

MEMPHIS DEMOCRAT

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ALL COUNTY HAS PROSPERED THIS YEAR

In Spite of Storm and Drouth, Both Unusually Severe, Hall County Has Added Considerably to Her Wealth

DIVERSIFICATION BEING PRACTICED

Value of Livestock, Particularly Swine, on Farms Greatly Increased. Doctrine of Diversification Accepted

Hall county is prosperous. In spite of these conditions the people of the county have had one of the most prosperous periods in the history of the county during the year now about closed. Crops have been gathered in unusually early date and have brought exceptionally high prices. There is a comfortable surplus as a result of the production of crops. Everything considered, this county never before had a more unfavorable year for the production of crops. Favorable conditions of early planting were blasted by a storm, the disastrous and far-reaching effects of which visited this section, which in the first week in June; and the wiping-out the result of a hard labor, not to mention the loss of seed and time.

SUBSCRIPTIONS ASKED FOR STUDENTS FUND

Plea For Subscriptions to the Students' Loan Fund For the State University of Texas.

The University of Texas is the head of our Public Free School System. Nearly five thousand boys and girls attend it each year. More than half of these students work their way through school, either wholly or partially. The cost of living has increased so much recently that a large number of these boys and girls who are struggling for an education will be forced to leave school Christmas and the others suffer for the necessities of life, unless help can be secured from the patriotic and liberal citizens of Texas.

A committee of business men from the State at large is asking for subscriptions to establish a permanent fund to be loaned now and in the future to such poor but deserving students. It is the duty of every patriotic citizen to see to it that all of our girls and boys have an equal opportunity to get a college education, regardless of their poverty. While Texas is prosperous and freely dispensing her charity to the world, will she let it be said that her own boys and girls who are striving for an education in her largest and greatest public school, are forced to leave it for the lack of warm clothing and wholesome food?

Will you not send in a Christmas subscription to this fund for whatever amount you can, today? The need is urgent. Sam J. Hamilton will forward all subscriptions to the committee.

A special effort is being made throughout the State to secure by Christmas a club of one thousand subscriptions of one hundred dollars each, in addition to the larger or smaller subscriptions made. All amounts are payable to meet the convenience of the subscriber, and bear no interest.

Remember, this money will be loaned to the students—Not Given to them Students Loan Committee.

BLIZZARD WEDNESDAY MORNING.

A cold norther, the coldest of the winter, came up about 3:00 o'clock Wednesday morning; and by daylight the temperature had dropped from 65 degrees to 10 degrees; a drop of 55 degrees in three hours. The thermometer stood around 20 degrees almost all day; and only a comparatively few people braved the cold to come to town.

During Wednesday night a light snow, of perhaps an inch, fell; but the sun is shining brightly today and the cold and snow is rapidly disappearing.

POST OFFICE WILL BE OPEN.

On account of Christmas coming on Monday this year, the post office will be open for the accommodation of the patrons on Sunday afternoon from 1:30 p. m. to 4:30 p. m. to hand out parcels and packages only. Respectfully,
B. F. SHEPHERD

CHANGE IN SCHOOL BOARD.

At a meeting of the Memphis School Board, held Monday night, Judge Deaver, who has served as president during the past two years, resigned as a member of the board. W. B. Quigley was appointed to the place.



TELLS THE TRUTH GETS OFF EASILY

Defaulting Postmaster at Matador Tells Judge True Story and Gets Off Easy.

Although safely hidden with his wife, youngest child and his secret in an obscure lumber camp near Kiln, Miss., Jot H. Campbell, defaulting postmaster at Matador, suffered such pain from his conscience that he surrendered. He told the story to Judge Meek in Federal court late Monday.

He had been asked for his resignation at Matador. This worried him. Then he discovered a shortage of \$400 which added to his worry. Then his home burned down—and he took to drink. On Jan. 22—he was to be relieved Fed. 1—he took his wife and youngest of seven children and left Matador. They went to New Orleans then to the lumber camp.

"My conscience hurt me and I could not sleep at nights," explained Campbell. "The cold sweat would come out on my arms and forehead during these periods. I was in misery. I hurt all over, to think that I had done wrong and was a fugitive. I told my wife I could stand it no longer and was going to give up. I went to New Orleans and called on the inspector. He did not want to arrest me, saying he had never heard of my case. I told him to wire to Texas. He did, and learned there was an indictment against me at Amarillo."

Campbell's story made an impression upon Judge Meek.

"I believe absolutely every word you have spoken," he said.

It was Nov. 17 when Campbell surrendered in New Orleans. Judge Meek sentenced him to thirty-two days in jail, dating the sentence back to that day. Campbell, therefore, was a free man Tuesday morning.

He told Judge Meek he was going back to his wife and seven children and aged parents at Matador and begin life over again.—Star-Telegram.

ALLIES WILL REJECT PROPOSAL FOR PEACE

New Premier's First Official Act Is Seconded by The Former Premier Asquith

London, Dec. 19.—The announcement in the House of Commons today by David Lloyd-George, the new Premier, that the first act of his administration was the refusal of the central powers for a peace conference constituted one of the most momentous scenes which the oldest parliamentary veterans had ever witnessed.

The new Premier declared that before the allies could give favorable consideration to such an invitation they must know that Germany was prepared to accede to the allies' terms regarding "complete restitution, full reparation and effectual guarantees" and "to enter a conference upon the invitation of Germany's proclaiming herself victorious, without any knowledge of her proposals, would be putting our heads into a noose with the end of the rope in Germany's hands."

CONVICTS GET HOLIDAY PARDON

Christmas List to Be Given Freedom Numbers Sixty-Five.

Austin, Texas, Dec. 19.—The Christmas pardon list has been completed by the State Board of Pardons, composed of Judge William Blakeslee and former State Senator S. P. Sebastian. There are sixty-five convicts on the list and these will receive pardons from Governor Ferguson in time to reach their respective homes on Christmas Day. Nearly all of the pardon proclamations have been prepared in the State Department and they will be mailed out between now and Dec. 22. The convicts selected for executive clemency this Christmas do not include any women, and in nearly every instance are short-termers, convicted of minor felonies. Several women were included in the Thanksgiving pardon list.

