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## LEAD.

### BREAKING DIRT OF NEW M. E. CHURCH.

On Monday, July 5th, at 8:30 a. m. a large congregation of Haskell citizenship gathered at the lots where the new Methodist church is to be erected and the building committee standing on the float with the pastor, the following impressive program was rendered:

Music by the Band.  
Prayer by Rev. Arbuckle.

### "PAST METHODISM IN HASKELL"

(BY F. G. ALEXANDER)

Having been asked by our Pastor to give to you some of the past history of Methodism, not because I could give it better, but because I was the only male charter member of the church at this place. Now here permit me to say something of this place before the church was organized. I came to Haskell Feb. 1884, to make it my home. At this time this county was not organized. There were no preachers here, only four families lived in this county. There were at this place the families of W. R. Standifer and R. D. Willong, and southeast of Haskell, lived the family of Judge Tucker, who was elected the first County Judge of Haskell county. Then northeast 16 miles lived the Casner family, they at this time constituted the inhabitants of Haskell county. During this year, there were possibly a dozen families came into this county with several men seeking their fortunes. During the latter months of this year a Methodist preacher by the name of Woods preached the first sermon ever preached in Haskell county. Then Bro. R. R. Raymond, who was traveling for his health, preached here for a few days. The results were no doubt for good for some of the old timers today refer to some of his sermons with much interest. Then in Nov. of 1884, our Annual Conference attached Haskell county to Jones county as a mission field, it was then in Abilene district, and sent a timid young bashful preacher to this wild western country to fight the battles of our Master with but few members of the church to encourage him in his labors, and even these few felt somewhat back sliden on the account of the associations of the day. Most all the people were here for the money, and gave very little attention to a religious life. One night in the latter part of Nov. or first of Dec. 1884, about 8 o'clock a man hallowed at my front gate. (This was after supper) I went to the door and said, "get down and come in," not knowing who it was. But the party asked if Mr. Alexander lived there. Yes, get down. Then he said I understand you are a Methodist family and I am a Methodist preacher. I did not wait longer. But said to my wife, did you hear that? I have found us a Methodist preacher. Fire up the stove make ready a warm supper. So I went to him and insisted he go in the house while I took care of his horse, but no, he would go with me anyway. He had made his way from the little town of Anson, 30 miles south of Haskell, without any road and after dark saw the

lights and finely found my house. This man was J. H. Wiseman, the first pastor of Haskell county. He organized the first Methodist church in a family residence in the county at Haskell with 6 members, namely; myself and wife, S. S. Cummings and wife, Mrs. R. C. Lomax and Mrs. J. L. Dewese. Myself and wife being now the only charter members remaining with the old church. Our church was then a part of Anson Mission.

Brother Wiseman remained from 1884 to 1888. J. Fred Cox was our first P. E. and he staid 4 years with us.

In 1885, a school house was built near where the South Ward building now stands. During Bro. Wiseman's pastorate, '85, '86 and '87 we had the worst drouth West Texas ever saw, many of our counties were almost depopulated.

In 1888 Haskell Mission was formed and Bro. C. V. Bailey came as our first resident pastor and made his home with myself and Judge McConnell.

During his stay the first effort to raise money to build a church was made. My wife, Mrs. McConnell and Mrs. Lomax walked from house to house, asking donations to a public dinner for the benefit of the proposed church. Not a refusal came to them from anyone, the people were a unit to that end and results of that dinner was \$51.00. The church had not grown much up to this time.

J. N. Snow then came and stayed through 1889, 1891, 2 years, J. A. Wallace still our P. E. Our old church was built in the year 1890, lumber was hauled by Judge McConnell, S. W. Scott, myself and others from Abilene. The windows were bought of the old Abilene church. Abilene donated \$65 to the building of this church. The contract to build this house was let to the venerable old man and much loved by all the old time people of Haskell, Bro. J. W. Evans, at the sum of \$150.00.

Brother Jerome Harralson was our next pastor, staying with us only 1 year. Brother E. L. Armstrong was our next P. E. a faithful good man who has been for 13 years bed ridden with that awful disease of paralysis.

During Brother Harralson's stay the parsonage was wrecked by storm and lightning.

Next came Brother W. D. Bass and stayed with us one year on his first charge. Brother Armstrong still our P. E. Brother N. B. Bennett then came and stayed 3 years and Brother Armstrong took super-anuate relation because of failing health in 1895. We had our first District Conference in 1895, we went to Merkel for it and captured it for Haskell. Some time during the year '94 or '95 Abe Mulkey came and held a revival meeting of great power, all churches co-operated and great were the results. Much good material lives in the church here at present as a result of this meeting.

M. L. Moody was our next pastor for 3 years of faithful service. C. W. Daniels followed Bro. Armstrong as P. E. and stayed 3 years. Our charge was then placed in the Vernon District. J. H. Wiseman in 1898, 10 years from the time he left this work as pastor, returned as

P. E. to see the growth and development.

J. T. Bloodworth next came and stayed 2 years and the church continued to grow.

R. B. Young then came and stayed one year. This was a hard year and the church did not grow much.

Next came R. S. Heizer and stayed one year. E. A. Smith came as our next P. E. Brother Heizer did a fine work, every body loved him.

Then came Brother J. H. Chambliss in 1903 and stayed 4 years, under his leadership the church was greatly strengthened. He was loved by all.

J. R. Morris came as next P. E. and during his stay we again had the District Conference with us and under Brother Morris we were again changed to the Abilene District.

Brother C. B. Meador, our present pastor, followed Brother Chambliss and in one year nearly doubled our membership. Our church now numbers over 600 members and is much more able to pay a preacher a \$1500 salary now than for many years to pay \$100 in those days. In 1908 came Bro. Griswold as our P. E. of Stamford District and Haskell was changed to that District.

If time would permit there is much I would like to say in behalf of every one of our preachers who labored so faithfully among us, starting in an unorganized county and coming to the present day when our church now stands as among the leading appointments in the Conference and our town with a population of nearly 6000. There is much history connected with our growth and development that would read like romance if we but had the time to tell it.

### REMARKS BY S. W. SCOTT ON THE FUTURE OF METHODISM IN HASKELL.

The future of Methodism in Haskell is what the individual members of the congregation will do to make it. It is only as the rank and file of the church members grasp the significance of this statement, and do their part towards the advancement of the church that it can hope to attain its greater possibilities.

Cromwell had an army, each individual unit of which was inspired by the purposes and determination of their iron leader. This made them invincible. They could go forth to meet ten times their number and put them to flight.

Gideon selected a small band but the spirit animating each was such as to make them irresistible. A greater than Cromwell and a greater than Gideon is our leader. If the church will take him wholly as their leader and go forward in his spirit what may not be accomplished?

It is only as we accept him as our captain and follow in his footsteps and put into practice his teachings that we may enter into that larger life which shall bear the greatest fruit to his name's honor and glory.

Beginning with a membership of 6 on 24 May, 1885, the church now has a membership of about 600. It is hard to estimate the influence for good of this congregation in Haskell county. If we live up to our

privileges and up to the measure of our christian responsibility, there is no reason why the increase to the ranks of Christianity emanating from their center should not in another quarter of a century grow almost an hundred fold.

Four days from today will be twenty-five years since I first came to Haskell county. At that time there were not fifty people in the whole county.

There were three houses in the town of Haskell at that time.

In all the years, there has been no step taken which I consider fraught with such possibilities for good as that which is started on this happy day.

In this largest undertaking of its kind which has ever been inaugurated in Haskell county, let us hope and pray that the good flowing from this center may be boundless as the tides on the sea of eternity. The poet has said that the might of a nation is not in its moated walls and oak ribbed ship but in men alone, high minded men. So the might of a church is in its consecrated membership. No man lives to himself and no man dies to himself. His influence is felt either for weal or woe. The good men do lives after them, and in Christian work goes on in unending geometrical progression. Under the old dispensation, it was meet that the seat of the Most High between the wings of the cherubim and the seraphim, should be in a temple finished in pure gold. This was only symbolic of the temple in our own hearts, under the present dispensation, fit for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

All ages and races have had their places of worship. It is the glory of our American civilization that we put so much into our places of worship. And it is a glory to our Methodism in Haskell that we have projected the edifice which is this day commenced.

Let us remember the trials and difficulties encountered by the children of Israel as read about in Nehemiah, in rebuilding the house of the Lord. Let that lesson nerve us to be faithful, so that every man will remain in his place and do his part. Let us stand together in unity and in consecrated zeal until the completion of the work. The progress of the past quarter of a century should be sufficient to inspire us. No prophet's eye is sufficient to foresee what fruit for the Master may grow from this day's work.

Then will it be for future generations to say indeed, "What hath God Wrought."

Judge Sanders and G. T. McCulloh unloosed the team from the wagon and hitched them to the plow when H. M. Rike plowed the first furrow with G. J. Graham as teamster and when the plow would not take the dirt a very heavy weight in the form of C. B. Meador took his seat on the beam of the plow when it immediately plunged to bottom.

Our revival meeting will begin at Weaver school house the third Sunday in July.

Rev. J. N. Hunt of Mansfield Texas will do the preaching. Every body is invited to attend all the services.

Joe K. Ford, Pastor.

## NORMAN'S PAINT STORE AGAIN.

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Isn't it about time for the young Russians to show themselves?

There are still some people who won't boost if they can't knock.

Civilization has still a great work to do in Asiatic Turkey.

Good fellows do not always prove the best judges.

Let us at least disarm the bad man who carries a hip-pocket gun.

The husband's question: Why did you get that hat?

The fatal gift of beauty is not hurting the new sultan.

The angel of peace is in a constant state of apprehension in Turkey.

Let us hope that peace has been given the impetus it deserves.

That villain of a tsetse fly makes our common fly look like a household pet.

When women get the ballot will they expect trading stamps to go along with it?

In the far east it's a wise country that knows what revolution it is the father of.

London's taxicab charge is 16 cents a mile. With us it's apt to be what the taxicabby thinks we've got.

Now that the United States has shown the world its new navy, it can afford to advocate peace.

Some of the British papers are talking longingly of an American alliance. They do not know America.

Women worry too much, claims a woman physician. How much is just enough?

Delaware reports the peach crop destroyed again, but the milliners report that the demand for peach baskets is as active as ever.

Some facts are coming to light that indicate the interior of China to be less barbarous and benighted than generally represented.

The appearance of the prince & Wales as a contestant for the American's cup would possibly leave Sir Thomas Lipton without occupation.

Motorists may not be classified among the diseases to which humanity is subject, but it is raging as much as the orthodox one and is quite as fatal as any.

Atlantic City insists that the artists who model beach sand into statuettes shall hereafter drape a Venus rising from a shell with clothes on would have Praxiteles go and jump off the dock.

Automobiles are a necessity of modern life, and their general use ought to be encouraged, but there is no reason why they should not be used with due regard to the rights of nonusers, who are an overwhelming majority of the public. Those who have at heart the progress of automobilism as an industry, a sport or a means of transportation will find it to their interest to suppress the many reckless drivers who bring their own occupation into disrepute.

The athletic girl and the baseball bat make a combination which, like the great American game itself, is hard to beat. A burglar out in Seattle, Wash., found that out. While engaged in the interesting occupation of burgling the home of a resident of that city he encountered the girl and the big stick. The result was the knocking out of the burglar, who dropped several thousand dollars' worth of plunder and was glad to escape without broken bones.

An interesting outcome of Li Su Ling's visit to Pekin is the formation of a China-American Friends association. The modern tendencies of the Celestial empire are illustrated by the fact that this movement was the culmination of a banquet given to the Hongkong newspaper proprietor by "leading Chinese journalists." They, with many officials, listened with appreciation to the story of their guest's experiences in the United States, and toasted President Taft as a warm friend of their country.

President Northrop of the University of Minnesota probably would not feel qualified to enter a Marathon race. But he has shown himself possessed of good qualities as a sprinter, even at 68 years of age. He saw two students smoking on the campus, and as that was against the rules the president started toward the young men to admonish them. The offenders took to their heels, and the president took after them. What was more he caught them, and "gave it to them" good and proper.

Perhaps if the experiments in making paper out of cotton stalks and corn stalks are successful, the idea will occur to some inventive genius of making paper out of weeds.

The German hogle man will not catch England because the brave, bold Britons are not watching out. Every now and then the very mention of a German invasion throws them into a panic. But, then, we had some of the same nervous feeling ourselves about that Spanish phantom fleet which invisibly ravished our coast.

# UNCLE SAM STARTS YEAR WITH DEFICIT

FISCAL YEAR BEGINS TODAY—EXPENSE \$90,000,000. MORE THAN REVENUE.

# FEDERAL ECONOMY NEEDED

Expenses May Be Held Down by Side-tracking Dispensable Undertakings.

Washington, July 1.—The new fiscal year, which opens today, starts out with a deficit of more than \$90,000,000. This deficit, of course, includes the year's expenditures on the Panama Canal, amounting to \$31,500,000, which cuts the deficit for current operations of the Government proper to less than \$60,000,000. Congress having fixed the amount which the Government is expected to expend for the new fiscal year, President Taft will have to rely on increased customs, internal revenue and miscellaneous receipts, and on an economic administration of affairs this year in order to make a substantial reduction of the deficit.

There is one method by which the authorized expenses of the Government may be held down. It is the side-tracking of dispensable undertakings authorized by an indulgent Congress. This process is known in Government circles as "strong arming" appropriations, and has been used effectively in the past.

West Texas State Normal. Austin: The board created by the Thirty-first Legislature, consisting of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor and the Superintendent of Public Instruction, empowered to locate the West Texas State Normal School, will probably be called to meet here about the middle of next month to transact its business. The school must be located west of the 98th meridian. There are a number of towns applicant for the institution.

