase in the per capita during this period was \$7.06. Within this time there were several occasions when it was necessary for the treasury department to come to the relief of the money market by purchases or redemptions of United States bonds; by increasing deposits in national banks; by stimulating additional issues of national bank notes; and by facilitating importations from abroad of gold. Our imperfect currency system has made these proceedings necessary, and they were effective until the monetary disturbance in the fall of 1907, when the government was forced to use the emergency methods of relief. By the middle of November the available working balance in the treasury had been reduced to approximately \$5,000,000. Clearing house associations throughout the country had been obliged to resort to the expedient of issuing clearing house certificates to be used as money. In this emergency it was determined to invite subscriptions for \$20,000,000 Panama canal bonds, and \$100,000,000 three per cent. certificates of indebtedness authorized by the act of June 13, 1898. It was proposed to redeposit in the national banks the proceeds of these issues, and to permit their use as a basis for additional circulating notes of national banks. The moral effect of this procedure was so great that it was necessary to issue only \$24,621,586 of the Panama bonds and \$15,434,208 of the certificates of indebtedness.

During the period from July 1, 1901, to September 30, 1908, the balance between the net ordinary receipts and the net ordinary expenses of the government showed a surplus in the four years 1902, 1903, 1904, and 1907, and a deficit in the years 1905, 1906, 1908 and a fractional part of the fiscal year 1909. The net result was a surplus of \$90,283,415.54. The financial operations of the government during this period, based upon these differences between receipts and expenditures, resulted in a net reduction of the interest-bearing debt of the United States from \$77,141,990 to \$67,253,960, notwithstanding that there had been two sales of Panama canal bonds amounting in the aggregate to \$24,621,586, and an issue of three per cent. certificates of indebtedness under the act of June 13, 1898, amounting to \$15,434,208. Refunding operations of the treasury department under the act of March 14, 1900, resulted in the conversion into two per cent. bonds of 1900 of \$20,000,000 of three per cent. bonds at an interest of 4.5 per cent. A decrease of \$5,577,956 in the annual interest charge resulted from these operations.

In short, during the seven years and three months there has been a net surplus of nearly one hundred millions of receipts over expenditures, a reduction of the interest-bearing debt by ninety millions, in spite of the extraordinary expense of the Panama canal, and a saving of nearly nine millions on the annual interest charge.

The message reiterates the well-known views of the president that the control of great corporations, especially the railroads of the country, should be vested in the national government. He says:

I believe that it is worse than folly to attempt to prohibit all combinations as is done by the Sherman anti-trust law, because such a law can be enforced only imperfectly and unequally, and its enforcement works almost as much hardship as good. I strongly advocate that instead of an unwise effort to prohibit all combinations, there shall be substituted a law which shall expressly permit combinations which are in the interest of the public, but shall at the same time give to some agency in the national government full power of control and supervision over them.

The railroads of the country should be put completely under the interstate commerce commission and removed from the domain of the anti-trust law. The power of the commission should be made thoroughgoing, so that it could exercise complete supervision and control over the issue of securities as well as over the raising and lowering of rates. As regards rates, at least, this power should be summary. Rates must be made as low as is compatible with giving proper returns to all the employees of the railroad, from the highest to the lowest, and proper returns to the shareholders, but they must not, for instance, be reduced in such fashion as to necessitate a cut in the wages of the employees or the abolition of the proper and legitimate profits of honest shareholders.

Interests of the Wageworker. Turning to conditions affecting the wageworker and the man of small means, the president says:

Postal Savings banks will make it easy for the poorest to keep their savings in absolute safety. The regulation of the national highways must be such that they shall serve all people with equal justice. Corporate financial matters should be supervised so as to make it far safer than at present for the man of small means to invest his money in stocks. There must be prohibition of child labor, prohibition of women labor, shortening of hours of all mechanical labor; stock watering should be prohibited, and stock gambling so far as possible discouraged. There should be a progressive inheritance tax on large fortunes. Industrial education should be encouraged. As far as possible we should lighten the burden of taxation on the small man. There should no longer be any paltering with the question of taking care of the wage-workers who, under our present industrial system, become killed, crippled, or worn out as part of the regular incidents of a given business. As far as concerns those who have been worn out, I call your attention to the fact that definite steps toward providing old-age pensions have been taken in many of our private industries. These may be indefinitely extended through voluntary association and contributory schemes, or through the agency of savings banks, as under the Massachusetts plan.

**Urgent Need of Reform.** Our present system, or rather no system, works dreadful wrong, and is of benefit to only one class of people—the lawyers. When a workman is injured, what he needs is not an expensive and doubtful lawsuit, but the certainty of relief through immediate administrative action. No academic theory about "freedom of contract" or "constitutional liberty to contract" should be permitted to interfere with this and similar movements.

I renew my recommendation that the principle of the eight-hour day should be rapidly and as far as practicable be extended to the entire work being carried on by the government; the present law should be amended to embrace contracts on those public works which the present wording of the act seems to exclude.

I renew my recommendation made in a previous message that half-holidays be granted during summer to all wage-workers in government employ.

**Judges Too Poorly Paid.** Coupled with a eulogy of the judiciary of the nation the president urges that, beginning with the supreme court, the judges should have their salaries doubled.

As was to be expected, the attitude assumed by certain labor leaders during the recent election comes in for bitter criticism. The president asserts that demands made on congress for legislation were unjust and impractical and could but work harm to the cause of labor. While declaring that our judicial system is sound and effective at core, the president says:

There are certain decisions by various courts which have been exceedingly detrimental to the rights of wage-workers. This is true of all decisions that decide that men are, by the constitution, "un-unionized" in their industry, or to work an undesirable or improper number of hours, or to work in unhealthy surroundings, and therefore cannot recover damages when maimed in that occupation, and cannot be forbidden to work what the legislature decides is an excessive number of hours, or to carry on the work under conditions which the legislature decides to be unhealthy.

There is also, I think, ground for the belief that substantial justice is often suffered by employes in consequence of the custom of courts issuing temporary injunctions without notice to them, and punishing them for contempt of court in instances where, as a matter of fact, they have no knowledge of any proceedings. Organized labor is chafing under the unjust restraint which comes from repeated resort to this plan of procedure.

**Injunction Must Remain.** The power of injunction is a great equitable remedy, which should on no account be destroyed. But safeguards should be erected against its abuse. In substance, provision should be made that no injunction or temporary restraining order issue otherwise than on notice, except where irreparable injury would otherwise result; and in such case a hearing on the merits of the order should be had within a short fixed period, and, if not then continued after hearing, it should forthwith lapse. Decisions should be rendered immediately, and the chance of delay minimized in every way. Moreover, I believe that the procedure should be sharply defined, and the judge required minutely to state the particulars both of his action and of his reasons therefor, so that the congress can if it desires examine and investigate the same.

**Harm Worked by Law.** Discussing measures necessary for the proper control of giant corporations operating in defiance of law, the president says:

Real damage has been done by the manifold and conflicting interpretations of the interstate-commerce law. Control over the great corporations doing interstate business can be effective only if it is vested with full power in an administrative department, a branch of the federal executive, carrying out a federal law; it can never be effective if a divided responsibility is left in both the states and the nation; it can never be effective if left in the hands of the courts to be decided by lawsuits.

The courts hold a piece of secular and deserved sanctity under our form of government; respect for the law is essential; and respect for the law is largely conditioned upon respect for the courts. It is an offense against the republic to say anything which can weaken this respect, save for the gravest reason, and in the most carefully guarded manner. In no other nation in the world do the courts wield such vast and far-reaching power as in the United States. All that is necessary is that the courts as a whole should exercise this power with the far-sighted wisdom already shown by those judges who scan the future while they act in the present.

**Forest Preservation.** The manifest necessity for forest preservation is pointed out as a duty the present generation owes to its descendants, and the president cites the case of China, where reckless de-

struction has resulted in creating deserts, as an object lesson.

**Inland Waterways.** Immediate action by the present session of congress for the improvement of our inland waterways the president declares to be imperative. He recommends the creation of a permanent commission authorized to coordinate the work of all the government departments relating to waterways, and to frame and supervise the execution of a comprehensive plan.