Each convict who is pardoned will receive a new suit of clothes, underwear, shoes, shirt and necktie. \$5 in cash and railroad transportation to the point where his conviction was had, all the Christmas gift from the State.

Mrs. Gladys Moreman and Mr. Lee Howard and Miss Fannie Mae Bishop and Mr. Lawrence Hall were married at the home of the brides' parents Sunday.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE; SUCCESSFUL SESSION

Hall County Teachers' Institute Closes Most Interesting and Successful Annual Session Today. Good Attendance

LECTURES AN INTERESTING FEATURE

Teachers Show Flattering Interest by Cooperation in Providing Fund Necessary to Get Prominent Lecturers

DISTRICT COURT TO CONVENE JANUARY 1

Regular Winter Session of District Court Begins Monday, January The First.

The regular biennial session of district court will open the winter session here on Monday, January 1.

With each succeeding term this court finds it necessary to lengthen its sessions; and this time juries have been drawn for a four week's term. It has not been many years since two weeks was about the limit for a session of this court.

A list of the juries follows:

- | GRAND JURY | |
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| W. P. Dial | J. H. Young |
| Jas. Webster | W. P. Gregory |
| S. T. Harrison | W. J. Owen |
| D. M. Jarrell | J. A. Merrick |
| R. A. Grundy | W. H. Youngblood |
| J. W. Duncan | T. J. Cope |
| W. H. Tippett | Thos Evans |
| L. D. Stout | G. W. Tucker |
| PETIT JURY—FIRST WEEK | |
| B. F. Cope | D. S. Baker |
| J. H. Noble | J. W. Messer |
| N. B. Curtis | M. R. Russell |
| Sam Davidson | M. L. Smith |
| H. Baldwin | W. M. Bagwell |
| H. A. McCanne | J. R. Bagwell |
| J. G. Brown | J. A. Edwards |
| T. A. Ash | W. M. Montgomery |
| J. M. Ferrell | W. S. Chancey |
| M. H. Folkes | J. L. Newton |
| Edwin Thompson | Frank Martin |
| M. O. Thompson | M. V. Evans |
| G. M. Bass | W. B. Morrison |
| H. H. Burnett | O. Barnes |
| SECOND WEEK | |
| S. R. Stout | R. B. McMurray |
| J. W. Watson | A. J. Safford |
| W. G. Carson | A. Gidden |
| C. D. Stine | J. H. Duckett |
| J. B. Hughes | R. A. Barkley |
| J. E. Gable | J. W. Blanton |
| J. C. Wells | M. F. Coker |
| N. A. Hightower | J. F. Williamson |
| W. W. Adeox | J. S. Alexander |
| E. C. Lofland | T. L. Davis |
| J. L. Crosby | J. W. Anthony |
| W. E. Watson | H. Vallance |
| T. M. Vaughn | Brooks Smith |
| G. B. Adkinson | W. L. Fore |
| J. A. Chancey | J. T. Haskett |
| L. P. Alexander | C. J. Nash |
| THIRD WEEK | |
| W. E. Bailey | W. S. Jones |
| C. O. Jones | W. E. Pritchett |
| W. R. Goodwin | A. W. Hancock |
| J. R. Allen | R. A. Britt |
| H. E. Mullin | J. A. Montgomery |
| J. C. Webster | T. W. Bell |
| F. J. Cox | J. B. Greennoyd |
| M. H. Doster | G. M. Duren |
| W. H. Bowerman | S. H. Royal |
| B. L. Caldwell | J. B. Garrison |
| T. J. Wiggins | H. M. Stewart |
| M. W. Parschall | W. C. Milam |
| F. E. Boon | J. C. Lacompte |
| T. L. Harrison | E. B. Wilkins |
| G. A. Sager | J. T. McMurray |
| T. J. Hampton | J. T. Heart |
| G. J. Calvin | Wade Daves |
| J. R. Morris | F. A. Johnson |
| FOURTH WEEK | |
| J. B. Graddy | W. F. Glenn |
| J. W. Boyd | C. P. Buchanan |

The Hall County Teachers' Institute, in session here this week, closing today, has been probably the most interesting and helpful ever held in this county. That this is true is due primarily to the initiative taken by County Superintendent McNally, in making up an instructive program and in securing the co-operation of the teachers of the county.

The teachers have not only shown unusual interest in the work of the institute but have been enthusiastic in lending assistance. Complying with Supt. McNally's suggestion they willingly assessed themselves one dollar each to raise a fund for incidental expenses and to pay the transportation of lecturers to address the institute. The lectures thus secured have proved interesting, instructive and helpful and added much to the success of the meeting. They were delivered by educators of experience and who are enthusiastic for the promotion of public education.

Among the out-of-town visitors who delivered addresses were the following: Prof. Whiteley, of the State Superintendent's Department, who came instead of Superintendent, W. F. Doughty, who was unable to come.

Supt. J. W. O'Banion, of the Quanah Public Schools.

Hon. R. B. Cousin, President of the West Texas State Normal College at Canyon.

Miss Shackelford of the Agricultural and Mechanical College, College Station.

Prof. Patterson, of the State Agricultural Department, Austin.

Supt. M. H. Duncan of the Amarillo Public Schools, who was on the program was unable to come, as was Mrs. Nat P. Jackson, of A. & M. College, whose place was supplied by Miss Shackelford.

MERGED WITH OTHER SCHOOLS

Executive Committee of Baptist Decide to Merge Small Texas Schools

A recommendation that three small denominational schools be merged with adjacent institutions was adopted by the executive board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, in session at First Baptist Church at Dallas yesterday. The three schools affected are Westminster Academy, Goodnight College and Palacios Academy.