Big Sale of Wool. San Angelo: A deal was closed in this city Saturday by which over 100,000 pounds of wool and 50,000 pounds of mohair was transferred here Monday. The clip was sold through the Central Wool Storage Company of this city and brought the highest price received in this market this season. The wool sold at 27c straight and the mohair at 18c for the six months' clip and 25c for the twelve months' clip.

Contract For Galveston Contractor. Galveston: At noon Monday bids on the Galveston causeway were opened. Of twelve bids submitted only four were for the causeway in its entirety, and of these four only two bidders were within the limit of \$1,400,000. Of these two the firm of Owens & Heffron of Galveston were the lowest, their submitting three bids, the three being for different grades of material for use in the structure, relating principally to the stone work.

Would Dismiss Fifty-one Cases. San Antonio: To clear the criminal docket of many old cases in which the State believes it is impossible to secure convictions, Assistant District Attorney Chambers has filed a motion asking that fifty-one be dismissed. Among that number are seven indictments for murder.

Timpon-Henderson Line. Austin: Amendments to the charter of the Timpon-Henderson Railway were submitted to the Attorney General Tuesday for approval, providing, among other particulars, extension of the line by acquisition and construction, and the increasing of the capital stock from \$12,500 to \$250,000.

Man Killed by Lightning. Decatur: John Maness, 19 years of age, a resident of the Flatwoods community, about eight miles south of Decatur, was struck and instantly killed by lightning Wednesday afternoon about 5 o'clock while a shower was prevailing in that region.

Complete Survey for Line. Stamford: The Rock Island corps of engineers, who have been making the permanent survey of that road's extension from Graham to Stamford, have practically completed their work.

Youth Killed by Lightning. Thurber: Doc Boney was instantly killed and his mother was severely shocked by a bolt of lightning that struck their residence Monday afternoon about 5 o'clock.

Child Drowns In Jar. Greenville: Ruth Rabb, the little 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. Rabb, who resides about one mile from Lone Oak, fell into a large jar of water near the edge of the gallery and was drowned Wednesday.

Vernon Has \$20,000 Fire. Vernon: Fire broke out Monday morning in the second story of the north side of the public square, and soon the whole town was thrown into a state of excitement for fear the entire side of the square would be consumed. The loss will be over \$20,000.

103 in Shade At Denison. Denison: The temperature registered 103 degrees in the shade here at 2:30 Monday afternoon, being the hottest day of the year.

# STORM IN SOUTHWEST TEXAS.

Two Fishermen Drown, Buildings Unroofed and Floods Cause Serious Damage in Sections.

Kingsville: Later reports from local railway stations on the Brownsville line between Raymondville and Brownsville and Samfordyce branch confirm Thursday's report as to damage done by Wednesday's storm. The rain did not subside until about 7 o'clock this morning. Buildings were blown down and unroofed at Donna, San Benito, Harlingen and other points between Mercedes and Brownsville. Railroad cars were blown off several sidings and two box cars were unroofed from the force of the wind at Lyford.

Reports indicate about 50 per cent crop losses throughout the storm district, caused principally by Rio Grande River backwater.

Two fishermen were drowned at Point Isabel. Aside from this no other loss of life is reported.

Zephyr Relief Fund. Brownwood: O. B. Couch, chairman of the Zephyr relief committee, has issued a statement which shows that almost \$15,000 has been received from all sources for the Zephyr relief fund. It is stated that lumber is being received now and that building will commence at once. So far only four or five houses have been built. This is caused largely by the fact that lumber could not be had.

War On Insects and Microbes. Galveston: The city has just received its consignment from Europe of 160 barrels of crude carbolic acid. This will be used in the campaign of destruction of pestiferous insects and disease-breeding microbes that Galveston may be in a position to show the thousands of people who will arrive during the cotton carnival not only a beautiful but a most sanitary city.

Paper Printed In Balloon. Hamilton, Ohio: The first newspaper ever printed in a balloon was received in Butler County Thursday when a balloon from Dayton passed over the western part of this county. The bag was equipped with a corps of newspaper men and a printing press by a Dayton paper, and as it soared over the towns miniature copies of the paper, printed in the balloon basket, were thrown to the ground.

New Razor Is of Copper. El Paso: Producing a highly tempered razor blade made of copper as proof of his skill, Marshall McCombs, a fireman on the Southern Pacific Railroad in this city, declares he has discovered the lost art of tempering copper. The razor blade which he carries with him will shave as well as a steel razor, and he says he is going to Washington to patent it.

Rain Benefits Many Farmers. Dallas: Reports of rain indicate that the generous precipitation in Central and Eastern Texas is of great benefit to those farmers who have an abundant acreage in corn this year. Rain also fell in portions of Northern Texas. Covering a wide area, the precipitation reported ranged from light showers to hard downpours.

New State Bank for Dallas. Dallas: A new State bank, with a capitalization of \$400,000, the name of which will probably be the Guaranty State Bank and Trust Company and its operation under the new bank guaranty law, is to be organized in Dallas, according to a determination reached Tuesday at a meeting of prominent local bankers.

Speeder Asks Big Fine. Amarillo: "I want the maximum fine assessed against me, for I believe a good-sized canceled check will be a reminder that will prevent me from doing the same thing again," said L. A. Hough Monday morning, when he was arraigned in Police Court to answer to the charge of exceeding the speed limit in his automobile Sunday night.

Match Removed From Throat. San Antonio: R. S. Ellis, a prominent capitalist and ranchman, was operated on here for an abscess of the throat. A match was found which had lodged immediately above the vocal cords, and was successfully removed. Mr. Ellis, during a hearty laugh, swallowed the match two months ago.

New Forwarding Warehouse. Dallas: The first storing and forwarding warehouse, having all the modern equipment, to be opened in Dallas will be ready for business Aug. 1. It is now in course of construction and containing 25,000 square feet of floor space, the most extensive single floor in the city.

Glenwood Officially Annexed. Fort Worth: Glenwood was officially annexed to the city Tuesday by unanimous vote of the City Commission, thus adding about 4,000 to the population and a considerable sum to the tax values.

Lampasas Youth Gets Prize. Lampasas: M. Y. Stokes Jr. of this place received a letter Saturday from the Texas Cotton Seed Crushers' Association, saying that he was a successful contestant for a \$25 prize offered school boys and girls for the best composition on the uses of cotton seed oil.

Taft Signs Census Bill. Washington: President Taft signed the bill Tuesday providing for funds for taking the census of 1916.

# WRIGHT FLIES AIRSHIP

AFTER THREE ATTEMPTS PERSISTENT INVENTORS OVERCOME OBSTACLES.

# BIG CROWD AT FORT MYER

Lack of Engine Power Assigned by Wrights as Reason for Indifference of Machine.

Washington, June 30.—After making three unsuccessful efforts to get his aeroplane into the air Tuesday, Orville Wright made a short flight, encircling the Fort Myer Aerodrome.

Lack of power, due to a loose spark control, was finally determined upon by the two Wrights as the cause of the refusal of the machine to fly for more than a few hundred feet beyond the end of the starting rail.

Their persistency in attempting the flight won the approval of the large crowd assembled.

# BALLOON BATTLES WITH STORM.

Two Occupants in Storm Ten Thousand Feet from Earth.

St. Louis: John Berry, winner of the distance flight at the Indianapolis balloon races, and M. A. Heilmann, a St. Louis balloon manufacturer, battled with a storm 10,000 feet above the earth Tuesday for an hour and a half before they could land.

# Loco Disease Among Stock.

Washington: The so-called loco disease of horses, sheep and cattle has been for many years a source of serious loss to stockmen in the West, who have generally attributed it to certain weeds eaten by the stock. Investigations by the United States Department of Agriculture have not only confirmed the supposition as to the poisonous effect of these plants, but have resulted in the discovery and identification of barium as a definite poisonous element in them.

# Treasury Calls for Funds.

Washington: A call on National depository banks for a return to the treasury of Government funds aggregating approximately \$25,000,000 was made Tuesday by the Secretary of the Treasury McVeigh. Of this amount \$9,000,000 has been called for July 15 and \$16,000,000 for August 15. Balances in all active depositories are uniformly reduced to the lowest amount which the daily needs of the Government will permit.

# Begins Oil Trust Suits.

Jackson, Miss.: Application was made Wednesday in the Chancery Court of Clay County by District Attorney T. L. Lamb for a perpetual injunction restraining the Standard Oil Company from operating in Mississippi and seeking to collect penalties for alleged violation of the anti-trust law of the Commonwealth, aggregating \$11,000,000.

# Raid Chinese Missions.

Chicago: Chicago authorities Sunday began a systematic weeding out of missions where Chinamen are brought in contact with young women and girls. A mission conducted by three sisters in Woodlawn, the best residence district of the South Side, was raided and several Chinamen and six or seven young women teachers were driven to the streets.

# Families Without Children Barred.

St. Louis, Mo.: The first apartment house to be erected in the United States where families without children will be barred, will be located here and will cost \$400,000. It will be erected in the most exclusive part of town, adjacent to the two big apartment houses where children will not be received.

# Guaranty Law is Held Up.

Omaha, Neb.: At Lincoln Wednesday a temporary restraining order, enjoining the operation of the bank guaranty law was signed by Judge Vandevanter and Munger of the Federal Court.

# Fluvanna Fire Costs \$35,000.

Snyder: About 2 o'clock Monday morning fire destroyed property to the amount of about \$35,000 at Fluvanna, in this county. The loss was partially covered by insurance, but the amount can not be learned.

# Fight Bonding Premiums.

Washington: The House Committee on Appropriations has in mind the taking of steps to prevent the Government or its employees from being charged extravagant premiums by bonding companies.

# Syrians and Greeks Riot.

Springfield, Mass.: One man dead, another fatally injured and several dangerously wounded as the result of a race riot in which Greek and Syrian participated here Sunday.

# Confederate Reunion in Hill.

Washington: The committee having the matter in charge has completed and is having printed the program of the annual reunion of the Confederate Veterans' and Old Settlers' Association of Hill County.

# No Cars in Pittsburg.

Pittsburg: Greater Pittsburg walked Sunday amidst thundershowers and a torrid sun. Only one street car, carrying the United States mail, has moved in the city or suburbs.

# Boys Fight Mosquitoes.

Waxahachie: The boys of Waxahachie are organizing brigades for the purpose of waging war on the mosquitoes.

# BUY PIPE FOR GAS LINE.

To Extend from Petrolia, Clay County, To Fort Worth.

Pittsburg, Pa.: The National Tube Company mills in McKeesport have begun to make and ship installments of the 125 miles of pipe for a natural gas company in Texas. It is a big order and will keep the mills going for awhile. The pipe line will extend from Petrolia, Clay County, Tex., to Fort Worth and Dallas, a distance of 125 miles. The pipe is of 16-inch diameter, weighing 42 pounds to the foot.

# Ducks at Potato Bugs.

Alton, Ill.: Joseph Junette, who farms one of the job ranches on the Alton bluffs, thinks he will "duck" farming and educate ducks to eat potato bugs at \$1 a day per duck. Just now Mr. Junette is enjoying an income of \$15 a day from fifteen ducks, which he has trained to clear potato patches of the little spotted pests.

# Refuses Rogers' Money.

Watonga, Ok.: "I do not want a penny of my brother's money," declared Edward Rogers, blacksmith and brother of the late Henry H. Rogers of Standard Oil millions. A number of letters have been sent to Rogers by his brother's attorneys, which Rogers has refused to take out of the post-office.

# Record Price For First Bale.

Houston: Mercedes, Texas, was Monday awarded the honor of producing the first bale of the cotton crop of 1909, and the bale brought a record price. The staple was classed as strict middling, it weighed 368 pounds and was knocked down to W. D. Cleveland & Sons for \$1.13 per pound—\$425 for the bale.

# Negro Makes Hard Fight.

Adrian, Ga.: Fighting in a swamp with a cheap, small-caliber pistol, Robert Jenkins, a negro accused of murder, Tuesday, held at bay a Sheriff's posse until he had wounded two of them, and then exclaiming, "Lord have mercy on my soul," he dropped dead, riddled with bullets.

# Half Million for Good Roads.

Temple: A meeting was held in this city Saturday between a committee representing the Temple Commercial Club and representative farmers from the section immediately tributary to Temple, at which was formally launched a campaign for good roads, to include a bond issue of \$500,000.

# Work to Cost Nearly Million.

Fort Hill, Okla.: Major Frank B. Cheatham, who was sent here from Washington to arrange details and sign the final contract for the erection of fifty-four buildings at Fort Hill Monday, completed this work and Luyster & Lowe of Dayton, Ohio, were awarded the contract at \$750,000.

# Roswell Drouth Broken.

Roswell, N. M.: The drouth of ten months through which Roswell and vicinity has just passed, was broken with a good rain Tuesday, which was general over the Pecos Valley of New Mexico. The rainfall measured from a half to two inches in various localities.

# Mutineers in Outbreak.

Seattle, Wash.: A cable dispatch from Nome, Alaska, describes a bloody outbreak of Russian political prisoners in the Yakutsk district, Siberia, and the flight of the mutineers across the wilderness toward Behring Strait in an effort to reach Alaska.

# Acid Fatal to Roswell Man.

Roswell, N. M.: James B. Trotter, for twenty years a well-known carpenter, contractor, furniture dealer and later real estate agent of Roswell, also member of the present Petit Jury in District Court, died Tuesday morning from drinking carbolic acid.

# Bomb Damages Chicago.

Chicago: An explosion supposed to have been caused by dynamite did great damage in the business district Sunday, injuring two or three persons severely and wrecking stores and windows for a block near Clark and Washington streets.

