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PESQUEIRA FAVORS WEST TEXAS PLAN

Strong indorsement from a high Mexican source has been given to the plan which the West Texas Chamber of Commerce has under consideration of establishing a branch office at Mexico City.

In a letter to Porter A. Whaley, manager of the West Texas Chamber George H. Clements, secretary of the Toyah Chamber of Commerce, tells of a conversation which he had with Roberto Pesquiera, former representative of the Mexican government at Washington, on this subject.

"I have seen in a number of Texas newspapers, since I came home," Clements wrote, "stories covering your idea of opening a branch or agency in the City of Mexico and announcing that the matter would be among the questions to come up for discussion at the annual meeting to be held in Ranger in February. Since seeing you at Breckenridge I met Roberto Pesquiera, representative of the de la Huerta government at Washington, whose discussions of Mexican affairs with Secretary of State Colby have attracted so much attention on both sides of the international boundary. I outlined your plan to him and he thought it was one of the things which should be done at the earliest possible moment and he said he would do all in his power to further the movement if it ever took tangible shape.

"He was educated in the U. S., speaks and writes English like the manner born, and has been a constant friend of Americans wheth on their native heath or south of Rio Grande. He automatically got out of office when the de la Huerta government went out on the swearing in of Obregon, but he is persona grata with the new regime and will be given an important post in the Obregon government probably at Washington.

SURPLUS OF COTTON FOR YEAR 10,000,000 BALES

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 8, 1921.—The cotton acreage committee at Memphis, Tenn., is in receipt of a communication from J. Skottowe Wannamaker, President of the American Cotton Association, which is of so much importance that it is being distributed for publication. The communication, which brings out the fact that there is a tremendous over-supply of cotton was as follows:

"The South is in a very grave situation. The fact must be recognized at once and faced. The great hope is, that the South will see and understand that a further increase in the supply of cotton means calamity—that cotton is no longer a cash crop. "Dr. Bradford Knapp, in a recent statement made at Memphis said, 'Get it out of you head that anything but the supply of cotton and the world's ability to buy, fixes the price of cotton.' That summarizes our present predicament.

"Col. W. B. Thompson of New Orleans, has also said, 'It makes no difference whether there is too much cotton or too little demand for it, the result is the same.' Today, in comparison with world demand, there is a world surplus of cotton amounting to not less than 10,000,000 and possibly to as much as 15,000,000 bales. The present supply is not far from 27,000,000 bales and may be as much for the current year, as 30,000,000 bales.

"True enough, the total supply this year is not much more than the world production in 1913, when according to Prof. John A. Todd, world production reached a total of 27,703,600 bales. But we are feeling right now the effect of a tremendous world crop of cotton produced in 1911, 1912, and 1913. According to Todd, the world crop, including America, during these three years was 79,915,000 bales.

"The amount of cotton that has come 'in sight' this year is approximately 1,200,000 bales less than the amount brought 'in sight' to the cor-

responding date last year. Notwithstanding this decrease in the 'in sight' the visible supply has increased about 100,000 bales or more, which figures must be added to the carry-over in any attempt to forecast the carry over at August 1, 1921, and since the crop is also larger, the difference in the size of this year's crop and last year's crop, 12,987,000 against 11,325,000, or 1,662,000 bales, must be added, making a total indicated carry-over exceeding 9,000,000 bales.

"The 10-year average consumption of American cotton prior to the great war, was about 13,000,000 bales, or only 4,000,000 bales more than our prospective carry over. The 10-year average consumption of all kinds of cotton, including America prior to the great war, was about 17,500,000 bales. The world is not likely to consume more than 15,000,000 bales during the present fiscal year, and we have no assurance that it will consume that much, nor do we know, or are there any signs as to when conditions may be expected to improve.

"Europe is bankrupt; it requires nearly 4,000 German marks for the former par value of 24c each, to buy a bale of American cotton at 10c per pound, so bad is the state of foreign credits. The number of spindles fit for use the world over, has been reduced about 16,000,000 out of a total of 154,000,000. England's 55,000,000 spindles, the majority of which are working American cotton, are operating only 24 hours per week, and there are many American spindles either totally idle or running short time, because of lack of orders.

I. D. (PETE) SCOGGIN PIONEER SETTLER DEAD

Mr. I. D. (Pete) Scoggin a pioneer settler of this county, died at the Post Sanitarium Sunday. Mr. Scoggin had been sick for some thing like two weeks and had just recently been carried to Post for treatment, when on Sunday morning last he died. The body was brought to Snyder and kept here until Wednesday when entombment was made in the Snyder cemetery.

Mr. Scoggin was born in South Carolina in Feb. 1852, and came to Texas in 1872 landing at Fort Worth from there it is said he walked from Fort Worth across the then barren country to Brown county, where he started in work for W. B. (Smoky) Brown until 1880 when he came to Scurry and Kent counties where he settled and has been since. That was 41 years ago, the county then was a barren plain, with only an occasional ranch house. He began working on a ranch and by his untiring efforts thrift and financial ability he had accumulated quite a fortune, amounting to four or five hundred thousand dollars. At the time of his death he was vice president of the First State Bank and Trust Co., of this place, besides his extensive ranch interest in Kent and other counties.

Mr. Scoggin was a big hearted man and was known many times to aid those who were in trouble and distress. His friends were as legion, not only in this county but from Fort Worth to Amarillo, he had many staunch friends along the way as was evidenced by the respect shown him by their presence, when the remains were laid away.

The funeral services were conducted Wednesday evening at 2 o'clock at the First Baptist church by Rev. M. C. Bishop of Anson, Texas. The active pall bearers were: Will Williams, Giles Connel, R. A. Jay, Beal Sneed, Walter Roy, and Elmer Long. The honorary pall bearers were: A. J. Long, G. H. Colvin, Ben Young, E. W. Clark, J. S. McCall, T. H. McMahon, Fort Worth; Fred Housler and Felix Franklin, Amarillo; Joe Stokes, Big Spring; Ben Plasters and Dr. P. C. Coleman, Colorado; Ed J. Hamner, Sweetwater; F. P. Knox, N. N. Rogers and J. T. Halsford, Post; Geo. M. Boles, Lubbock; N. M. Harpole and J. Wright Moor, Snyder.

Besides the above a few more out of town folks were: Jake Maner, Colorado; John, Bob and Dee Boren, Geo Duckworth, Ira Kutch, Post; Charley Mann, Colorado; Rich Miller, Gall; W. O. Stevens, Bob Willoby, John Mason and Dock Knox, Post.

STATE AID INSPECTOR HERE JAN. 11

State inspector to inspect the state aid schools of Scurry county, Miss Georgia Walker, will be here for the purpose of visiting and inspecting the state aid schools. She will arrive Tuesday, January 11th. It is very essential that the trustees of each school meet the supervisor at the time of her visit to each school, for discussing matters of interest to the school and community.

The principal of all state aid schools, which have not reported, to have ready for the inspector the following information:

First. The exact number of texts of each kind in use.

Second. The number of each kind, if any, needed.

Third. The number of each kind, if any, not needed, or the surplus.

Miss Walker will visit the following schools Tuesday: Fluvanna, Arith Turner, Crowder, Canyon, and Benson.

Wednesday, Plainview, Strayhorn, Camp Springs, Guinn, Loyd Mt., and Ennis.

Thursday: Ira, Dunn Lone Wolf China Grove, Mitchell county Line.

Friday: Independence and Hermeleigh.

Yours for better schools,
Nealy Squyres, Co. Supt.

MARSHAL MAY PRACTICE LAW IN AMARILLO

Amarillo, Texas.—When Vice President Thomas R. Marshall visited Amarillo several weeks ago and made an address under the auspices of the Board of City Development, he was extremely pleased with this city and complimented in warmest terms the great future possibilities of the Panhandle country. While here it was generally known that negotiations started between the Vice President and a certain law firm, but it was never made public whether the proposal of the firm had been accepted by Mr. Marshall, or not. An article appearing in a Dallas paper with a Washington date line makes the following statement, which looks as if the Vice President is considering making Amarillo his future home: "There is a possibility that Vice President Marshall will be associated with a law firm in Amarillo following his term as presiding officer of the United States senate, which ends March 4th."

New Subscribers and Renewals.

Following have our thanks for new subscription and renewals this week: L. Leach, Westbrook; J. W. Russell, Eermott; John Simpson, Oakland, Oregon; J. B. Johnson, Camp Spring; Clifton C. Doak, Denton; C. Grant, Ira; W. W. Eiland, Midland; W. H. Wolfe, Narvna, Texas. Mrs. Lillie Dixon, Telephone, Texas; T. H. Crowder, John Weller, W. A. Doak, Earl Henry, W. H. Huckabee, John Abercrombie, A. Rhoades, N. B. Moore, O. P. Wolfe, W. A. Palmer and Leon Wren, Snyder.

Mrs. Levinia Wright Dead.

Mrs. Levinia Wright, mother of Mrs. C. R. Buchanan passed away peacefully Wednesday night at the home of Mrs. Buchanan.

Mrs. Wright had attained the ripe old age of 80 years and would have soon reached her 81st birthday. She was a devoted Christian, always pleasant and cheerful with an abiding faith in her Master. It is a great loss to friends and relatives when such sweet characters as grandma Wright passes away, but heaven is made the richer by her going.

The Signal together with her host of friends extends condolence to the bereaved ones.

The funeral services were held yesterday evening at 2:30 o'clock at the Presbyterian church conducted by Elder Hester.

\$50,000 was the figure set by the senate rules committee for congressional expenses in connection with the inauguration of President Elect Harding.

Howell Harpole has returned to school at Abilene.

C. OF C. TO HAVE MEETING TUESDAY

It is understood that the Chamber of Commerce is now making some extensive preparations for the coming year's work and are planning to inaugurate the work and get their plans in some tangible shape so that some definite things can be laid out and accomplished.

Mr. Heslip, the Secretary, as well as other leading business men of the city, say that the best and most effective way to get results is to get men together get their ideas of the things that should be done and how to do it. In view of this fact a meeting has been called for next Tuesday night at the Manhattan Hotel, for a general discussion and planning and besides our local talent, we could have a representative from the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, any man who has been in the midst of town building or who has at any time been successful in formulating plans is a very valuable asset in getting things started.

There are many things that could be done in Snyder and some things that ought to be done and that real soon, and there is but one way to do it and that is for the men of Snyder and county to do it. Snyder has beautified herself wonderfully during the past year by the good work done on the square. She can add another laurel to her crown by building some modern school buildings. The report of the state school inspector which appeared in last week's Signal should make us take notice and inspire us to activity along this line as one of the first things to claim our attention. Another thing that will be discussed will be the wide difference in price of the two grades of cotton. The reason and probable remedy.

Sargent E. J. Desha of Washington, D. C., is here on a furlough to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Desha.

ANNUAL POSTAL SAVINGS NEWS BULLETIN ISSUED

The United States Postal Savings System is today marking its tenth anniversary by issuing a new postal savings card which will displace the 10-cent postal savings card which has been in use since the establishment of the system on January 1, 1911.

The new card will be furnished free of cost and when ten 10-cent postal savings stamps have been affixed to it will be accepted at any depository office as a deposit of \$1 or it may be redeemed in cash. The outstanding feature of the new card is the translation into two y-four foreign languages of the statement that the faith of the United States is solemnly pledged to the payment of deposits made with the system.

The Service was first established at forty-eight post offices, one in each state on January 1, 1911, and, although hampered by many restrictions as to rate of interest and maximum amount allowed on deposit, it has shown remarkable progress. Postmaster General Burleson announces that the amount on deposit today is more than \$162,000,000 and its depositors have long since passed the one-half million mark.

As predicted by its proponents in the days before the passage of the original Postal Savings Act, our foreign born citizens have been the principal patrons of the system. Taught in their native countries to look to the Government to safeguard their savings, they naturally expect this Government to do likewise. In the present flood tide of immigration, each new comer as he leaves the port of entry, receives a leaflet in his own language outlining the method of operation of the United States Postal Savings System and urging upon him the desirability of continuing in this country the practice of thrift which has been so necessary in the country he has just left. The service is, therefore, one of the most potent factors in furthering the Americanization movement.

