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## FARMERS' LEAGUE OFFERS PLAN FOR SELLING COTTON

League Suggests Means for Disposing of Surplus and Improving Marketing

Plans for permanently improving the methods of marketing the cotton crop and disposing of the 1919 surplus cotton now on hand were adopted here yesterday at an adjourned meeting from the executive committee of the Farmers' League of Texas, plans were forwarded to Congress and the banks throughout the country for their consideration. Col. A. Shaw of Texarkana, president of the league, presided at the meeting, and W. F. Young acted secretary.

It was requested that Congress immediately authorize and empower the Federal Reserve Board to take over this cotton and issue debentures against it and make advances to the farmer with safe margins, the margins to be carried by the farmers and the advances by the Federal Reserve Board. It was suggested that the Federal Reserve Board sell this cotton to European spinners on such terms as the financial condition of the countries makes necessary, giving sufficient security, where sales are made, to make the transaction safe.

It was pointed out this would be the low grade cotton in the market for the 1920 crop for the reason that carrying charges would depress the price of new crop more than the low price of the old crop. This, it was suggested, would result in the European spinners starting their operations on full time and would create a stronger demand for other cotton products. It was pointed out that when the European countries begin to sell the finished product the rate of exchange between the United States and the countries will have been revised and they will be in a position to buy cotton of the 1920 crop at a lower price than they are now paying for it.

It was permanently improving the marketing methods the Farmers' League proposes that the cotton be sold in co-operation with the Department of Agriculture at the price their cotton instead of the price named by the exchanges and the price sufficient to pay the farmer for production and at a reasonable profit.

It was also asked that State warehouses and uniform warehouse receipt laws, warehouse receipts be made prime commercial paper and the Federal Reserve act be amended to require the banks to handle the certificates of the Federal Reserve Bank plus cost of handling; that the local and state banks carry certificates as deposits for the months of their value and to be lawful to invest savings bank deposits and other trust funds in these certificates, so that holders of idle money will seek certificates as investments.

## WIDESPREAD ATTACKS DEMONSTRATE EXTENT AND THOROUGHNESS OF ORGANIZATION

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The destruction of tax records will greatly embarrass the authorities and delay the collection of the income tax.

Nearly 100 police stations and barracks all over Ireland were demolished. They had, however, been previously abandoned by the Government because of the difficulty of the few policemen in charge holding them against attacks by hundreds of armed men.

## DOPE SEIZED AT WICHITA FALLS IS WORTH \$42,000.00

Wichita Falls, April 6.—Narcotic drugs estimated of a retail value of approximately \$42,000 have been seized by Internal Revenue men during a series of secret investigations conducted in this vicinity the past week, it was announced here today by R. P. Witten of Oklahoma, Internal Revenue agent.

## SMALL BOY RUN DOWN BY AUTO

Mack Olive, 11 Has Narrow Escape When Struck By Heavy Automobile

Mack Olive, the eleven-year-old son of J. W. Olive of near Lakeview was struck by a heavy car driven by Jim Nail at the northwest corner of the square today. The boy, who was following immediately behind his father, stepped backward to avoid a car and was struck by the wheel of Mr. Nail's car which was turning the corner at the Hall County Bank.

He was thrown violently to the ground and received a severe bruise on the face and a slight bruise on the right hip, where the wheel struck him. He was rendered temporarily unconscious by the fall, or by fright, but soon regained consciousness and stated that he was not seriously injured.

## FEAR OF SHORT CROP SENDS UP COTTON PRICES

Price Reach New High Ground for Season on Prospects of Unfavorable Weather

New York, April 5.—Growing anxiety over the possibility of a sixth short cotton crop was the cause of an excited advance in the future market here today. Local traders had been inclined to expect clearing weather conditions over the Easter holidays, but this morning reports indicated continuation of rain in eastern and central sections and very low temperatures in the Southwest.

In consequence there was active covering as well as increasing trading and speculative demand, which carried prices into new high ground for the season. The advance was led by the new crop positions with October selling up to 35c late in the afternoon, or more than \$6 per bale above the closing price of last Thursday.

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## "PERSONAL LIBERTY" FOR HENS WINS IN THE CITY ELECTION

Attempts to Restrain "Biddy" Is Again Defeated By A Big Majority

A proposed ordinance, "prohibiting the keeping or growing of chickens within the corporate limits of the city except in chicken-proof inclosures," was overwhelmingly defeated in the election held here Tuesday.

The movement, which was initiated by local women who hoped to grow flowers and otherwise beautify their yards, was, it seems, backed by a more or less complete organization which was under the impression that, having city poll tax receipts, they could vote in a city election. In this they were mistaken, and disappointed, and proposed ordinance was snowed under two to one, by the unsentimental and sordid male voters who thought more of fresh yard eggs than of beautiful blossoms.

A similar ordinance was defeated by a big majority three years ago.

## FIVE ALDERMEN ELECTED

The following aldermen were elected at the regular annual city election last Tuesday.