A committee of three men will be appointed to visit each school for the purpose of making the necessary adjustments. Reports will be made to the next board meeting in February.

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| E. Bean | E. E. Lane |
| R. N. Gillis | B. M. Quinn |
| T. R. Franks | R. R. Richerson |
| J. A. McIntire | R. S. Wansley |
| W. P. Watts | J. A. Hood |
| C. E. Nall | R. A. Ewing |
| B. H. Butler | J. A. Howell |
| F. J. Pace | H. S. Bradley |
| W. D. Bevers | C. L. Cooper |
| R. Howard | J. T. Billington |
| T. P. Penniger | Summer Bond |
| Curry Green | W. L. Kellison |
| Will Kesterson | W. E. Ewen |
| W. A. T. Weatherly | C. L. Bromley |
| W. D. Phillips | R. H. Daniels |
| R. N. Beckum | J. M. Ferrell |

MEMPHIS FOLK PROSPEROUS.

The Fore informs us that, in spite of severe weather, there has been a net appeal for financial aid by the Memphis people. He said that this had been the case last summer.

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An Ordinance Requiring All Persons Owning or Occupying Premises Within 150 Feet of Any Public Sewer to Make Permanent Sanitary Connection With Same.

BE it ordained by the City Council of the City of Memphis, Texas.

1. All owners or occupants of premises in this city having privies or box closets on such premises, if within 150 feet of any public sewer make permanent sanitary connection with the same from and after the 1st day of May A. D. 1917.

2. Each day's failure to secure such permanent connection after the said 1st day of May, A. D. 1917, shall constitute a separate offense.

3. Any owner or occupant of any premises or any person violating any of the provisions hereof shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not less than \$5.00 and not more than \$200.00.

Passed and approved this 5th day of December, A. D. 1916.

W. M. FOLEY, Mayor

Attest:

D. L. C. KIBARD, Secretary.

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THE Christmas Treat

By MARTHA HOLDEN



MRS. WOODHULL lived in a one-story brick house, whose warm sitting room in winter smelled of dry wood burning in an air-tight stove, and of apples ripening in the nearby pantry. It was a warm, fruity smell that no amount of onion or cabbage cooking could obliterate.

Mrs. Woodhull, called "old" by her neighbors, is only sixty-eight, and as trim and slender as a girl. It is sad experience, rather than years that wrenches youthfulness from the heart and quenches the thirst for life, so it was that Mrs. Woodhull spent most of her days quietly rocking and knitting. Her padded wooden rocker faced a daguerrotype that hung on the brightly papered wall of the cozy front room.

Christmas was a lonesome time for the shriveled little old lady who had, forty years ago, to give up the curled gentleman in the daguerrotype, who



happened to be her husband, to a woman much younger, who happened to need a sweetheart.

Christmas brings a train of memories, and Mrs. Woodhull lived over the old sad days as she cooked and knitted. She recalled the happy hours, too, which was worse. She talked to herself a good deal.

"If that Armster girl had only let him alone," she would wail softly. "He was all right till she set her cap for him. I bet she's suffering somewhere.

"But I must read my Bible and try to forgive her. Lord help me to forgive her," and so she would pray.

The children of the neighborhood liked to go to see Mrs. Woodhull for she always opened the cookie jar or brought out a pan of apples.

Of all the children in the neighborhood who came to see her Mrs. Woodhull liked Lisbeth Baker best. Her mother being dead, Lisbeth lived with her gloomy, rheumatic grandmother at the end of the street.

She had only been here a year, having been handed over from her mother's mother, out West, to her father's mother at the end of the street. Lisbeth was fair and wistful, and, like Mrs. Woodhull she was very much alone.

Today, the day before Christmas, Lisbeth stood at the window. "My other grandma's coming tomorrow," she said; "my grandma Hull. We just got the letter today."

"Two grandmas for Christmas," said Mrs. Woodhull. "You'll not come near me. What'll I do, all alone?"

"We'll all come over and see you Christmas afternoon," said Lisbeth, dancing home to tell Grandmother Baker.

Mrs. Woodhull became, in this way, the possessor of a Christmas plan. "I must have a little treat for them," she said. She got out her good white dishes, and set the big table in the sitting room. In the center she placed a blooming red geranium. "I'll make it into a Christmas tree," she joyously exclaimed, and she wrapped into three neat parcels a length of each of her knitted lace inscribing them with "Merry Christmas" and the name of each guest.

Next day she put the finishing touches to her table. She had a glass dish of candy, and one of nuts and raisins.

At three o'clock Lisbeth arrived with the new grandmother. Grandma Baker couldn't come on account of rheumatism. The ladies sat talking, and Lisbeth hovered happily about. Then she wandered out to the middle room where stood the fine table, and she came dancing in to hug Mrs. Woodhull. "You just ought to see it, grandma," Lisbeth's eyes were shining.

"We'll go and visit it, as soon as the coffee is ready," explained Mrs.



Woodhull, happy in the child's pleasure.

She excused herself and went to the kitchen. Lisbeth danced round and round the gay table, and Grandma Hull was left alone in the front room.

Presently she followed Mrs. Woodhull to the kitchen and closed the door between them and Lisbeth. "Don't you know me?" she asked, sadly. "Has no one told you? I was Lizette Armster. I have suffered more than you. He is dead. We both loved him. May we not be friends?"

Through the closed door Mrs. Woodhull could hear Lisbeth happily singing. She looked at Lizette Armster, shaken with sobs. She put friendly arms about her, and soothed her with kindly, broken words.

"Come, now," she said at last, leading the way to the table with the shining coffee pot. "Let's be merry. We must not spoil Lisbeth's Christmas treat."