Many banks, usually savings banks,

prior to the establishment of the System felt that the Postal Savings System would be strong competitor but experience has shown that the Postal Savings System draws its patrons not from depositors in established and well-conducted banks but from among those who otherwise would not place their money in any banking institution whatever.

The original act of Congress restricted the total amount to be placed on deposit at \$500 and the deposit of this amount was limited to not more than \$100 per month. Later the monthly limitation was entirely removed and the maximum amount increased first to \$1,000 and then to the present amount, \$2,500. Postmaster General Burleson, in the annual report just submitted to Congress recommends increasing the rate of interest to be paid depositors and action by Congress will, no doubt, be taken along these lines within the near future.

BUSINESS CONDITION NEARING NORMAL STATUS

Dallas, Jan. 5.—Business and agricultural conditions in the Southwest already beginning to stabilize, will soon reach a healthy and firm normalcy as the result of falling prices, and industrial unemployment, R. M. Van Zandt, Governor of the Eleventh Federal Reserve District declared today in an interview with the United States.

Van Zandt compared so-called business and agricultural depression with a man who had imbibed too much liquor.

"When a man gets drunk he has a headache afterwards," he said. "Business and everyone else has simply been on a stew of extravagance—they're just going through the ice pack period now and they'll be all right shortly.

"The first thing we must do is get the man who has been getting high wages in town back to the farm. How? Let them hear the dinner bell. When they feel hunger as a result of city unemployment, they'll think of the farm with its eggs and meat and fried chicken—they'll go to the farm and offer to work for 'keeps' and \$35 or \$45 a month, and then the farmer will be able to produce a crop that he can sell at a profit and at 'normal' prices."

"Until a few years ago the farmer got up at daylight and was in the field. He did his own work, or worked with his men, raised better crops at a good profit. The last two or three years he paid high wages to get his work done, and bought an automobile and rode around in it week days.

"We say the farmer raised his most expensive crop in his territory this year. Certainly. What he must do is put that automobile in the shed until Sunday. The majority of farmers are back in their fields again helping pick their cotton and corn because they can't afford to hire it picked and they're getting cleaner cotton and corn."

Van Zandt declared closing of the Ford and other auto factories was a good thing. The farmer and the town man have already bought too many automobiles for their own good, he declared, and the men affected will return to normal positions and living.

The Federal Reserve Governor cited a letter from a banker at Roaring Springs as an example of how farmers are getting down to work on a normal basis.

"Farmers here are going to raise a crop this year for little or no cost," the letter said. "They have everything they need; seed and the like. Next fall they'll have a crop they can sell at a profit."

Van Zandt switched to the retail trade.

"We are experiencing a good 'normal' retail trade," he said. "When a man is a little bit sick it doesn't mean he is going to die."

Miss Vela Bell who spent the Christmas holidays here with her mother and brother, returned to her school work at San Marcos Sunday afternoon.

Miss Eula Mae Hoy left Monday returning to Denton after spending the holidays with home folks.

AUTO REGISTRATION SEALS SENT OUT

Austin, Jan. 3.—Seals for the 1921 registration of automobiles have been furnished to Dallas, Tarrant, Bexar, Harris, El Paso and all other larger counties, 415,000 have been received at Austin up to this time and shipped out to the counties, according to State Highway Engineer R. J. Windrow.

Forty thousand additional seals were received today and 25,000 others are on the way from the manufacturers, this making a total of 500,000, leaving a balance of 100,000 yet to be received by the highway department from the manufacturer.

Mr. Windrow said the seals are being shipped out to the counties alphabetically. The delay has been a result of slow delivery by the manufacturing company.

The 1921 license fees on all auto mobile, and motor vehicles of every character were due Jan. 1, but in view of the fact that this unavoidable delay in receiving seals has occurred suggestion is made by the state highway engineer that a reasonable amount of additional time be allowed by county officials for the completion of registrations for this year by automobile owners.

PROCEEDINGS OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The City Council met in regular session at the City Hall on the evening of Jan. 3, 1921. With Mayor Fuller presiding. Other officials present were Marshal O. P. Wolfe, Water and Sewer Supt. P. M. Bolin, Secretary Harvey Shuler and aldermen M. W. Morrow, J. K. Blackard, H. J. Brice, H. L. Davis and T. J. Blackburn.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The City Tax Collector O. P. Wolfe filed his report for collections of December and same were approved by the Finance Committee.

The matter of employing a man to work and care for the city teams at a salary of \$75.00 and a helper for \$60.00 per month was given to the street and bridge committee.

The Council granted Mr. Gay McGlaun a permit to put up a building to be used as a filling station on his property where the Opera House stood.

Aldermen H. L. Davis, W. M. Morrow and H. J. Brice were appointed as a committee to draft new resolutions or ordinance changing the present condition of the City Scavenger's work.

The committee appointed last meeting to see about extending the water main to the Laundry and Berry wagon yard were asked to have their report ready for the call meeting Tuesday evening, Jan. 11.

The Water and sewer committee was appointed to make a list of all property owners on water and sewer lines who are not connected with same. List of all property owners on water and sewer lines who have connections with same. List all persons in arrears on water and sewer rent. List of property owners whose toilets are out of order, and have same ready for the call meeting.

Motion and carried that the Water and Sewer Supt. P. M. Bolin's salary be raised from \$20.00 to \$40.00 per month, effective Jan. 1, 1921.

The following bills were allowed: O. P. Wolfe, \$150.00, J. C. Maxwell \$10.00, M. A. Fuller \$3.00, Harvey Shuler \$20, W. M. Morrow \$3, J. K. Blackard \$3, H. L. Davis \$3, Jno. W. Smith \$10, V. P. Chaney \$153, S. W. T. & T. Co. \$3.50, G. H. Leath \$150, Hargreaves Ptg Co. \$26, J. D. McClanahan \$33 (H. G. Towle \$4, Snyder Tire & Rubber Co. \$43.55, W. T. Baze & Sons \$19.40, Blackard Hdw. Co. \$12.50, W. L. Shaw \$6.50, E. M. Houston \$15, A. S. Baker \$52.50, W. E. Johnston \$111.10, Edgar Wilson \$13.50, Snyder Utilities \$244.23, P. M. Bolin \$20.

Mrs. Ross Edwards (nee Berta Wilson) was here last week visiting her mother.

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**MERCANTILE FAILURES
ARE NON-ADVERTISERS**

Duan and Bradstreet mercantile agencies show a 25 per cent increase in failures for last week over the same week in 1919. It also shows that 84 per cent of the failures for last week were firms that were non-advertisers. There is nothing more to be said in defense of advertising for the above statistics is sufficient evidence of its value. Advertising is not an experience any more, but a real business proposition that cannot be repeatedly ignored by the merchant. All business men are agreed that systematic advertising is an essential part of a successful business and arrange their expense budget at the beginning of the year so as to include their advertising. Some store keepers have not learned this and are at a loss to know why their business does not succeed like others when the fact is, that they have failed to advertise the people of their trade territory of the things they have to sell, and the one and only successful medium through which to accomplish this is the home newspaper.

These are not mere fancies, neither are they opinions of our own, but are plain simple deductions that have long since been declared by business men as accurate. Bradstreet says that 84 per cent of the failures in one month were non-advertisers. If you want more business jump into print.

The district court now in session at Lubbock will determine whether the Tax Collector's office shall be separate from the office of sheriff.

It is said that Lenin is ready to invade America by launching his propaganda campaign with seven printing plants which Moscow claims to possess in the United States. Also about thirty similar plants in France, Germany and Italy. It might be well for Mr. Lenin to be satisfied in his own back yard with his own paradise.

State Press says that his pocket book looks so flat sometimes that he is tempted to give it a dose of bust developer.

Greenleaf Fisk formerly owner of the Cisco Weekly Roundup has purchased the Taylor County Times at Abilene and will move to that city soon.

During the last three days of the old year and the beginning of the new business is showing a healthier trend and it is said a cheerful attitude is becoming noticeable in New York. Markets are growing firmer and a general feeling that the worst has happened and a commercial improvement expected.

Dr. Theobald von Bethman-Hollweg, former German Imperial Chancellor, is dead. He was the man who called treaty guaranteeing the neutrality of Belgium as a "scrap of paper." Hollweg was wise however in that he warned them not to antagonize America.

Notice.

If you want to sell your old last year's cotton or hollies see me at once. G. M. Garner. 31p

Woman's Missionary Aux. Meeting.
The Women's Missionary Auxiliary held an interesting meeting Monday afternoon. The president, Mrs. Emmett Johnson, conducted the meeting. Mrs. C. C. Higgins ably led the devotional.

Prayer, Mesdames Gann and H. G. Towle.

Business for the New Year was discussed. The officers will meet with Mrs. C. C. Higgins Thursday afternoon to outline the work for the New Year.

All members, who desire to take the Mission and Bible Study Course will please place their names with Mrs. Lee Stinson.

We hope to have a very interesting and profitable year, and with the help of each member nothing is impossible. Supt. of Publicity.

Twenty car loads of sheep were loaded on at the Santa Fe yards last week to be shipped down about Winters. They came from near Justiceburg. Each car carried from 220 to 230 sheep, making something like 2500 head.

Ladies' Aid.
The Ladies' Aid Society met in regular business session at the church Jan. 3, 1921.

Mrs. H. E. Rosser led the devotional, after the meeting was turned over to the president.

The committees gave splendid reports, especially the Personal Service committee.

We sincerely hope each lady of the church will come and give us their hearty co-operation. Reporter.

Mr. W. W. Eiland had his Signal changed this week from Foch to Midland, where he goes to make his future home. Mr. Eiland has purchased land near Midland.

Collie Fish was a visitor to Fort Worth yesterday. He will return Monday.

A Card of Thanks.

Words fail to express our appreciation of the kindness and sympathy shown us by our neighbors and friends during the sickness and death of our wife and sister. We pray God's richest blessings upon each one, who so faithfully administered to our needs.

C. B. Murphree,
E. B. Murphree,
Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Murphree.

Festus Head returned Monday to Clarendon College after spending the holidays with home folks, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Head.

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms to rent for light housekeeping. See Hub Taylor, basement Court-House. 31c

Miss Irene Rhoades, a daughter of A. Rhoades of Snyder, who is a stenographer in the law department of the T. P. Coal & Oil Co. at Thurber, returned to her place of employment last Sunday to begin a second year's work after having spent the holidays with home folks.

Rufus Mitchell, an old time resident of Snyder and Scurry county, but now of Seminole, was here Tuesday shaking hands with friends. Rufus looked pleased and seemed to be enjoying life. He said the improvement on the square had made a wonderful change in Snyder's appearance.

DON'T THROW YOUR DOLLARS AWAY.

just because they are worth about fifty cents if SPENT now.

Deposit them in The First National Bank, Snyder Texas and in a few years they will be worth much more than their present purchasing value.

It is the SPENT dollar that is CHEAP—
The SAVED dollar is still VALUABLE.

Dollars are also
SAVED when put in
War Saving Stamps

**THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK
SNYDER, TEXAS**

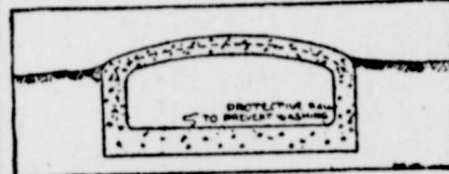
ROAD BUILDING

BUILDING CONCRETE CULVERT

Plan Outlined to Do Away With Construction of Forms—Remedy for Undermining.

Instead of going to the trouble and expense of making forms for the concrete culverts, if the ditch is temporarily filled with earth and tamped, these may be made with no forms at all. One such culvert was made several years ago that has withstood time and frequent use and is still without any cracks.