First Ward: Frank Houston.  
Second Ward: R. C. Walker.  
Third Ward: J. M. McKelvy.  
Fourth Ward: O. A. Davidson and R. L. Slaton.

## FARMERS' LEAGUE ENTERS CANDIDATE FOR CONVENTION

Dallas, April 6.—W. P. Young, of Blossom, Lamar County, is a candidate of the Texas Farmers' League for delegate-at-large to the Democratic national convention at San Francisco.

The executive committee of the League, meeting here last night, urged Young to make the race and he accepted the proposal. His campaign, it was announced, "will be in opposition to the League of Nations, against extravagance of the Federal Government and in favor of State rights."

## LATE INFORMATION ABOUT NEAR-BY OIL DEVELOPMENT

The Home Peoples' Company has received its control head and the swedge nipple for attaching to the casing head and are now awaiting the arrival of Mr. Jackson, the driller, who is expected to arrive Saturday or Sunday.

Mr. H. R. Braly, who visited the Barnes-Buster well, at the Shields place east of town in Collingsworth county, yesterday informs us that they have a showing of oil and considerable gas at about 600 feet. Arrangements had been made to test the well yesterday but it was found that the casing to be used to cut off the salt water would have to be rethreaded which will cause several days delay. Mr. Braly says that a body of rock salt nine feet in thickness was drilled through in the well before striking the present formation, which is a black gummy substance very tough and hard to drill in; but ideal to set casing to cut off the salt water which stands 400 feet in the well. He says that a considerable showing of oil is coming up through this head of briny water and that the smell of gas is quite apparent. Those in charge of the well believe a test may show sufficient oil to warrant development. The sand has not been penetrated; the oil seeping through the black gumbo.

The Coble well is drilling steadily, double towers and good progress is being made. This well has a good clean hole and first-

## MEMPHIS MEN ORGANIZE LOCAL KAHKI CLUB

Organizers Agree to wear Kahki Suits During Summer 1920 To Reduce H. C. L.

The following agreement, to which nearly one hundred signatures were obtained, was circulated around town Wednesday afternoon:

"We, the undersigned citizens of Memphis, hereby organize the Memphis Kahki Club and agree to wear kahki suits, or overalls, while transacting all of our business or work during the summer of 1920.

"Sundays, and evenings and social occasions will be the only exceptions to this pledge, and these exceptions shall be optional with ourselves.

"This is done for the purpose of encouraging thrift and to reduce the high cost of living."

Sheriff Pressley, who circulated this agreement, said that he had been out only a short time, and had only partially canvassed the business section, when it was shown this writer. Eighty-nine names of men, including those of County Judge McIntosh, and most of the other county officials, and Secretary Morgan, of the Chamber of Commerce, and numerous business and professional men, and the names of three women had then been signed. He said that he had found but few objectors and that most of those approached had expressed pleasure at having the opportunity presented.

Incidentally, it was learned that the stocks of kahki clothing in the town had been almost exhausted; and that more of this class of goods would have to be ordered before the club can be uniformed, unless a considerable proportion elect to dress in overalls.

There was some talk among the men of having a similar agreement circulated among the women, who should bind themselves to wear serviceable cotton fabrics; but no one wished to be quoted on the subject.

The brick work on the Pounds & Gipson building on the south side of the square was completed Wednesday and the building will be rapidly pushed to completion.

## SOCIALISTS CHARGE PERJURED EVIDENCE

Committee Issues Statement Alleging Records Doctored in Trials at Albany

New York, April 5.—Charges of perjured testimony and a doctored record in the trial of the five Socialists expelled last week from the New York Assembly were contained in a statement issued today by the National Executive Committee of the Socialist party.

"The closing hours of the shameful proceedings at Albany, where the fumes of liquor accompanied the commission of the crime, have awakened many thousands to the danger which a war-razed reaction has brought to the Nation," read the statement, which was headed "The New York Revolution."

## HALL COUNTY INTER CHURCH CONFERENCE TO BE HELD APRIL 22

Full Day's Session Will Be Held Number of Out-of-Town Speakers

Owing to inability to secure proper exhibiting material it was necessary to postpone the Hall County Conference to April 22nd, thus giving sufficient time to secure stereopticon slides and other equipment to insure the success of the meeting was announced by Rev. W. D. Swain, chairman of the Conference. The meeting will be held in the Presbyterian Church in Memphis for a full day's session on April 22nd. Speakers to assist Rev. Swain are Rev. C. L. Kirkes, Paris; Rev. H. F. Brooks, Amarillo; Rev. G. B. Hall, Vernon; Rev. W. P. Barton, Amarillo and Mrs. G. C. Hutton of Breckenridge. This group of speakers will have with them a stereopticon machine with slides and will also carry literature describing the work of the Inter Church World Movement in its various branches.

## JAPANESE ENTER INTO VLADIVOSTOK

Russians Demand Investigation by Allies and Withdrawal of Japanese

Washington, April 6.—Official dispatches telling of the occupation of Vladivostok by the Japanese were received today by the state department from the American consulate.