# Pittsburg Strike Ended.

Pittsburg, Pa.: The street railway strike, which has cost the city of Pittsburg over \$200,000 in two days, was officially declared to be at an end Monday.

# Death of Prominent Chinaman.

Pekin: Yang Shi Slang, who in 1907 succeeded Yuan Shi Kai as Viceroy of the Province of Chi, Li, died Sunday from apoplexy, following charges against him of corruption in connection with the Tien Tsin-Pukow Railroad.

# Bull Fighter Killed.

City of Mexico: Alfredo Sanchez, a well-known bull-fighter, was killed at the local million-dollar bull ring Sunday afternoon.

# No Consumptive Teachers.

Little Rock: The Little Rock School Board has adopted a rule requiring all teachers in the public schools to be examined for tuberculosis, and all those who are affected with the disease will be declared ineligible to teach.

# Boys Fight Mosquitoes.

Waxahachie: The boys of Waxahachie are organizing brigades for the purpose of waging war on the mosquitoes.

# An Irish Bull.

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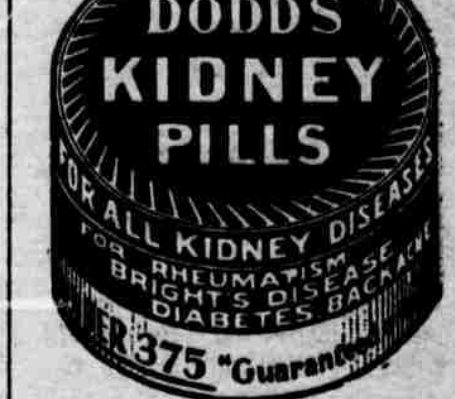
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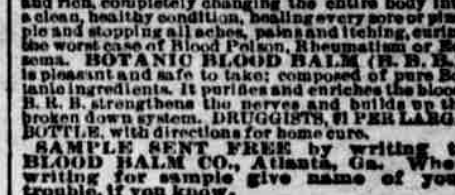


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# THE LION'S SHARE



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"Oh, They Bluffed a Little," Returned Archie, Carelessly.

## SYNOPSIS.

The story opens at Harvard where Col. Rupert Winter, U. S. A., visiting, saw the suicide of young Mercer. He met Cary Mercer, brother of the dead student. Three years later, in Chicago, in 1904, Col. Winter overheard Cary Mercer apparently planning to kidnap Archie, the colonel's ward, and to gain possession of Aunt Rebecca Winter's millions. A Miss Smith was mentioned apparently as a conspirator. A great financial magnate was aboard the train on which Col. Winter met his Aunt Rebecca, Miss Smith and Archie. Col. Winter learned that the financial magnate is Edwin B. Keatcham. Winter, aided by Archie, cleverly frustrated a hold-up on the train. He took a great liking to Miss Smith, and she her alleged kidnapping plot. Archie mysteriously disappeared in Frisco. Blood in a nearby room at the hotel caused fears for the boy's life. The lad's voice was heard over the telephone, however, and a minute later a woman's voice—that of Miss Smith. Col. Winter and a detective set out for the empty mansion owned by Arnold, a Harvard graduate. They were met with an explosion within. Mercer appeared. He assured Winter that Archie had returned. The colonel saw a vision sitting from the supposed haunted house. It was Miss Smith. Col. Winter to himself admitted that he loved Miss Smith. Mercer told Winter that Archie had been kidnapped. One of Mercer's friends on returning the boy to his aunt had been arrested for speeding and when returned from the police station to his auto the lad was gone. Mercer confessed he was forcibly detaining Keatcham. Mercer told his life story, relating how Keatcham and his sounder secretary, Atkins, had ruined him, the blow killing his wife. Mercer was hiding him in prison in order that he could not get control of a railroad which was the pet project of the father of his college friend, Endicott Tracy. Aunt Rebecca saw Archie in a cab with two men. Then he vanished. She followed in an auto, into the Chinese district and by the use of a mysterious Chinese jade ornament she secured a promise from an influential Chinaman that the boy would be returned. Archie returned and told his story. Atkins, former secretary to Keatcham, being his second kidnaper.

## CHAPTER XII—Continued.

"Archie," the colonel interjected here, "was one of the men a little fellow, clean-shaven, with a round black head, blue eyes—one of his eyes winked a little faster than the other?"

"Yes, sir. How did you know?"

"I didn't know; I guessed. Well, get on; they wanted to pump you when they got you safely out of sight?"

"Yes," Archie said, "they put me into the sweat-box, all right."

"Did you tell them anything?" asked Mrs. Winter.

Archie looked at her reproachfully. Did she think that he had gone to boarding school for nothing? He explained that, being a stranger in the town, he could not tell anything about where he'd been. There was an agent at the house trying to sell stoves, and they let him take him off back to the hotel. The man seemed to know all about who he (Archie) was, and about his having gone away. The man asked him an awful lot of questions about how he was taken away. He said he didn't know, and he'd promised not to tell. He couldn't tell. They said he would have to go to jail if he didn't tell, because the man who had him were such bad men. But he didn't tell.

"Did they try to frighten you—to make you tell?" said Mrs. Winter.

"Oh, they bluffed a little," returned Archie, carelessly, yet the keen eyes on him—eyes both worldly-wise and shrewd—noted that the lad's color shifted and he winced the least in the world over some remembrance.

"But they didn't hurt you? They

didn't burn you or cut you or twist your arms, or try any other of their playful ways?" Mrs. Winter demanded; and Janet began feeling the boy's arms, breathing more quickly. The colonel only looked.

"No, they didn't do a thing. I knew they wouldn't, too," Archie assured her, earnestly. "I told them if they did anything Uncle Rupert and you would make them pay."

"And you weren't frightened, away from every one—in that hideous quarter?" cried Miss Smith. "Oh, my dear!" She choked.

"Well, maybe I was a little scared. I kept thinking of a rotten yarn of Kipling's; something happened to him, down in the underground quarter, in just such a hot, nasty-smelling hole, I guess, as I was in; you remember, Miss Janet, about the game of cards and the Mexican stabbing a Chinik for cheating, and how Kipling jumped up and ran for his life, never looking around; and don't you remember that nasty bit, how he felt sure they had dealt with the greaser their own way and he'd never get up to the light again?"

"I've been remembering that story all this afternoon," answered Miss Smith with a shudder.

"Agreeable little tale," said Aunt Rebecca, dryly. "Archie, you must have had a right nasty quarter of an hour. How did you get away?"

"Why, a Chinik came and called the little man off; and there was a lot of talking which I couldn't hear, and the cop was swearing; I think they didn't like it. But, in a minute the Chinaman—he was an awful nice little fellow—he came up to me and took me out, led me all sorts of ways, not a bit like the way I came in, and got me out to the street. The other fellows were very polite; they told me that they were my friends and only wanted to find a clew to my kidnapers; and the burning holes in me was only a joke to give me an excuse to break my word under compulsion—why, they wouldn't hurt me for the world! I pretended to be fooled, and said it was all right, and looked pleasant; but—I'd like to scare them the same way, once, all the same."

The boy caught at his lip which was trembling, and ended with a shaky laugh. Miss Smith clenched the fist by her side; but she dropped the arm near Archie, and said in a matter-of-fact, sprightly tone: "Archie, you really ought to go dress—and wash for dinner; excuse me for mentioning it, but you have no idea how grimy you are."

The commonplace turn of thought did its errand. Archie, who had been bracing himself anew against the horror which he remembered, dropped back into his familiar habits and jumped up consciously. "It's the dust, motoring," he offered, bashfully. "I ought to have washed before I came up. Well, that's all; we came straight here. Now, may I go take a bath?"

Aunt Rebecca was frowning a curious jade locket on her neck. She watched the boy run to the open door.

"I wish you'd go into your room, colonel," said Miss Smith, "and see that nothing happens to him. It's silly,

but I am expecting to see him vanish again!"

The sentence affected the colonel unpleasantly; why need she be posing before him, as if that first disappearance had had any real fright in it? Of course she didn't know yet (although Aunt Rebecca might have told her—she ought to have told her and stopped this unnecessary deceit) that he was on to the game; but—he didn't like it. Unconsciously, his inward criticism made his tone drier as he replied with a little bow that he imagined Archie was quite safe, now, and he would ask to be excused, as he had to attend to something before dinner.

Was it his fancy that her face changed and her eyes looked wistful? It must have been. He walked stiffly away. Hardly had he entered his room and turned his mind on the changed situation before the telephone apprised him that a gentleman, Mr. Gardiner, who represented the Fireless Cook Stove, said that he had an appointment with Col. Winter to explain the stove; should he be sent up?

Directly, Endicott Tracy entered, smiling. "Where's the kid? I know he's back," were his first words; and he explained that he had been hunting the kidnapers to no purpose. "Except that I learned enough to know they put up a job with the justice, all right; I got next to that game without any Machiavellian exertions. But they got away. Who is it? Any of Keatcham's gang?"

"Atkins," said the colonel, concisely. Tracy whistled and apologized. "It's a blow," he confessed. "That little wretch! He has brains to burn and not an ounce of conscience. You know he has been mousing round at the hotels after Keatcham's mail—"

"He didn't get it?"

"No, Carey had covered that point. Cary has thought this all out very carefully, but Atkins has got on to the fact that Cary was here in this hotel with Keatcham. But he doesn't know where we come in; whether Keatcham's gang is just lying low for some game of its own, or whether we've got him. At least, I don't believe he knows."

"You ought not to be talking so freely with me; I haven't promised you anything, you know," warned the colonel.

"But you've got your nephew back all right; we have been on the square with you; why should you butt in? I know you won't."

"I don't seem to have a fair call to," observed the colonel.

"And I think the old boy is going to give in; he has made signals of distress, to my thinking. Wanted his mail; and wanted to write; and informed Cary—he saw him for the first time to-day—that he had bigger things on deck than the Midland; and wanted to get at them. We're going to win out all right."

"Unless Atkins gets at him to-night," the colonel suggested. "You oughtn't to have come here, Gardiner. Don't go home, now. Wait until later, and let me rig you up in another lot of togs and give you my own motor car. Better."

Tracy was more than impressed by the proposal; he was plainly grateful. He entered with enthusiasm into the soldier's masquerade—Tracy had always had a weakness for theatricals and some of his Hasty Pudding "Portraits of Unknown People We Know" had won him fame at Cambridge. Ten minutes later, there sat opposite the colonel a florid-faced, mustached, western commercial traveler whose plaided tweeds, being an ill-advised venture of Haley's which the colonel had taken off his hands and found no subject of charity quite obnoxious enough to deserve them, naturally did not fit the present wearer, but suited his inane complacency of bearing and might pass for a bad case of ready-made purchase.

"Now," said the adviser, "I'll notify Haley to have my own hired motor ready for you and you can slip out and take it after you've had something to eat. Here's the restaurant card. Haley will be there. Leave it at the drug store on Van Ness street—Haley will give you the number—and get home as unobtrusively as possible. You can peel off these togs in the motor if necessary. You've your own underneath except your coat. Wrap that in a newspaper and carry it. I don't know that Atkins has any one on guard at the hotel, but I think it more than likely he suspects some connection between our party and Keatcham's. But first, tell me about Atkins; what do you know about him? It's an American name."

"America can take all the glory of him, I fancy," said Tracy. "He's been Keatcham's secretary for six years. He seems awfully mild and useful and timid. He's not a bit timid. He's full of resource; he's sidled suggestions into Keatcham's ear and has been gradually working to make himself absolutely necessary. I think he aimed at a partnership; but Keatcham wouldn't stand for it. I think it was in revenge that he sold out some of Keatcham's secrets. Cary got on to that and has a score of his own to settle with him, besides. I don't know

how he managed, but he showed him up; and Keatcham gave him the sack in his own cold-blooded way. I know him only casually. But my cousin, Ralph Schuyler, went to prep school with him, so I got his character straight off the bat. His father was a patent-medicine man from Mississippi, who made a fair pile, a couple of hundred thousand which looked good to that section, you know. I don't know anything about his people except that his father made the 'Celebrated Atkins' 'Ague Busters'; and that Atkins was ashamed of his people and shook his married sisters who came to see him, in rather a brutal fashion; but I know a thing or two about him; he was one of those bouncers who curry favor with the faculty and the popular boys and never break rules apparently, but go off and have sly little bats by themselves. He never was popular, yet, somehow, he got into things; he knew where to lend money; and he was simply sickeningly clever; in math, he was a wonder. Ralph hated him. For one thing, he caught him in a dirty lie. Atkins hated him back and contrived to prevent his being elected class president, and when he couldn't prevent Ralph's making his senior society the happy thought struck Atkins to get on the initiation committee. They had a cheery little branding game to make the fellows quite sure they belonged, you know, and he rammed his cigar stump into Ralph's arm so that Ralph had blood-poisoning and a narrow squeak for his life. You see that I'm not prepossessed in the fellow's favor. He's got too vivid an imagination for me!"

"Seems to have," acquiesced the colonel.

"I think, you know"—Tracy made an effort to be just—"I think Atkins was rather soured. Some of the fellows made fun of the 'Ague Busters'; he had a notion that the reason it was such up hill work for him in the school was his father's trade. No doubt he did get nasty licks at first; and he's revengeful. He hasn't got on in society outside, either—this he lays to his not being a university man. You see his father lost some of his money and put him to work instead of in college. He was willing enough at the time—I think he wanted to get married—but afterward, when he was getting a good salary and piling up money on his tips, he began to think that he had lost more than he had bargained for. Altogether, he's soured. Now, what he wants is to make a thundering big strike and to pull out of Wall street, buy what he calls 'a seat on the James' and set up for a southern gentleman. He's trying to marry a southern girl, they say, who is kin to the Carters and the Byrds and the Lees and the Carys—why, you know her, she's Mrs. Winter's secretary."