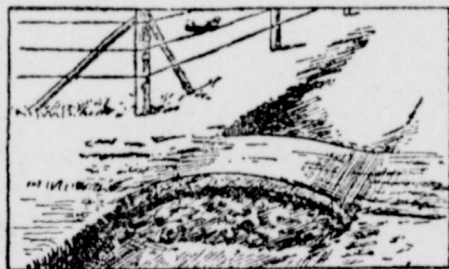
The illustration shows how this type of culvert or bridge is constructed, writes Dale R. Van Horn in Missouri and Kansas Farmer. If a piece of land is to be drained, this may be



How Culvert is Constructed.

built first and the ditch dug afterward. If an old ditch is to be bridged, the fill may be made for the time being and later removed. The concrete is mixed in the right proportions and laid on the rounding surface to the proper thickness, and with suitable reinforcing. Trenches should be dug at either side to make a good footing to hold the culvert rigid and to take the weight of loads passing over it.

Many concrete bridges fail to stand the test of high waters. If the footing is too shallow, they undermine



Remedy for Undermining.

during a flood, and either crumble or are made unsafe. A simple remedy for this is to provide a shallow wall running across the upstream side of the opening, and a part of the bridge. This should extend to the bottom of the side walls and should not be over five or six inches above the low water level. This checks any tendency toward undermining and prevents debris from wedging in the bridge.

S. F. Smith of Sweetwater was in Snyder Tuesday.

It is reported that the Lamesa Oil company on the Cross C ranch had good oil sand at about 1800 feet. There is thirty feet of pay sand so far. The well shows for fifteen to twenty barrels or better. It is shut down waiting for an inspection by Major J. W. Ottley, the geologist, and also by the representative of the U. S. Geological Survey, who have taken sample cores from this well for testing purposes.

A. D. Holt of San Antonio is visiting his son, Jno. M. Holt of the Signal force.

FOR SALE—Texas Red Seed Oats 75 cents per bushel. See G. S. Lunsford five miles west of Snyder. 32p

Boss Penrose is back in his place in the Senate. He donned his fighting clothes and pronounced the death sentence on emergency tariff and the soldiers' bonus legislation.

Grateful Spirit.

On reading how good old Santa Claus was to Bro. Tate of Fluvanna, I want to say there is also a good Santa Claus at Dermott. Just being back from the sanitarium and unable to help the children but very little, was just thinking what a dull Christmas, when there was a knock on the door. On going to the door in walked a neighbor with a large package, and putting it on the table remarked "This is what Santa Claus sent you." On opening the package I found several kinds of cakes and pies, baked chicken with dressing and other nice things to eat. Later on another neighbor came in with more cake and pie. While we were enjoying this bounteous feast my little girl remarked: "Mother, God must have had something to do with it." How could I help but answer "Yes, dear, God had all to do with it." For what else but a true Christ-like spirit prompted such kindness?

Christmas is past and gone, but still these good neighbors are remembering us with numerous good things. New Year's day another supply came. I cannot find words sufficient to thank these good friends for all their kindness, but there is One who sees and knows all things, and will reward each one according to their deeds. These good neighbors have certainly carried out the Golden Rule. Matthew vii:12.

May God's richest blessings rest upon these good people in their future years.

MRS. J. I. BURROUGHS.

FOR SALE—Jersey Cow, second calf, seven weeks old, extra good butter cow. \$110.00. C. B. Alexander, Dermott, Texas. 29tf.

Miss Theresa Cotton has gone to Dallas on an extended visit with her aunt, Mrs. W. B. Hudgins.

Prof. S. L. Rives, superintendent of Slaton schools and family, visited at Snyder last weekend.

ASPIRIN

Name "Bayer" on Genuine



Be ware! Unless you see the name "Bayer" on package or on tablets you are not getting genuine Aspirin prescribed by physicians for twenty-one years and proved safe by millions. Take Aspirin only as told in the Bayer package for Colds, Headache, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, Earache, Toothache, Lumbago, and for pain. Handy tin boxes of twelve Bayer Tablets of Aspirin cost few cents. Druggists also sell larger packages. Aspirin is the trade mark of Bayer Manufacture of Monoaceticacidester of Salicylicacid.

Ingenious Insects.

When Para rubber trees are tapped, after the gum has run into receptacles and stiffened, a species of large black ant is accustomed to cut out pieces of the rubber and carry them away. Bees also find use for India rubber, and some species in South America actually cut the bark of trees that produce a resinous substance in order to cause a flow of the sap. The gum is employed by the bees as a ready-made wax for their nests.

Removing Ink Stains.

To remove ink stains from either brass or copper a very simple remedy is required, but it is well worth knowing, as otherwise ink spilt on brass or copper inkstands and left to dry is a trouble to remove. Simply pour a few drops of fresh ink on the old stain, and rub with a piece of rag, when the old stain will disappear quite easily Polish in the usual way.

**A. I. BERMAN
DRY GOODS COMPANY
OUR SALE IS STILL
GOING ON**

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What to Do Next Year.

1. Plan to grow practically all food and feed needed on the farm.
2. We should keep at least enough good livestock to consume the roughage that usually goes to waste, to provide a full year's work for men and horses, to furnish milk and butter, to provide pork and pork products, and to supply poultry and poultry products for home use.
3. We should keep at least one brood mare on the farm to do the light work and to raise the necessary colts to furnish horse power. This will save the money paid out for mules and horses, but the greatest profit will come from securing in this way sufficient horse power for the most economical production of crops.
4. Only the most prolific seed of all kinds should be planted.
5. A systematic rotation of crops should be practiced, and a leguminous crop should be grown on every acre of land every year.
6. Liberal applications of acid phosphate should be made on all soils deficient in phosphorus, and lime should be applied to soils needing lime.
7. Labor saving farm implements and machinery of all kinds should be used for the most economical production of crops.—The progressive farmer.

Wanted to Lease.

One section of land known as the McLean Section north of town. About 230 acres in cultivation, balance in grass. See J. W. Fesmire. 26-1f

E. Bibbee has returned from Milford, and will spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. G. H. Leath.

Income Tax Reports.

Let us make your Income Tax Report. We will do it correctly at a nominal charge. Boren & Erwin, Northwest Corner Court House.

There were about 75 witnesses Monday from Foch in the case of State of Texas vs. J. L. Vine.

L. Simpson sends the Signal to John Simpson of Oakland, Mo.

MOST IMPORTANT FARM PROBLEM

Modern Buildings Are Essential to Success.

DAIRY BARN IS PARAMOUNT

Only Contented Cows Will Turn Out Good Milk and in Quantity—Is Source of Real Income.

By WILLIAM A. RADFORD.

Mr. William A. Radford will answer questions and give advice FREE OF COST on all subjects pertaining to the subject of building work on the farm, for the readers of this paper. On account of his wide experience as Editor, Author and Manufacturer, he is, without doubt, the highest authority on all these subjects. Address all inquiries to William A. Radford, No. 1857 Prairie Avenue, Chicago, Ill., and only inclose two-cent stamp for reply.

Many people like to talk about the "good old days." "It sure was great when"—and so it goes.

You know what we have in mind: the backsliding business man who refuses to recognize progress and goes along in his old way, berating modern ideas and longing for the "good old times." Well, he is out of luck, and some day may be awakened to the fact. And so it is with the farmer who puts his back to improvements and clings to the old "red barn" and all that goes with it. He wonders why his neighbor, who has built a new barn with all the latest labor-saving equipment, gets so much more time to spend in the fields or out in the car, and keeps his help.

The farm of today is a big business that requires a big mind to run it successfully. Just as the building business requires alert men to make a success of it. The two are inevitably linked, for the building program on the modern farm is one of its most important problems.

In this building program the dairy barn is of paramount importance. Therein lies the source of real income, if handled properly. Only contented cows will turn out good milk and in quantity. And to make for content-

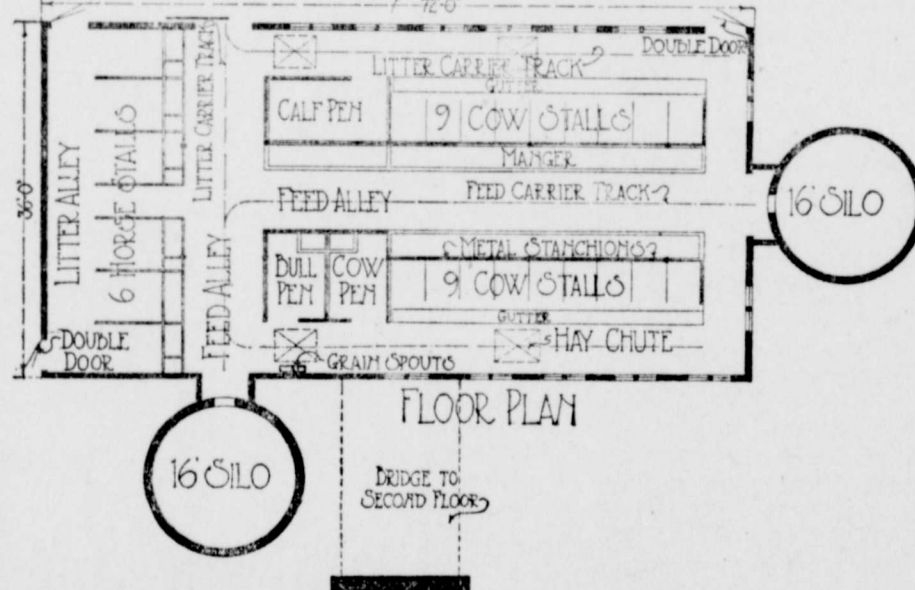
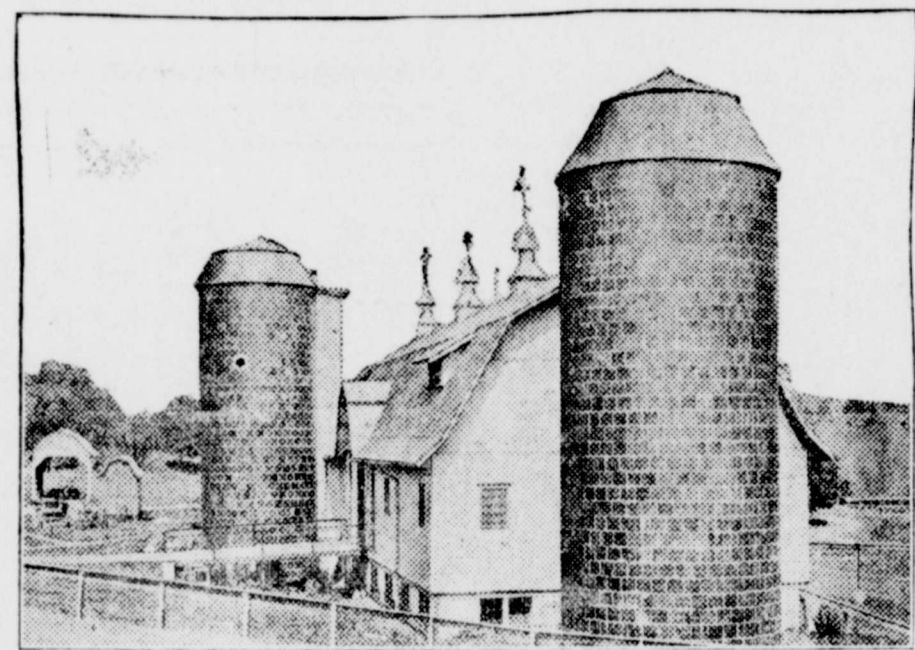
Aside from the details involved in the building of walls and roof, of which the plank frame is quite popular, the floor is the most important feature of the modern dairy barn. But it might be well at this point to mention the placing of the barn with reference to wind and sun. Because the barn runs from the warm south to the cold northwest, construction should be arranged to meet conditions and the successful builder knows that dead air spaces will keep out cold air. But, as was suggested, the big problem is the floor. In the first place, to be sanitary, it should be as near waterproof as possible. Furthermore, it must be easy to clean, durable and easy for the cow.

For all-around service concrete has been found very efficient for all except the stall. The cow cannot stand on concrete very long without getting tired, nor can she very well lie on it without risk to health. For that reason cork brick and crossotod block are used as flooring in the stall.