**Postal Savings Banks.** Urging the immediate institution of postal savings banks, the message says:

I again renew my recommendation for depositing savings with the security of the government behind them. The object is to encourage thrift and economy in the wage-earner and person of moderate means. It is believed that in the aggregate vast sums of money would be brought into circulation through the instrumentality of the postal savings banks.

**Parcel Post.** The much-discussed advisability of the establishment of a parcel post service is thus dealt with:

In my last annual message I commended the postmaster-general's recommendation for an extension of the parcel post on the rural routes. The establishment of a local parcel post on rural routes would be to the mutual benefit of the farmer and the country storekeeper, and it is desirable that the routes, serving more than 15,000,000 people, should be utilized to the fullest practicable extent.

**Education.** Dealing with the important subject of education, the president says:

With the limited means hitherto provided the bureau of education has rendered efficient service, but the congress has neglected to adequately supply the bureau with means to meet the educational growth of the country. I earnestly recommend that this unfortunate state of affairs as regards the national educational office be remedied by adequate appropriations. This recommendation is urged by the representatives of our common schools and great state universities and the leading educators, who all unite in requesting favorable consideration and action by the congress upon this subject.

The president points out the necessity of better organization of the various bureaus responsible for the public health, and urges the placing of all soldiers' homes under the jurisdiction of the war department.

**Statehood.** On the question of statehood the president says:

I advocate the immediate admission of New Mexico and Arizona as states. This should be done at the present session of the congress. The people of the two territories have made it evident by their votes that they will not come in as one state, but rather as two, and I trust that this will be done without delay.

**An international agreement concerning interstate fisheries is at present being attempted, and in this connection the message continues:**

I call the attention of the congress to the importance of the problem of the fisheries in the interstate waters. On the Great Lakes we are now, under the very treaty of April 11, 1910, and are endeavoring to come to an international agreement for the preservation and satisfactory use of the fisheries of these waters which can not otherwise be achieved. Lake Erie, for example, has the richest fresh water fisheries in the world; but it is now controlled by the statutes of two nations, four states, and one province, and this province has two different ordinances in different counties. All these political divisions work at cross purposes, and in no case can they achieve protection to the fisheries, on the one hand, and justice to the localities and individuals on the other.

**Country's Foreign Policy.** This nation's foreign policy is based on the theory that right must be done between nations precisely as between individuals, and in our actions for the last ten years we have in this matter proven our faith by our deeds. We have behaved, and are behaving, towards other nations, as in private life an honorable man would behave towards his fellows.

I take this opportunity publicly to state my appreciation of the way in which our fleet, under the command of the admiral, has been received on its practice voyage around the world. The American government can not too strongly express its appreciation of the abounding and generous hospitality shown our ships in every port they visited.

**Our Southern Neighbors.** The commercial and material progress of the 24 Latin-American republics is worthy of the careful attention of the American Republics. The International Bureau of the American Republics is doing a useful work in making these nations and their resources better known to us, and in acquainting them not only with us as a people and with our purposes towards them, but with what we have to exchange for their goods.

**Panama Canal Being Rushed.** The work on the Panama canal is being done with a speed, efficiency and entire devotion to duty, which make it a model for all work of the kind. The men on the Isthmus, from Col. Goethals and his fellow commissioners through the entire list of employes who are faithfully doing their duty, have won their right to the ungrudging respect and gratitude of the American people.

**For Ocean Mail Lines.** I again recommend the extension of the ocean mail act of 1891 so that satisfactory American ocean mail lines to South America, Asia, the Philippines, and Australasia may be established.

**Citizenship for Porto Ricans.** I again recommend that American citizenship be conferred upon the people of Porto Rico.

**Should Develop Hawaii.** I call particular attention to the Territory of Hawaii. The importance of those islands is apparent, and the need of improving their condition and developing their resources is urgent.

**Progress in the Philippines.** Real progress toward self-government is being made in the Philippine islands.

I trust that within a generation the time will arrive when the Filipinos can decide for themselves whether it is well for them to become independent, or to continue under the protection of a strong and disinterested power, able to guarantee to the islands order at home and protection from foreign invasion.

**Good Work Done in Cuba.** In Cuba our occupancy will cease in about two months' time; the Cubans have in orderly manner elected their own governmental authorities, and the island will be turned over to them. Our occupation on this occasion has lasted a little over two years, and Cuba has thriven and prospered under it. Our earnest hope and one desire is that the people of the island shall now govern themselves with justice, so that peace and order may be secure.

The president urges that national parks adjacent to national forests be placed under the control of the forest service of the agricultural department; he also points out the benefits derived from pure food legislation.

**The National Guard.** Urging continued efforts to increase the efficiency of the National Guard the president continues:

Now that the organized militia, the National Guard, has been incorporated with the army as a part of the national forces, it behooves the government to do every reasonable thing in its power to perfect its efficiency. It should be assisted in its instruction and otherwise aided more liberally than heretofore. The continuous services of many well-trained regular officers will be essential in this connection. A bill is now pending before the congress creating a number of extra officers in the army, which if passed, as it ought to be, will enable more officers to be trained as instructors of National Guard and assigned to that duty. In case of war it will be of the utmost importance to have a large number of trained officers to use for turning raw levies into good troops.

**The Army.** As regards the army I call attention to the fact that while our junior officers and enlisted men stand very high, the present system of promotion by seniority results in bringing into the higher grades many men of mediocre capacity who have but a short time to serve. No man should regard it as his vested right to rise to the highest rank in the army any more than in any other profession. It is a curious and by no means creditable fact that there should be so often a failure on the part of the public and its representatives to understand the great need, from the standpoint of the service and the nation, of refusing to promote respectable, elderly incompetents. The higher places should be given to the most deserving men without regard to seniority; at least seniority should be treated as only a secondary consideration. In the stress of modern industrial competition no business firm could succeed if those responsible for its management were chosen simply on the ground that they were the oldest people in its employment; yet this is the course advocated as regards the army, and required by law for all grades, except those of general officer. As a matter of fact all of the best officers in the highest ranks of the army are those who have attained their present position wholly or in part by a process of selection.

The scope of retiring boards should be extended so that they could consider general usefulness to command for any cause, in order to secure a far more rapid retirement than is present in the elimination of officers for mental, physical or temperamental disabilities. But this plan is recommended only if the congress does not see fit to provide what in my judgment is far better, that is, for selection in promotion, and for elimination for age. Officers who fail to attain a certain rank by a certain age should be retired, for instance, if a man should not attain field rank by the time he is 45, he should of course be placed on the retired list. General officers should be selected as at present, and one-third of the other promotions should be made by selection. The selection to be made by the president or secretary of war from a list of at least two candidates proposed for each vacancy by a board of officers from the arm of the service from which the promotion is to be made. A bill is now before the congress having for its object to secure the promotion of officers to various grades at reasonable ages through a process of selection by boards of officers, of the least efficient for retirement with a percentage of their pay depending upon length of service. The bill, although not accomplishing all that should be done, is a long step in the right direction; and I earnestly recommend its passage, or that of a more completely effective measure.

**Japanese Exposition.** The Japanese government has postponed until 1917 the date of the great international exposition, the action being taken so as to insure ample time in which to prepare to make the exposition all that it should be made. The American commissioners have visited Japan and the postponement will merely give ample opportunity for America to be represented at the exposition. Not since the first international exposition has there been one of greater importance than this will be, marking, as it does, the fiftieth anniversary of the ascension to the throne of the emperor of Japan. The extraordinary leap to the foremost place among the nations of the world made by Japan during this half century is something unparalleled in all previous history.

**For More War Vessels.** The navy is the last subject dealt with. In that connection the president says:

I approve the recommendations of the general board for the increase of the navy, calling especial attention to the need of additional destroyers and colliers, and above all of the four battleships. It is desirable to complete as soon as possible a squadron of eight battleships of the best existing type.