The dispatches summarized the situation as follows:

"The lines of the Japanese troops were gradually extended to cover the hills commanding Vladivostok during the latter part of March, the Japanese flag was raised over Tiger Hill from which control of the railway station was possible on April 1; fortifications were prepared; on April 2 Japanese demands were presented to the provisional government of Vladivostok; and the occupation of the city began at ten o'clock April 4, when the Japanese troops moved in at the railway station amid general exchange of shots between the Japanese and the provisional forces.

"The headquarters of the provisional government were reopened by the Russians who claimed they found their records in scattered conditions. The Russians insisted that the attack of the city be investigated by an allied commission, that arrests and searches by the Japanese be discontinued, that the arms and ammunition of the Russians be returned and that the buildings be evacuated by the Japanese. The Russians insisted on their right to explanation and apology."

Mr. G. L. Gresham and son, T. E., of Newlin were business visitors here Friday.

## AMERICAN PARTY ANNOUNCES FOR LIGHT WINE, BEER

Believe "In Giving Sick Man Whiskey Before He Dies" For Light Drinks

The pertinently voiced demands for moistening up the nation's bone-dry legislation which are being voiced in various parts of the nation are brought home to Texas by the definite announcement yesterday of Richard Hudson, campaign manager, that the American Party will go to the people with a plank asking for "light wines beer and less stringent regulations on the medicinal use of whiskey."

This plank throws full grown in to Texas politics an issue which slumbered during the war after having been the animating factor from precinct to state for so many years, and which the ardent prohibitionists thought had been settled by the Volstead act and constitutional amendment for all time to come.

"Government consists in giving the people what they want and we believe that there is a majority demand in Texas for light liquors and our party proposes to give the people another chance for definite expression," said Mr. Hudson to the News-Tribune yesterday.

"The American party is going to the people with a platform of genuine Jeffersonian principles and with this plank for light wines and beer, and with a proposal of sane regulatory law which will make it possible for a legitimate druggist and reputable doctor to give a sick man whiskey before he dies," he continued.

Some of Mr. Bailey's friends have been saying that members of this party were going into the primaries to vote for the former senator but this is misleading and untrue, Mr. Hudson said.

"We shall have nothing to do with the present democratic regime as it is now constituted in Texas with its administration clique. Mr. Bailey says that he will launch his fight against the Hobby-Love-Ball crowd without mud slinging, but we do not believe this is any more possible than it is to whip a polecat to death with a buggy whip and not stir a stink. We propose to have none of it. The stock in trade of this bunch for some years in Texas has been 'prohibition and villification.'"

"The American Party shall have nothing to do with the presidential primaries for the simple reason that we think it will be useless. Our belief is that the San Francisco convention will split on the question of prohibition. If the democratic faction wanting light wine legislation get control then the white banner following under Bryan and his ilk will bolt the convention. We shall decide on a presidential candidate after all the smoke has cleared from the two great national conventions. Then we shall feel free to pick our presidential nominee from the choice offered."

Because the American Party has been quiet, Mr. Hudson says, that many of the practical politicians woefully underestimate its strength. He said that in many precincts the May primaries will be handled only by a few who might be determined Hobbyites and rabid pros., especially in the small precincts. The big body of voters he insists will stay out of the primary tangle and vote with his party in November elections.

It seems to be generally understood that former senator T. H. McGregor will announce as the American Party candidate for governor after the democratic primaries are over.

Former Governor James E. Ferguson, leading spirit of the new party in reference to the party's light wine plank declares, "The toiling masses are not going to permit a law to stand that will give \$40 liquor to the rich and deny the nickel beer to the poor."—The Waco News-Tribune.

Col. R. M. Crawford left this morning for a trip to Magdalena, New Mexico; he expects to return next week.

## Local and Personal News

Short News Paragraphs and Personal Mention of General and Special Interest to Memphis and Hall County Readers

Oyster shells and grit for chickens at City Feed Store.

An unusually attractive line of ladies' rathie smocks just received. GREENE DRY GOODS CO.

Bundled sorghum, at 5 cents per bundle at my farm five miles north of Memphis. SAM HARLE.

L. M. Stout, of Estelline, was here Monday. Mr. Stout said that the freeze on Saturday night seemed to have killed all the fruit.

One hundred and fifty bolts of wall paper, no two alike to close, your choice 10c. GREENE DRY GOODS CO.

Fresh shipment of "More-egg-makes 'em lay." City Feed Store.

Hulen Clifton, the Estelline gin man, was here Tuesday afternoon. He said that his gin would make the last run of this season on Friday of this week.

For Sale—Second-hand touring car and roadster. Inquire at this office.

We have several rooms of wall paper left that we can sell you at \$1.95 per room. All good quality paper. GREENE DRY GOODS CO.

Buy your seeds from bulk shipments at City Feed Store.

Material is being placed upon the ground for the new brick building on the southwest corner of the square to be erected by Whaley & Johnson.

A \$5000.00 express shipment of bulk Garden and Field Seeds—beans, pears, melons etc. Buy in bulk and save money. CITY FEED STORE.