With the construction details fairly under way, the big consideration is equipment. The progressive builder and farmer consider only the most efficient labor-saving equipment. Why? Because they want to get the maximum production with the help available. And the fact that it is mighty scarce is no secret. The farmer who owns that "old red barn" is continually fretting about getting hired help. "They're all going to the city," is his plaint. But the same complaint is not heard on the modern farm—because the help find something has been done to make work a pleasure. They do not break their backs shoveling litter into a wheelbarrow and carting it from the dairy barn. All they have to do is load it into the litter carrier and it is whisked away to the waiting manure spreader outside the barn. And likewise with the feed. It is carried by feed carriers which can be stopped in front of each stall.

Any equipment which causes a reduction in labor expense is an asset to the farm. Overhead carrier equipment takes care of that. Liberal trackage increases the general comfort and convenience and insures the satisfaction of help which today is one of the most important problems of the farmers.

The purpose of any cow stall is to provide a secure yet convenient means of tying the animal, which will at the same time afford the comfort and



ment, one must provide ventilation that will furnish fresh air and carry away the foul, poisonous air that hangs like a heavy mist about the animal; cheerful, germ-killing sunlight from windows so placed as to give the maximum benefits at all hours and not just during certain periods; comfortable, clean stalls and stanchions and drinking bowls next to the stalls, where the cow can drink at will. The new dairy barn should be built as a workshop, not merely a stable.

It is here that the building contractor and farmer can get their heads together and plan a barn that will be mutually satisfactory and certainly the proper place for the herd. Certain essential features should be incorporated in these plans to achieve what the farmer wants—production; and what the builder hopes to give—service. In the construction of the barn, cleanliness, cow comfort and health, convenience and economy are factors to be considered.

Naturally, the site is important. It should be located on a sunny, well-drained slope, where surface water will run away from the barn.

Next, the size is to be considered. Owing to the development of standard measurements in stalls, gutters and alleys, this can be easily figured out. Those most frequently used are 36 feet in width. This provides plenty of room to place the cows in two rows, facing in or out. The two-row arrangement permits better lighting and ventilation.

freedom necessary in the production of large quantities of milk. Modern stalls are constructed of tubing, which gives strength and rigidity and is sanitary. The stanchion is firmly attached to both top rail and concrete anchor, but has sufficient play in all directions to be at once flexible, comfortable and humane. The cow enjoys great freedom, whether lying or standing, and there is nothing to annoy her.

The drinking cup has been one of the most popular labor-saving and production-increasing pieces of equipment introduced in the dairy barn. A continuous flow of water is available any time the cow feels like drinking, and plenty of good, fresh water helps increase the flow of milk.

By providing water cups, clean stalls and real mangers, humane, comfortable steel stanchions, the farmer and builder have helped to produce contented cows, and contented cows produce real milk and plenty of it. And by adding mechanical carrying equipment in the form of feed, litter and hay carrier they are making contented help. Contented help will not go to the city.

Equipment—that is the big secret in a nutshell. It includes the barn door hangers that make them slide so easily, the truck that carries the milk to the creamery. Every item on the list is helping in that battle to keep the boy on the farm, for after all, the future of the farm depends on the success of that idea. Without men farms cannot exist.



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J. W. COUCH, Snyder, Texas

WHEN BETTER AUTOMOBILES ARE BUILT, BUICK WILL BUILD THEM

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS AT ARAH.

Editor Signal:

There was much pleasure to many of our family circles embraced in their Yuletide festivities and family reunions. Into every life some rain must fall, and some days must be cold and dark and dreary. Those who are happy during these happy days forget that others can be unhappy while there is so much happiness, and it is well that they forget. One of the unhappiest laws of nature is that we cannot forget the things we want to forget or remember the things we want to remember. This scribe has had more pleasure this Christmas than the average man, for his brother and family spent two days with him. For the living and loving, the prosperous and unfortunate, we tried to make these two days the merriest of merry days. But the happiest moments of yesterday's events were spent in devouring a large portion of that monstrous turkey with numerous other things that go to make up a real turkey dinner, like only Mrs. S. H. Ramsour could prepare.

Our school is progressing splendidly with Mr. Bryant as principal and Miss Flora Crowder as primary teacher. We are hammering away with all our might and soul at the rural school problems. We are not dead, if we have been silent. We are full of energy and good will and are doing what we can to let the sunlight of knowledge into the minds of those who are placed under our charge. While our school is not as large in numbers as some schools we have taught, but as a whole it is one of the best we have taught. We are not going to devote all our time to athletics, yet we are going to put in some time preparing for the Scurry County Meet. Our basket ball season will begin this week and we hope to be able to interest some of our neighbor schools in the near future. So whenever you get ready for a game let us know and we'll be ready for you. We will also enter the spelling, declamation and track contests. Miss Crowder is a Scurry county product, and we congratulate ourselves for having secured her services. She is not only a good teacher, but she is also a "live wire" when it comes to athletics.

One of the most beautiful entertainments of the Yuletide season was the community Christmas tree, which was given at the schoolhouse on Christmas Eve night. Everything

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was brilliant and gay in Christmas colors and decorations of bells, cedar and variegated colors of crepe paper. Red candles were burning here and there and conversations were indulged in until the appointed time when old Santa Claus made his appearance with his pack on his back ready to distribute gifts to the youngsters. But a still greater surprise was the wonderful Christmas tree beautifully decorated and brilliantly lighted, laden with presents for every one. After the presents had been distributed, it was announced that all would retire to the

home of Mr. and Mrs. Chapman where the remainder of the evening was spent in merry making, but the evening came to a close all too soon. But as the time came to go home each one went home happy and thankful to their hostess for the lovely time she had given them on this festive occasion. Red Mug.

Income Tax Reports.

We will be prepared to make your income report for 1920 at a nominal charge. Ask us for information. Boren & Erwin, North west Corner Court House.

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CARDUI The Woman's Tonic

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BUNGALOW OF UNUSUAL DESIGN

Seven-Room Home Has Many Good Features.

CONTAINS PLENTY OF ROOM

Artistic Bay Windows and Dormers Make This Design Different From the Ordinary Bungalow —Rooms Well Arranged.

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Many home builders object to house designs that are unusual. They say, and usually are correct, that unusual houses are excellent as homes, but are not good investments. If it should be necessary to sell the possible buyers are fewer for the reason that an odd house will not appeal to so many persons.

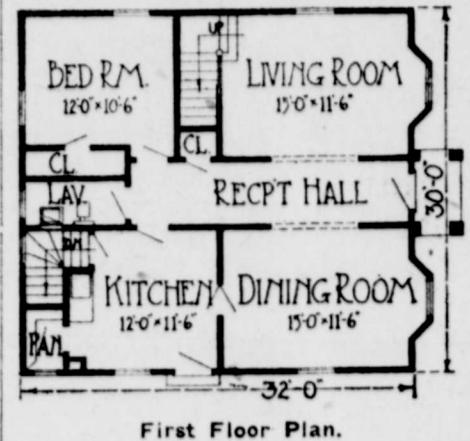
However, it is possible to give distinction to a standard type of house, especially the bungalow. Architects take practically the same interior arrangement and by using different roof lines, designing unusual windows, and by giving the porch roof a distinctive treatment affect changes that take the home out of the ordinary class and put it into a distinctive class.

An excellent example of this branch of the architect's art is shown in the accompanying illustration. This home is not out of the ordinary in interior arrangement; neither is it of materi-

or the standard variety, with pipes leading to registers in the rooms. If a pipeless furnace is used, it should be located near the center of the house with the large register in the hall.

A basement extends under the whole of the house. Here there are rooms for the heating plant, storage rooms for fuel, fruits and vegetables and a part set aside for the laundry and the laundry equipment.

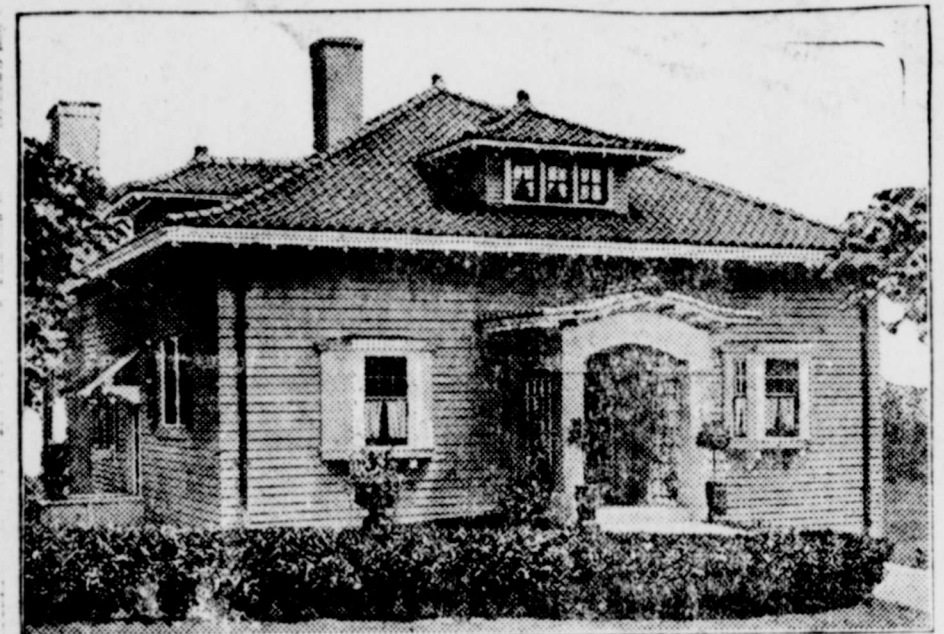
Surroundings go far toward making any sort of a home attractive, or the opposite. Home owners, especially those whose houses have considerable space about them, are paying more attention to the planting of shrubs, trees and flowers nowadays than ever before. Bungalows especially are



First Floor Plan.

made more attractive by a judicious planting of shrubs and lattices covered with vines, giving an air of privacy that is hard to secure with a two-story or even story-and-a-half house. Attention to the yard that surrounds the home is a good investment, for it is a proven fact that every dollar invested in this manner increases the value of the place two dollars.

Speaking of investments—there is none that any man or woman can make that pays better dividends than a home. Home owners derive a satisfaction in their own houses that can scarcely be measured in dollars and cents. But added to this fact is the one that money invested in a home

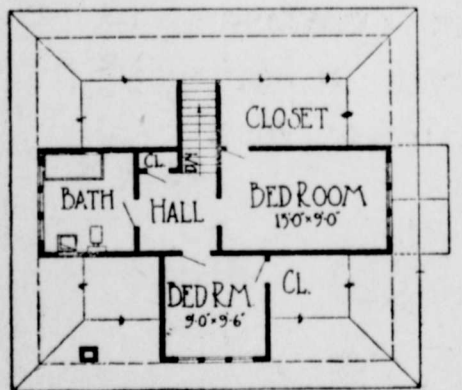


als that often are used to get unusual exterior appearances. It is a standard approximately square frame bungalow—but it does not look it.

The beauty of this exterior has been secured by the small, but artistic bay windows, the four dormers in the roof and the off porches. Remove these features and substitute those that ordinarily are shown in bungalow designs and this would be an ordinary house. Builders who erect such a bungalow as this need never be afraid that buyers would be scarce should it be offered for sale.

The bungalow shown is 32 feet wide and 30 feet deep, which is, comparatively, a small house. Yet it contains six rooms—and all of the rooms are of good size.

In construction the bungalow is of wood frame set on a concrete foundation. The roof is of ornamental tile. The front entrance leads to a reception hall that extends through the first floor. To the right of the hall is the living room, 15 by 11 feet, 6 inches; to the left is the dining room of exactly the same size. At the rear of the dining room is the kitchen, 12



Second Floor Plan.

by 11 feet, 6 inches. At the rear of the first floor is a bedroom, 13 by 10 feet, 6 inches, and, being a corner room, is a well ventilated, pleasant sleeping room. Between the bedroom and the kitchen is a lavatory.