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25 lbs. Sultana Raisins.	8 lbs. Citron
12 lbs. Imported Currants.	6 lbs. Lemon Peel
10 lbs. Layer Figs.	6 lbs. Orange Peel
6 lbs. Candied Pineapple	2 lbs. Spices.
1 gal. Maraschino Cherries.	4 lbs. Dates.
7 lbs. Almonds	7 lbs. Pecans.
5 lbs. Mince Meat	7 lbs. Walnuts.
6 lbs. Candied Cherries.	2 gills Rosewater

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HER PRACTICAL AND FORMAL DRESSES

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For practical wear, the young girl wears dresses of the popular wools, such as serge, gabardine, velours, broadcloth, checks and plaids. There is little trimmings on these frocks; perhaps a touch of bead or wool embroidery, a contrasting collar, coat-ache braid, or flat braid applied in rows. The large assortment of fashionable colors, including burgundy, plum, taupe, brown and green has not ousted navy blue, which is still a favorite.

For her social activities, sweet sixteen may have her choice of soft chiffon velvet, velveteen, taffeta, satin, charmeuse, silk poplin or Georgette crepe, depending on the occasion for which her dress is intended. For dance frocks, tulle, silk net, chiffon and Georgette are particularly girlish while for a very elaborate dress nothing is more charming than the silver tissue cloths. Her slippers are of satin, to match the color of her dress, or else of silver or gold tissue.

Pale or bright pink, blue, maize, apricot and white are the colors specially adapted to the youthful evening dress. Some delightful frocks are composed of layers of tulle in different harmonizing colors placed one above the other, and the merging of these colors produces a wonderfully artistic effect.

If the selection of her evening frock gives a girl many thrills of pleasure—and every one knows it does—she also derives a great deal of enjoyment from her sports clothes. Sports clothes, today, are wholly charming. Such bright gay colors as are used for them can only reflect the spirit of joy and exuberance which they embody. The enjoyment of sports is really doubled by the lovely clothes that are worn for them.

THE ONE-PIECE DRESS PECULIARLY BECOMINGLY TO YOUTH

EVENING AND SPORTS CLOTHES

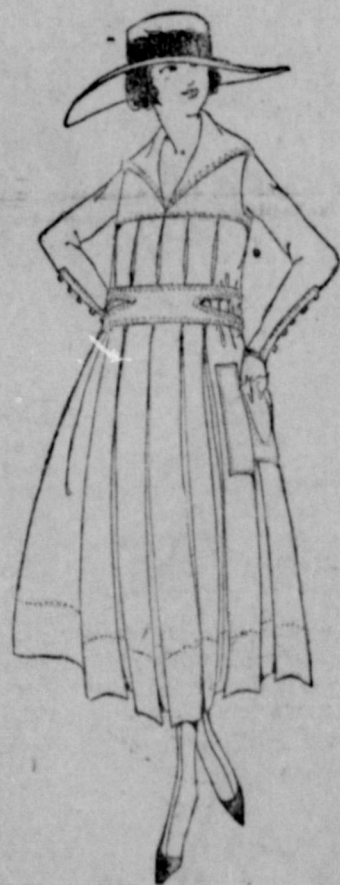
The time has long since passed when fashions for misses were of secondary importance in the scheme of things. The fashioning of clothes for young people now receives as much attention as those of their elders, and certain French designers have, of late, been specially concentrating their efforts on producing modes for young girls and small children.

Whether for school, college or the various social and outdoor activities which enter into the lives of all young people, we find an unlimited variety of styles.

At present there is a distinct relation between the styles for grown-ups and those reaching the grown-up stage. The slim silhouette, to which women have taken with so much zeal is reflected in misses' styles, and certainly there is nothing more befitting the slender grace of youthful figures than the modes which now prevail.

The One-Piece Dress Peculiarly Adapted to Youth

In one-piece style are the majority of dresses, whether they are to be slipped on over the head or closed at the center-front or back. Especially becoming are those that hang from a deep, square yoke, and of these there



One-Piece Box-Pleated Dress for Misses

are many varieties, for below the yoke the material may be side-pleated, box-pleated with groups of large or small pleats, or just simply gathered. To define the waistline, a leather belt, a regulation cloth belt or a long, narrow girde is considered correct with this type of frock. The belt being such an important factor, then, it is not surprising to find many novelties in that line. One of the latest is a belt which starts out being wide in front, but finally becomes divided in two narrow strips at the sides and back. The upper halves fasten at the back and the lower halves are knotted loosely and hang down the back. Exceedingly attractive, also, are the pockets which give added charm to these dresses. Pointed square, draped, gathered or plain, they appear in every conceivable form.



Sports Dress of Green and White Jersey Cloth

The skirts of sports dresses and suits are worn very short, and the models are either plain or pleated. With bright-colored skirts are worn slip-on middys of wool or silk jersey in a contrasting color. Hip-length coats of angora and fancy wools are also frequently seen. The accepted trimming for winter sports suits is either fur or leather.

Scotch plaids and checks in bright colors are very much in evidence. Some of the latest suits are dark green with fine yellow lines forming the checks. Others are in solid block effects in golden brown and black, and other pretty color combinations.

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A. G. MOORES,

Hughes' campaign speeches on the Adamson law were not of a kind to indicate that he would have used such power fairly. Theodore Roosevelt's remarks along the same line make a similar showing. President Cleveland's arbitrary and illegal conduct during the strike of 1894 shows what may be expected of an executive partial to one side in such a controversy. Having actually elected such Presidents and nearly elected others, it requires no stretch of imagination to realize the possibility of others of the same kind. That misuse of power may be upheld by the courts is shown by their record in injunction cases. The evils which President Wilson would prevent are serious ones. But the remedy must not be worse than the disease.—S. D. in The Public.

Late in November, the Federal Department of Agriculture estimated the cotton crop at 11,300,000 bales. An estimate in December, placed the crop at 11,600,000 bales. This estimate was in the nature of "a last word" by the statisticians and guessers of the Department.

Following the publication of the report, the price of cotton tumbled and a loss of \$5 a bale was recorded.

Now, why should a difference of 300,000 bales cause the slump? Manipulators of the market are responsible for the decline in the price. It is a question of gambling, of combination—and not of supply and demand.