We are closing out our wall paper department and have about forty rooms of paper left on which we are making some very interesting prices. GREENE DRY GOODS CO.

A demonstration of the Harley-Davidson Motor-Cycle will convince you that there is no cheaper or more enjoyable mode of travel. Byron Powell.

If you contemplate buying a ladies' waist—don't forget to look over our stock. It is most complete stock ever shown in our store. GREENE DRY GOODS CO.

About all the cotton crop that will be gathered is now in; all except one of the Memphis gins have shut down for the season. Many farmers found it impracticable to gather bolls at the present prices the low price for this class of cotton left nothing after high prices were paid for gathering.

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.

Some very attractive misses' white net and organdy dresses just received. These are very good for commencement and party wear. Prices \$20 to \$32.50. GREENE DRY GOODS CO.

Mr. S. H. Lacy, of Turkey, was here Monday and made this office an appreciated call. Mr. Lacy, who served this county as commissioner from the Turkey precinct for a long period, is one of Hall county's "Grand Old Men," and a substantial and progressive citizen. He strongly favors Joe Bailey as against the other candidates for governor, though he has never been a "Bailey man" heretofore, and says that Bailey will get a big vote in that section.

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G. E. K. Hixson, one of the delegates from Texas to the United States Good Roads Convention, which will be in session at Hot Springs, Arkansas, from the 12th to the 17th instant, inclusive, will leave Memphis for Hot Springs on the 11th. Mr. Hixson is particularly desirous of being present when the subject of establishment of permanent National Highway Commission is under consideration as he is of the opinion that such an organization, National in its scope, will probably be able to secure special appropriations from the Congress for the building of more and better highways throughout the Nation.

Staple goods such as domestics, gingham, percales and etc., may seem high to you now, but the truth of the matter is that we are selling these goods to you now nearly as cheap as we can buy them for. We would advise you to buy liberally of these materials. As much as we regret it, the end of advancing prices is not yet in sight. GREENE DRY GOODS CO.

For Sale—Gentle pony, suitable for children. Inquire at this office.

Ginghams have been very hard to get—but we are now showing the best assortment of bright new patterns in Red Seals, Toll Du-Nords and Bates Ginghams that we have had for a number of years. GREENE DRY GOODS CO.

Baptist Church Services  
Sunday services: sermons by the pastor at 11:00 a. m. and at 7:15 p. m. Sunday school at the usual hours. Special music next Sunday; everybody cordially invited to attend.

New Brokerage Firm  
Messrs. D. A. Norris and G. D. Beard have formed a partnership and will conduct a general brokerage business. They will be located in the offices occupied by Mr. Norris in the Hall County Bank building and will handle real estate, insurance, oil leases, etc. Their advertisement appears in another column of this issue.

Farms and Ranches For Sale.  
265 acres, two room house, well and wind mill, 200 acres in cultivation, 100 acres in wheat. Price \$35, per acre, \$3,000 cash down and balance from 1 to 6 years at 6 per cent.

480 acres unimproved, level land Price \$19.00 per acre. One-half cash and balance from 1 to 4 years 6 per cent interest.

640 acres all fenced, 150 acres in cultivation, 2 room house and well. Price \$24 per acre, \$6,000 cash and balance from 1 to 8 years at 7 per cent. One mile from school.

480 acres, 200 in cultivation, 150 sowed in wheat, 3 room house, well and wind mill. Price \$35 per acre, \$3,500 down and balance from 1 to 5 years at 6 per cent.

1090 acres, two sets of improvements, 100 acres in cultivation, well and wind mill, 1920 acres of leased land, 225 head of high grade stock cattle. Price \$40 per acre, cattle and leased land goes in. Half down and balance one to 3 years at 6 per cent.

If any above property is sold, possession will be given at once. Will answer letters promptly. E. BROOKS  
Phone 152, Tullia, Texas

### COTTON SEED SHOW POOR GERMINATION

Washington, April 3.—Cotton in many localities, from Alabama to Central Texas, may prove a complete failure if good tested seed is not used, according to a warning issued to cotton growers by the Department of Agriculture. Tests in different localities, the department announced show much of the seed this year has less than 50 per cent germination, whereas good planting seed should approximate 75 per cent. Farmers are advised to test their seed in advance by the "rag doll" seed test.

### NOTICE

I have put in a repair shop and will sharpen all kinds of tools and do all kinds of soldering work. Will repair electric fans, electric irons, typewriters, graphophones, etc. Just any kind of repair work. Present location at Martin Shoe Shop, southwest corner square. \* C. A. LAUDERMILK.