The stairs to the second floor run out of the hall toward the back of the first floor and lead to a central hall on the second floor, where there are two bedrooms and the bath room. All of these rooms are in the dormers. One of the bedrooms is 9 by 15 feet, while the other is 9 by 9 feet, 6 inches.

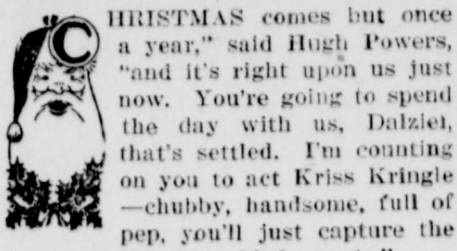
Seldom are bungalows of this size planned so that they contain three bedrooms, but it is done here, and done in such a way that the cost of the home is not materially increased. The arrangement of the rooms and the dimensions of each one are shown on the floor plan that accompanies the exterior view of the house.

This home is of a size that may be heated by either a pipeless furnace

LOVERS TRUE

By Evelyn Lee

(63, 1920, Western Newspaper Union.)



CHRISTMAS comes but once a year," said Hugh Powers, "and it's right upon us just now. You're going to spend the day with us, Dalziel, that's settled. I'm counting on you to act Kriss Kringle—chubby, handsome, full of pep, you'll just capture the fancy of the assembled guests."

"Now, see here, Powers," interrupted Ernest Dalziel, "I'm a modest, unassuming man and verging on to an old bachelorhood where sense and dignity usually become a well-balanced person."

Ernest Dalziel would have liked to have asked Powers an important question. It would have been, if uttered: "And Miss Portia Moore? I haven't seen her for a year. Does she still go to parties?" And Powers would have answered: "Oh, we couldn't get along without Portia." And then Dalziel would have sought some plausible excuse to prevent his own appearance on the scene.

He was sensitive about Miss Portia Moore. She was, like himself, past thirty. For some months in the years past those two had been in considerable evidence at social functions, and the gossipers predicted an engagement. It did not come about, however. Abruptly the two persons apparently so adapted to one another drifted apart. To Dalziel this unexpected ending to the one lovely day dream of his existence had come as a seemingly heartless, cruel blow. Effectively Miss Moore, one day had shut heart and home against him. There was no excuse or explanation given.

"She had just tired of me. I don't wonder. I'm not much," Dalziel soliloquized to himself in a fit of depression.

For a time he threw himself in the way of the lady in question, but she gave him no encouragement. Dalziel did not go about wearing his heart on his sleeve, but he did not quickly get over the hurt of an incident that made him wary and suspicious of woman's caprices.

So with no intimation of the fact that in his breast Hugh Powers guarded a secret he would have given worlds

to learn, Dalziel made due preparation for having a royal good time with the family. If Dalziel had only known it, clever, friendly Mrs. Powers had purposely invited Miss Moore to the house to once more meet him—and Portia was willing! It was only a few weeks before Christmas that Portia had learned of a fatal error she had committed. She had so coldly dismissed Dalziel because of a story told by a jealous friend. It involved Dalziel in an escapade of which he could never have been guilty, but the false story was so well formulated and carried conviction. Then, at a late day the truth of the motive came out. Portia Moore felt ashamed and humiliated a sense of her deep injustice to Dalziel, a sorrowful belief that her folly had cost her a love worth the having.

"You must mend it all up under a Christmas tree, dear," Mrs. Powers had advised, but Portia shook her head forlornly. She was busy during the first hour of the evening assisting Mrs. Powers with the arrangement of the festive table, and entered the library on her way to the parlors, after Dalziel had roused up all hands with the frolic and jollity for which he was famous. She half turned to steady herself for the anticipated meeting. Dalziel saw her, but did not at once recognize her. Hugh Powers stole up to him.

"That looks like mistletoe on the library chandelier, Dalziel," he whispered. "Pretty girl. Great chance. Do yourself proud," and Dalziel exuberantly darted forward.

He clasped his arms about the lady in the half shadowed room, and imprinted a gentle kiss upon her lips.

"How dared you!" cried Portia. "And it isn't mistletoe at all, just a piece of green paper trimming. I say, Dalziel, you've done it now!" shouted Powers gleefully.

But, wise man that he was, he left the two alone, and diverted the atten-



tion of onlookers. Dalziel stood like one stunned, regarding Portia. "I did not know," he stammered. "I am always doing the wrong thing, it seems. Won't you forgive me?"

Her eyes were filled with tears. "It is I who need forgiveness," she sobbed. "I have wronged you all these years. I have something to tell you."

Mrs. Powers tiptoed into the room and closed the communicating door to the parlor.

"Now, Portia, free confession!" she spoke, and disappeared.

And then, like two wounded doves these ardent lovers faltered forth, the repressed love so nearly destroyed with Yuletide glory all about them.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR HOLD WATCH PARTY

About 150 Knights and their wives enjoyed a banquet and watch party last Friday night in the Masonic Hall. The occasion was one of delight to all present.

Sweetwater, Colorado, Rotan, Roby being represented.

The lights were exquisitely arranged in colors, due to the artistic design arranged by Messrs. Yoder and McCormick, so that it threw out its marvelous light in many and varied colors.

This banquet by the Masons is the third one participated in, since the inauguration of this custom, which comes every year.

They watched the old year go out and the new year come in and departed with many pleasant memories of the evening.

BOTH HOUSES UPHOLD FINANCE RESOLUTION.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Over President Wilson's veto the House today passed the resolution reviving the War Finance Corporation.

The vote of the House gave the necessary two-thirds majority to overrule the president by a safe margin.

The War Finance Corporation resolution was designed to prevent agricultural depression by aiding farmers to export supplies which are now on their hands because of low prices.

The vote on that measure was 250 to 66.

There was no debate. When the vote was announced members applauded.

Attention American Legion.

All members of Will Layne Post No. 181, Snyder, Texas, are urgently requested to be present at a banquet to be given to the members at the Legion Club rooms at 7:30 p. m. the second Thursday in January, the same being the 13th day. Your presence is very essential as we wish to make this an evening of much benefit and pleasure to all members.

A. C. PREUITT, Adj.

Methodist Church.

Sunday school at 9:45, keep your New Year's resolution and be present on time. The lesson subjects are fine, and the class interest is splendid.

Preaching at 11:00 and 6:15. Morning: The Naturalness of Prayer, and its Peril.

Evening: Teeth Set on Edge. Epworth League at 5:30.

We are always heartily glad to see you.

J. H. Hicks, Pastor.

FOR SALE—One acre lot with 5 room house, garage, stable, feed and chicken house, storm house, windmill and tank, with 8 hydrants over the place, nice grape arbor, peach trees, plums, and apricots, and shade trees. Will take a worm drive one ton truck in trade. Enquire at the Signal Op.

Becton Templeton has returned to Stephenville, where he is attending the Junior State school, after spending the holidays with home folks.

World's Smallest Book.

The record of the complete French version of Dante's "Divine Comedy," which was shown at the Paris exposition in 1882, does not seem to have been less than half an inch square, and though containing over 500 pages, required only two sheets of printer's paper for its makeup.

Paper Collar Protects Plants.

A collar of paper has been made for protecting the stems of delicate plants after they have been placed in the ground. These are often attacked by the cut worm, which cuts them off short and kills the plant, but the worm cannot get through the paper collar.

In 1925.

Mrs. Ledd Plummer—Professor, after you have washed the dishes and helped the cook scour the sink and wipe up the pantry, you may give little Ethelinda her lesson on the Italian renaissance.—Life.

Saying Kind Things.

We cannot all say clever things, but we all can say kind things; the kind will linger in the heart and keep on doing business in the life after the most brilliant speech has slipped from memory.

Such a Simple Process.

During an examination in Kansas a would-be teacher declared that "An alien may become a citizen by being born in this country."—Boston Transcript.

Cause for Admiration.

Mildred's mother married an elderly looking man with a gray beard. When Mildred's aunt asked her if she liked her new father, she said, "Oh, very much, because he looks like Santa Claus."

What's On at The COZY

TOMORROW

WILLIAM FARNUM in "The Orphan". A powerful Western Role. As a strong Man of the Plains, He sets out seeking vengeance upon the Men who murdered his father. And a Fox News.

MONDAY

Constance Talmage, in "Veiled Adventure". An amazing adventure of a sprightly girl, in which a Veil, a Manicure shop, The Moon, Stolen Jewels, and Romance figure prominently.

TUESDAY

Leah Baird, in "Cynthia of the Minute." A melodrama with an original plot, and crammed with exciting situations. Also Fox News and Mutt and Jeff.

WEDNESDAY

"The Turn of a Card." By J. Warren Kerrigan.

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

"The White Moll," played by Pearl White. White in New York Under-world parlance means Pure, Clean, or Square, and Moll is Girl. This is a SPECIAL. No advance in PRICE.

FRIDAY

Eddie Polo, in "King of the Circus," together with "the White Moll."

SATURDAY, JAN. 15

Hobart Bosworth, in The Brutemaster. Story by Mrs. Jack is placed on a sailing vessel, where he is allowed to rule by London. The Story of a Man with Unrestrained manner who brute force.

We wish to thank The Patrons of the Cozy for their liberal patronage during the past year. And to say that during the coming year that the management will endeavor to supply you with the very best pictures obtainable consistent with the volume of business done. While we do not expect to lower the admission prices any, it will be the policy of the manager to not raise the price on the specials which he presents, unless it is absolutely necessary in order to cover the cost of same. You will note from this week's program that there are three specials, The Orphan, The White Moll, and The Brute Master. The prices of same will be the regular 10 and 25 cents. Yet at the same time, the other programs are well worth the admission charged.

Come out and enjoy the evenings with us.

A Home Bank For Home People

We believe in the future of Snyder as a city; we believe its wealth-producing farms will continue to produce. We believe in its citizenship; its churches, its schools and its prospects, and we hope to make our bank a vital, helpful part of the development of the future.

Our officers and directors are home people, who are actuated by a wholesome desire to help, in a frank and friendly way their own town and country, their neighbors and friends.

This bank believes in YOU; wants you to believe in IT, and invites your confidence and patronage.

The Snyder National Bank

UNDERWRITERS HIT SAND AT WESTBROOK

Westbrook, Texas, Jan. 1.—The Underwriters, Morrison No. 2 well touched the oil sand Wednesday at about 2400 feet. Drilling will continue through the sand and it is believed a shot will produce a gusher. Morrison No. 2 is located half a mile east of No. 1 and two miles northwest of Westbrook.

Notice Automobile Owners.

I have received the automobile tags and can now furnish you. J. H. Tyrd, Tax Collector. 30c.

Misses Zonell Harris, Dorris Marshall and Lila Curnutte have returned to C. I. A. Denton.

Misses Lois, Myrtle and Bess Johnston have returned to school at Midland after spending Christmas with home folks.

Jim Templeton has returned to Austin to enter the State University after visiting with home folks during Christmas.

LEGISLATION FOR THE SCHOOLS IS PROPOSED

Austin, Jan. 1.—Important school legislation will engage the attention of the Texas Legislature and will include the county unit plan of administration, the English language law, the rural aid appropriation and the necessary legislation to put into effect the better school amendment, announced Mrs. S. M. N. Marrs, of Austin president of the Texas Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teacher Associations, in a communication addressed to the various local councils and parent-teacher associations throughout the state.

FOR SALE—Oil leases for sale near Dunn and Ita, Texas, also a few small tracts near the Riley well. Address A. Pool, Snyder, Texas. 30c.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Porter have returned from LaPorte, where they have been on an extended visit after visiting with home folks during Christmas.

BLANTON OPPOSES \$50,000.00 FUND FOR INAUGURATION

Washington, Jan. 5.—A resolution appropriating \$50,000 for expenses at the capitol in connection with the inauguration of President-Elect Harding was adopted today by the Senate after another clash over economy. An amendment by Senator Norris (Rep.) of Nebraska to reduce the appropriation to \$10,000 was rejected, 43 to 8. Representative Blanton of Texas opposed the resolution.