There is a short crop there is a heavy demand.

There is no reason why there should be an increased acreage of cotton. There is more money for the farmers in a 12,000,000-bale crop than there is in a 14,000,000 or 16,000,000-bale crop.

When there is a shortage of the fleecy staple, high prices prevail. When there is a bumper crop the bears have the farmer at their mercy.—Fort Worth Record.

THE BRIDGE BUILDER

(Author Unknown.)

An old man, going on a lone highway,
Came at the evening, cold and gray.
To a chasm, vast and deep and wide,
With only the stars his steps to guide.

The old man crossed, in twilight dim—
The sullen stream had no fear for him
But he turned, when on the other side,
And built a bridge to span the tide.

"Old man," said a fellow pilgrim,
near,
"You are wasting your strength with
building here;
Your journey will end with the closing
day.

You never again will pass this way,
You soon will be on the 'Other Side';
Why build you this bridge at evening
tide?"

The builder lifted his old gray head,
"Old friend, in the path I have
come," he said,
"There followeth after me, today,

A youth, whose feet must pass this
way.

This chasm that has been as naught
to me,
To that fair-haired youth may a
pitfall be;

He, too, must cross in the twilight dim
Good friend, I am building this
bridge for him!"

Citation by Publication

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of
Hall county—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded, that you summon, by making publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Hall if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 46th judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published

in said judicial district, then in a news paper published in the nearest district to said 46th judicial district, for four weeks previous to the return day hereof.

Cleve Barnett whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Honorable District Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the County of Hall at the Court House thereof, in Memphis, Texas on the First day of January, A. D. 1917, same being the First Monday in January A. D. 1917, then and there to answer a Petition filed in said Court, on the 2nd day of December A. D. 1916, in a suit numbered in the docket of said Court No. 880, wherein Mathus Barnett is plaintiff and Cleve Barnett is defendant.

The nature of the plaintiffs demand being as follows, to-wit:

Suit for divorce on account of cruel and outrageous treatment, consisting of cursing and abusing defendant, failure to provide for her support or that of plaintiff's and defendant's minor children and abandoning plaintiff when she was in delicate health without providing for her necessary expenses, support and doctor's bill.

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

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Memphis, Texas this, the 2nd day of December A. D. 1916.

Francis Roberts, Clerk District Court Hall County, Texas. 25-4

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If a bootlegger was not a dunce he wouldn't risk life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness in a business which can not possibly promise him more than a stingy, uneasy fugitive living. A man who is any good at all can make a better living at driving a junk wagon than at peddling outlaw whisky in the average dry county in Texas or Arkansas. Strange as it may seem, there are several thousand men in Texas, as in other semi-dry States, who gamble away their liberty and the peace of their families by "passing" contraband whisky. The profits at best are small. And the losses sooner or later involve penitentiary sentences, humiliated relatives, debased children and misery for all parties concerned in the loser's end of the game. Any woman who knows her husband to be a bootlegger owes it to herself and her children, if she has any, to put a stop to his foolishness. Otherwise he is certain sooner or later to disgrace her and her little ones by becoming a convict. Such a wife ought to take a broomstick and either beat some sense into her partner's head or soften the bone thereof.—State Press, Dallas News.

Concerning his proposal to forbid a strike or lockout of railroad employes pending an investigation, President Wilson says:

"There is nothing arbitrary or unjust in it unless it be arbitrarily or unjustly done."

In the qualification of his denial the President presents a multitude of weighty objections. Biased Presidents have been no rarity. Mr.

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Miss Leota Clay Bryant returned Monday from Abeline to spend the holidays.

A Good Christmas Present—A pair of Belgian Hares, for sale by Milton Henderson.

When you need extra trousers, and want a bargain, see L. McMillan, The O. K. Tailor.

Mrs. E. C. McComb and baby left Saturday night for Norman, Okla., to visit relatives.

Mrs. Vernon Jones and children, of Franklin are spending Christmas with relatives here.

Sauces, condiments—everything good to eat with meat—see the display at Huchton Meat Co. 25tf

Mrs. H. Baldwin, and daughter, Miss Ruby, are at home from Waco to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Ethel Beville and daughter, Miss Bonnie, are spending the Christmas holidays at Clarendon.

Necessities for your Christmas cooking—at Huchton Meat Co. 25tf

Messrs Omar and Earle Mills and their families, of Carey, visited at the home of J. H. Lord here Sunday.

Mrs. Raymond Carter of Gunter is spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Thompson.

We are still receiving a nice lot of 'Mishit' clothing, see us for bargains.

L. McMillan, the O. K. Tailor

Mrs. Byron Gist of Littlefield is spending the holidays with her parents, Judge and Mrs. S. A. Bryant.

Sauces, Jellies, Jams and other good things too numerous to mention, see the display at Huchton Meat Co.

Ladies' Hats, \$2.50 to \$5.00 hats at .48c to \$1.98. One-half off on all other hats in stock. Mrs. W. T. Howard. 9 5c

Mrs. N. R. Stroud and daughter, Miss Beulah, are spending holidays in Altus and Lawton, Oklahoma, with relatives.

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Have you seen our new shipment of upholstered Reed Rockers? Come see them and buy wife or mother one of most acceptable Christmas presents she ever received. King & Hattenbach.

Prof. L. W. Willis and mother, Mrs. Willis, who are teaching the Gilpin school this year, are here spending a few days with friends.

Just Received—the nicest shipment of Misfit clothing that has ever been shown in Memphis.

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Three sections fine land, half tillable and good corn land. Would make an ideal small ranch. Terms to suit you. See Craver Land Co., Memphis.

Mrs. Hattie Metcalf left Tuesday morning for Crowell in response to a telegram that her brother had been seriously injured in an accident at that place.