### Resolutions of Respect

TO THE OFFICERS AND BROTHERS HERE ASSEMBLED:

Whereas it has pleased the All-wise and Supreme Ruler of the Universe to remove from the walks of men our beloved and lamented brother P. S. Johnson who departed this life on April 1, 1920; and

Whereas his home-going will cause a vacancy in our Lodge that will be hard to fill, and his wise counsellings and comforting admonitions will be heard within these walls no more; and

Whereas Memphis and Hall county have lost an old, honored, and respected citizen; and

Whereas his family has a vacant chair that never can be filled—the wife losing a tender and devoted companion, the children a true and loving father; Therefore be it resolved:

1. That this Lodge has lost a true and faithful member, and one will be missed at our weekly convocations.

2. That Oddfellowship has lost a staunch supporter, and a brother who tried to live up to the principles of the order.

3. That the sympathies and prayers of this Lodge go out to the entire family of this our brother in their grief and bereavement; that we commend to them the Covenant of Johnathan and David, the love of the Good Samaritan, and the teachings of the "Prince of the House of David" for consolation.

4. That a copy of these resolutions be furnished the family of our deceased brother, a copy recorded on our Minute Book of this date, and a copy furnished the Memphis papers with a request to publish same.

Respectfully submitted,  
E. E. WALKER,  
B. T. VANDIVER,  
W. A. McINTOSH,  
Committee.

Read and adopted in open lodge on this the 6th day of April, A. D. 1920.

A. C. HOFFMAN, Secretary.

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## A POINT OF CONTACT

By GEORGE ELMER COBB

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The dainty fingers of Lettie Austin failed to unfasten the catch holding up the car window. She sat down suddenly, although the breeze tossed her fair golden hair and disturbed her hair reading the book she had brought her home journey.

"Let me try, please," spoke a pleasant masculine voice, and, turning to the accommodating suppliant, Lettie's face came so very near to the handsome smiling one of the young man in the seat behind that a swift touch enhanced her natural girlish beauty. He had no difficulty in adjusting the window by leaning over toward it, acknowledged her thanks with a courteous bow and resumed his seat with a companion with whom he had been conversing.

The juxtaposition of eyes in that telling moment had quite upset Lettie, and while she set her gaze steadily upon her book her mind took a little of its meaning. She could not help but take in the conversation going on directly behind her. She thought most of its import—illustrious "juice," in which the speakers seemed interested in a business way. Wadhams, the young man Lettie had seen called the other whom Lettie had seen and would not readily forget, Lettie Wadhams, who, judging from that Lettie overheard was a salesman of current and electrical paraphernalia for a great light and power company.

"I'm on the track of a lot of wire bought on a cheap market and probably available at a fair price," she overheard Wadhams say, and was reminded instantly of her father. He had wire, coils of it, hundreds of yards of thousands. Lettie Austin was the inventor of an automatic telephone system, and for over three years his ambitious dream had been to utilize the contrivance and bring to death, related Blairville, the little town where they lived, telephone connection with the busy city of Springfield, 35 miles distant.

It was dusk when Lettie arrived at Blairville and she did not notice that the chevalier of the window incident left the train also. It was a walk of a mile to the great farm of a place she called home. It was remote from the village, a 15-room mansion of another era and had been taken by her father because its roominess favored his mechanical ideas. It was the last habitation toward from the great stretch of woods beyond except a boy's home, sustained by charity from the city. As Lettie came in sight of her own home she started and stared. The usually gloomy mansion was aglow with lights from garret to cellar, and against their radiance she could make out nimble unfamiliar forms passing from room to room. There was wafted on the gentle night breeze the echo of many strange voices.

"What can it mean?" she spoke in mystified vagueness, and she hurried her steps to reach the front of the house where her father was conveying what looked like sheets, blankets and pillows from a wagon, assisted by half a dozen boys.

"Glad you've come," said Mr. Austin, cheerfully. "The boys' home burned down this morning and they had no place to go. A few things were saved from the blaze and we're trying to make the lads comfortable." Between getting supper for the joyful, grateful group of castaways, and seeing them comfortably bestowed for the night, Lettie sat down finally completely worn out, but with a happy smile on her face.

The next day there came word from the city that the old home would be rebuilt and pledging repayment to Mr. Austin for any cost he might incur in helping the boys together. It was the next afternoon when Lettie, coming down the hall, heard voices in the library. Her father had a visitor; he was the young man of the train.

"There's no use discussing it," Mr. Austin was saying. "I'll not sell my life after scraping and saving for years to get it. I've just arrived at a point where I see my way clear to bring the line from here across the woods to Springfield. Your company will make the connections and sell the current, I suppose?" "Oh, that, certainly!" replied Lettie Wadhams. "I declare! you interest me. If you'll show me how you are going to get the labor to string the wires, I'd like to buy a share in the proposition."

"The labor?" repeated Mr. Austin. "I've got nearly a dozen nimble young lads here fairly wild to climb trees and ford morasses and get the wire strung complete within 60 days."

That was a great two months for the old inventor and his delighted assistant and Lettie and Wadhams. The days were full of variety, adventure and progress—of love, too. The young man came to Lettie one day with the optimistic statement: "Well, your father's great scheme is effected. Tomorrow the company makes the point of contact and Blairville will have a perfect telephone service."

"What is a point of contact?" asked Lettie. "The junction of the service supply line at Springfield. The point of contact of love at this end, however, is right here, so—"

## PINS NOT LONG PERFECTED

Production of the Really Finished Product Only Dates Back to the Year 1824.