I most earnestly recommend that the general board be by law turned into a general staff. There is literally no excuse whatever for continuing the present bureau organization of the navy. The navy should be treated as a purely military organization, and everything should be subordinated to the one object of securing military efficiency. A system of promotion by merit, either by selection or by exclusion, or by both processes, should be introduced.

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# THE TROUBLES AND ROMANCES OF A WILD ROSE

**Did Fate Ever Play Such Pranks with Any Group of Young Women as with Gay Garden of Beauty in This Curiously Famous Stage Piece?**

**N**EW YORK.—The marriage of Edna Goodrich and Nat Goodwin, while still the echoes of Ada Louise Lonsdale's breach of promise suit against Blaine Elkins were reverberating through the theatrical world, recalls in a rather startling way the production of "The Wild Rose" at the Knickerbocker theater in 1902. For it adds one more to the strange blossoms in that garden of romances, tragedies and scandals which has grown up around the men and women of "The Wild Rose" production.

It seems as if some fatality must have hung over that company of actors and actresses, and that it has pursued them inexorably ever since those days when they were first assembled together. True, a few of the romances have the pure tint and the sweet savor of the "wild rose" from which they sprang, but they are rare bright spots in a wild, rank garden, in which there are few roses that have not a canker-worm in their heart.

A wonderful human rose bush was that production, and blossom after blossom has since borne fruit in dramas of real life. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw—the theater-going world saw her at her prettiest there; May Mackenzie, Ada Louise Lonsdale, Mazie Follette, Edna Goodrich, Hattie Forsythe, Marguerite Clark and Irene Bentley—can you picture fairer blossoms from a living American Beauty rose bush? And gardener of that parterre, the manager of this aggregation of charming women—George W. Lederer—even he fell under the spell which marked "The Wild Rose" as the bush from which grew matrimony, divorce and, sometimes, the trail of sin which in more than one instance led to criminal courts.

### Made Trouble for Manager.

Angered by the attentions paid by her husband to the chorus girls of the comic opera, Mrs. Lederer sued him

trical circles by marrying the theatrical manager, George W. Lederer, a few hours after his release from former marital fetters. For many years the Lederers safely sailed the domestic seas, steering clear of matrimonial breakers in the form of chorus girls. While Mrs. Lederer managed matrimony, Mr. Lederer managed many a musical show. Chorus girls would come and chorus girls would go, as far as George Lederer was concerned, until he found himself tending this "Wild Rose" bush and was bewitched by the spell of its uncanny beauty. The world at large was not long in learning that the manager of the successful musical comedy had fallen a victim to the strange influence exercised by "The Wild Rose" and through his connection with it had earned only a divorce decree, says the New York World.

### Praised by Stanford White.

The brunette beauty of Edna Goodrich was one of the richest blossoms of "The Wild Rose," and while in that company she attracted the attention of the famous architect, Stanford White. He was a good judge of roses and he spread the fame of the beauty. From the ranks of show girls Edna Goodrich was soon plucked by Nat Goodwin, who wore her, as it were, in his buttonhole as a leading lady. Those who went to the theater to scoff remained—if not to pray—at least to gasp at the beauty of this leading lady who had tripped the light fantastic in "The Wild Rose."

Not content with becoming a leading lady, Edna Goodrich again stepped into the international spotlight by playing the leading part in a triangular love affair. While buying a trousseau in Paris at the close of the last theatrical season, presumably to become the bride of a millionaire mine owner named McMillan, the ex-chorus girl led Nat Goodwin a love chase from Paris to San Francisco. The world looked, laughed and gasped again when with perfect equanimity

Goodwin and Miss Goodrich were married and, presumably, the former show girl is blessing "The Wild Rose" bush from which she bloomed into fame and fortune.

### Beautiful Mazie Follette.

The effervescent spirits of Mazie Follette, who now occupies an acknowledged position in the gay world, attracted masculine attention when first she shone in "The Wild Rose" company. By the bouquet of beauties who were destined to win notoriety or fame Mazie Follette was looked upon as a genial, joyous young thing, and her rare good spirits led her into many a daring escapade. Even as an obscure chorus girl she acquired fame, for her

incised in a cadet uniform, sang a soldier song in "The Wild Rose" and caught the public's fleeting fancy. She was Marguerite Clark, the dainty comedienne whose child-like charm has endeared her to the hearts of theater-goers. Before her advent in "The Wild Rose" the youthful actress had appeared in several road companies whose tours invariably ended disastrously, but once under the peculiar charm of that rose-garden, fame gave the little girl a helping hand, which she found to hold fortune as well. The small petals of the inconspicuous soubrette have grown into the full bloom of a musical comedy star, and who shall say that "The Wild Rose"



EDNA GOODRICH

MAXINE ELLIOTT

nimbleness and grace and inability to make her eyes behave brought her quickly to the front. From being an obscure bud in the chorus of "The Wild Rose," she has blossomed out into the position of danseuse. She came conspicuously into the limelight when at the famous Thaw trial it was reported that she had turned against her erstwhile chum and was threatening to aid the prosecution by telling all she knew. Since then Mazie Follette's hilarious escapades have often entertained bohemia, where it is commonly said that her lively personality was first developed in her "Wild Rose" days.

But the most famous of all the young women who bloomed upon the "Wild Rose" bush is Evelyn Nesbit Thaw. It was not a beautiful flower that grew from her connection with that company. Blood and shame were on its petals, sorrow and dishonor ate out its heart. While posing behind the footlights of the Knickerbocker Evelyn Nesbit acquired the fascinating wiles which since have sent one man to his grave and another to a madhouse, for it was in those days that she formed the acquaintance with Stanford White, which led at last to his shooting by Harry Thaw.

### Stood by Evelyn Nesbit.

Standing in the light of reflected notoriety is May Mackenzie, the chorus girl chum of Evelyn Nesbit, who occupied a prominent place at the Thaw trial as the daily companion and staunch friend of the defendant's wife. For the sake of the "Wild Rose" days, when the two shared the same lip pencil and borrowed each other's powder puff, May Mackenzie unconcernedly braved notoriety to lighten the dark hours in the life of her afflicted friend. Her name was on every lip, her jaunty appearance causing almost as much comment as that of the "angel child."

And again this sprightly little person has appropriated the limelight, now being hailed as the possessor of the "wickedest eyes in New York." Not that May Mackenzie really likes to have her orbs thought naughty. "Dear me, no! It's dreadfully distressing, because, as she plaintively explains, "I can't just make my eyes behave." But by metropolitan theatergoers it is readily remembered that in the "Wild Rose" days those eyes were not of the unmanageable brand, and it is only since she budded in that garden of scandal that May Mackenzie's optical organs have become the "wickedest in all New York."

A little wisp of a girl, with a tiny face, enormous eyes and a lithe figure

was not instrumental in Marguerite Clark's success?

### Left the Stage's Glitter.

Success, but of a slightly different kind, has crowned the career of Hattie Forsythe, whose charms have become the toast of Paris, London and New York. Since her appearance as a show girl in "The Wild Rose" Hattie Forsythe's rise has been rapid and radiant and her brilliant beauty has not shone behind the footlights for several years. Instead Palm Beach, Paris and the Riviera have gaped at the gowns and jewels of the former show girl, who has won admiring attention of Russian princes, Italian counts and rich Americans. To several persons of high degree Miss Forsythe's engagement has been rumored, and it is reported that her latest assiduous admirer is a young son of the Philadelphia Drexels.

Though Hymen has thus far failed to ensnare Hattie Forsythe, Irene Bentley has been busy changing partners in the matrimonial bouquet. While playing a leading role in "The Wild Rose" company the golden-haired actress met its librettist, Harry B. Smith, whose prolific pen has produced numerous successful musical comedies. He was married and so was she, but the divorce mills obligingly ground out the desired decrees, and wedding bells soon told the world that the mystic "Wild Rose" had united its leading lady and its composer.