OSTEOPATH.—Dr. W. H. Ballew graduate of American school of Osteopathy, Kirksville, Mo. Acute and chronic diseases. Office at Mrs. O. B. Spradlings. 12-tf

Grandmother, Mother or Wife, will appreciate one of those easy sewing-chairs, with handy compartments for sewing and sewing accessories under the arms of the chair. You can find no Christmas present more acceptable for a woman. See them

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County Treasurer J. M. Wilbourn will leave tomorrow for Austin to spend Christmas with his wife at Austin. Mrs. Wilbourn writes that she is much improved in health.

Cheap money to loan on Farms and Ranches. Vendor's lien notes bought and extended. If you are interested it will pay you to see us.

GRUNDY BROS. 11-tf

Messrs J. E. Hampton of Johnson county, and J. A. Hampton, of Oklahoma, have recently moved here with their families. They will move to the Lee Henderson farm after the first of the year.

You will find 'Economy Stock Food' at Moore Bros., Gro. Recommended by O. B. Burnett and W. B. Quigley for cholera and other diseases of hogs and cattle.

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BREEDING FOR WINTER EGGS

By F. H. Kazmeier, Poultry Husbandman, Extension Service, A. & M. College of Texas.

To get winter eggs, one of the prime requisites is that the stock be hatched at the proper time. Pullets make the best layers, but must be hatched early, or they will not begin laying before eggs decline in price.

Plymouth Rocks, Rhode Island Reds, Wyndottes, Orpingtons and Sussex, may be hatched in January, February and March. The Leghorns, Anconas, Minorcas, Spanish and Andalusians may be hatched in March and April.

The medium weight breeds, to produce winter eggs, should be hatched early.

Now is the time to mate the breeding stock to provide fertile eggs by January and February.

Hens make better breeders than pullets.

Do not breed from the entire flock. Select a few of the most promising individuals, and breed from these alone.

Do not breed from weak or sick individuals.

Hens that lay in November and December are the best layers in the flock. Breed from them.

In selecting the breeders, remember that condition, all vigor is one of the most important factors.

Select birds with a short head, stubby beak, prominent eyes, long broad back, strong legs, set well apart, smooth and glossy plumage and a fiery red and well developed comb.

The male bird that proves the best fighter and can crow the loudest and longest if he possesses the other necessary breed characteristics, may be placed at the head of the breeding flock.

Keep pure-bred stock, because it may be kept at a greater profit. Allow the breeding flock free range.

Confine or dispose of all males except those used for breeding purposes. Cull the flock carefully once a month and dispose of all drones and weak individuals.

Green feed in the form of green oats, rye, wheat, corn, cabbage, sprouted oats, alfalfa, clover, beet pulp, or any other form of green, succulent vegetation will aid in keeping the stock healthy, make them lay and eat down the feed bill.—Farm News.

GILPIN GLEANINGS

Gilpin school's having a two weeks Christmas vacation.

Rev. R. B. Morgan and J. H. Bromley purchased something over two sections of the Lett's ranch one day this week.

Mrs. Monroe who has just recently moved into this community was right sick the first of the week but is considerably improved.

J. H. Brumley and W. J. Harper went to Memphis Tuesday on business. The Harrell Chapel school had a Christmas tree Friday evening which was very much enjoyed by the children.

Miss Chlo Rector is attending institute at Clarendon this week.

Boil pulling is almost a thing of the past. This week will wind them up.

L. W. Willis and mother are contemplating spending Christmas at Memphis, Lakeview, Amarillo and Turkey.

Roy Odfield of Sulphur, Oklahoma, who is here looking after his farmings interests near Newlin, was in Memphis Tuesday attending to business matters.

PARNELL PARAGRAPHS

R. D. Glasco of Memphis is visiting his son, A. H. Glasco, here for a few days.

T. J. Cope and family were Memphis visitors Monday.

Miss Ebel Lawson of Purple Hill visited her mother here Saturday and Sunday.

Our school was dismissed Friday for the Christmas holiday vacation. The teachers are attending the institute at Memphis this week. They report that the institute is a very interesting one. School will reconvene on Monday, January 1st, at which time the compulsory attendance period will begin.

At a Christmas sale held at the school building Friday night a neat sum was raised for the purpose of installing a lighting system at the school building. This is an improvement that is needed very much and we are pleased to know that our building is soon to be equipped with a modern lighting system. Miss Ruth Graham won the ring that was put up for the most popular young lady.

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A shoal of herrings is generally supposed to consist of from 800,000 to 1,000,000.

A Wind's Fancy.
"The wind," said Mrs. Twickenbury "was blowing at a terrific velocity."
—Christian Register.

Principal Products.
Teacher—What is the elephant hunt for, Emerson? Bright Pupil—Magazine articles.—Puck.

Flowers and Microbes.
There are certain flowers the perfume of which, it is said, is produced by microbes.

20,000 LEAGUES UNDER THE SEA

(Continued From Page Six)

nest of serpents, that wriggled on the platform in the waves of blood and ink. It seemed as though these slimy tentacles sprang up like the hydra's heads. Ned Land's harpoon, at each stroke, was plunged into the staring eyes of the cuttle-fish. But my bold companion was suddenly overturned by the tentacles of a monster he had not been able to avoid.

Ah! how my heart beat with emotion and horror! The formidable beak of a cuttle-fish was open over Ned Land. The unhappy man would be cut in two. I rushed to his succor. But Captain Nemo was before me; his axe disappeared between the two enormous jaws, and miraculously saved the Canadian. Rising, plunged his harpoon deep into the triple heart of the poulp.

"I owed myself this revenge!" said the captain to the Canadian.

Ned bowed without replying. The combat had lasted a quarter of an hour. The monsters, vanquished and mutilated, left us at last, and disappeared under the waves. Capt. Nemo covered with blood, nearly exhausted gazed upon the sea that had swallowed up one of his companions, and great tears gathered in his eyes.

CHAPTER XXXIX. The Gulf Stream.

This terrible scene of the 20th of April none of us can ever forget. I have written it under the influence of violent emotion. Since then I have revised the recital; I have read it to Conseil and to the Canadian. They found it exact as to facts, but insufficient as to effect. To paint such pictures, one must have the pen of the most illustrious of our poets, the author of the "The Tolders of the Deep."