In 1775 the American congress, realizing the absolute necessity for pins in the development of the civilization of the country, offered a bonus of \$50 for the first twenty-five dozen domestic pins equal to those imported from England.

In 1797 Timothy Harris of England devised the first solid-headed pin. American inventive genius, as usual, continued on the job until the best idea was hit upon. Lemuel Wellman of this country invented a machine in 1824 which gave the industry much headway. His machine made solid heads to the pins by a process similar to the making of nails, by driving a portion of the pin itself into a countersunk hole. This was done automatically and consisted of a device by which the wire was seized in two small grooved cheeks. When both cheeks are placed face to face, the wire is held tightly in the groove with a small portion projecting, a small hammer connected with the machine strikes on the projecting portion, thus forming the head.

Seven years later, in 1831, John Ireland Howe, a doctor in Bellevue hospital, New York, invented a machine for making perfect solid-headed pins. A company was organized and a factory started at Derby, Conn.

## STIRRED COURT TO PROTEST

Judge Had Stood for a Good Deal From "Rattled" Attorney, but There Was a Limit.

A surgeon once confessed to Sir Edward Carson that on the night before he was to be cross-examined by him he dreamed he was on the operating table and Sir Edward was ruthlessly dissecting him. It is one of the most trying ordeals in life to be cross-examined by a skillful counsel. Sometimes, however, the counsel suffers from nervousness or indecision, and an amusing case is cited by Mr. J. A. Strahan in his book, "The Bench and the Bar of England."

It is not necessary to relate the beginning of the tale. The counsel's condition is concisely summed up in this despairing cry from the judge:

"Mr. Attorney, so long as you consistently called the plaintiff, whose name is Jones, by the name of Smith, and the defendant, whose name is Smith, by the name of Jones, the jury and I could follow you; but now that you have introduced the name of Robinson, without indicating in any way whether you mean it to refer to the plaintiff or to the defendant, or to both indifferently, we are beginning to get bothered a bit!"

## Really Wonderful Machine.

Samuel Housum of Connecticut invented the first pin-staking machine. Doctor Howe utilized it in his factory in 1841. This machine is almost human in its workings. One workman feeds it with pins and another feeds it with papers. The first part of this machine is a box about 12 inches long by 6 inches broad and 4 inches deep; the bottom is made of small square steel bars, sufficiently wide apart to let the shank of the pin fall through, but not the heads, and they are just as thick as the space between the papered pins. The lower part of the bottom of the box is made to detach itself as soon as the row of pins is complete, and row after row at regular intervals is received and passed down a corresponding set of grooves, until they reach the paper, which is punched into regular folds and pierced to receive the pins, which come exactly at their places and are pressed into them.

## Shakespeare and Anne Hathaway.

Is there a question on God's round earth more interesting than the following: "What attracted William Shakespeare to Anne Hathaway?" She was a woman ten years his senior. He married her when he was 18. She lived in a thatched cottage in the hamlet of Shottery (you may see the cottage today). While his imagination was away among the kings and queens and women of rare blossoming, whose beauty ruled cautious men, whose nimble wit overthrew the Shylocks of the middle ages, Shakespeare chose Anne Hathaway. She bore him two sons and a daughter, and in his will he left her his best bed.—Chicago Journal.

## Man's Ever-Faithful Friend.

No final estimate of a man in his community can be made till we are told what children and the dogs thought about him. The only trouble is that dogs are likely to be too fondly indulgent. They will follow the tramp as soon as the millionaire, the commoner as readily as royalty. They look into a man's eyes, not into his pockets. If they find kindness in his aspect they do not care about his purse. They will starve and suffer with him and adventure anywhere. When he fails they have no condemnation. Their love once placed is unchanging.—Exchange.

## How Does She Do It.

Woman's moral courage is known to be superior to man's and we often wonder, as we look about the fashionable restaurant and note what and how much of it a slim young girl can eat, whether it's that or an unusually efficient digestive apparatus that keeps her from doubling up and groaning then and there, as we say, certain we should do under like circumstances.—Ohio State Journal.

## NOTICE OF ROAD BOND ELECTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF HALL

To the resident property taxpaying voters of Road District No. 2 of Hall County, Texas, to determine if said District shall issue bonds and if a tax shall be levied in payments thereof, in obedience to an election order entered by the commissioners court on the 16th day of March, 1920, which is as follows:

On this the 16th day of March, 1920, the commissioners court of Hall County, Texas, convened in regular session, at the regular meeting place thereof in the courthouse at Memphis, Texas, all members of the court, to-wit:

W. A. McIntosh, County Judge.

T. M. McMurtry, Commissioner of Precinct No. 1.

H. W. Blanks, Commissioner of Precinct No. 2.

W. A. T. Weatherly, Commissioner of Precinct No. 3.

S. A. Christian, Commissioner of Precinct No. 4.

being present, came on to be considered the petition of C. DeWitt Erwin and 116 other persons, praying that bonds be issued by said Road District No. 2 of Hall County, Texas, in the sum of \$75,000.00, bearing 5 1/2 per cent rate of interest, maturing at such times as may be fixed by the commissioners court, serially or otherwise not to exceed thirty years from date thereof, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof, and whether or not a tax shall be levied upon the property of said Road District No. 2 of Hall County, Texas, subject to taxation, for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof, at maturity; and