### Ada Lonsdale and Elkins.

Last but not least comes Ada Louise Lonsdale, who recently startled not only Washington and New York but Italy as well by bringing a \$100,000 breach of promise suit against Blaine Elkins, son of the Virginia senator and brother of the reported fiancée of the Duke of the Abruzzi. To "The Wild Rose" must be credited this latest sensation, for it was while playing a minor part in that piece that the young actress, who belonged to a good family of Memphis, Tenn., first became interested in Blaine Elkins, then a college youth. When on January 28 last young Elkins eloped and married the daughter of the late Senator Kenna nothing was heard from his former sweetheart, Ada Louise Lonsdale. However, she chose a psychological moment when the announcement of another international engagement was expected, and startled the world at large by the \$100,000 suit. But the suit is said to have been dropped.

When Miss Lonsdale recently disappeared the tongues of the gossips were let loose and they began counting up the sensations that have already bloomed from that "Wild Rose" bush.



HATTIE FORSYTHE

LOUISE LONSDALE

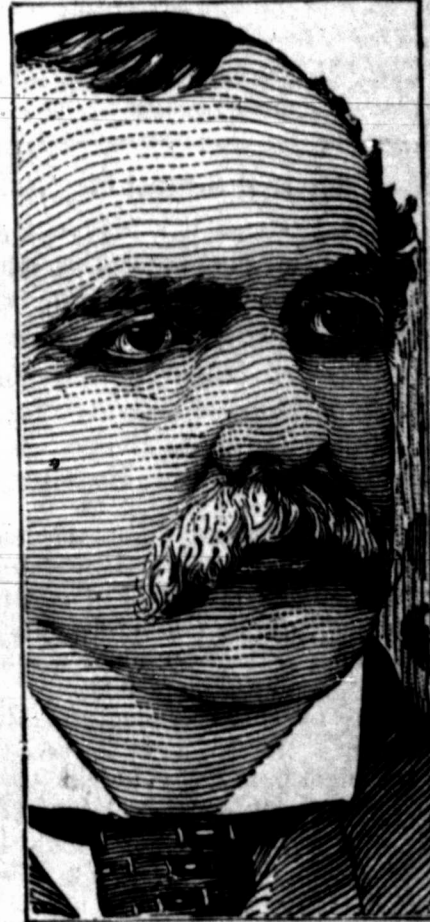
for divorce, naming Evelyn Thaw as one of the co-respondents.

Some nine years previously Adele Rice, a Baltimore beauty of note, had startled Manhattan and southern thea-

the fickle footlight lady broke her engagement to the man of the mines at the same time that the noted comedian was divorced from America's most beautiful actress, Maxine Elliott. Nat

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# HEAR MESSAGE OF PRESIDENT

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## URGES CHANGES IN LAWS

**Present Currency System Declared Imperfect—Control of Corporations the Province of the National Government—Conduct of Labor Leaders Criticized—For Postal Savings Banks.**

Washington.—In his message to congress, read in both houses Tuesday, President Roosevelt makes important suggestions as to what he considers necessary legislation.

The president congratulates the nation on its present excellent financial standing, but calls attention to the need of remedying defects in the currency system. He says:

The financial standing of the nation at the present time is excellent, and the financial management of the nation's interests by the government during the last seven years has shown the most satisfactory results. But our currency system is imperfect, and it is earnestly to be hoped that the currency commission will be able to propose a thoroughly good system which will do away with the existing defects.

During the period from July 1, 1901, to September 30, 1908, there was an increase in the amount of money in circulation of \$92,901,299. The increase in the per capita during this period was \$7.05. Within this time there were several occasions when it was necessary for the treasury department to come to the relief of the money market by purchases or redemptions of United States bonds, by increasing deposits in national banks, by stimulating additional issues of national bank notes, and by facilitating importations from abroad of gold. Our imperfect currency system has made these proceedings necessary, and they were effective until the monetary disturbance in the fall of 1907, intensely increased the difficulty of ordinary methods of relief. By the middle of November the available working balance in the treasury had been reduced to approximately \$5,000,000. Clearing house associations throughout the country had been obliged to resort to the expedient of issuing clearing house certificates, to be used as money. In this emergency it was determined to invite subscriptions for \$20,000,000 Panama canal bonds, and \$100,000,000 three per cent. certificates of indebtedness authorized by the act of June 13, 1898. It was proposed to redeposit in the national banks the proceeds of these issues, and to permit their use as a basis for additional circulating notes of national banks. The moral effect of this procedure was so great that it was necessary to issue only \$24,831,986 of the Panama bonds and \$15,424,309 of the certificates of indebtedness. During the period from July 1, 1901, to September 30, 1908, the balance between the net ordinary receipts and the net ordinary expenses of the government showed a surplus in the four years 1902, 1903, 1904, and 1907, and a deficit in the years 1905, 1906, 1908 and a fractional part of the fiscal year 1909. The net result was a surplus of \$99,382,415.44. The financial operations of the government during this period, based upon these differences between receipts and expenditures, resulted in a net reduction of the interest-bearing debt of the United States from \$97,141,000 to \$67,253,960, notwithstanding that there had been two sales of Panama canal bonds amounting in the aggregate to \$24,831,986, and an issue of three per cent. certificates of indebtedness under the act of June 13, 1898, amounting to \$15,424,309. Refunding operations of the treasury department under the act of March 14, 1900, resulted in the conversion into two per cent. consols of 1930 of \$2,746,468 bonds bearing higher rates of interest. A decrease of \$1,827,956 in the annual interest charge resulted from these operations.

In short, during the seven years and three months there has been a net surplus of nearly one hundred millions of receipts over expenditures, a reduction of the interest-bearing debt by ninety millions, in spite of the extraordinary expense of the Panama canal, and a saving of nearly one hundred millions on the annual interest charge.

The message reiterates the well-known views of the president that the control of great corporations, especially the railroads of the country, should be vested in the national government. He says:

I believe that it is worse than folly to attempt to prohibit all combinations as is done by the Sherman anti-trust law, because such a law can be enforced only imperfectly and unequally, and its enforcement works almost as much hardship as good. I strongly advocate that instead of an unwise effort to prohibit all combinations, there shall be substituted a law which shall expressly permit combinations which are in the interest of the public, but shall at the same time give to some agency in the national government full power of control and supervision over them.

The railroads of the country should be put completely under the interstate commerce commission and removed from the domain of the anti-trust law. The power of the commission should be made thoroughgoing, so that it could exercise complete supervision and control over the issue of securities as well as over the raising and lowering of rates. As regards rates, at least, this power should be summary. Rates must be made as low as is compatible with giving proper returns to all the employees of the railroad, and to the highest to the lowest, and proper returns to the shareholders, but they must not, for instance, be reduced in such fashion as to necessitate a cut in the wages of the employees or the abolition of the proper and legitimate profits of honest shareholders.

Interests of the Wageworker. Turning to conditions affecting the wageworker and the man of small means, the president says:

Postal Savings banks will make it easy for the poorest to keep their sav-

ings in absolute safety. The regulation of the national highways must be such that they shall serve all people with equal justice. Corporate finances must be supervised so as to make it a matter than at present for the man of small means to invest his money in stocks. There must be prohibition of child labor, continuation of women labor, shortening of hours of all mechanical labor, stock watering should be prohibited, and stock gambling so far as is possible discouraged. There should be a progressive inheritance tax on large fortunes. Industrial education should be encouraged. As far as possible we should lighten the burden of taxation on the small man. There should no longer be any paltering with the question of taking care of the wageworkers who, under our present industrial system, become crippled, or worn out as part of the regular incidents of a given business. As far as concerns those who have been worn out, I call your attention to the fact that definite steps toward providing old-age pensions have been taken in many of our private industries. These may be indefinitely extended through voluntary association and contributory schemes, or through the agency of savings banks, as under the Massachusetts plan.

**Urgent Need of Reform.** Our present system, or rather no system, works dreadful wrong, and is of benefit to only one class of people—the lawyers. When a workman is injured what he needs is not an expensive and doubtful lawsuit, but the certainty of relief through immediate administrative action. No academic theory about "freedom of contract" or "constitutional liberty to contract" should be permitted to interfere with this and similar movements.