I have said that Capt. Nemo wept while watching the waves; his grief was great. It was the second companion he had lost since our arrival on board, and what a death! That friend, crushed, stifled, bruised by the dreadful arms of a poulp, pounded by his iron jaws, would not rest with his comrades in the peaceful cemetery! In the midst of the struggle it was the despairing cry uttered by the unfortunate man that had torn my heart. The poor Frenchman, forgetting his conventional language, had taken to his own mother tongue, to utter a last appeal! Among the crew of the Nautilus, associated with the body and soul of the captain, recalled him from all contact with men. I had a fellow-countryman. Did he alone represent France in this mysterious association, evidently composed of individuals of divers nationalities? It was one of those insoluble problems that rose up unceasingly before my mind!

Capt. Nemo entered his room, and I saw him no more for some time. But that he was sad and irresolute I could see by the vessel, of which he was the soul, and which received all his impressions. The Nautilus did not keep on in its settled course; it floated about like a corpse at the will of the waves. It went at random. He could not tear himself away from the scene of the last struggle, from this sea that had devoured one of his men. Ten days passed thus. It was not till the 1st of May that the Nautilus resumed its northerly course, after having sighted the Bahamas at the mouth of the Bahama Canal. We were then following the current from the largest river to the sea, that has its banks, its fish, and its power emperatures. I mean the Gulf Stream. It is really a river, that flows freely to the middle Atlantic, and whose waters do not mix with the ocean waters. It is a salt river saller than the surrounding sea. Its mean depth is 1,500 fathoms, its mean breadth ten miles. In certain places the current flows with the speed of two miles and a half an hour. The body of its waters is more considerable than that of all the rivers on the globe. It was on this ocean river that the Nautilus then sailed.

This current carried with it all kinds of living things. Argonauts, so common in the Mediterranean, were there in quantities. Of the gristly the most remarkable were the turbot, whose slender tails form nearly the third part of the body, and that looked like large lozenges twenty-five feet long; also, small sharks a yard long, with large heads, short rounded muzzles, pointed teeth in several rows, and whose bodies seemed covered with scales. Among the bony fish I noticed some gray godies, peculiar to these waters; black gilthead, whose iris shone like fire; sirens a yard long, with large snouts thickly set with little teeth, that uttered little cries;

blue coryphaenes, in gold and silver; parrots, like the rainbows of the ocean that could rival in color the most beautiful tropical birds; bunnies with triangular heads; bluish rhombs destitute of scales; batrachoides covered with yellow transversal bands like a Greek r; heaps of little godies spotted with yellow; dipterodons with silvery heads and yellow tails; several specimens of salmon, mugilomores slender in shape shining with a soft light that Laeopedo consecrated to the service of his wife; and lastly, a beautiful fish, the American-knight, that, decorated with all the orders and ribbons, frequents the shores of this great nation that esteems orders and ribbons so little.

I must add that, during the night, the phosphorescent waters of the Gulf Stream rivaled the electric power of our watch-light, especially in the stormy weather that threatened us so frequently. May 8th, we were still crossing Cape Hatteras, at the point of the North Carolina. The width of the Gulf Stream there is seventy-five miles, and its depth 210 yards. The Nautilus still went at random; all supervision seemed abandoned. I thought that, under these circumstances, escape would be possible. Indeed, the inhabited shores offered anywhere an easy refuge. The sea was incessantly plowed by the steamers that ply between New York or Boston and the Gulf of Mexico, and overrun day and night by the little schooners coasting about the several parts of the American coast. We could hope to be picked up. It was a favorable opportunity, notwithstanding the thirty miles that separated the Nautilus from the coasts of the Union. One unfortunate circumstance thwarted the Canadian's plans. The weather was very bad. We were nearing those shores where tempests are so frequent that country of waterspouts and cyclones actually engendered by the current of the Gulf Stream. To tempt the sea in a frail boat was certain destruction! Ned Land owned this himself. He fretted, seized with nostalgia that flight only could cure.

"Master," he said that day to me, "this must come to an end. I must make a clean breast of it. This Nemo is leaving land and going up to the north. But I declare to you, I have had enough of the south pole, and I will not follow him to the north."

"What is to be done, Ned, since flight is impracticable just now?"

"We must speak to the captain," said he; "you said nothing when we were in your native seas, I will speak now we are in mine. When I think that before long the Nautilus will be by Nova Scotia, and that there near Newfoundland is a large bay, and into that bay the St. Lawrence empties itself, and that the St. Lawrence is my river, the river by Quebec, my native town—when I think of this, I feel furious, it makes my hair stand on end. Sir, I would rather throw myself into the sea! I will not stay here! I am stifled!"