"Does—does she care for him?" the colonel suddenly felt his mouth parched; he was savagely conscious of his mounting color. What a fiendish trick of fate! He had never dreamed of this! Well, whether she cared for him or not, the man was a brute; he shouldn't get her. That was one certainty in the colonel's mind.

"Why, Cary vows she doesn't, that it was only a girlish bit of nonsense up in Virginia, that time he was prospecting, you know. But I don't feel so safe. She's too nice for such a cur. But you know what women are; the nicest of them seem to be awfully queer about men. There's no betting on them."

"I'm afraid not," remarked the colonel, lightly. But he put his fingers inside his collar and loosened it, as if he felt choked.

Because he had a dozen questions quarring for precedence in his head, he asked not one. He only inquired regarding the situation; discovering that both Mercer and Tracy were equally in the dark with himself as to Atkins' plans, Atkins' store of information, Atkins' resources. How he could have waylaid Tracy and the boy without knowing whence they came was puzzling; it was quite as puzzling, however, assuming that he did know their whereabouts, to decide why he was so keen to interrogate the boy. In fact, it was, as Tracy said, "too much like Prof. Santa Anna's description of a German definition of metaphysics, 'A blind man hunting in a dark room for a black cat that isn't there.'"

"In any event, you would better keep away from me," was the colonel's summing up of the situation; "I don't want to be inhospitable, but the sooner you are off, and out of the hotel, the safer for your speculation."

"Friends will please accept the intimation," said Tracy, good-humoredly. "Very well, it's 23 for me. I'm hoping you'll see your way clear to run over as soon as the old man has surrendered; I'm going to invite him to make up a proper visit, then, and see the country. I'm always for letting the conquered keep their side-arms."

He went away smiling his flashing smile, and turned it up at the hotel as he walked out; the colonel made no sign of recognition from the window whence he observed him. Instead, he drew back quickly, frowning; it might be a mere accident that only a hand's breadth of space from the young



"An' Don't She Walk Fains and Straight?"

Harvard man was a dapper little shape in evening clothes, a man still young, with a round black head; if so, it was an accident not to the colonel's liking.

"Damn you!" whispered Rupert Winter very softly. "What is your little game?"

At once he descended, having telephoned Haley to meet him at the court. When he entered and sent his glance rapidly among the little tables, by this time filled with diners, he experienced a disagreeable surprise. It did not come from the sight of Sergt. Haley in his Sunday civilian clothes, stolidly reading the Call; it came from a vision of Atkins standing, bowing, unadvisedly talking with Janet Smith.

Instead of approaching Haley, Winter fell back and scribbled a few words on a page of his note-book, while safely shielded by a great palm. The note he dispatched to Haley, who promptly joined him. While they stood, talking on apparently indifferent subjects, Miss Smith passed them. Whether because she had become suspicious or because she had come upon him suddenly, she colored slightly. But she smiled as she saluted him and spoke in her usual tranquil tone. "You are going to dine with us, aren't you, colonel?" said she. "I think dinner is just about to be served."

The colonel would be with them directly.

Haley's eyes followed her; he had returned her nod and inquiry for his wife and little Nora with a military salute and the assurance that they were both wonderfully well and pleased with the country.

"Sure, ain't it remarkable the way that lady do keep names in her mind?" cried he. "An' don't she walk fains and straight? O'ive been always towld thin southern ladies had the gran' way wid 'em; O! see now 'tis thrue." The unusual richness of Haley's brogue was a sure sign of feeling. The colonel only looked grim. After he had taken Haley to a safe nook for his confidence, a nook where there were neither ears nor eyes to be feared, he would have made his way upstairs; but half-way down the office he was hailed by the manager. The manager was glad to hear that the young gentleman was safely back. He let the faint radiance of an intelligent, respectfully tactful smile illumine his words and intimate that his listener would have no awkward questions to parry from him. The colonel felt an ungrateful wrath, a reprehensible snare of temper which did not show in his confidentially lowered voice, as he replied: "Mighty lucky, too, we are; the boy's all right; but San Francisco is no place for an innocent kid even to take the safest-looking walk. What sort of a police system have you, anyhow?"

The manager shook his head. "I'm not bragging about it; nor about the Chinese quarter, either. I confess I've felt particularly uncomfortable, myself, the last day. Well—if you'll excuse the advice—least said, you know."

The colonel nodded. He professed

his cigar-case; the manager complimented its contents, as he selected a cigar; and both gentlemen bowed. A wandering, homesick Frenchman, who viewed their parting, felt refreshed as by a breath from his own land of admirable manners. Meanwhile, the colonel was fuming within; "Confound his insinuating curiosity! but I reckon I headed him off. And who would have thought," he wondered forlornly, "that I could be going to dine with the boy safe and sound and be feeling so like a whipped hound!"

But none of this showed during the dinner at which Millicent was in high good humor, having obtained information about most astounding bargains in the Chinese quarter from Mrs. Wigglesworth. Her good humor extended even to Miss Smith, who received it without enthusiasm, albeit courteously; and who readily consented to be her companion for the morning sally on the distressed Orientals, whose difficulties with the customs had reduced them to the necessity of sales at any cost. Aunt Rebecca listened with an absent smile, while Archie laughed at every feeblest joke of his uncle in a boyish interest so little like his former apathy that often Miss Smith's eyes brightened and half timidly sought the uncle's, as if calling his attention to the change. Only a few hours back, his would have brightened gratefully in answer; now, he avoided her glances. Yet somehow, his heart felt heavier when they ceased. For his part, he was thankful to have his aunt request his company in a little promenade around the "loggia," as she termed it, overlooking the great court.

She took him aside to tell him her afternoon experience, and to ask his opinion of the enigmatical appearance of Atkins. He was strongly tempted, in return, to question her frankly about Miss Smith, to tell her of seeing the latter with Atkins only that evening. He knew that it was the sensible thing to do—but he simply could not do it. To frame his suspicions past or present of the woman he loved; to discuss the chances of her affection for a man loathsome unworthy of her; worse, to balance the possibilities of her turning betrayer in her turn and chancing any damage to her benefactors and her kinsman for this fellow's sake—no, it was beyond him. He had intended to discuss his aunt's part in the waylaid of Keatcham, with calmness and with the deference due her, but unsparingly; he meant to show her the legal if not moral obliquity of her course, to point out to her the pitfalls besetting it, to warn her how hideous might be the consequences of a misstep. Somehow, however, his miserable new anxiety about Miss Smith had disturbed all his calculations and upset his wits; and he could not rally any of the poignant phrases which he had prepared. All he was able to say was something about the rashness of the business; it was like the Filipinos with their bows and arrows fighting machine-guns.



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Quite a number of citizens have spoken to us and expressed themselves as being in favor of the city council suspending the stock ordinance until October.

The whole town is growing up in grass and weeds and they think it best to let the cows out.

Personally the writer thinks this ordinance ought to be repealed.

If we can afford to keep a cow in a lot we can certainly afford to live with them ranging in the pastures surrounding the town. Many people are deprived of milk because they cannot afford to keep a cow in a pen. We are for the faithful old beast that suages our thirst and refreshes us with the lacteal fluid.

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G. E. Ballew. tf

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Everybody help us make the Free Press a success. 24 years it has faithfully served the interests of this community. We are proud to say that these efforts have been appreciated by the broad-minded people of Haskell, who have at all times given it their patronage and support. In doing this you have enabled the Free Press to build up an influence that is worth something to the town and at the same time is one of its most valuable assets to its owner. The Free Press has pursued a broad and liberal course, has treated all classes with courtesy and always made the new comer feel at home and treated his enterprise with due consideration. We believe we know how to measure and estimate the Journalistic tastes of the people we have served so long.

A news paper, like a person, builds its character and thus makes its reputation with the people. We believe the Free Press has established a reputation for being clean and just, that we may well be proud of. There is a reason for its having succeeded all these years. This may not so readily appear to the fellow who never tried to build a good character or a good reputation, but it is true all the same; and when an attack is made on a paper or a man, backed up by years of right living, by some jealous vindictive individual, the paper or the man with a good record towers like the mighty oak of the forest above such scrubby under growth. The soul grows with culture in right living and just dealing, while it withers when fed with jealousy, vindictiveness and malice. You can never win in business, or in a profession, by coiling up like a rattle snake and striking your malicious fangs into every noble man or institution that passes. If you have nursed malice or jealousy and made yourself a voluntary enemy of any body, dam up the river of your hate, let in the soothing waves of good will and let your starved soul grow and develop. You may, by economy and screeed lay up a competence in this life, but how much greater is a prosperous man of broad, liberal methods in his old age enjoying the witness of a clear conscience and the respect of all his fellows. Join with us and lets make the Free Press a moral force, lets build up its circulation and lets make it worth something to the town. Why should you not come to our assistance?

## NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE OF AN Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Haskell County, on the 25th day of May A. D. 1909, in the case of C. K. Dutton versus B. F. Moore, No. 280, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 7th day of July A. D. 1909, and will, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on the first Tuesday in August A. D. 1909, it being the 3rd day of said month, at the Court House door of said Haskell County, in the town of Haskell, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which B. F. Moore had on the 25th day of May A. D. 1909, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property, to-wit: A tract or parcel of land situated in county of Haskell state of Texas, out of the north-west part of the Jno. N. Guiley Survey No. 54, located about 4 1/2 miles east of the town of Haskell, described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at a stone set in the ground thirty feet south and thirty feet east of the N. W. corner of the Jno. N. Guiley Survey; Thence south parallel with west line of said Jno. N. Guiley survey 1296.4 varas to a point thirty feet east of the west line of said survey marked by a gas pipe set in the ground for cor. Thence S 89 degrees 42 minutes east 1506.6 varas for corner marked by stone and three pits; Thence east parallel with said west line 1296.4 varas to a stone set in the ground 300 feet south of the north line of said survey for the N. E. corner of this tract; Thence west along road parallel with N line of said survey to the place of beginning containing 320 acres of land, said property being levied on as the property of B. F. Moore to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$886.00 in favor of C. K. Dutton and costs of suit.  
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND This 7th day of July A. D. 1909.  
M. E. Park,  
Sheriff Haskell County, Texas.  
By J. H. Meadors, Deputy.

Many goods all through the stock are being sold at very low prices since our serious loss by the storm. This makes us feel as if we had rather have the money out of the goods and not take so much risk.  
S. L. Robertson.

## LAWN PARTY

Quite an enjoyable entertainment in the form of a lawn party was given at the residence of Mrs. J. A. Bailey to a number of her girl and lady friends a few days ago.

A very unique, as well as appropriate leaf contest afforded much amusement, then we were told to seek almonds in the grass and elsewhere, and a general scramble took place to see who would be the successful one in filling the little silk bags which were provided for that purpose.

Miss Bess Lemmon being the successful contestant was awarded a beautiful bouquet of cut flowers which she gracefully presented to one of the guests of honor, Miss Flora Tandy.

We were then escorted to the dining room where delicious punch and wafers were served.

After spending a while listening to the music, indulging in conversation and gay repartee, the guests bid adieu to their hostess, thanking her for one of the most pleasant afternoons of the summer.

## REMEMBRANCE OF ROBERT SIMMONS.

Youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Simmons, died in Abilene last Wednesday, June 30th, at 6 o'clock, after undergoing an operation for appendicitis, from which he never recovered.

Rob, as he was formerly called by all who knew him was just twenty-one years of age, just in the prime of life.

To know him was to like him, as to his friends, they were numerous, enemies none, friends in speaking of Rob's death say Haskell has lost one of her noblest young men, as a son and brother he was both loving and kind.

At the time of Rob's death he was Keister & Co. bookkeeper, of which the company was proud to have such a noble young man to keep their books.

Grieve not father, mother, brothers and sisters, for Rob is not lost only gone on before to wait and welcome your coming at the Pearly Gate, cheer up and say God's will, not ours, he has only paid his last debt to God, and ours is yet to pay.

And to the loving sister who failed to reach here in time to see her loving brother here on earth, content yourself by saying I can see him in the great beyond, where there, our family can be reunited never to part again.

Rob was laid to rest Friday, July 2nd, in the City Cemetery by the Odd Fellows, of which he was a member of good standing, and before a host of sorrowful relatives and friends.

Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted.—Matt. 5:4. Two Friends.

## To My Friends and Patrons

I will be out of my office for a short time, but will be back again the latter part of July and at that time will be fully prepared to take care of all good Loans offered, as I have completed arrangements whereby will have plenty of money to handle the business. Will also be fully prepared to handle all Notary work offered. Thanking you for past favors, I am

Very Respectfully,  
J. L. Robertson, "The Loan Man" lt

Strayed—One sorrel horse mule, 14 hands high, weighs about 850 lbs. Is branded 5 on left shoulder, last seen about 3 miles south-east of Weinert on Haskell and Munday road. Will pay \$5.00 for information leading to the recovery of the mule.  
S. H. Woodward,

Knox City, Route 1.

If you have a city lot, farm, horse or cow for sale advertise it in the Free Press.