"The people of Washington who get all the money, ought to be made pay the bill," declared Mr. Blanton. "This applies to the hotel people, theatres, taxi and automobile people, who continue to reap a harvest by reason of the Government being located here."

Boswell-Elbert.

Mrs. R. L. Elbert announces the marriage of her daughter Rosa Lee, to Mr. Grover C. Boswell, Friday, December, the thirty-first, nineteen hundred and twenty. Fort Worth, Texas. At home The Hickman.

Mr. Boswell is a brother of Geo. Boswell of this city and was at one time connected with Higginbotham Bros. We wish for these young people a happy life.

Mr. D. J. Jobe from Rising Star, Texas has accepted a position with Higginbotham Bros & Co. He will assist Mr. H. L. Davis in the management of the business. This institution has grown so large that it is beyond one man to see to all the demands. We welcome Mr. Jobe to our town.

Home Course in Domestic Science.

"Twenty Lessons in Domestic Science," by Marion Cole Fisher has recently been received by us for review. This is a complete advanced course in domestic science and home economics boiled down to meet the requirements of the house wife and the student.

The entire course consists of twenty practical lessons, one hundred pages filled with the most valuable information the house wife can possess heretofore taught only in domestic science schools.

Do you know the relative value of d, which fruits to use for cooking, what purposes salads serve, the correct use of condiments, about prop-kitchen equipments, about U. S. Government's bulletins, how to reduce the high cost of living, how to preserve and protect your food and your families health, how to make housekeeping simpler and more economical and pleasant by utilizing modern science in the home.

This book, we note, is priced at \$2.00 per copy and from what we understand it contains a complete \$100 college course, condensed, and it is practically free to every interested housewife.

Write the Home Economics Department of the Calumet Baking Powder Co., 4100-28 Fillmore St., Chicago, Illinois, for full particulars regarding the book and how to secure it.

REMOVAL OF UNIVERSITY NEAR AUSTIN FAVORED

Austin, Jan 5.—Proposal for the removal of the University of Texas from the present site to the 500-acre tract bordering the Colorado river west of Austin, donated by the late George W. Brackenridge with the text of a memorial addressed to the members of the outgoing and incoming legislatures were unanimously adopted by the board of regents at a special called meeting today.

Snyder Transfer Changes Hands.

The Snyder Transfer Co changed hands this week, the Bridgeman Bros, selling out to J. A. Woodfin, who took possession yesterday. Mr. Woodfin will have Lit Chapman with him who is familiar with the business.

The Bridgeman Bros. do not know yet what business they will engage in.

Ginners Report.

Farmers Union Gin Co.	1560
Brice & Leath	1980
Brice & Leath No. 2	1731
Fullers Gin	2683
Total	7954

1920 Record.

In 1920 Scurry county had 218 births, 69 deaths and 104 marriages, and 4 divorces granted. This is rather an optimistic report.

GOOD TEAM of work horses for sale or trade. See F. A. Hamer, second hand man. 31c

District court had but little doing this week. The case of the State of Texas vs. J. L. Minyard was continued until the next term of court. Only a few minor cases were disposed of. Judge R. C. Joiner, district judge of Plainview came down to try the Vineyard case, because Judge Leslie was disqualified. The grand jury has turned in three indictments and were in session again yesterday. The Slaughter boundary case will come up Monday.

Siberian Bride Put to Test.

When a Siberian bride enters her husband's house for the first time she must be prepared to show her skill in cooking. She is expected to give a dinner prepared with her own hands as a test of her education in the culinary art.

Gasoline.

Gasoline gives off a very explosive vapor, even at ordinary temperature. This vapor is heavier than air and may be present near the floor of a room in which the odor of gasoline is scarcely noticeable to a person standing.

Some Name.

The full name of the Persian poet, Omar Khayyam, was Ghiyath ad Din Abdul Fath Umar ibn Ibrahim al Khayyami.

As He Saw It.

An English youngster gave this definition of "appetite": "It means that when you've done you're tight." Boston Transcript.

Citation by Publication.

The state of Texas. To the Sheriff or any Constable of Scurry County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon George Cantwell, and Baby Pickens, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not then in any newspaper published in the 32nd judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 32nd, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Scurry County to be holden at the Court house thereof in Snyder on the fourth Monday in December, 1920, the same being the 27th day of December, 1920, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 1st day of December, 1920, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 2171, wherein S. S. Huffman, Mrs. Bulah Eicke, a feme sole, Lyda Huffman, Mrs. Ada Davis, joined by her husband, H. L. Davis, Mrs. Ida Jones joined by her husband Forest Jones, J. E. Huffman, E. E. Huffman, Mrs. Lilly Baker, joined by her husband J. A. Baker, and Lottie Taylor, joined by her husband, Taylor, are plaintiffs and George Cantwell and Baby Pickens are defendants, said petition alleging:

The State of Texas, county of Scurry. In the district court of Scurry county, Texas, December term, A. D., 1920.

To the Honorable W. P. Leslie, Judge of said court:

Now comes S. S. Huffman, Mrs. Bulah Eicke, a feme sole, Mrs. Ada Davis, joined by her husband, H. L. Davis, Mrs. Ida Jones, joined by her husband Forest Jones, all of Scurry county, Texas, and J. E. Huffman of Dawson County, Texas, E. E. Huffman of Willbarger county, Texas, Mrs. Lilly Baker, joined by her husband, J. A. Baker, Lyda Huffman and Lottie Taylor, joined by her husband, Taylor, each of Williamson county, Texas, all of whom are hereinafter styled plaintiffs complaining of George Cantwell and Baby Pickens, hereinafter styled defendants, and for cause of action plaintiffs would represent to the court the following to-wit:

1st. That the above named parties plaintiffs and defendants are the heirs of Joe Huffman and wife, Fannie Huffman, both deceased. That there was born to the marriage of said Joe Huffman and Fannie Huffman ten children one of whom died before either of them died and was never married and without children at the time of death. That they had born unto them the following children besides the one mentioned above to-wit: S. S. Huffman, J. E. Huffman, E. E. Huffman, Bulah Huffman, who married a man by the name of Eicke but who is now dead, Lilly Huffman, who married J. A. Baker, Lyda Huffman, Ada Huffman, who married H. L. Davis, Ida Huffman who married Forrest Jones, and Minnie Huffman, who married Tom Cantwell, but who is now dead. That Minnie Huffman Cantwell left surviving her two children, to-wit: Lottie Cantwell, who married a man by the name of Taylor and George Cantwell, who is now a minor but whose place of residence is unknown to plaintiffs.

That said Minnie Huffman Cantwell also had one daughter who married a man by the name of Buster Pickens. That said Mrs. Pickens is now dead and left surviving her a child whose name is unknown to plaintiffs and also whose place of residence is unknown to plaintiffs, but said child is a minor and so far as known is still living.

2nd. That at the time of the death of the said Joe Huffman and Fannie Huffman, they were possessed of the following described real estate, to-wit: All of lots Nos. 7, 8 and 9 inclusive in block 42, of the Wilmet addition to the Town of Snyder, in Scurry County, Texas, and also an undivided 5-8 interest in Lot No. 15 in Block No. 10 of the Town of Snyder in Scurry County, Texas. That said property was community property of the said Joe Huffman and wife Fannie Huffman and therefore each of the said children of said parties are entitled to share equally in the same.

3rd. That the said S. S. Huffman, J. E. Huffman, E. E. Huffman, Bulah Eicke, Lilly Baker, Lyda Huffman, Ada Davis, Ida Jones are each entitled to one-eighth interest in said property and Lottie Taylor, Geo. Cantwell and the Pickens baby are each entitled to a one-eighth interest jointly or a 1-24th interest each.

4th. That said property is not susceptible of being divided and therefore should be sold and the proceeds divided as the law directs.

Wherefore plaintiffs pray the court

that the defendants be cited to appear and answer this petition and that said above described property be sold for the purposes of partition and that the money be divided as the law directs and for special and general relief.

Herein fail not but have before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Witness Nellie Weems, Clerk of the District Court of Scurry County.

NELLIE WEEMS.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, in the county of Scurry this the 1st day of December, A. D., 1920.

NELLIE WEEMS.

Clerk of District Court Scurry Co. Issued this 1st day of December, A. D., 1920.

NELLIE WEEMS.

Clerk of District Court Scurry Co.

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION IN PROBATE

THE STATE OF TEXAS: To the Sheriff or any Constable of Scurry, County, Greeting:

You are Hereby Commanded to cause to be published (in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been published continuously and regularly for a period of not less than one year in your county) at least once a week for 20 days previous to the return day hereof, copies of the following notice:

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To all persons interested in Estate Loyd and Mary Evans, E. M. Lewis has filed his final account as administrator of said estate and filed an application in the County Court of Scurry county on the 16th day of April, 1920, for appointed as guardian of the estate Loyd Evans, Jr., Gladys Evans, Lewis Evans, May Evans and Pettus Evans, which said application will be heard by said Court on the 10th day of January, 1921, at the Court House of said County, in Snyder, at which time all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and contest said report and answer said application, should they desire so to do. Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with

Farmers

An Invitation

These are the months when you have more or less time to kill. Later you will be too busy to think of anything but crops.

Now is an ideal time to look into the merits of the various contrivances for producing larger yields at less expense.

We invite you to spend an hour or two with us the next time you are in town. We want to show you in black and white just what others have done with the wonderful new farm implements and machinery we will be featuring this season.

Experts say there are better days ahead for the farmers. We feel it; we believe it. Talk it over with us and get in on the ground floor. We'll be glad to see you as often as you can come. Come any day

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We aim to improve the service we have given you in the past year.

We aim to maintain the excellency of our fountain, light lunch, beverages and eats.

We aim to maintain a place where you will not be ashamed to take your friends as guests.



The Chocolate Shop

Center of Block, East Side

your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Snyder, this 21st day of December, 1920.

KATE COTTEN, Clerk.

31 County Court, Scurry Co., Texas

Fire Insurance.

During the Holidays is dangerous for fires. Be sure you are protected.

Let us write your fire insurance.

Boren & Erwin.

North West Corner Court House.

Keeping Service Up To A Standard

We didn't have much to say about our prescription department during the shopping season, but it kept right on going the kind of service for which it has long been recognized, exercising the sane caution and scrutiny in compounding and the same expert election of ingredients.

Stinson Drug Company North Side

Now Ready for Business The Mill and Crushing Plant

I am now prepared to do your grinding and chopping any day that you may come. Will be pleased to have you come and look over the plant.

Snyder Mill & Coal Company Telephone

HOME TOWN HELPS

MAKES FOR BEAUTIFUL CITY

That Citizens Take Interest in Horticulture Is Always an Asset to the Community.

When the publisher of a newspaper in any town is interested in horticulture the people are encouraged to make their homes attractive, and the result is a beautiful city, remarks the New York Times. A newspaper of that kind is a valuable asset to any community.

In the Allentown (Pa.) Leader, a report is given of the bulb planting in the city parks, where next spring there will be eleven tulip beds, which have just been planted with thousands of bulbs.

Charles Ziegenfus, a leading business man, has planted more than 6,000 tulip bulbs. Last spring his show of tulips was worth going miles to see and next year the beds will be more gorgeous than ever. Mr. Ziegenfus has planted this season the rarest and most beautiful varieties obtainable.

R. J. Butz, president of the National bank, has made extensive bulb plantings. So also has Col. Young and Mrs. Koch.

Edward A. Kristman, who has won many prizes with his dahlias, will plant more than 4,000 tubers early next spring.

Flower lovers who motor through Allentown will find the tulip beds a sight worth seeing and in the autumn the dahlia beds of Mr. Kristman will make a wonderful show.

The efforts of George Roth, publisher of the Leader, to make his town a show place are appreciated by the citizens, as shown by their co-operation.

PECAN TREES ALONG ROADS

Georgia Landowners' Association Agrees to Furnish Them, if Proper Care is Guaranteed.