I renew my recommendation that the principle of the eight-hour day should be rapidly and as far as practicable be extended to the entire work being carried on by the government; the present law should be amended to embrace contracts on those public works which the present wording of the act seems to exclude.

I renew my recommendation made in a previous message that half-holidays be granted during summer to all wageworkers in government employ.

**Judges Too Poorly Paid.** Coupled with a eulogy of the judiciary of the nation the president urges that, beginning with the supreme court, the judges should have their salaries doubled.

As was to be expected, the attitude assumed by certain labor leaders during the recent election comes in for bitter criticism. The president asserts that demands made on congress for legislation were unjust and impractical and could but work harm to the cause of labor. While declaring that our judicial system is sound and effective at core, the president says:

There are certain decisions by various courts which have been exceedingly detrimental to the rights of wage-workers. This is true of all decisions that decide that men are, by the constitution, "guaranteed their liberty" to contract to enter a dangerous occupation, or to work an undesirable or improper number of hours, or to work in unhealthy surroundings; and therefore cannot recover damages when maimed in that occupation, and cannot be forbidden to work what the legislature decides is an excessive number of hours, or to carry on the work under conditions which the legislature decides to be unhealthy.

There is also, I think, ground for the belief that substantial injustice is often suffered by employees in consequence of the custom of courts issuing temporary injunctions without notice to them, and punishing them for contempt of court in instances where, as a matter of fact, they have no knowledge of any proceedings. Organized labor is chafing under the unjust restraint which comes from repeated resort to this plan of procedure.

**Injunction Must Remain.** The power of injunction is a great equitable remedy, which should on no account be destroyed. But safeguards should be erected against its abuse. In substance, provision should be made that no injunction or temporary restraining order issue otherwise than on notice, except where irreparable injury would otherwise result; and in such case a hearing on the merits of the order should be had within a short fixed period, and if not then continued after hearing it should forthwith lapse. Decisions should be rendered immediately, and the chance of delay minimized in every way. Moreover, I believe that the procedure should be sharply defined, and the judge required minutely to state the particulars both of his action and of his reasons therefor, so that the congress can if it desires examine and investigate the same.

**Harm Worked by Law.** Discussing measures necessary for the proper control of giant corporations operating in defiance of law, the president says:

Real damage has been done by the manifold and conflicting interpretations of the interstate commerce law. Control over the great corporations doing interstate business can be effective only if it is vested with full power in an administrative department, a branch of the federal executive, carrying out a federal law; it can never be effective if a divided responsibility is left in both the states and the nation; it can never be effective if left in the hands of the courts to be decided by lawsuits.

The courts hold a place of peculiar and deserved sanctity under our form of government, and respect for the law is essential; and respect for the law is largely conditioned upon respect for the courts. It is an offense against the republic to say anything which can weaken this respect, save for the gravest reason and in the most carefully guarded manner. In no other nation in the world do the courts wield such vast and far-reaching power as in the United States. All that is necessary is that the courts as a whole should exercise this power with the far-sighted wisdom already shown by those judges who scan the future while they act in the present.

**Forest Preservation.** The manifest necessity for forest preservation is pointed out as a duty the present generation owes to its descendants, and the president cites the case of China, where reckless de-

struction has resulted in creating deserts, as an object lesson.

**Inland Waterways.** Immediate action by the present session of congress for the improvement of our inland waterways the president declares to be imperative. He recommends the creation of a permanent commission authorized to coordinate the work of all the government departments relating to waterways, and to frame and supervise the execution of a comprehensive plan.

**Postal Savings Banks.** Urging the immediate institution of postal savings banks, the message says:

I again renew my recommendation for postal savings banks, for depositing, saving and secure custody of the government behind them. The object is to encourage thrift and economy in the wage-earner, a person of moderate means. It is believed that in the aggregate vast sums of money would be brought into circulation through the instrumentality of the postal savings banks.

**Parcel Post.** The much-discussed advisability of the establishment of a parcel post service is thus dealt with:

In my last annual message I commended the postmaster-general's recommendation for an extension of the parcel post on the rural routes. The establishment of a local parcel post on rural routes would be to the mutual benefit of the farmer and the country storekeeper, and it is desirable that the routes serving more than 15,000,000 people, should be utilized to the fullest practicable extent.

**Education.** Dealing with the important subject of education, the president says:

With the limited means hitherto provided, the bureau of education has rendered efficient service, but the congress has neglected to adequately supply the bureau with means to meet the educational growth of the country. I earnestly recommend that this unfortunate state of affairs as regards the national educational office be remedied by adequate appropriations. This recommendation is urged by the representatives of common schools and great state universities and the leading educators, who all unite in requesting favorable consideration and action by the congress upon this subject.

The president points out the necessity of better organization of the various bureaus responsible for the public health, and urges the placing of all soldiers' homes under the jurisdiction of the war department.

**Statehood.** On the question of statehood the president says:

I advocate the immediate admission of New Mexico and Arizona as states. This should be done at the present session of the congress. The people of the two territories have made it evident by their votes that they will not come in as one state or two, and I trust that this will be done without delay.

An international agreement concerning interstate fisheries is at present being attempted, and in this connection the message continues:

I call the attention of the congress to the importance of the problem of the fisheries in the interstate waters. On the Great Lakes we are now, under the very wise treaty of April 11 of this year, endeavoring to come to an international agreement for the preservation and satisfactory use of the fisheries of these waters which can not otherwise be achieved. Lake Erie, for example, has the richest fresh water fisheries in the world; but it is now controlled by the statutes of two nations, four states, and one province, and this is a most unfortunate circumstance in different countries. All these political divisions work at cross purposes, and in no case can they achieve protection to the fisheries, on the one hand, and justice to the localities and individuals on the other.

**Country's Foreign Policy.** This nation's foreign policy is based on the theory that right must be done between nations precisely as between individuals, and in our actions for the last ten years we have in this matter proven our faith by our deeds. We have behaved, and are behaving, towards other nations, as in private life an honorable man would behave towards his fellows.

I take this opportunity publicly to state my appreciation of the way in which our men in arms in New Zealand and in the states of South America, the battle fleet has been received on its practice voyage around the world. The American government can not too strongly express its appreciation of the abounding and generous hospitality shown our ships in every port they visited.

**Our Southern Neighbors.** The commercial and material progress of the 20 Latin-American republics is worthy of the careful attention of the congress. The International Bureau of the American Republics is doing a useful work in making these nations and their resources better known to us, and in acquainting them not only with us as a people and with our purposes towards them, but with what we have to exchange for their goods.

**Panama Canal Being Rushed.** The work on the Panama canal is being done with a speed, efficiency and entire devotion to duty, which make it a model for all work of the kind. The men on the Isthmus, from Col. Goethals and his fellow commissioners through the entire list of employees who are faithfully doing their duty, have won their right to the ungrudging respect and gratitude of the American people.

**For Ocean Mail Lines.** I again recommend the extension of the ocean mail act of 1891 so that satisfactory American ocean mail lines to South America, Asia, the Philippines, and Australasia may be established.

**Citizenship for Porto Ricans.** I again recommend that American citizenship be conferred upon the people of Porto Rico.

**Should Develop Hawaii.** I call particular attention to the Territory of Hawaii. The importance of these islands is apparent, and the need of improving their condition and developing their resources is urgent.

**Progress in the Philippines.** Real progress toward self-government is being made in the Philippine islands.

I trust that within a generation the time will arrive when the Filipino can decide for themselves whether it is well for them to become independent, or to continue under the protection of a strong and disinterested power, able to guarantee to the islands order at home and protection from foreign invasion.

**Good Work Done in Cuba.** In Cuba our occupancy will cease in about two months' time. The Cubans have in orderly manner elected their own governmental authorities, and the island will be turned over to them. Our occupation on this occasion has lasted a little over two years, and Cuba has thrived and prospered under it. Our earnest hope and one desire is that the people of the island shall now govern themselves with justice, so that peace and order may be secure.

The president urges that national parks adjacent to national forests be placed under the control of the forest service of the agricultural department; he also points out the benefits derived from pure food legislation.