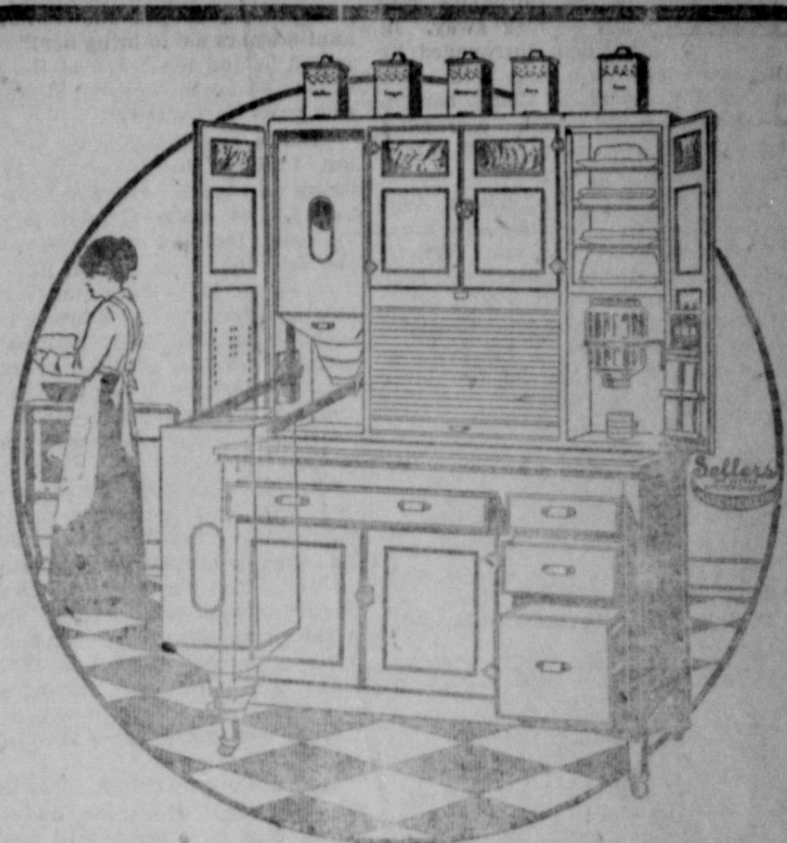
The Canadian was evidently losing all patience. His vigorous nature could not stand this prolonged imprisonment. His face altered daily; his temper became more surly. I knew what he must suffer, for I was seized with nostalgia myself. Nearly seven months had passed without our leaving had any news from land; Capt. Nemo's isolation, his altered spirits, especially since the fight with the poulps, his taciturnity, all made me view things in a different light.

(To be continued.)

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WEST MAIN STREET

The Gift That Came Back

By C. R. SWAIN



IT WAS early morning and the toy department of the big store was comparatively quiet, although Christmas was only a week away. In his den, surrounded by all that was brightest and best in Toyland, sat Santa Claus, benign, red-coated, white-furred, carressing thoughtfully his half-yard of snowy beard.

As yet no confiding infants had been pushed up to his chair by sympathetic parents, there to make artless pleas for "a dolly as big as a real baby" or "a train of cars with a wind-up engine," so the good saint had leisure to indulge in certain holiday recollections and longings of his own. In other words, Santa Claus was homesick—not for the North Pole, but for snowy mountains and a little town nestled in their midst from which he had been an exile for many months.

Suddenly Santa pulled himself together with a start, as he realized that a small girl with a wistful look was standing before him.

"Well, my dear?" Santa Claus held



out his hand, and his kindly voice and confidential smile seemed to reassure the little girl, for she came nearer and nearer and smiled back timidly. "You've come to tell me what you want? Where's your mamma, honey?" "I haven't any," she replied in a tone of gentle resignation, putting

her little hand into his big one. "I came by myself, because it's Aunt Bertha's present I wanted to ask you about, and she mustn't hear. I asked her to wait a minute for me around the corner of that big pile of dolls."

"I see." Santa's rosy cheeks grew just a little redder, for Bertha was the name that had been in his thoughts a moment before, and involuntarily, for that name's sake, his manner held a special friendly interest for the plainly dressed, thin-faced little girl. "Well, do you know what your auntie wants me to bring her?" Santa smiled behind his beard at the incongruous situation, but the child's look was gravely concerned.

"That's just the trouble, Mr. Kris! But I know there's something she wants very much. She was crying yesterday, and when I asked her how she could feel bad so near Christmas, she said that was just it, and when I asked her some more questions, she explained that she had a lovely Christmas present last year, and she lost it, and it was her own fault, and now she'd never have it again. But she wouldn't tell me what it was."

"Don't you remember what presents she had last year?"

"Oh, she didn't live with us then. She's my papa's sister, you know, and he wrote and asked her to come and take care of me when—when mamma died—" The brown eyes blinked bravely. "Aunt Bertha lived 'way up in the mountains, with grandma and grandpa, so of course I don't know about her Christmas presents. I thought, maybe, as you're a sort of a fairy, you would know how to find out."

"And where does she live?" he asked, with his heart thumping under the scarlet coat in a manner ill befitting his age and dignity. The little girl gave an address which he recognized as a small street in a section of the city near his own modest lodging.

"Now, don't you worry any more about it," he charged her as he wrote it down. "I feel sure that we're going to find out what that Christmas present is

and see that she gets it, too. And we hope it will make her all happy again, don't we? Run along, dearie—I must talk to these other little folks now. It's our secret and I won't forget."

He nodded to her once more as she disappeared in the crowd, and his eyes followed her progress to the distant doll corner. Just one glimpse he caught of the tall girl who stepped



from behind the showcase and smiled down into the happy little upturned face, but it was enough to make the glittering scene look misty for a moment.

Bertha here in the same store with him! The city to which he had drifted almost at random during the wretched year following their foolish quarrel was now her home—and he was going to see her again!

Only nine o'clock—ten hours at least before he could see her. Santa Claus sighed in a manner inconsistent with the jolly red nose and rosy cheeks. But almost immediately he smiled again, as he softly patted the left side of his broad chest. Hidden under the gay coat, in an inner pocket, lived the little ring, thus honored because it had been worn on Bertha's finger for a week. One thing was certain; this niece-elect should have the merriest Christmas in his power to bestow.

Between Love and Duty.

Sweet Young Wife (to special constable, about to go on duty)—"Well, dear, if you don't take Tiny, will you promise me that if you see a burglar or a street fight, you won't interfere?"

—London Opinion.

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2nd Week...2c	2nd Week...4c	2nd Week...10c	2nd Week...20c	2nd Week...50c	2nd Week...\$1.00	2nd Week...\$5.00	\$2, \$3, \$4
3rd Week...3c	3rd Week...6c	3rd Week...15c	3rd Week...30c	3rd Week...50c	3rd Week...\$1.00	3rd Week...\$5.00	\$10.00
Increase every week 1c	Increase every week 2c	Increase every week 5c	Increase every week 10	Deposit 50c every week	Deposit \$1. every week	Deposit \$5. every week	or any amount
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