The attention of the department of agriculture officials has been attracted by the offer of the Georgia Landowners' association to furnish pecan trees for planting on both sides of one mile of permanent hard surface road in the first county in the state that agrees to take care of the trees. This is somewhat in line with the reforestation and good roads movements in the southern states recently started.

"It is hoped," says F. H. Abbott, manager of the Georgia association, in a communication received here, "that this suggestion will result in bordering every mile of permanent highway in Georgia with trees that will be useful as well as ornamental. I believe that the example of the first county will quickly be followed by other counties, and see no reason why a similar plan should not be adopted in other states. The trees for bordering the Georgia roads will be furnished the association by J. H. Wright of Cairo, Ga., one of the largest pecan growers in the South and a member of the board of control of the organization.

When Pruning Trees.

Shade trees may be pruned any time between the fall of the leaves and early spring before growth begins. Boxelder and maple trees are apt to "bleed" if pruned after the last of February.

Do not leave long stubs but cut close above a side branch when pruning large limbs. Try to avoid leaving upright forks or crotches which are apt to split apart and injure or ruin the tree later. Long, slender branches should be shortened, if retained, so as to encourage greater stiffness and resistance to wind and the weight of wet snow. Of course, the natural characteristics of the tree should be taken into account in pruning and no attempt be made to greatly alter the natural form of the tree. Evergreens are seldom pruned but appear best when permitted to retain their lower branches close to the ground.—B. O. Longyear, Colorado Agricultural College, Fort Collins, Colo.

Resolve to Set Out a Tree.

A tree, if properly tended and protected, will live for many years. It will even outlast some man-made monuments. What can be more inspiring than the thought that a century hence that tree planted yesterday will be noted by the American people visiting this city, bearing its appropriate tablet? If in every city in this country such a tree were planted now, generations to come, numbering millions upon millions, would note, observe and appreciate the sentiment. And mean while the tree itself will be a thing of beauty and afford shade and comfort. Let there be more tree planting in the name of America's heroes!

Beautify the Playgrounds.

Money spent in ornamental planting of trees and shrubs about the country school is money well spent. The results of the early training the boys and girls receive in practical and ornamental values of planting of shrubs and trees will be shown in the homes of the children. Later on more of the homes of those who remain in the community will be benefited in being more beautiful places in which to live and the value of the real estate will be materially increased.

TREASURES OF BUDDHIST ART

Marvelous Collection Preserved for Centuries in the Temple of Daigoji in Japan.

Daigoji, the head temple of the Ono school of the Shingon sect of Buddhism in Japan, situated not far from Kyoto, in the Uji district, suggests by its name its relation to Emperor Daigo, who reigned from 898 to 930. Its name originated from the fact that its founder, Abbot Shobo, came to this village and exclaimed after he drank from an old farmer's spring: "The water was as good as daigo!" It is a Buddhist word meaning an unctuous rich liquor. The posthumous title of the emperor must have originated from his devotion to the temple and its founder, as well as from his burial in the temple grounds.

Rare specimens of Buddhist art and literature, carefully preserved as the temple treasures of Daigoji, and exhibited recently at Tokio, through the efforts of Dr. Katsumi Koroita of the editorial staff of historiographical materials in Tokio Imperial university, bring the story of the temple down to 300 years ago. Among the peculiar paintings in the temple are the "flower viewing screens," pictures of horse training and a collection of fan paintings said to be rare treasures.

In the literary collection there is an illustrated copy of the third roll of "Scripture of Cause and Effect of the Past and the Present." It was made nearly 1,200 years ago, but the colors in the picture are as fresh as the present day pigments. This scroll is considered the oldest thing extant in Japan of colored art on paper.

TREES GIVE MILKLIKE JUICE

Tropics Provide Pretty Fair Substitute for the Animal Product in Use in Northern Climes.

In British Guiana and the West Indies, particularly on the banks of the River Demerara, there grows a tree known to the natives as the hyahya, which yields from its bark and pith a juice slightly richer and thicker than cow's milk. The tree is about forty feet high and eighteen inches in circumference when full grown, and the natives use its juice as we use milk, it being perfectly harmless and mixing well with water.

The Cingalese have a tree—they call it kirighuma—which yields a fluid in all respects like milk; while in the forests of Para grows a tree called the massendendron, which gives a milklike juice. It can be kept for an indefinite time and shows no tendency to become sour.

On the other hand, certain trees in the valleys of Aragua and in Cauagua yield a similar fluid, which, when exposed to the air, begins to form into a kind of cheese, which very soon becomes sour.

In the Canary Islands there is a tree called tabaya dolce, of which the milk, thickened into a jelly, is considered a delicacy.

Unpleasant Dreams.

A London chemist, dreaming that he had swallowed poison by mistake, rose from the chair in which he had fallen asleep and, so vivid had the dream been, he went to the shop and took an antidote. But this, in the absence of real poison, began to poison him, and before he realized the mistake the error was beyond repair.

In another case a man, after a heated argument with a visiting friend, dreamed that his guest was in his room molesting him. He actually "felt" rough hands on his body, jumped out of bed, and ran to his friend's room. There he attacked the innocent "assailant" so violently that the latter was confined to bed for several weeks.

Bachelor to the Rescue.

In a street car the other day I sat directly behind a woman who was trying desperately to untie a face veil. I was fascinated by her persistent but fruitless attempts to untie the veil with one hand while with the other she clutched her nose glasses, which were helplessly entangled in it. I was just wondering why some woman passenger did not offer assistance, when she turned to me and said: "Pardon me, but would you be kind enough to see if you can unfasten this veil." After frantic efforts, amid the suppressed merriment of the passengers I came out victor. But I was a much embarrassed bachelor.—Exchange.

Ostrich Plumes.

Ostrich plumes are not actually plucked, by the way. They are cut-pruned with no damage or pain to the bird. When the feathers are "ripe" the ostriches are driven into a V-shaped enclosure. Their heads are covered with a hood like a stocking, which renders them tractable. The wings are spread by the man doing the "plucking" and the feathers are clipped off fairly close to the flesh. This does not hurt the bird in the least and within sixty days the dead quill ends drop out of their own accord. The tail feathers are also clipped.

Kept Fish Alive.

During the recent storm several automobiles got into such deep water at Pennsylvania and Twenty-second streets that they had to stop until the flood abated. One member of a fishing party climbed out on the running board of his car and carefully tied a net of live fish to a spoke and calmly dropped it into the water.—Indianapolis News.

Hand Caught in Binder; Walked Field Four Hours

His hand caught in a binder, Russel Zimmerman, twenty-four years old, was forced to walk about a field on his father's farm, near Tiffin, O., for four hours. His cries were not heard and he was unable to stop the horses, which continued to walk around the field.

He was exhausted when a farm hand was sent to ascertain why he did not come to dinner.

REAL "KICK" IN THIS WATER

Tank Proved Unsafe Hiding Place for Whisky Which Thrifty Soul Had Stored Away.

Mannington, W. Va.—Eighty-seven five-gallon jugs of liquor rested unlofted in the bottom of a water tank near the city until one of the jugs broke. Then the excitement began. Within a few hours the tank, which supplied water for the operations of neighboring oil wells, was drained and the liquor disappeared. The liquor is alleged to have been the property of Charles Miller, who cached it in the big tank. Miller was later arrested with one jug of liquor, and the officials spent several days looking for the others, until some one tasted the water. By the time the prohibition officers reached the scene nothing was left but a few broken jugs.

Prohibition officials have been trailing Miller for months, but never located his source of supply. But the oil well drillers who drank the water from the tank soon located it and lost no time in removing the whisky.

Fruit Trees on City Lots.

The planting of dwarf fruit trees, including a species of pear tree which may be trained fan-shape on a trellis and a peach tree which will bear fruit next year in the demonstration gardens in many states, ought to awaken householders generally where detached dwellings are the rule to the importance of making their yards productive. Fruit trees will thrive in any good soil. They do not require much attention beyond pruning and spraying. In France fruit trees have been growing along the highways for centuries. They serve the double purpose of shade and profit. Charles Lathrop Pack, president of the American Forestry association, says that if city dwellers were to give as much attention to the planting of fruit trees as some of them have given to back-yard vegetable gardens they would soon be producing a large amount of fruit "f. o. b. the kitchen."

Beautify the Home.

There are so many native shrubs, vines and flowers to be planted about the farm homes that their absence is a deplorable fact. In a recent drive of a thousand miles we saw only four farm houses where attention had been paid to beautify them. Naturally, they were noticed. Don't dot the lawn with fantastic flower beds of annual flowers. Put hardy shrubs around the foundations, the taller growing ones behind. Then in front of these plant the perennial flowers such as iris, crocus, narcissus, peony, sweet William, phlox, etc. Keep the lawn open. A few ivy or wild grape vines make a hideous outhouse less noticeable. Shrubs can be transplanted in winter. Get as much soil with them as possible, and tamp the roots firmly in place.—Farm Life.

General Interest in City Building.

It is interesting to note that in the past year the public, more than ever before, has participated in the financing of the nation's operations. We are coming to a thorough realization of the fact that the general investing public should be given an opportunity to share in these operations. This is opening up for the benefit of the realty market a vast reservoir of capital, and it is giving the public an opportunity to participate in the fruits of the general development of our American cities.—Boston Herald.

\$4,000 TOO MUCH FOR SHAVE

Civil War Veteran Has Let Hair Grow Since Sherman's March to Sea.

Connellsville, Pa.—Col. James J. Barnhart, who served in the Civil war, has an unusually long and flowing beard. He has confessed why he allowed it to grow. The colonel said his last shave was in Atlanta during Sherman's march to the sea. When the Georgia barber charged him \$4,000 in Confederate money for the work he swore that he never again would touch a razor to his cheek. And he never did.

Blind Woman Raises Chickens.

Marion, Ind.—Although Mrs. Ezra Stinson has been blind for ten years, she is an excellent chicken raiser, having raised a flock of 75 chickens this year. Of these a pullet only five months old has already laid two dozen eggs. Mrs. Stinson cares for the chickens herself. She is able to go about with remarkable ease, and frequently is seen feeding the chickens and gathering the eggs.

Boy, Playing Cowboy, Hangs Self.

Pittsburgh.—Playing cowboy in his home, Charles Pohle, eleven years old, accidentally hanged himself on a banister, when his mother left the house for a few minutes.

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In pure-breds lies the answer. The pure-bred farmer can produce prime carcasses at an economy that challenges competition or, better, he can sell breeding stock to a steadily growing market.

From every point of view pure-bred cattle give security. The farmer who raises them has fewer worries over high feeds, increasing freight rates, decreasing soil fertility and poor bank credits. Because his business is on a more economical basis his margin of profit is greater than that of a scrub raiser. Because his margin of profit is greater he can weather a market slump that crushes other beef raisers. There is more demand for his superior kind of cattle—right now foreign markets are clamoring for his breeding stock. Don't you want to enroll in the ranks of safe farmers who make more money and have better homes? Don't you want to help make this community a better place to live? THE COUNTRY GENTLEMAN, the great National Weekly of Profitable Farming, will point the way. In the 52 big issues that come every Thursday for just \$1.00 it offers a uniquely valuable national farm service.

Texas Heretord Breeders' Association

JOHN LEE, Secretary

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 Sale price of Suits, \$15.00 to \$33.50

Making Close Prices Brings Us Business

1921 is going to be our banner "close price" year.

The price on every article we sell is going to be pared down to the bone.

In other words, we are going to head the movement back to low prices, ANDSTAY IN THE LEAD. This policy has brought us business in the past, and it will bring us more in 1921. We are hoping it will bring us yours.

Good quality and fair dealing is our motto

Snyder Seed and Grain Co.

NOTICE TO CREAM PATRONS

On account of the great quantity of work we have to do with our poultry and egg business, we are compelled to adopt the plan of testing cream each evening and issuing your checks the following morning. We find this arrangement must be made and hope that you will co-operate with us.