**The National Guard.** Urging continued efforts to improve the efficiency of the National Guard the president continues:

Now that the organized militia, the National Guard, has been incorporated with the army as a part of the national forces, it behooves the government to do every reasonable thing in its power to perfect its efficiency. It should be assisted in its instruction and otherwise aided more liberally than heretofore. The continuous services of many well-trained regular officers will be essential in this connection. A bill is now pending before the congress creating a number of extra officers in the army, which if passed, as it ought to be, will enable more officers to be trained as instructors of National Guard and assigned to that duty. In case of war it will be of the most important nature to have a large number of trained officers to use for turning raw levies into good troops.

**The Army.** As regards the army I call attention to the fact that while our junior officers and enlisted men stand very high, the present system of promotion by seniority is not doing its best. The higher grades many men of mediocre capacity who have but a short time to serve. No man should regard it as his vested right to rise to the highest rank in the army any more than in any other profession. It is a curious and by no means creditable fact that there should be so often a failure on the part of the public and its representatives to understand the great need, from the standpoint of the service and the nation of refusing to promote respectable, elderly incompetents. The higher places should be given to the most deserving men without regard to seniority; at least seniority should be treated as only one consideration. In the interest of the public and industrial competition no business firm could succeed if those responsible for its management were chosen simply on the ground that they were the oldest people in its employment; yet this is the course advocated as regards the army, and required by law for all grades except those of general officer. As a matter of fact all of the best officers in the highest ranks of the army are those who have attained their present position wholly or in part by a process of selection.

The scope of retiring boards should be extended so that they could consider general unfitness to command for any cause, in order to secure a far more rigid enforcement than at present in the elimination of officers for mental, physical or temperamental disabilities. But this plan is recommended only if the congress does not see fit to provide what in my judgment is far better, that is, for selection in promotion, and for elimination for age. Officers who fail to attain a certain rank by a certain age should be retired, in instances if a man should not attain field rank by the time he is 45 he should of course be placed on the retired list. General officers should be selected as at present, and one-third of the other promotions should be made by selection, the selection to be made by the president or secretary of war from a list of at least ten candidates proposed for each vacancy by a board of officers from the arm of the service from which the promotion is to be made. A bill is now before the congress having for its object to secure the promotion of officers to various grades at reasonable ages through a process of selection by boards of officers, of the least efficient for retirement with a percentage of their pay depending upon length of service. The bill, although not accomplishing all that should be done, is a long step in the right direction; and I earnestly recommend its passage, or that of a more completely effective measure.

**Japanese Exposition.** The Japanese government has postponed until 1917 the date of the great international exposition, the action being taken so as to insure ample time in which to prepare to make the exposition all that it should be made. The American commissioners have visited Japan and the postponement will merely give ample opportunity for America to be represented at the exposition. Not since the first international exposition has there been one of greater importance than this will be, marking, as it does, the fiftieth anniversary of the ascension to the throne of the emperor of Japan. The extraordinary leap to the foremost place among the nations of the world made by Japan during this half century is something unparalleled in all previous history.

**For More War Vessels.** The navy is the last subject dealt with. In that connection the president says:

I approve the recommendations of the general board for the increase of the navy, calling especial attention to the need of additional destroyers and colliers, and above all of the four battleships. It is desirable to complete as soon as possible a squadron of eight battleships of the best existing type.

I most earnestly recommend that the general board be by law turned into a general staff. There is literally no excuse whatever for continuing the present bureau organization of the navy. The navy should be treated as a purely military organization, and everything should be subordinated to the one object of securing military efficiency. A system of promotion by merit, either by selection or by exclusion, or by both processes, should be introduced.

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**Why He Remembered.** By some shuffling of the social cards the clergyman and the dog farmer were at the same afternoon tea. The wandering talk unexpectedly resolved itself into the question, "Who were the 12 sons of Jacob? Even the cleric with the reversed collar had forgotten, but the doggy man reeled off the names without error, from Reuben down to Benjamin.

The clergyman looked surprised. "Oh, I'm not great shakes on Scripture," said the man with the fox terrier, "but those are the names which some chap gave to a dozen puppies I'm willing to sell."

**Makes Pain Go Away** Are you one of the ones who pay in toll For your right of way through this life? If so you will find Hunt's Lightning Oil A friend which will aid in the strife. To those who earn their own way by their own labor, accidents occur with painful frequency. Burns, bruises, cuts and sprains are not strangers to the man who wears corns on his hands. A Letter remedy for these troubles does not exist than Hunt's Lightning Oil.

**Grown-Up Children.** It is not only the frivolous whom the spirit of childishness is just now leading astray. Stillness is the fashion even among the wise. Women especially affect a kind of childish shrewdness in talking of serious subjects. Like children who have the habit of romancing, they lose the sense of reality, and because they never talk exactly as they think they begin to think exactly as they talk.—Ludlow Spectator.

**How's This?** We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him. W. BALDWIN, KINMAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

**No Deception.** "I bought some boom lots in a coast town. Feller wrote me the land might all be gone in a week if I didn't buy quick."

"That's an old dodge." "But he told the exact truth. The ocean is carrying it off in chunks!"—S. Louis Republic.

**Important to Mothers.** Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Watson* In Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

**Worth Remembering.** "How was it when the chief called you in to lecture you that he grew suddenly so bland and kind?" "I slipped my hat onto his seat, and he sat down plump upon it."—Megendorfer Blaetter.

**TO DRIVE OUT MALARIA AND BUILD UP THE SYSTEM.** Take the Old Standard GRIFF'S TANTALUM PILLS, TONIC. You know what you are taking. The formula is plainly printed on every bottle, showing its simply Quinine and Iron in a tasteless form, and the most effective form. For grown people and children. 50c.

**Perhaps.** "He caught me in the dark hall last night and kissed me." "I guess that will teach him to keep out of dark halls."—Houston Post.

**For Colds and Gripp—Capudine.** The best remedy for Gripp and Colds is Hicks' Capudine. Relieves the aching and feverishness. Cures the cold—Headaches also. It's Liquid—Effects immediately—10, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

**Good temper is like a sunny day—** it sheds its brightness everywhere.—Pascal.

**DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS** FOR ALL KIDNEY DISEASES. RHEUMATISM, BRIGHT'S DISEASE, DIABETES, BACKACHE. Price 375 "Guaranteed"

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## Personal Items.

Frank Shupak was in Waco the first of the week.

H. J. Castleberg is at home until after the holidays.

H. M. Hopper of Jacksonville was in the city Wednesday.

T. L. Glenn was among those remembering the Courier Wednesday.

W. F. Grounds was a caller at the Courier office Wednesday morning.

J. F. Henderson of Porter Springs was a caller at the Courier office Friday.

Dr. W. B. Collins of Lovelady was in the city Tuesday afternoon and evening.

Dr. T. M. Sherman and son Tom of Kennard were in the city Tuesday evening.

W. F. Allbright is among the Courier's friends remembering us since last issue.

D. A. Nunn, Jr., is attending court in Montgomery, Leon and Polk counties.

Mrs. C. E. Hayes of Palestine was visiting Mrs. Charley Clinton the first of the week.

D. F. Morgan of Kennard was a visitor at the Courier office Thursday of last week.

Miss Verne Monday of Lovelady was the guest of Miss Otice McConnell the first of the week.

George Calhoun, R. T. Walters and A. M. Driskill were among those calling at the Courier office Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed L. Prince of Wilmington, Va., while touring Texas, are registered at the Pickwick hotel this week.

Messrs. John LeGory, Joe Adams, A. H. Wootters and Will Shivers attended the Masonic Grand Lodge at Waco last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Shelby of Omaha, Neb., are spending a few days in this city. They are among the many winter tourists who are now in Texas to escape the cold of the North.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Page returned Sunday night from Battle Creek, Mich., where they have been staying, for the benefit of Mr. Page's health, at the Battle Creek sanitarium.

J. C. Allee of Creek was in Crockett last week and informed the Courier that he is going to move to West Texas. He said, however, that he was not burning any bridges behind him and might return some day.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Hufford of Muncie, Ind., were registered at the Pickwick hotel last week. They came to Texas to escape the cold winter of the North. After spending several days in Crockett, they left for Galveston with the intention of returning here for a longer stay.