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Treatment of all Domesticated animals. Will attend to all night or day calls.  
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## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

Whereas, Haskell Oil Mill, a corporation, on the 19th day of September, 1908, executed a trust deed to Yerger Hill, as Trustee, conveying to him in trust the hereinafter described property, to secure the payment of a note of the same date for Ten Thousand Dollars, (\$10,000.00), made by said Haskell Oil Mill, payable to the order of First State Bank, Smithville, Texas, drawing interest from date at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, and providing for the payment of 10 per cent additional as attorney's fees in case of legal proceedings to enforce collection, as will more fully appear from said trust deed which is of record in Vol. 8, on page 226 of the Deed of Trust Records of Haskell county, Texas, to which reference is here made and

Whereas, among other things, the said trust deed provides that in case of the death or resignation of said Trustee, or his refusal or failure or inability to act, then such person as maybe appointed by the holder of said note, or any part of it, which is then unpaid, shall be and is thereby appointed and made successor in trust to said trustee, with all powers therein conferred upon said Trustee; and

Whereas, the said Yerger Hill has notified said First State Bank, Smithville, Texas, of his inability and refusal to act as such Trustee, and made his resignation, which has been accepted; and

Whereas, the said First State Bank, Smithville, Texas, the present legal and equitable owner and holder of said note has appointed J. H. Miley of Bastrop County, Texas, successor in trust to said Yerger Hill, with all powers and authority given by the said Haskell Oil Mill to the said Yerger Hill; and

Whereas, among other things the said trust deed provides that if default shall be made in the payment of the aforesaid note, or any installment of interest thereon when the same shall become due, then at the request of the legal holder of said note, the said Trustee, or his successor appointed hereunder, is authorized and empowered to sell the property hereinafter described to the highest bidder for cash in hand, at the time and place, and in the manner, and after the advertisement by law regulating sales of real estate under execution in Texas; and

Whereas, said note is made payable eight months after date, and is past due and unpaid; and

Whereas, First State Bank, Smithville, Texas, the legal and equitable holder of said note, has requested the undersigned to sell the property hereinafter described under said deed of trust.

Now, Therefore, Know all Men by These Presents: That I, J. H. Miley, successor in trust, to said Yerger Hill, Trustee, and substitute Trustee, will on the third day of August, A. D. 1909, said day being the first Tuesday in said month, between the hours of ten o'clock a. m. and four o'clock p. m. sell to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, at the Court House door, in Haskell, Haskell county, Texas, the following described real estate together, namely:

All those certain lots, tracts and parcels of land situated in Haskell county, Texas, and known as lots Nos. six (6) seven (7) eight (8) in Block No. fourteen (14) of Brown and Roberts Addition to the town of Haskell, Texas, according to the map or plat of said addition of record in Book 20, pages 22 and 23 of the deed records of Haskell county, Texas, being the same property bought from M. A. Clifton by the Grantor by deed of date August 29th, 1907, of record in Volume 33, page 531 records of deeds of Haskell county, Texas.

Second tract. The west one-half of out Lot No. twenty-one (21) of said Brown and Roberts addition containing one and one-half acres and being the same property sold by S. E. Carothers and wife to the Haskell Oil Mill by deed date June 10, 1907, of record at page 412 of book 33 records of deeds of Haskell county, Texas.

Third tract. One hundred and sixty (160) feet off the East end of out lot "O" of said Brown and Roberts addition being the same property conveyed to the Haskell Oil Mill by Lucy G. Brown by deed of date the 18th day of June, 1907, duly recorded in book 33, page 464 records of deeds of Haskell county, Tex.

Fourth tract. A portion of

subdivision "O O" of said Brown and Roberts addition described as follows: "Beginning at the N. E. Corner of said subdivision "O O" thence west one hundred and sixty (160) feet to a stake in the East line of right of way of the Wichita Valley Railroad, thence south with the right of way line (412.5) four hundred and twelve and one-half feet to a stake in the South line of subdivision "O O." Thence East with the South line of subdivision "O O" (160) one hundred and sixty feet to the S. E. corner of Block "O O". Thence North (412.5) four hundred and twelve and one half feet to the place of beginning containing one and one half acres of land more or less.

Fifth tract. Beginning at the N. W. corner of Block "O O" thence East (344) three hundred and forty four feet to the right of way line of the Wichita Valley Railroad; thence South with the West line of said right of way (412.5) four hundred and twelve and one half feet to South line of Block "O O"; thence West (344) three hundred and forty four feet to the S. W. corner of Block "O O"; thence North (412.5) four hundred and twelve and one half feet to the place of beginning, containing 3.25 acres of land more or less, said tracts four and five last above mentioned being the same property conveyed to the Haskell Oil Mill by G. R. Couch and R. C. Montgomery by deed of date June 29, 1907 of record at page 620 in Book 40 of records of deeds of Haskell County, Texas.

Sixth tract. All that certain parcel or tract of land lying and being situated in Haskell County, Texas and known as Lot No. (5) five, in block No. (14) fourteen of the Brown & Roberts Add. to the town of Haskell, Texas, as it appears upon a map of said addition recorded in Vol. 20 pages 22 and 23 of the deed records of Haskell County, Texas, said lot being a part of the Isidro Ramos League and Labor Survey, known as Abstract No. 351 Certificate No. 605 and Survey No. 109 and patented to the heirs of John R. Cunningham April 29th, 1870, by patent No. 165, Vol. 18.

All of said six tracts above described are out of the Isidro Ramos League and Labor Survey abstract No. 351 Certificate No. 605 Survey No. 109 patented to the heirs of John R. Cunningham on April 29, 1870 by patent No. 165, Vol. 18.

Seventh tract. Being Lots Nos. five (5) and six (6) in Block fifteen (15) in the town of Haskell, fronting on Travis Street in said town and running back on Clark Street, together with the buildings and gin out fit consisting of five gin stands with eighty saws each, together with all the improvements, machinery and equipments owned by the grantor therein, now in connection with said gin plant on said property.

Eighth Tract. Being a part of the Matthew Dun Survey No. 64, Abstract No. 120, Certificate No. 203, the part hereby conveyed being a part of subdivision No. 5 of said survey, beginning at a stake in the center of a road south-west corner of this (5) five acre tract, (156.9) one hundred and fifty six and nine tenths varas east of center of a road running north, same being S. W. corner of subdivision No. 5, Matthew Dun survey; thence east (168.1) one hundred and sixty eight and one tenth varas to the S. E. corner of this tract. Thence N. (168.1) one hundred sixty eight and one tenth varas to stake in east bank of branch for N. E. corner; thence W. (168.1) one hundred and sixty eight and one tenth varas to stake just west of fence for N. W. corner; thence south (168.1) one hundred and sixty eight and one tenth varas to the place of beginning, containing (5) five acres of land and this tract is intended to include and does include the gin house and entire gin outfit consisting of gin stands and all other improvements, machinery and equipments owned by the grantor herein and existing in connection with the gin house situated upon said last described tract.

Witness my hand on this 8th day of July, A. D. 1909.

J. H. Miley,  
Substitute Trustee.

Mrs. G. E. Ballew is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Annie Dunn, who lives at Clyde, Texas, with whom she will spend the summer.



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**Sold Drinks, Ice Cream**  
**Cigars and Sundries.**

Careful attention given to  
**PRESCRIPTION WORK**  
 We solicit your patronage.

**SPENCER & GILLAM**  
 NORTH SIDE SQUARE.

**Time Table**  
 Schedule of trains on Wichita Valley R. R. arriving and leaving Haskell.

Train No. 2 East Bound due 7:50 a. m.  
 Train No. 1 West Bound due 6:40 p. m.  
 Train No. 6 East Bound due 10:15 p. m.  
 Train No. 5 West Bound due 5:22 a. m.

M. R. Frampton, Agt.

**Locals and Personals.**

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from Sanders & Wilson.

Mrs. Eph Wells and daughter left Tuesday for Michigan to spend the summer.

For fresh and up to date groceries call on Stephens & Smith.

Miss Faybell Bullock is visiting her grand mother at McKinney.

If its saddles, harness, or any other horse clothing you need, I have them cheap. Remember my new location in post office block Haskell.

W. J. Evers.

Mr. C. E. Bowers has sold his dry goods store at Sagerton to J. S. Brasher of Frankston Texas.

Best line of Syrup on earth at Stehens & Smith's.

Mr. A. B. Gordon who had charge of Mr. Bowers store at Sagerton is now with Mr. Bowers at Haskell.

T. J. Sims has crushed corn and threshed Milk Maize chops put up in 100 lbs and will be delivered any where in town.

Mr. S. L. Robertson is off on an extended trip to Dallas, Galveston and other points.

If you want insurance of any kind it will pay you to see us. We can insure wind mills or any thing that can be insured.

Chancellor & Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hunt left this week to points in Oregon, Seattle and California.

County Supt. T. C. Williams has returned from Austin where he sold the bonds of common school districts and got those of the independent districts approved.

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from Sanders & Wilson.

To Rent: A five room house close in. H. M. Rike. 1-t

If you need a fine brass mounted up-to-date buggy harness at a low price buy mine. W. J. Evers at post office blk Haskell.

Mr. Mark Whitman left Thursday for Mineral Wells to attend the bedside of his father, Mr. W. P. Whitman who is reported to be very ill.

Phone Stephens & Smith for a can of Alarm Coffee.

Mrs. Mark Whitman is visiting relatives at Teague, Texas.

We were the first to adjust and pay storm losses after the storm. Let us write your insurance.

Chancellor & Johnson.

Mrs. Hankerson is visiting in Anson.

Dried fruits and beans of all kinds at Stephens & Smith's.

J. J. Stein has returned from an extended trip to Dallas, Georgetown and other points where he consummated several important land deals.

White Burmuda Onions at Stephens & Smith's.

Rev. Griswold will preach at the Methodist Church next Sunday at 11 a. m. No services at night on account of Baptist meeting. Quarterly Conference Saturday night at 8:30 o'clock. Every body invited.

C. B. Meador, Pastor.

American Beauty flour best on earth at Stephens & Smith.

For sale, cheap, a few pairs of registered pure bred Homer Pigeons. Phone No. 198, Richard Noland. tf

Our grocery bargains are not surpassed if equalled by our most active competitors.

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Two good horses, 5 and 6 rooms for sale or trade.  
 Progressive Lumber Co.

I have moved my shop to post office block where I will do all kinds of repairing on saddles, harness and buggy tops as well as selling you new goods cheap.  
 W. J. Evers, Haskell.

Miss Iris Harris is visiting relatives at Beckville and other points in East Texas.

Genuine Nig Head coal for sale at Marsh Williams & Co's.

Hon. Wm. Pierson of Hunt county is visiting relatives in this city.

Seed Irish Potatoes, \$1.75 per bu. at Stephens & Smith.

Mrs. L. E. Kaigle Abilene is visiting her father, M. E. Park of this city.

Back comb and barretts repaired by Evans at little cost.

Mr. G. R. Couch, accompanied by Mrs. Couch, visited Knox City a few days ago. Mr. Couch is connected with the First National bank of that city. We learn that this bank declared a semi-annual dividend of 6 per cent.

17 jeweled watches at Evans.

Messrs. T. G. Jack, R. A. Lackey and C. M. Brown of the northwest part, were in the city Monday. They report good crop prospects.

We are in market for all the chickens in Haskell Co.  
 Marsh Williams & Co.

Mr. W. T. Hudson is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Reynolds at Roswell, N. M.

Evans for watch repairing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Boone visited their ranch in the northeast part of the county, Monday.

Bill Curd of the north-east side called at our office Monday and made us smile with a silver wheel, besides he quoted us a few verses and told a few good anecdotes in his immitable way.

Silk fob at Evans'.

Fire, Tornado and Hail Insurance. Best Old Line Companies.  
 H. M. Rike. tf

For sale or Trade, a new \$145 surrey.  
 Dr. Moore.

R. M. Smith of the west side was in town Monday and claims to have better crops in his vicinity than he has seen near Haskell.

We handle the best feed money can buy.  
 Marsh Williams & Co.

Mr. D. McLennan called at our office Tuesday and set his subscription a year ahead.

O. B. Norman has returned from market where he purchased a new stock for his paint store. He was accompanied home by Mrs. Norman who has been visiting in Collin County.

We have good johnson grass, prairie and alfalfa hay, from 25c to 85c per bale.  
 Marsh Williams & Co.

Mr. R. B. Fowler was in Tuesday from the Hughes ranch, and reports that the grass is not as good as it ought to be. That more rains would do good.

Hat and belt pins at just half price.  
 Evans.

Mr. Whit Williams of the east side was in town Tuesday and reports that crops in his vicinity are fine.

For sale or trade, a new \$145 surrey.  
 Dr. Moore. tf

Get a hat pin for half price at Evans'.

A. B. Carothers of Rochester, was in the city Tuesday.

Fire, Tornado and Hail Insurance. Best Old Line Companies.  
 H. M. Rike. tf

Farmers come to see us when in town, we want your business.  
 Marsh Williams & Co.

HOWARD.  
 Every body is busy plowing and chopping cotton this week.

We are having nice cool weather the past few days.

Mr. A. M. Hale and wife are the happy parents of a baby girl.

Mrs. Riechle visited Mrs. Dinsmore Saturday eve.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Thornton entertained a number of their friends Tuesday night. Ice cream and cake were served to the guests.

Mr. Bowen and family visited Haskell Tuesday.

Mrs. Date Anderson visited Mrs. Hale Monday evening.

There was preaching at the School house Sunday by Rev. Irvy.

Mrs. Green went to Haskell Tuesday.

Mrs. Ulmer is visiting her son this week.

Mrs. Fowler was shopping in Haskell the first of the week.

Mr. Long's sister who has been visiting him, returned home this week.

Miss Kate Snyder went to Haskell on business Tuesday.

Best wishes to the Free Press.  
 Old Joe Clark.

Mr. J. F. Armstrong of the southwest side was in town Monday.

Don't be afraid to bring your corn and maize to Haskell, Marsh Williams & Co will buy all you have to sell at market prices.

Mr. O. S. Maggart, who purchased the interest of Mr. A. J. Smith in the McNeill & Smith Hardware Co. has subscribed for the Free Press and in future will have his hand on the Archimedian lever that moves Central West Texas.

Mr. Jno. L. Robertson is visiting his parents in Tennessee.

We charge 5 cents per line for short notices and local advertising matter.