WHITE PRODUCE COMPANY

'Phone 71

Snyder — — Texas

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 Beware of Counterfeits. Refuse all Substitutes.
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Ominous Beginning.
 "It's the way you start that decides the course of married life," declares a philosopher. Is that young couple who honeymooned in an airplane destined to be always "up in the air"?—Boston Post.

Only Real "Failure."
 I'm proof against that word "failure." I've seen behind it. The only failure a man ought to fear is failure in cleaving to the purpose he sees to be best.—George Eliot.

Live Properly Today.
 Be not anxious about tomorrow. Do today's duty, fight today's temptation, and do not weaken or distract yourself by looking forward to things which you cannot see, and could not understand if you saw them.—Charles Kingsley.

Settlement of Oklahoma.
 After the acquisition by the federal government of the Indian claims, the territory of Oklahoma was thrown open to white settlers, the central part by proclamation of President Harrison on April 22, 1889, a large tract in 1891 and the Cherokee strip or outlet in the north in 1893. The territory was settled with extraordinary rapidity. Oklahoma was admitted to the Union November 16, 1907.

New Year's at Christian Church.
 The New Year opened at the Christian Church with record attendance and interest.

Mr. A. J. Cody the new Sunday School superintendent took over the work so well done by Geo. W. Brown and prospects are bright for a steady increase in all lines of Bible teaching.

On next Sunday morning the Evangelist will preach from the text: "The poor ye have with you always, but me ye have not always." At night the sermon will be the second of the series: "Ten Views of the Kingdom," and will describe "The Apostasy of the church." This will trace the history of the New Testament church from A. D. 30 to A. D. 1216. As these sermon lectures are not printed and not for sale, the only way to obtain them is to hear each one.

We hope to move into our new home this week for the inside work is about completed. Come and see us. Clyde Lee Fife.

Earnest Roper at one time a teacher in this county, but now of the S. M. U., Dallas, was visiting his parents here last week. Earnest is now studying for the ministry.

Miss Lizzie Watkins is visiting in the city this week.

W. O. Kent, editor of the Roby Banner was visiting in Snyder Saturday.

Just received a supply of rental batteries. If your battery goes dead phone 99, we'll bring a rental battery put it in your car and recharge your old one. The Cash Garage 23tf.

R. E. Cox and daughter, Mable Lee, of Post, were visiting G. B. Clark and family Sunday.

Jno. L. Green and family of Eastland, were here the latter part of the week visiting the formers parents.

FOR SALE—12 registered Hereford Bulls, 1 and 2 years old, J. A. J. Jones, Fluvanna, Texas. 30p

Mrs. M. A. Bedwell at one time a resident of this county, but now of Lockney was visiting here the latter part of last week.

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TAKES CAR AWAY AND HE FORGETS TO PAY

Sweetwater, Texas, Jan. 1.—A man called at the Hubert Tolar garage to purchase a car. He was shown one. A driver was sent with him to demonstrate it after which he asked permission to drive it out a few miles north of town to show it to his wife as he was well pleased with it and was sure he would buy it. Neither the car nor prospective purchaser has been heard of since.

From Post City Post.

Mack Waskom of Snyder spent Monday in Post.

Elmer Gardner and family of Foch Texas, spent Christmas with Preacher Horton.

Tom Boucher, manager of Higginbotham-Bartlett Lumber Company at Foch, Texas, feasted Christmas day with his home folks at Post.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Stanfield, Mrs. Gertie Stanfield, Mrs. Gertie Smith and Master Emory were appreciated guests in the editors home Christmas. All of Snyder.

Mrs. Stallings and children of Snyder, visited over Christmas with Mrs. Stallings parents, Mr. and Mrs. McCouch.

It is our intention to go to Snyder Saturday morning where we will attend the yearly reunion of the Warren's of West Texas, which event takes place every year at the home of Dr. J. W. Warren.

Mrs. Bob Warren and daughter Allene, went down to Snyder Tuesday for a few days visit with home folks, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Merrell.

Miss Jessie Minor visited relatives near Foch from Friday till Monday.

Swordfish No Mean Foeman.

In the British museum may be seen the heavy oaken plank, once a part of the bottom of a stout vessel, which had been pierced by the sword of a swordfish. The weapon remains fast fixed in the timber. Along the Atlantic coast of the United States swordfish are hunted both for their flesh, which is palatable, and also in order to protect the schools of bluefish and mackerel which they ravage.

Tit for Tat.

The late Archbishop Benson once had to face criticism of the clergy as a body. It was urged that the bishops ought to see that better candidates were brought to them for ordination. Benson, with good humor, replied: "Well, you see, we bishops find ourselves in a difficult position, as we have only the laity to choose from."—London Morning Post.

Invisible Writing.

Common milk may be used for such writing, since exposure to strong heat will make the characters visible. An invisible ink may be prepared by mixing one part of linseed oil with twenty parts of aqua ammonia and 100 parts water. Immersion in water will bring out the writing.

First English Coin.

It is a common error to suppose that the first English coin was made of copper. It was made of gold, about A. D. 460, and is believed to have been struck in celebration of the victory of Sean, the overlord of the ten provisional chiefs in southern Britain, over the Saxon invaders.

Might Ask 'Em.

"It has always been a wonder to me," remarked the fellow who lives next door, on the way downtown this morning, "what some of these fellows who apparently must occupy all their time writing communications to the papers, do for a living."—Marion (O.) Star.

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J. F. Dowdy druggist from Fluvanna was in the city Wednesday.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given of the regular annual meeting of the Shareholders of The Snyder National Bank, Snyder, Texas, to be held in their offices the second Tuesday in January, 1921, for the purpose of electing Directors for the coming year.
 30c A. C. Alexander, Cashier.

Eyes Tested, Glasses Fitted. H. G. Towle, Optometrist

A. H. HOLT KILLS EAGLE SUNDAY; IS 70 YEARS OLD

A. H. Holt shot a large eagle near the Wheeler county line Sunday, cutting the bird's throat at 300 yards with a Winchester. The bird was 7 feet from tip to tip and it weighed about twenty pounds. Its talons were one and a half inches long, and the estimated age of the eagle was 60 to 70 years. They live to be one hundred years old. Mr. Holt sent it to a taxidermist at Pampa to be mounted. This is the second eagle to be killed in Hemphill county within the past year a large one having been killed near Canadian last winter.—Canadian Record.

FOUND—A pair of wire pliers, owner may get same by identifying same and paying for this notice. 30

For Sale.

Four thousand birds of good head maize at 2 cents per bird on my farm west of Snyder. Farm for rent or lease. Minnie Lindsey Stewart, phone 214. 30c

Stolen Saddle Found.

D. P. Strayhorn informs us that they have found the saddle that was stolen from his shop a few days ago at Lubbock. The man who committed the theft is said to be in jail at Lubbock.

Mrs. John Vaughn of Colorado was here last week visiting her sister, Mrs. O. P. Thrane.

New Year's Dinner.

On New Year's Day Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Boyd had an agreeable surprise. Just about ten o'clock all their children came in and each one had a large box, and a few friends just naturally dropped in. Mr. Boyd had to take a peep into those boxes and he found that they were loaded with good stuff to eat.

Just on the stroke of twelve the dining room doors were thrown open and you could hear them saying "Doesn't everything look nice. Sufficient to say we thought the old people would never get thru for there were so many good things to eat that they couldn't decide what they did want to eat.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd had all of their children and grand children there, making a family re-union as well as New Year's dinner. There were seven of their own children and each with their husbands and wives respectively and twelve grandchildren.

Those present at this New Year's dinner were: Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Festus Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. John Williamson, Mr. and Mrs. Landen Williamson, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Curlekshank and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Williamson and all the grand children.

Mrs. Wright, Mrs. C. R. Buchanan a mother, is reported very low.

Lois Sears has returned to Ward Belmont.

Mrs. C. B. Murphree.

Mrs. C. B. Murphree was the wife of C. B. Murphree, of Snyder, Texas, the family originally come from Alabama, Blunt county.

Had Sister Murphree lived until the fifteenth of February, she would have been married thirty years. The family lived in this community for ten years. The death angel called for her the 28th of December, 1920, and found her ready for the sweet transportation. So she winged her flight home to the glory world to be forever with her blessed Savior, being 47 years, 11 months and 21 days old. She leaves a husband relatives and many friends to mourn their loss. This loss is a very grievous one, as her goodness was a positive revelation to loved ones and all her friends.

Her pastor had only known her a few days, but those days were not only a revelation, but an inspiration as well. Having been lately appointed to the Snyder Circuit as pastor to the circuit of which she was a member in wending my way out to Plainview community I baited a gentleman who stated that Mr. C. B. Murphree was a friend to the church, and his wife was exceedingly ill and advised that I visit that home, and I am so glad I did. Sister Murphree expressed so much satisfaction to have her pastor present, and in her home, so she might hear again the blessed gospel preached and hear her pastor pray, so while she lived God was continually praised and glorified in the home. The choir of Plainview after wards met in her home and sung the sweet songs of Zion all of which she greatly enjoyed. She stated that she was free from pain while religious services were in progress.

What inspiration those services were as her sweet smiles revealed the satisfaction that only the saint of God can enjoy.

No patient ever had better attention than she. In fact the relatives and friends vied with each other in caring for her. The home was never blessed with children, but she and her husband express their love by caring for a little girl baby after its mother's death, who is now thirteen years old. So weep not husband and friends as those that have no hope. For she was a life long Methodist, filled with the Holy Ghost, and love unfained.

Her pastor,
J. W. GRIFFIN,
Snyder Circuit.

Jud Tunkins.
Jud Tunkins says there isn't much chance of promotion for a man whose only idea of a boss is a person who sticks his feet on the desk and smokes large cigars.

Very Rude, Indeed.
"I'm not going to that woman barber's again; there's a rude girl there, don't you know. Why, she looked at my moustache, and asked me if I would have it sponged off or rubbed in."—Edinburgh Scotsman.

Simple Beauty Rule.
Women should take five minutes a day from work and lie flat on the back, all muscles relaxed, with eyes closed. It will be found a wonderful preserver of health, beauty and strength, according to the advice of a health expert.

Poker as Glass Cutter.

An ingenious method of cutting glass with a poker is described. Make a tiny notch on the edge of the glass where you want to cut it. Lay the glass over a newspaper, so that you have a printed line as a guide, heat a poker and apply it where the notch is. There is a faint click, and if the hot poker is drawn slowly across, a crack follows. When the opposite edge of the glass is reached it will be found that it is in two separate parts.

HEALTH RESTORED.

"My horse was in such a run down condition, I thought he would die. After feeding him Dr. LeGear's Stock Powders, he is as well as ever and is now as good looking a horse as there is in this section."—J. C. Huste, Rockbridge Baths, Va.

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Mrs. C. B. Murphree, Dead.

Mrs. C. B. Murphree, wife of C. B. Barney Murphree, died Dec. 28, at their residence north east of town.

Mrs. Murphree had been in ill health for some time before the end came and had suffered intensely. She was a devoted Christian, a patient sufferer and was loved by all her associates. She leaves a husband and a host of friends to mourn her departure.

The Signal extends condolence to the bereaved ones.

American Legion Outline Work.

The executive committee of Will Wayne Post No. 181, of the American Legion held their meeting January 4th, in the Legion hall, business being transacted and outline of their work for the year 1921. New members being accepted: B. N. Alvis, and J. R. Bagwell.

The following committees being appointed:

Entertainment Committee—Rob Strayhorn, Chairman, A. C. Preuit, Ben Waskom, Clyde Hailey, Robert Davenport.

Finance Committee—Sam Hamlett, Chairman, Harry Winston, Rankin Thompson.

Dora Bay Johnson has been taken to Lubbock for an operation.

Fred Doak has returned from Sweetwater.

Judge M. E. Rosser will leave Sunday for Austin to be present at the coming session of the legislature which convenes January 11th.

A timely piece of work is being done to the streets on the west side.

Ask your dealer for a sack of O. K. Pearl Meal. It has been proven worthy of the name; every sack guaranteed by the Snyder Mill 31c

Miss Irene Clark has returned from Corsicana where she spent the holidays with home folks.

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