Mrs. Addie Boone and two children, Masters Madden and Paul, arrived from Brandon, Texas, several days ago and will spend a few days with Mrs. Boone's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Madden. Mrs. Boone is rapidly recovering from the effects of the operation to which she was recently subjected and it is believed she will soon be well and strong again.

## Holiday Goods...

WE CAN  
SUIT YOU

J. A. BRICKER  
THE JEWELER.

## Local News.

Old Dutch Cleanser at Billy Lewis'.

Christmas baths at Friend's barber shop.

Old Dutch Cleanser at Billy Lewis'.

See those reduced samples at John Millar's.

A big supply of fruit at Billy Lewis'.

Shoes are going cheap at T. D. Craddock's.

White Rose flour in wood at Johnson Phillips'.

Get the habit of bathing at Friend's barber shop.

Everything for fruit cakes at Johnson Phillips'.

Souvenir post cards—local views—at Sweet's Drug Store.

An abundance of all kinds of nuts at Johnson Arledge's.

Billy Lewis has a few plates, cups and saucers at a bargain.

Boys' Knickerbockers—something nice—at Moore & Smith's.

Buy a Rayo lamp from Billy Lewis and have a good light.

A new supply of Alderny baking powder at T. D. Craddock's.

Nothing beats a Rayo lamp for a good light. Billy Lewis sells them.

T. D. Craddock will sell you a wagon part pay and balance next fall.

Nice suits for boys, with Knickerbocker pants, at Moore & Smith's.

Nothing beats a Rayo lamp for a good light. Billy Lewis sells them.

You had better hurry. Ladies' cloaks are cheaper at the Novelty Store.

T. D. Craddock is making some surprisingly low prices before the holidays.

See those reduced samples at John Millar's before you order your suit or overcoat.

Beautiful hand-painted cup and saucer free with each bucket of coffee at Moore & Smith's.

Johnson Arledge has a fine line of candies in bulk. It will pay you to see him before buying.

If you want to know what correct tailoring is come to us. Shupak Tailoring Co.

Raisins, currants, figs, dates, citron, nuts and everything else for fruit cakes. Billy Lewis.

We make overcoats that fit your pocket-book as well as your form. Shupak Tailoring Co.

Don't forget it, you can always get your holiday goods cheaper at J. A. McConnell's Novelty Store.

FOR RENT—Two-story brick storehouse on east side of square. See Thos. Collins or phone 77. tf.

Lone Star Orchard peaches far exceed those canned in California or anywhere else. Ask your grocer for them.

Saturday was a very busy day in Crockett. The people are acting wisely and doing their Christmas shopping early.

Don't order your Xmas whiskey from other places when you can get exactly what you want from Hyman Harrison, Palestine.

Ask your grocer if he handles the Lone Star Orchard Co's peaches. If he does not, ask him to get them, for they are the best.

Let me figure with you on club orders for Christmas whiskey. I can save you money. Address Hyman Harrison, Palestine, Texas.

Henry Lewis of Jerome, Ariz., S. H. Kyle of Durant, Okla., and T. R. Deupree of Dodge instruct that the Courier be forwarded to them another year.

Our tailoring business is growing rapidly, which can be attributed to the fact that we give you good service. Shupak Tailoring Co.

Old Dutch Cleanser at Billy Lewis'.

Fire works at Johnson Phillips' store.

A big supply of fruit at Billy Lewis'.

\$18.50 suits reduced to \$14.50 at John Millar's.

A big supply of fruit at Billy Lewis'.

Billy Lewis has a few plates, cups and saucers.

Try that delicious maple syrup at Johnson Phillips'.

Unedea bath. Take it at Friend's barber shop.

Billy Lewis has a few plates, cups and saucers at a bargain.

Buy a Rayo lamp from Billy Lewis and have a good light.

High patent flour at T. D. Craddock's, \$1.35. Best patent, \$1.50.

Buy a Rayo lamp from Billy Lewis and have a good light.

Nothing beats a Rayo lamp for a good light. Billy Lewis sells them.

Buy Kokomo hog fencing from T. D. Craddock and thereby save money.

Buy a can of baking powder and get a set of dishes free at Johnson Phillips'.

You will make no mistake by buying your fruits for Christmas from Johnson Arledge.

Rodgers' 1847 silver knives and forks at close prices at J. A. McConnell's Novelty Store.

Raisins, currants, figs, dates, citron, nuts and everything else for fruit cakes. Billy Lewis.

If you are going to buy fire-works for Christmas, Johnson Arledge's is the place to get them.

Raisins, currants, figs, dates, citron, nuts and everything else for fruit cakes. Billy Lewis.

The Iron Clad hosiery is the best, buy them once and you want no others. T. D. Craddock sells them.

The 5, 10 and 15 cent counters are loaded down with pretty things at J. A. McConnell's Novelty Store.

Buy Alderny baking powder for your Christmas baking from T. D. Craddock. Just received a new supply.

### For Rent.

A good six-room house in the Bruner addition in Crockett. Apply to S. F. Tenney. tf.

Buy Chase and Sanburn coffee from T. D. Craddock to go with the other good things you expect to enjoy for Xmas.

Honest goods, honest measure, prompt shipment, when you buy your whiskey from Hyman Harrison, Palestine, Texas.

This may be your last chance to get a bearskin coat for your little child. Only a few left at J. A. McConnell's Novelty Store.

### Lost

On Main street, diamond and pearl brooch. Reward to finder. Mrs. J. G. Haring.

We have about 25 boxes very fine eating apples, but small, which we offer at \$1.25 per box. Inquire at our office. Edmiston Bros.

Our tailoring gives satisfaction to-morrow as well as to-day. It is a satisfaction that is lasting. Shupak Tailoring Co.

Don't buy California peaches when you can get Crockett peaches. Ask your grocer for the peaches put up by the Lone Star Orchard Co.

I can't send whiskey C. O. D. by express, but I can ship it C. O. D. by freight with sight draft attached to bill of lading and sent to the bank for collection. Address Hyman Harrison, Palestine, Texas.

### Haring Drug Co's. Holiday Prices.

25c Fine perfume.....	15c
50c Fine perfume.....	25c
\$1.00 Fine perfume.....	50c
25c Fine toilet water.....	15c
50c Fine toilet water.....	35c
75c Fine toilet water.....	50c
\$1.00 Fine toilet water.....	75c

Haring Drug Co.

## Money to Loan.

We make a specialty of loans on land and to farmers. We buy vendors lien notes and any other good paper. If you want to borrow money you will DO WELL to call and get our terms before placing your loan. We buy and sell real estate.

### WARFIELD BROTHERS,

Office North Side Public Square,  
Crockett, Texas

Ladies, Mrs. Bricker has a beautiful stock of trimmed hats that must go. Another big reduction sale on. Come quick and get your choice.

Why not three or four club together and buy your Xmas whiskey? Let me make you a special price by the case. I can save you money. Write Hyman Harrison, Palestine.

Crockett peaches are preferable. Ask your grocer for those put up by the Lone Star Orchard Co. and, besides getting the best for your money, you will patronize home industry.

### For Sale.

One span good mules, sound and in first class condition. One black mare. Edmiston Bros.

Don't wait until the last day. Send me your order for your Christmas whiskey right now and write me when you want it shipped out. Address Hyman Harrison, Palestine, Texas.

A party of hunters from Crockett, on the Trinity river last week, report having killed 150 ducks, 175 squirrels and two deer and caught as many fish as they could use. They report game in abundance.



## To Holiday Shoppers

WE extend to each and every one a cordial invitation to inspect our line. A thousand things are here to amuse and interest you. We are here to tell you about them and we will not insist too strongly on your buying. Wise buyers however will confine the bulk of their purchases to our store

Our Line Will be Found on East Side of Square  
Next Door to Asher's.

## Murchison & Beasley

## The Crockett Courier

Issued weekly from the Courier Building

W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Proprietor.

### PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

Obituaries, resolutions, cards of thanks and other matter not "news" will be charged for at the rate of 5c per line.

Parties ordering advertising or printing for societies, churches, committees or organizations of any kind will, in all cases, be held personally responsible for the payment of the bill.

### Result of General Election.

The Courier has hitherto printed a brief outline of the general election result, but as some of our readers overlooked the item, we reproduce below the complete vote of Houston county for the national and state tickets as cast in the election of November 3, 1908:

**Constitutional amendments—**  
For public free school amendment, 860; against, 471. For commissioners' precinct amendment, 374; against, 770. For salaries amendment, 297; against, 903.

**For presidential electors—**democratic, 1310; republican, 493; people's party, 5; prohibition, 1; socialist, 29; socialist labor, 1.

**For governor—**Campbell, 1337; Simpson (Rep.), 477; Rhodes (Soc.), 23.

**For lieutenant governor—**A. B. Davidson, 1341; Ogden (Rep.), 467; Hunt (Soc.), 24.

**For attorney general—**R. V. Davidson, 1335; Atwell (Rep.), 468; Smith (Soc.), 22.

### Some Receipts and Shipments.

As an indication of the improvement in business conditions in Crockett and Houston county, the Courier publishes below some statistics ascertained from Mr. J. B. Valentine, the freight agent at this station. The figures are for the months of November, 1907 and 1908:

We will begin with cotton seed, which shows an increase of 57 cars. During the month of November, 1907, Crockett received 13 cars of cotton seed, while during the same period this year the

receipts were 70 cars.

During the same period Crockett forwarded freight in carload lots as follows: Crossties 1908, 22 cars; 1907, 32 cars; cotton seed 1908, 8 cars; lignite 1908, 215 cars; 1907, 178 cars; live stock 1908, 7 cars; 1907, 4 cars; lumber 1908, 35 cars; 1907, 12 cars.

The above is only a partial list of the shipments in carload lots and is for the month of November only of each year. The total number of carloads of freight shipped during each year is as follows: To date, 1908, 352 cars; to date, 1907, 252 cars, showing an increase of 100 cars over last year's shipments.

The total receipts of the railroad company for money paid in on freight charges, for freight receipts, during the twelve months ending September 31, 1908, were \$59,783.30.

The most remarkable showing is in cotton shipments. Crockett had shipped on December 7, 1908, 6068 bales. On the same date, 1907, Crockett had shipped only 1262 bales.

Miss Marian Goolsbee and Mr. Malone W. Armstrong were married at the home of the bride in this city Saturday morning, Nov. 7, S. F. Tenney of the Presbyterian church officiating. The wedding was a very quiet affair, only a very few of the most intimate friends of the couple being present. The bride is one of Crockett's prettiest girls and is loved most by those who know her best. The groom is a promising young business-man of Alto, and the couple will begin married life in that town across the line between Houston and Cherokee counties. Crockett regrets losing the fair bride, this having been her home from childhood, she being the youngest daughter of Mrs. M. C. Goolsbee, a long and esteemed resident of this city, but wishes her much happiness and a life of prosperity.

I have the exclusive agency for Magale, Paul Jones, Parker Rye, Sugar Valley, Hill & Hill and Hyman's Private Stock. You can't get them elsewhere. Address Hyman Harrison, Palestine, Texas.

MOORE & SMITH

# REPUTATION

## IS THE RESULT OF DEMONSTRATION

Each season our customers learn by comparison that our prices are greatly below those asked by other stores. We have demonstrated that we are not just an ordinary store, selling goods in the ordinary way at ordinary prices. We are different from other stores. We buy our goods different. We refuse to pay the manufacturer what he wants us to pay, we even refuse to pay him a fair price, because we know how to buy goods for less. Don't think we take a club to the manufacturer. We simply watch the markets. We wait until some manufacturer has over-estimated the demand for his product and turned out more goods than he can sell through the regular channels. We wait until he sees what a hole he's in, and then we come down with our dough bags and make him a spot cash offer. It isn't hard to see how we gather in bargains and by underbuying easily undersell other stores.



### A Hearty Christmas Greeting

awaits all who favor us with a visit, as we are confident that our stock is unsurpassed for quality, variety and beauty. Buyers will find our prices very moderate. Do your Christmas shopping now and get the pick of the plums.

### Gentlemen's Shirts

for service and dress in plain and fancy colors, wool shirts of quality for work.

### Gentlemen's Shoes

in the Patent Leather Button, Lace Kangaroo, Box Calf and Vici Kid.

### Ladies' Hosiery

in silk, lisle and cotton, both plain and fancy colors.

### Ladies' Shoes

in Patent Leather, Vici Kid, Tans and plain leathers.

Children's Hats and Stockings.

## MOORE & SMITH,

Wooters' Old Stand, Northeast Corner Public Square.

MOORE & SMITH

## Christmas Is Coming Soon

So don't forget the house that always supplied you with ideal

## Christmas Gifts

Our Stock This Year is Larger and Better Than Ever Before

### ALSO REMEMBER

that J. D. Sims, the Furniture Man, has the only exclusive furniture store in Houston county, and he realizes the fact that he only has a few more weeks left in which to dispose of a large portion of this mammoth stock, consequently he is now offering some of the rarest bargains in furniture ever offered the people of Houston county, and in fact East Texas. Remember there is no cheap, shoddy stuff in our immense stock. There is neither economy or good common sense in buying cheap furniture. Pay just a little more and get something that you will be proud of in after years, and something that will last ten times as long as the Cheap John stuff. Now is an opportunity for you to gratify the wish of your wife who has waited so long and patiently for that new suit of furniture, dresser, rocking chair, center table, safe or kitchen cabinet. Speaking of rocking chairs, you just ought to see our stock—all the different shapes, makes, etc. We have enough to bring rest to every tired and weary soul in Houston county, and at prices that will astound you.

To the young people just entering upon the duties and responsibilities of married life we suggest that you make the right start, and to do this it is absolutely necessary that you place your housekeeping bill with J. D. Sims, who has started off more young couples to housekeeping than any furniture house in East Texas. We have a reputation for fair dealing and selling honest goods that competitors cannot meet.

We extend to you a cordial invitation to visit our store and make yourself at home. Watch this space next week for prices.

## The Furniture Store

Undertaker and Embalmer.

J. D. Sims, Proprietor

### For Sale Cheap.

My house and one acre of land in Crockett. One business house in Grapeland. Apply to O. C. Hickey, Hillsboro, Texas. 4t.

Make up club orders for Xmas whiskey and let me make you a special price. You'll get better goods for less money. Address Hyman Harrison, Palestine, Texas.

The Courier has just learned of the death of Tom Henry, which occurred at the home of his mother east of town several weeks ago. Tom was a good boy and made many friends who are grieved to learn of his death. He had not yet reached his majority.

The residence of Gus Leediker was consumed by fire Monday night at about 10 o'clock. It is reported that Mr. Leediker carried \$800 insurance on his house and \$300 on his furniture. Some of the furniture was removed by neighbors and thus saved from loss.

You get standard brands and better goods for your money; you get prompt shipment and I guar-

antee everything I sell. Order your Xmas whiskey now. Don't wait for the rush. Just tell me when you want it shipped. Address Hyman Harrison, Palestine.

### Terrel, Jefferson Co., Okla.

Courier Editor:—I am here in this country for the present, and wish you to send the Courier to my address. It is turning cold fast since 9 o'clock this morning with the wind from the North.

Yours respectfully,  
T. J. Ware.

Those of our citizens who have been going to Houston and Palestine to see Thomas Dixon's play, "The Clansman," now have the opportunity of seeing it at home without the expense of railroad fare and hotel bill. This play will be produced in Crockett in its entirety on Monday night, December 14, and the advance seat sale already indicates that standing room only will confront those who do not reserve their seats early. The play will be produced in Crockett by the same management that put it on in Houston and Palestine last season.

## Young Mules

## FOR SALE

Smith Bros. have 35 head of young mules for sale cheap. See them if you want a bargain. Terms to suit purchaser. At the

## BRICK LIVERY BARN

IN CROCKETT.