Insurance? Yes, what kind? Fire, Tornado, Hail, Burglary, Plate Glass, Casualty and Automobile Insurance all written by us in standard companies.  
 27-3t Scott & Key.

If you have any thing to sell or want to push your business, advertise it in the Free Press.

New collar pins at Evans'.

Char coal for sale at Marsh Williams & Co's.

At 5 cents a line, an ad in the Free Press costs about one cent a word.

Don't you think that success ought to crown our efforts, if we survive the storm and other unfortunate losses we have been subjected to, if we still elect to continue the voyage on smoother waters leaving the breakers behind us? We should never look back, but press forward to better things. Respectfully,  
 It S. L. Robertson.

Local advertisements cost about one cent per word at the rate of 5 cents per line.

**WACO NURSERY**  
 As agent of the Waco Nursery I have located in Haskell, and will take your orders for trees, shrubbery and shade trees. We sell on a guarantee and I will be on the ground to deliver the stock. See me before you give your orders to others.  
 C. W. RAMEY,  
 Residence Agent, Haskell, Tex.

Plenty of pure ribbon cane syrup, fresh canned blackberries with other East Texas points on vegetables.  
 G. J. Miller,  
 3t East Haskell.

**INSURE YOUR HOME AGAINST LAMP Explosion**  
 Avoid Smoked Chimneys  
 By Using  
**EUPION OIL**

Which has been the acme of perfection for 52 years--ask your dealer for it, accept nothing else, if you don't know whether you are getting EUPION PHNOE 45

We can tell you who handles it.

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**EUPION OIL AGENT.**

**WANTED--A RIDER AGENT** in each town and district to ride and exhibit a simple Latest Model "Hanger" bicycle furnished by us. Our agents everywhere are making money and special offer at once. NO MONEY REQUIRED until you receive and approve of your bicycle. We ship to anyone, anywhere in the U. S. without a cent deposit in advance, freight, and put it to any test you wish. If you are then not perfectly satisfied or do not wish to keep the bicycle ship it back to us at our expense and you will not be out one cent.

**FACTORY PRICES** DO NOT BUY a bicycle or a pair of tires from anyone but the manufacturer's profits by buying direct of us and have the manufacturer's guarantee behind your bicycle. DO NOT BUY a bicycle or a pair of tires from anyone at any price until you receive our catalogues and learn our unheard of factory prices. You will be astonished to study our beautiful catalogue and see the low prices we can make you pay. We sell the highest grade bicycles for less money than any other factory. We are satisfied with our bicycles under your own name plate at double our prices. Orders the day received.

**SECOND HAND BICYCLES.** We do not regularly handle second hand bicycles, but usually have a number on hand taken in trade by our Chicago retail stores. These we clear out promptly at prices ranging from \$3 to \$8 or \$10. Descriptive bargain lists mailed free.

**COASTER-BRAKES,** single wheels, imported roller chains and pedals, parts, repairs and equipment of all kinds at half the usual retail prices.

**\$8.50 HEDGETHORN PUNCTURE-PROOF \$4.80**  
**SELF-HEALING TIRES A SAMPLE ONLY**

The regular retail price of these tires is \$12.50 per pair, but to insure you we will sell you a sample pair for \$4.80 cash with the order.

**NO MORE TROUBLE FROM PUNCTURES**  
 NAILS, Tacks or Glass will not let the air out. Sixty thousand pairs sold last year. Over two hundred thousand pairs now in use.

**DESCRIPTION:** Made in all sizes. It is a heavy, extra thick rubber, which never becomes porous and which closes up small punctures without allowing the air to escape. We have hundreds of letters from satisfied customers stating that their tires have never been punctured since they were put on. They weigh no more than an ordinary tire, the puncture resisting qualities being given by several layers of chain, specially prepared fabric on the tread. The regular price of these tires is \$5.50 per pair, but for advertising purposes we are making a special factory price to the rider of only \$4.80 per pair. All orders shipped same day letter is received. We will allow a cash discount of a per cent (thereby making the price \$4.55 per pair) if you send FULL CASH WITH ORDER and enclose this advertisement. We will also send one nickel plated brass hand pump. Tires to be returned at OUR expense if for any reason they are not satisfactory on examination. We are perfectly reliable and money sent to us is as safe as in a bank. If you order a pair of these tires, you will find that they will ride easier, run faster, wear better, last longer and look like you have ever seen at such a low price. We know that you will be so well pleased that when you want a bicycle you will give us the order.

**IF YOU NEED TIRES** Hedgethorn Puncture-Proof tires on approval and trial at the special introductory price quoted above, or write for our big Tire and Sundry Catalogue which describes and quotes all makes and kinds of tires at about half the usual prices.

**DO NOT WAIT** for a pair of tires from anyone until you know the new and wonderful offers we are making. It only costs a postal to learn everything. Write it NOW.

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# CADET LIFE AT WEST POINT

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WASHINGTON.—Congress almost every year has before it the case of some West Point cadet who allowed his animal spirits to get the better of him, and who under the impulse of the moment committed some act of hazing or of another kind of a discipline breach, and therefore suffered dismissal. The life at West Point is a hard one, and each successive board of visitors is likely to make some suggestion to make the cadet's condition just a little more irksome. Just now there is speculation on the subject of what the official visitors of the year of grace, 1909, will recommend as an addition to the academy's code of discipline.

Sometime ago a clergyman of the Church of England visited West Point. He wished to get full knowledge of the drill, the system of study and the disciplinary methods of the institution, and so he rose at reveille and made the cadet day his own, until taps had sent the stripling soldiers to their blankets.

The clergyman, after seeing lights out, went to the off-



well, that any cadet who asks another to perform any menial work for him shall be dismissed from the service. The first classman knew too much to ask his visitor outright to do anything of the kind, but here is the way which voracious academy history says that he went at it:

"I presume, Mr. Grant, that you have lived on a farm, and such being the case you undoubtedly have had rare opportunities to note the effect of the sun's rays on certain objects. Now, if you had left in the sun a water bucket that was innocent of the retention of a single drop of the fluid, what do you think, sir, would have been the particular effect of the sun upon that particular water bucket?"

"I think," said Cadet Grant, "that it would get warped and leaky."

"Very well, Mr. Grant; you show erudition beyond your years. Now if you will look at my water bucket you will see that it is as dry as a chip. By the further exercise of your knowledge and observation, Mr. Grant, can you tell me by what means I may prevent the warping and leaking of my bucket?"

"Have it filled," said Grant.

"Very good, again, Mr. Grant; but pray note what you said: 'have it filled,' not 'fill it.' That necessarily means, Mr. Grant, that some one must fill it for me. You have shown so much acumen that I fear to violate the terms of your prescription either in letter or in spirit, which I should do if I presumed to carry the bucket to the water tank myself."

Grant filled the bucket.

A member of the West Point class of 1870, now an officer of high rank in active service, tells this story about the first day in plebe camp of Frederick Dent Grant, son of Ulysses.

An upper classman, bent on nothing else than having some fun with the son of the famous general, asked him on his advent into camp while he was

## THE WRONG OBJECTIVE POINT

Mule's Lack of Consideration Responsible for Ike's Being Late at His Duty.

An Atlanta merchant has frequent occasion to rebuke Ike, his darky porter, for his tardiness in reporting for duty in the morning. Ike is always ready with a more or less ingenious excuse.

"You're two hours late, Ike!" exclaimed the employer one morning. "This sort of thing must stop! Otherwise, I'm going to fire you; understand."

"Deed, Mistah Edward," replied Ike, "it wa'n't mah fault, dis time! Honest! I was kicked by a mule!"

"Kicked by a mule? Well, even if that were so, it wouldn't delay you for more than an hour. You'll have to think of a better excuse than that."

Ike looked aggrieved. "Mistah Edward," he continued solemnly, "it might have been all right ef dat mule kicked me in dis direction; but he didn't—he kicked me de odder way!" Lippincott's.

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## THE PRIVILEGED CLASS.

Unexpected Prize.

With a deftness acquired by long and patient practice the pickpocket extracted an old but well-filled wallet from the hip pocket of the unsuspecting old gentleman with the beaming countenance against whom he had carelessly brushed when leaving the street car, and on reaching a secluded place he opened it.

The contents had been wrapped with great care in numerous thicknesses of blank paper. Removing the wrappings one by one, he found in the center of one by one, he found in the center of the package a card with this inscription upon it: "Young man, Give Up Your Career of Crime! Nothing in It!"

Objection to Women Golfers.

"Farmers don't mind renting their fields to golfers, but they are strongly opposed to women."

"Why?"

"Because woman golfers are always losing hairpins and hatpins and stilettos in the grass. Follow the trail of a woman's foursome with a pin cushion and I'll guarantee you a cushionful of pins at the end of the ninth hole."

"But why does the farmer mind that?"

"Because afterward when his sheep and cattle graze in those fields they swallow pins. Pins, I needn't tell you, are injurious to the health."

Less Precarious Also.

Scott—So Rawson has become a preacher. Last time I saw him he was in doubt whether to be that or a lawyer. I wonder what decided him.

Mott—He probably recalled trying that it is easier to prescribe to practice.—Boston Transcript.

A Youthful Idea.

"See, my son," said an enthusiastic parent, anxious to impress the beauties and resources of nature, "what beautiful green dresses of leaves the trees have now, when in winter they are quite bare."

"I guess," said the youngster, thoughtfully, "that when winter comes they pack these pretty green dresses in their trunks, don't they?"



PHYSICAL DRILL UNDER ARMS

ers' mess and there in response to a question from the superintendent of the academy, he summarized his opinion of the day's duties of the cadets by paraphrasing the remark of the Frenchman on one of the Crimean battlefields: "It's magnificent, but it's a beastly grind."

Lord Roberts not long ago declared that the United States school on the continent was the greatest military institution in the world. The hero of Kandahar had made some study of the records and of averages, for history shows that in the number of soldiers entitled to be called great, West Point has turned out more than all the military schools of the continent combined.

Obedience and discipline are the foundation stones of the success of a soldier, according to all the authorities who judge solely by results obtained. Disobedience of orders means dismissal from the military academy. Disobedience of direct orders is a thing practically unknown at the school. Infractions of regulations may in a sense be termed disobedience, but they are never so regarded in any of the world's schools. Boy nature would needs be remade if the rules of any institution were to be kept to the letter of the law.

Discipline at West Point is rigid to severity. As far as disciplinary methods are concerned the school never changes. It is the same to-day as it was in the days of Grant and Lee.

Take a day at the academy and compare its duties with those of any other institution, no matter of what country, and it will be seen that in comparison to the cadets' labor the work of students at other schools is but play. During certain months of the year there is little play at West Point. Drill in the open air gives the requisite exercise to keep the physique right, and for recreation apparently there is no need.

The routine has changed a little with the passing years, but in a general way the day's program at the academy is like this:

Reveille at 6 o'clock; roll call at 6:20; breakfast at 6:25; guard mount at 7:15; recitations and study hours from 8 until 1; dinner, 1 until 1:40; recitations and study from 2 until 4; drill from 4 until 5:20; parade at 5:30; supper at 6; study from 7 until 9:30; tattoo, then taps and sleep.

There are no recitations at the United States Military Academy on Saturday afternoons, and the cadets are given what is called "release from quarters" with permission to visit one another in barracks or to roam about the reservation, taking good care, under pain of dismissal, to keep from going off limits.

Release from quarters never comes for some cadets. The breaking of some small rule means confinement to quarters or the walking of extra guard tours. The boy who unwittingly puts on a pair of white trousers having an iron rust stain on them, and wears them at drill or at dress parade, will know no release from quarters for days.

Should a speck of rust be found on his rifle at Sunday morning inspection, he will shoulder that rifle and walk two or more hours up and down the area of barracks as a "sentinel without charge," while his more fortunate comrades are experiencing the ecstasy which comes from permission to ramble about the parade ground and to view the hotel and other delights of civilization from a distance.

Upon occasion the cadets are given permission to call upon friends at the little hotel on the reservation. If, however, a boy commits the enormous offense of leaving the main parlor of the hotel to visit his father or mother in another room, and the act should be discovered, he will never see the inside of that hotel again until many weeks have rolled by and he has expiated his crime by many extra tours of guard duty in the broiling sun or zero weather or a Highlands' winter.



PISTOL DRILL BY CADETS

In an elder day at the academy, and it may be so to-day, the mail bag into which the cadets dropped their letters was hung with wide distended mouth just inside the door of the guardhouse. Until the first call for breakfast, the guardhouse was "off limits." The instant the drums rolled the cadets could enter the building and drop their letters. One morning a cadet stood without the door, holding his letter in his hands. The drummer's sticks were poised tremblingly, waiting to fall for the pounding out of the first call for breakfast.

The cadet saw the poised sticks, entered the guardhouse and dropped his letter just as the first note of the call sounded. He had passed through the doorway just one-sixteenth of a second too soon. An officer saw him mail his letter and a report of "off limits" went in which caused the unfortunate letter mailer to perform extra guard duty for 16 long hours—not consecutive hours, however.

On the first hook on the wall of his alcove the cadet must hang one specific article of clothing; on the second hook another article, and so on. If, perchance, the youth hangs his dresscoat on the nail sacred to the overcoat, he can bid farewell to release from quarters for two Saturdays at least, and if, perchance, the shell jacket hangs on the hook given over to trousers, he may add three more days of confinement to those which have accrued from the crime of the misplaced overcoat.

The methodical cadet runs a yardstick along the toes of the extra shoes which under regulation, must be placed in regular order beneath the foot of his bed. If the toe of one shoe protrudes half an inch beyond the toe of its mate, the cadet gets one demerit mark. If more than one pair of shoes shows symptoms of irregularity in the matter of toeing the scratch, the cadet will receive a sufficient number of demerit marks to enable him to realize thoroughly the beauties of a right line as applied to something besides geometry.