It appearing to the court that said petition is signed by more than fifty of the resident property taxpaying voters of said Road District No. 2 of Hall County, Texas; and

It further appearing that the amount of bonds to be issued will not exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of said Road District No. 2 of Hall County, Texas; and

It further appearing that said Road District No. 2 of Hall County, Texas, has been duly established by the order of the commissioners' court of Hall County, Texas, dated the 8th day of September, 1919, of record in Book 3, pages 598 and 599, of minutes of said court, and the boundaries thereof are herein described as described and defined in the order of the commissioners' court establishing such district, as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at the intersection of the center of Indian Creek with the North Boundary Line of Hall County, said point of intersection being near the N. W. Corner of survey No. 16, Block No. 20, H. & G. N. Ry. Co. Survey; thence in a southerly direction down said Indian Creek to its mouth; thence in a westerly direction up the center of Red River to its intersection with the West Boundary Line of Hall County; thence north with the said West Boundary Line of Hall County to its northwest corner; thence east with the North Boundary Line of Hall County to the place of beginning; and

It further appearing that said district does not embrace any part of a political subdivision or defined road district that has been heretofore established and has issued bonds which are outstanding and unpaid;

IT IS THEREFORE CONSIDERED AND ORDERED by the court that an election be held in said Road District No. 2 of Hall County, Texas, on the 17th day of April, 1920, which is not less than thirty days from the date of this order, to determine whether or not the bonds of said Road District No. 2 of Hall County, Texas, shall be issued in the amount of \$75,000.00, bearing 5 1/2 per cent rate of interest, and maturing at such times as may be fixed by the commissioners court, serially or otherwise, not to exceed thirty years from the date thereof; and whether or not a tax shall be levied upon the property of said Road District No. 2 of Hall County, Texas, subject to taxation, for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof, at maturity.

The said election shall be held under the provisions of Articles 627 to 641, inclusive of Chapter 2, Title 18, Revised Statutes, 1911, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 203, Acts of 1917, Regular Session.

All persons who are legally qualified voters of this State and of this County, and who are resident property taxpayers in Road

District No. 2 of Hall County, Texas, shall be entitled to vote at said election, and all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue the bonds shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"For the issuance of bonds and the levying of the tax in payment thereof."

And those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"Against the issuance of bonds and levying of the tax in payment thereof."

The polling places and presiding officers of said election shall be respectively as follows:

El. Prec. No. 2, At Eli, with Grover Moss as Presiding Officer;

El. Prec. No. 4, At Lesley with F. C. Adams as Presiding Officer;

El. Prec. No. 9, At Lakeview with T. M. Potts as Presiding Officer;

El. Prec. No. 10, At Brice with F. M. Sachse as Presiding Officer;

El. Prec. No. 11, At Lodge with J. T. Dennis as Presiding Officer.

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the general laws of the State of Texas, regulating general elections, when not in conflict with the provisions of the statutes hereinabove referred to.

Notice of said election shall be given by publication of a copy of this order in the Memphis Democrat, a newspaper published in the County of Hall and State of Texas, for four successive weeks before the date of said election, and in addition thereto, there shall be posted three copies of this order at three public places in Road District No. 2 of Hall County, Texas, and one shall be posted at the courthouse door, for three weeks prior to said election.

The county judge is hereby directed to cause said notices to be published and posted, as hereinabove directed, and further orders are reserved until the returns of said election are made by the duly authorized election officers and received by this court.

Given under my hand, with the seal of the commissioners court affixed, this 16th day of March, 1920.

W. A. McINTOSH,  
County Judge.

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### POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Democrat is authorized to announce those whose names follow as candidates, subject to the Democratic primary election, for nomination for the offices indicated:

**For Representative, 104 Legislative District.**

S. A. BRYANT  
(Re-Election, Second Term)

**District Attorney, 46 Judicial District.**

J. V. LEAK

**County Judge.**

W. A. McINTOSH  
(Re-Election, 2nd Term)

**County Attorney.**

WILLIAM J. BRAGG  
(Re-Election, 2nd Term)

**For Tax Assessor.**

FRED ESTES.

**For Tax Collector.**

T. M. (MARVIN) DISHEROON.

**District and County Clerk.**

M. O. GOODPASTURE  
(Re-Election 2nd Term)

**For Sheriff.**

J. A. PRESSLEY,  
(Re-Election, Second Term)

**For Supt. Public Instruction.**

M. E. McNALLY

**Public Weigher, Precinct No. 1.**

CURTIS CUDD  
D. W. HUFFMAN  
FLETCHER L. SWIFT

**Public Weigher, Precinct No. 3.**

A. E. (ARVILL) BOWMAN  
J. R. COWAN

**For Commissioner Precinct No. 1.**

W. COMBEST

### Ex-Service Men, "Attention"

There will be a meeting of ex-service men Sunday afternoon at one-thirty, in the district court room, for the purpose of formulating a plan for the organization and securing of club rooms for a local American Legion.