It is "a beastly grind," as the English clergyman said, but it is a grind that has its uses, and the proof of it is written in all the records of the service.

Hazing is in a sense an hereditary habit. The army officers who have been asked in the years that are past, and who are being asked to-day to root out the practice of "devilings" the plebe at West Point, did not, and have not all of them their hearts in the work, for were they not hazed themselves, and were they not in turn hazers? Nine out of ten of the hazed will tell you to-day that they profited by the experience.

When Gen. Ulysses Simpson Grant entered plebe camp, a first classman who noticed the boy's strong build intimated to him that it would be a pleasure to have him call immediately at the senior's tent. Grant went. There is a rule at West Point, which was a rule in Grant's day

still wearing the clothes of civil life: "Which do you think is the greatest man, Gen. George Washington or Gen. Ulysses S. Grant?"

Fred's answer, blunt and quick, was: "Washington may have been the greater man, but my father was the greater soldier."

"Mr. Grant," said the upper classman, "to compare your father to George Washington in any sense, is like unto the comparing of a plucked hen to the American eagle."

Then there followed a fight, but it was stopped almost instantaneously by some first classmen because the place was too public.

Gen. John M. Schofield was an artillery officer. The army has it that Schofield had a distaste for the infantry branch because of an experience which he underwent during his first week as a plebe at the military academy.

Some yearlings chased Schofield up a ladder from the cock loft of barracks to the roof. The future hero of Franklin was clad only in a night shirt. When the rot was reached the cadets gave Schofield a rifle, marked out a sentinel's beat on the tin roof and started the future artilleryman on his walk back and forth with the musket on his shoulder. They kept him at it with few intermissions, from taps to reveille.

Edgar Allan Poe was a cadet at West Point only for a short time. Army tradition holds nothing concerning the hazing of Poe. The academy, however, is the custodian of one of Poe's first poems, which is nothing short of a striking example of the boy's wit.

While Poe was at the academy Lieut. Joseph Lock was stationed there as a tactical officer. Lock was the strictest kind of a disciplinarian, and he was constantly reporting Poe for offenses, reports which brought as their natural consequence some heavy punishments. Poe had his revenge in a poem which the curious may find in a volume called "Tic Tacs," which was published years ago by the cadets:

John Locke was a great name,  
Joe Lock is a greater. In short,  
The former is well known to fame,  
The latter well known to report.

There is, or was, one form of hazing at West Point which has in it the essence of cruelty. This consists in making a plebe read with appropriate gestures and the proper inflections, all the nice things which the newspapers of his home town printed about him when the announcement of his appointment to a cadetship was made. Imagine, if you will, the feelings of a green youngster, as he stands upon a barrel, reading to an assemblage of possibly 60 yearlings, the editorial statement of the local papers, that Henry Smith "doubtless will be made a corporal as soon as the eyes of the superintendent of the military academy fall upon his tall and manly figure. Henry has in him the making of a great soldier. We shall hear of his deeds on the field of battle as a leader of his country's hosts in case dread war shall come."

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CASUALTY LIST FROM FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATIONS SHOW BIG DECREASE.

## "SAFE AND SANE" IDEA

Still Large, Incomplete returns return a Total Will Not Be Heavy as Last Year.

Fourth of July Casualty List 1908-1909 1908. Total deaths, 163; injured, 5,460; property loss, \$1,257,290. 1909. Total deaths, 19; total injured, 344; property loss, \$541,370.

Chicago, Ill., July 5.—With two days only gone of the three days' celebration of July Fourth, this year, there are indications from every quarter that the "safe and sane" idea has taken firm root throughout the country. In the table of casualties no account is taken of drownings, which properly belong in the list of Fourth of July fatalities, but are not due to the carelessness of the celebrants. Dispatches read up to midnight last night reported a total of eleven drownings.

## LYNCHING CASES DISMISSED.

Tyler Grand Jury Makes No Indictments. Tyler: The special grand jury which was organized June 31 to investigate participants in the lynching of the negro, Jim Hodge, adjourned Thursday without finding any bills against the parties.

## America's Tallest Man Dead.

Mt. Pleasant, Col. H. C. Thurston, aged seventy-nine, tallest man in the United States, died suddenly Saturday. His home near here. He was seven feet seven and one-half inches high and weighed 250 pounds. He was widely known as a Confederate veteran and attended the Memphis reunion, where his great stature attracted much attention. The casket in which he was buried was eight and a half feet long and was especially constructed.

## Railroad Mileage in Texas.

Statistics: Over 376 miles of railroad were added to the main lines of standard-gauge railroads in Texas during the twelve months ending June 30, the end of the fiscal year in railroad circles. This makes a total of over 13,000 miles of main lines in Texas. According to the figures, 376.42 miles were added during 1908, making a total of 13,293.16 for 1909, which does not include spur and second tracks.

## Takes Several Lives.

Aberdeen, S. D.: Though several hundred armed men are searching the country, no clue has yet been found of the identity of the man who murdered John W. Christie, his wife, his daughter Mildred, aged eighteen, and Michael Royanne, a boy of fifteen, employed on the Christie place, eight miles from here.

## Heat Kills Many.

Chicago: The effects of the hot weather of the past week were noticeable in the health commissioners' bulletin Saturday when a summary of deaths by the torrid temperature was announced. Of the total for the week, eighty-four deaths, principally of infants and aged persons, were due to the extremely hot waves.

## Five Lives Are Lost.

Port Collins, Colo.: Five of the seven members of the family of Geo. Fuller, a farmer, were drowned in reservoir No. 5, three miles northwest of Wellington, Colo., while on a fishing trip late Saturday afternoon.

## Deaf and Dumb Mutes.

Houston: The first State convention of deaf and dumb mutes ever held in Texas assembled in the city hall Saturday afternoon with more than 100 delegates in attendance.

## Uncle Sam Well Paid.

Dallas: Dallas imported last year from foreign countries merchandise totaling in value the great sum of \$1,324,000. On this was paid \$328,400 in duties to Uncle Sam. Uncle Sam is now asked to make Dallas a port of entry.

## Andrew Carnegie Sends \$25,000.

Washington: Andrew Carnegie has transmitted to the State Department \$25,000 of the amount he promised to assist in the Central American Peace Court at Cartago, Costa Rica.

## 3,000 Visit Galvestone.

Galvestone: All records for this season in the number of visitors coming to Galvestone during the course of a day were broken Sunday when 3,000 were shown on the registers at the Union Depot.

## Big Hains in Mexico.

Musterey, Mex.: On account of unprecedented rains no train has entered or left this city since Thursday afternoon for or from points north of here or over the Matamoros division of the National Railroad.

## HER FRIENDS WONDER

How Mrs. Kessler Was Rescued from Almost Certain Death.

Few have lived through such trials and suffering from kidney disease as were endured by Mrs. Caroline Kessler of W. Main St., Paw Paw, Mich. Well and strong again, her case is thought a miracle by her friends. What Mrs. Kessler went through makes a long story—backache, rheumatism, dizzy and fainting spells, urinary disorders, dreadful bloating of dropsy and finally a complete prostration that defied medical skill and caused her to be given up. Through the use of Doan's Kidney Pills Mrs. Kessler is a well woman and is willing to tell about her case to anyone who cares to inquire. Sold by all dealers, 50 cts. a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

## NATURE STUDIES.



The Phunniebeak Bird—Hello, who are you?

The Other Bird—Don't you know me? Why, I'm "The harp that once through Tara's Halls."

The Phunniebeak Bird (shortly)—Oh, tut, tut! You're a lyre! That's what you are.

## Force of Habit.

In spite of the impediment in his speech the fervent lover had nerved himself up to the point of a proposal. "Mum-Mum-Maud," he began. "I mum-mum-may call you Mum-Mum-Maud, may I nun-nun-not?"

"Why, yes, if you wish to, Mr. Chatterton—Harry."

"That's rah-rah-right. Call me Ha-Ha-Harry."

"Ha-ha-Harry!"

"Thank you, Mum-Mum-Maud, there is sus-sus-something very nun-nun-near my heart that concerns yuh-yuh-you. Can you gug-gug-guess what it is?"

"Why, no, Harry."

"Then I'll tut-tut-tell you. My dud-dud-darling. I lul-lul-love you. Wuh-wuh-will you bub-bub-bub-be my wuh-wuh-wuh-wuh-wife?"

"Oh, Harry! This is so sudden!"

## Alcohol and Tuberculosis.

The most prominent tuberculosis specialists in the country agree that alcohol will not cure consumption. Dr. S. A. Knopf says: "Alcohol has never cured and never will cure tuberculosis. It will either prevent or retard recovery." Dr. Frank Billings of Chicago and Dr. Vincent Y. Bowditch, ex-presidents of the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis; Dr. Lawrence F. Flick of Philadelphia and Dr. Edward L. Trudeau of Saranac Lake, the founder of the anti-tuberculosis movement in this country, are all of the same opinion.

## Lazy Men Power Generators.

Learned Justice Betts of Kingston, N. Y., says: "Lazy men have a right to live." Our lazy men are our most potent. History shows that as a rule, with a rule's exceptions, our greatest men had either indolent or shiftless fathers, as fathers of Shakespeare, Lincoln, Napoleon, Bismarck and other worthies indicate. On the other hand, great men's children are few and far between. Power in a lazy man is accumulating, as in a colled spring, but the great man has little or nothing left for offspring.—New York Times.

## AN OLD TIMER Has Had Experiences.

A woman who has used Postum since it came upon the market knows from experience the wisdom of using Postum in place of coffee if one values health and a clear brain. She says:

"At the time Postum was first put on the market I was suffering from nervous dyspepsia, and my physician had repeatedly told me not to use tea or coffee. Finally I decided to take his advice and try Postum. I got a package and had it carefully prepared, finding it delicious to the taste. So I continued its use and very soon its beneficial effects convinced me of its value, for I got well of my nervousness and dyspepsia."

"My husband had been drinking coffee all his life until it had affected his nerves terribly, and I persuaded him to shift to Postum. It was easy to get him to make the change for the Postum is so delicious. It certainly worked wonders for him."

"We soon learned that Postum does not exhilarate nor depress and does not stimulate, but steadily and honestly strengthens the nerves and the stomach."

"To make a long story short, our entire family continued to use Postum with satisfying results, as shown in our fine condition of health and we have noticed a rather unexpected improvement in brain and nerve power."

Increased brain and nerve power always follow the use of Postum in place of coffee, sometimes in a very marked manner. "There's a Reason."

Look in pkgs. for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

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

## A JOB FOR TWO.



"What you fellows got in that box?" "It's all right, officer. We're takin' home Mamie Casey's hat wot she wore at de lawn party last night!"

## An Anatomical Wonder.

Senator Beveridge was criticizing the ludicrous speeches of a certain upright but hot-headed congressman.

"He does make queer blunders, doesn't he?" said Senator Beveridge. "Have you heard about his latest?"

"Well, it seems that a constituent, visiting him recently, complained of the shabbiness of a pair of ink-stained crash trousers that he had on."

"The congressman, offended, answered reproachfully: 'My trousers may be shabby, but they cover a warm and honest heart.'"

Laundry work at home would be much more satisfactory if the right Starch were used. In order to get the desired stiffness, it is usually necessary to use so much starch that the beauty and fineness of the fabric is hidden behind a paste of varying thickness, which not only destroys the appearance, but also affects the wearing quality of the goods. This trouble can be entirely overcome by using Defiance Starch, as it can be applied much more thinly because of its greater strength than other makes.

No Romance About It. The stricken man constantly moaned the name of the young woman who had jilted him.

"Tell her," he said to the medical man, "that her cruelty killed me. Tell her I am dying from a broken heart."

"Aw, go on," he said. "That would be shamelessly unprofessional. Your heart's all right. It's your liver that's the trouble."

Rough on Rats, unbeatable exterminator. Rough on Hen Lice, Nest Powder, 25c. Rough on Bedbugs, Powder or Liquid, 25c. Rough on Fleas, Powder or Liquid, 25c. Rough on Roaches, Pow'd, 15c., Liq'd, 25c. Rough on Moth and Ants, Powder, 25c. Rough on Sketeers, agreeable to use, 25c. E. S. Wells, Chemist, Jersey City, N. J.

Placing the Bother. "They say we are not to be bothered by the big hats much longer."

But, really, we don't care how much longer they are—it's the height and width that bother us.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Shake into Your Shoes Allen's Foot-Powder, a powder for your feet. It cures painful, swollen, smarting, sweating feet. Makes new shoes easy. Sold by all Druggists and Shoe Stores, 25c. Don't accept any substitute. Sample FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

Education. Eve donned the fig leaves. "My graduation dress from the school of experience," she said. Herewith the program continued.

The Spice of Life. Ashley—Do you have much variety in your boarding house? Seymour—Well, we have three different names for the meals.

A household once supplied with Hamlin's Wizard Oil is seldom allowed to be without it. In case of sudden mishap or accident Wizard Oil takes the place of the family doctor. Are you supplied?

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In the matters of conscience, first thoughts are best; in matters of prudence last thoughts are best.—Versole.

Twenty million people a day are helping their digestions with real mint leaf flavored Wrigley's Spearmint.

To act with common sense, according to the moment, is the best wisdom I know.—Horace Walpole.

School teachers take notice! Wrigley's Spearmint is good for little stomachs, better for little teeth.

Men owe their resolution, and most of their success, to the opposition they meet with.—Rennan.

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A man likes to think that a woman thinks he is better than he knows he is.

Not strange but true. Wrigley's Spearmint keeps off teeth trouble by keeping teeth clean.

There is more or less moonshine in the astrology business.

The winner never has any fault to find with the referee's decision.

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

Even a miser may not be able to keep the secrets of others.

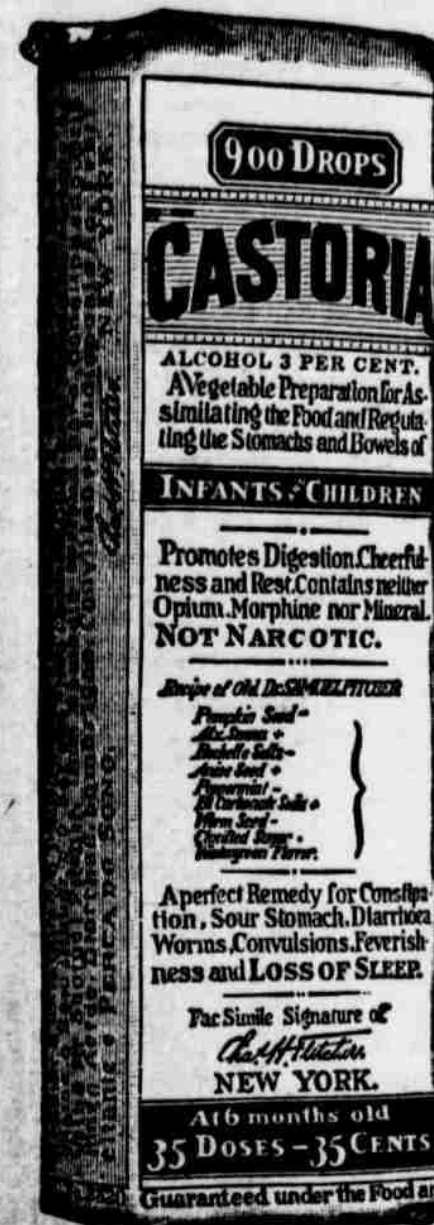
A soft word turns away wrath. Wrigley's spearmint turns away indigestion.

A doctor of divinity should believe in the faith cure.

# Save the Babies.

INFANT MORTALITY is something frightful. We can hardly realize that of all the children born in civilized countries, twentytwo per cent., or nearly one-quarter, die before they reach one year; thirtyseven per cent., or more than one-third, before they are five, and one-half before they are fifteen!

We do not hesitate to say that a timely use of Castoria would save a majority of these precious lives. Neither do we hesitate to say that many of these infantile deaths are occasioned by the use of narcotic preparations. Drops, tinctures and soothing syrups sold for children's complaints contain more or less opium, or morphine. They are, in considerable quantities, deadly poisons. In any quantity they stupefy, retard circulation and lead to congestions, sickness, death. Castoria operates exactly the reverse, but you must see that it bears the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. Castoria causes the blood to circulate properly, opens the pores of the skin and allays fever.



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Dr. A. F. Foeler, of St. Louis, Mo., says: "I have prescribed your Castoria in many cases and have always found it an efficient and speedy remedy."

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## OBITUARY.

On Sunday, June 27th, about nine-thirty o'clock, Mrs. Dovie Beene fell, "asleep in Jesus."

Mrs. Beene was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Bedford of this city. She was born in Parker county, Texas, Jan. 22, 1877, in which county she was reared to womanhood, leaving that home only three years, with her aged parents to make Haskell her home.

A few months later she was married to Mr. B. F. Beene of Ft. Worth, in which city she has since resided.

Early in life she confessed her faith in her Savior and has for years lived a consistent, christian life, being a member of the First Christian Church of Fort Worth at the time of her death.

Having a cheerful and unassuming disposition, she made many friends, and was the good angel in her home, ready always to administer to the wants and needs of her loved ones and her charity did not reach only thus far, she was ever ready to assist the distressed.

When her health was found to be failing and knowing in Fort Worth it could not be regained, they decided to spend the summer in the west seeking health. She came to her father's, leaving her husband to arrange his business and follow her soon.

That she was fast failing was known, but that death even then had her in its grasp was not realized. When Saturday morning it became known that life was fast fleeing it came as a severe shock to both relatives and friends.

Mr. Beene and her brothers were telegraphed for, each starting on the first train out of their respective homes. The brothers reaching here Saturday night on the ten o'clock train, Mr. Beene reaching here at five-thirty Sunday morning.

When she noted some anxiety on the part of the loved ones, she urged them not to telegraph unless it was absolutely necessary.

When she learned late Saturday afternoon that a message had been sent, she told her mother that it did not alarm her in the least, she expressed no regret at death, if it was God's will, saying only "I am sorry to leave Mr. Beene and my loved ones."

Being conscious till within a few hours of her death, not once did she express a desire to live or regret to die, her thoughts were of her loved ones, not herself, she had long ago looked after her future home; she was sure where she was going to reside.

When the last sad parting came there were present at her bedside her husband, father and mother, two sisters and three brothers—a united family—something that had only occurred twice before in fifteen years. Father, mother and six children, one only called to depart for a happier home.

All that loved ones and friends could do, was done to make that parting easy for her.

My friends, a host of friends mourn with you. But Dovie is not dead, only "Gone before." A friend.

## WEST TEXAS B. Y. P. U.

July 23—August 1, 1909, Stamford, Texas.

This will be the third annual session of this great summer assembly which has already taken rank with the best in the country. The very best talent in the Baptist ranks has been secured for the program.

The main speaker this year will be W. B. Railey of Minneapolis Minn., who is surpassed by no man as a profound scholar and theologian, he possesses a most winsome and striking personality and he carries all before

him on the pulsing tide of a natural eloquence

Dr. H. T. Musselman of Philadelphia, and Dr. S. J. Porter of Richmond Va., have been secured for this session of the assembly. They both are men of remarkable endowment, wondrous heart, power and mighty kingdom workers. Also, many of our strongest Texas men, such as J. F. Love, L. R. Scarborough, J. A. Arbuckle, C. A. Ridley, J. Frank Norris, E. E. Lee, F. J. Grayum, A. B. Ingram, C. C. Coleman and many others thus insuring a rare program indeed. The equal of any ever rendered before a Texas audience.

## PROHIBITION PAYS DEFENSE MERCHANT.

Yes, I certainly believe that "prohibition promotes prosperity" for legitimate business concerns. I have a reason.

I began business in Denison in the spring of 1903 with a capital of \$1170. The first year (saloons running most of the time) my sales aggregated \$48,000; the second year sales were \$97,000; the third year \$183,000; the fourth year \$237,000. These three years were short crop years, but prohibition years. We are now in our fifth year and our sales show big gains over the fourth year, some days \$1100 more than corresponding days of last year. This year, purely as a matter of business, although I am pro from principle, I authorized the pro campaign committee to call on me for half the expense of the campaign in order to insure the continuance of the business-boosting prohibition. My contribution to the campaign fund was \$885.00, and I consider it a good investment.

No, I do not believe that our business has been injured by my open stand for prohibition, but I have had number of profitable new customers who have expressed their appreciation of my assistance of the cause. I am sure that business men who are pros do not need to "hide their lights under a bushel" for "business reasons" or speak of their pro convictions in whispers for fear of losing customers.

Yours for business,  
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Home and State.

## Testimonials of Amarillo Business Men

To the Citizens of Dalhart Greeting:

We, the undersigned citizens and business firms of Amarillo, Texas design to say that our business is as good—really better under prohibition than it was with the open saloon. There is not a vacant business house in town and rents are just as good as they were when we had open saloons.

The records of our city court shows that petty crimes have decreased one half under prohibition. After trying both, we unhesitatingly say that we much prefer prohibition to the open saloon.

D. L. Owen, dry good; Jeff D. Bartlett, grocer; M. C. Nobles, of Nobles Bros., grocery Co.; J. L. Smith, pres. National Bank Commerce; W. H. Fuqua, Pres. First National Bank; B. T. Ware Pres. Western Bank and Trust Co.; H. E. Chestnutt, Hardware; Boyce, Evans & Ware, groceries; Amarillo Drug Co.; R. Dean Kirk, White Kirk Dry Goods Co. M. S. Griggs, Mgr. Mandry-Kenyon Furniture Co.; Dr. J. E. Nunn, Amarillo Telephone Co. S. P. Vinard, M. D.; J. D. Richardson, druggist; Frederick Kendall, Saylor-Kendall Clothing Co. Dr. J. Cartwright.

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Nobody will sell you goods cheaper than will  
S. L. Robertson.

## DON'T WAIT FOR IT TO KICK THE PANELS IN.

Young man, young woman, have you the money you need? If you have not, how are your prospects for getting it? Do you want a good home, supplied with good books, beautiful pictures, rich carpets, warmth and light, education, welcome food, social culture, pleasant companions, broad development of your faculties, to travel and see some of the beautiful places of this old earth of ours, to learn about different people of the different countries; in short, do you want to live a successful life and enjoy it? If you do, you must launch out, get up and hustle and push, prepare to do something the world wants done and do it, do it quicker than the other fellow; the world is full of opportunities for those who have the ambition and are prepared to grasp them. It is said that opportunity knocks at every man's door, but you must not wait for it to kick the panels in. You must be ready to open the door and grasp opportunity as it approaches. Make a sacrifice, if necessary, that you may give yourself the practical education that will lay the foundation of a great and successful future for you. Thousands of young men and women that were only a few years ago in the same position as yourself are today cashiers of banks, owners of progressive business enterprises of their own, or holding high Government positions; they are living the life you would like to live, and the life you can live, if you will enter the Tyler Commercial College of Tyler Texas, and take their thorough course of bookkeeping business training, Shorthand and Typewriting, or Telegraphy; they will give the education that will get enable you to hold a good position and advance; they will give the position for you, if necessary. If you have not read their catalog, write for it, it contains 138 pages explaining their modern system and superior methods of teaching the practical work that the business world demands, also indorsements and statements from graduates and their employes, which speak for themselves. What thousands of others have done, you can do; a thorough business training in America's Largest and Greatest Commercial College is none to good for you, and it is worth making a sacrifice to obtain.

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## Program B. Y. P. U. Jr.

Subject—Doing unto others.  
Leader—Helen McFatter.  
Song No. 17.  
Prayer, song No. 142.  
Roll call, answering by memory verse, Luke 6:31.  
Song No. 111.  
Repeat the scripture for the Golden Rule—Cleveland Pierson.  
How may the Golden Rule be misapplied?—Kate Clough.  
What is justice?—Maggie Hill.  
Song No. 84.  
Open discussion of the lesson.  
Song No. 85.  
Junior benediction.  
"The watch between me and thee when we are absent one from another."

Moved—Evers Harness shop to post office block, Haskell.

## Program for Monthly Meeting of Commercial Clubs.

Program for the monthly meeting of the Central West Texas Association of Commercial Clubs, to be held in Sweetwater July 20th 1909.

9:30 A. M. Address of welcome, R. L. McCauley, Sweetwater. Response, Judge W. T. Potter, President Merkel.

10:00 A. M., Address, Jerome Duncan, President Stamford Collegiate Institute Stamford Texas.

10:45 A. M. Illustrated Lecture "TEXAS" by A. J. Arnold Fort Worth.

11:45 A. M. Reports from the different towns represented.

12:15, DINNER.

2:00 P. M. Address, -Col. Sam H. Dixon, State Horticulturalist.

3:00 P. M. "Money Crops in Central West Texas" General Discussion.

3:30 P. M. "Immigration" W. L. Sargent, Immigration agent for Texas and Pacific Railway.

4:00 P. M. Woman's work in town Building.

4:30 P. M. General Discussion of Business.

RECEPTION IN THE EVENING—

It is the desire of this association to have at least forty towns represented and every town, whether a member or not is urged to have representatives at this meeting. The Sweetwater people are preparing an elaborate reception and every effort will be made to make the event most pleasant and profitable.

Low rates will be given by all railroads and a cordial invitation is extended to all representative citizens to attend this meeting.

W. T. Potter, President,  
Homer D. Wade, Secretary.

The Haskell public generally are aware that my stock of goods was damaged by water from the recent great storm, blowing off the roof of my store building. By very hard and persistent work we have restored the stock to as near as possible its normal condition so much so that the casual observer would scarcely notice the damage. Many goods were left without boxes, which are now dry and clean. Many of these goods are being sold from 25 per cent to 50 per cent below former prices.

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- T. B. Stockard
- Joe C. Childress
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| Corn per bu.                 | 75c                |
| Wheat "                      | \$1.20             |
| Oats "                       | 60c                |
| Maize in head per bushel,    | 65c                |
| Kaffir Corn "                | 55c                |
| Old Roosters                 | 10c each           |
| Hens,                        | 25c                |
| Chix,                        | 25c                |
| Turkeys                      | 8c to 9c per lb.   |
| Eggs per doz.                | 10c                |
| Butter                       | 15c per lb.        |
| Hides Green                  | 3/4c to 4c per lb. |
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An element of humor characterized one of Mr. Spencer's Indian experiences. One day, after making a most acute descent, his balloon, traveling on, came down among some fishermen, who promptly unpicked the net to use for fishing lines, and cut up the balloon itself to make waterproof clothing!

Important to Bachelors.  
Celibacy does not pay. A good marriage is the supreme human felicity; a tolerable marriage is as much as the tolerable majority of people deserve; but even a bad marriage is better than no marriage at all.—Book-fellow.

Pretty Good Evidence.  
"Flubber, the tragedian, is undoubtedly a great actor." "Have you ever seen him act?" "No. I base my remarks on the fact that he has never written any reminiscences for the magazines."

Accents.  
In the midst of a rambling speech the political orator declared: "The situation is grave, the crisis is acute." "And the gentleman's speech," added the newspaper reporter, "was circumflex."—Youth's Companion.

A Preliminary.  
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