It is very urgent that all ex-service men attend this meeting, so as for the organization committee to arrive at an estimate as to the number of members likely to be obtained. There should be no ex-soldier or sailor who should hesitate at becoming a part of this organization, as it is to be expected that he will be afforded lots of amusement and enjoyment by the club rooms, which he will use as a place of the Legion, that will be an asset to all of us.

COMMITTEE

### BRYAN WANTS

#### SENATOR OWEN FOR PRESIDENT

Salt Lake City, April 6.—"Of all the Democrats in the United States today there is not another one I would rather support for President than Robert L. Owen."

Such was the declaration made by William J. Bryan in an address here at the Jefferson Day banquet at the Hotel Utah.

### CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

#### BANQUET IS POSTPONED

The Hall County Chamber of Commerce get-together banquet announced for Friday night has been postponed until Tuesday night, April 12.

### Another Brick Garage

Mr. Gerlach, of the firm Gerlach & Franks, informs us that they have been able to arrange for the immediate delivery of brick and that they will begin work at once on their garage building just east of the city hall.

This firm suffered in the recent fire that burned the Sloan garage and those who know them will be glad that they are to again be in business in a building of their own.

### Dallas News Is Reduced

The Dallas News has announced a reduction in the size of its paper. The scarcity of news print is given as the reason. No extra supply can be had at any price. Hundreds of little papers have gone out of business since January 1st. The newspaper man has never got a fair margin of profit and that is the reason. It costs money to run a newspaper and the investment is considerably more than retail stores that do a business five or six times as large.—Childress Index.

### Combest for Commissioner

In another column in this issue will be found the announcement of W. Combest for the nomination for County Commissioner of this precinct, (No. 1.) subject to the Democratic primary election in July.

Mr. Combest has long been a citizen of this community and is well and favorably known to a large number of the voters.

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### POTTER COUNTY VOTES FOR \$250,000 HOSPITAL

Amarillo, April 3.—By a vote of more than 3 to 1, Potter County citizens today authorized an issue of \$250,000 in bonds for a County Hospital.



### WHAT HE COULD DO.

Do you know the words of the Star-Spanned Banner? No, but I can stand while the others sing it.

### QUICK RECOVERY.

Heien had the whooping cough and so was not invited to her little friend Margaret's birthday party, though the invitation list included all the other children in the neighborhood. On the morning of the affair the telephone girl might have overheard the following conversation:

"Hello."  
"Hello, is this Margaret Hillfield's house?"  
"Yes."  
"Is this you, Margaret?"  
"Yes. Who is this?"  
"This is Heien Honeywell. You are going to have a birthday party today, aren't you?"  
"Yes."  
"Well, say, Margaret, I'm all over the whooping cough now."—Newark News.

### Strength of Character.

"He's a milliner."  
"Umph!"  
"Don't jump to the conclusion that a fellow in that line of business is necessarily a mollycoddle. I recently overheard him addressing some remarks to a punctured tire that would have done credit to a Kentucky colonel in the heat of a political argument."

### New Material.

"What's the idea of starting this new sensational investigation?"  
"Well," responded Senator Sorghum, "it seems necessary to do something to take the people's minds off of a lot of other investigations that there doesn't seem to be any way to finish."

### LUCKY CHOICE.

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### Cowan for Weigher, Estelline

The announcement of J. R. Cowan for the nomination for Public Weigher in the Estelline precinct, (No. 3) subject to the Democratic primary election, will be found in this issue. Mr. Cowan is now weigher and bases his claim upon the service he has rendered in the past with a promise of every effort to make good in the future.

### NOTICE IN PROBATE

#### THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the sheriff or any constable of Hall County—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to cause the following notice to be published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Hall, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for the period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

### NOTICE

#### THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all persons interested in the estate of W. J. Owen, deceased; that S. S. Montgomery has filed in the County Court of Hall county, an application for letters of administration upon the estate of W. J. Owen, deceased which will be heard at the next term of said court, commencing on the third Monday in April, A. D., 1920, the same being the 19th day of April, A. D. 1920, at the court house, in Memphis, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said application, if they see proper.

HERE FAIL NOT, under penalty of the law, and of this Writ make due return.

Given under my hand and seal of office, in the town of Memphis, the 30th day of March A. D. 1920.

Attest:  
M. O. GOODPASTURE,  
Clerk County Court, Hall County.  
By S. G. ALEXANDER,  
Deputy.

### Mill-Iron Land for Sale.

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# The Sack of Gold



So often referred to as being at the end of the rainbow has been found repeatedly in Texas; at Burkburnett, at Ranger, at Desdemona, and just the other day at Vernon, close by, many people, including ourselves, believe that it will soon be uncovered in Hall county. Many oil tests in this section are getting down to where something may be expected; if any one of them should strike paying quantities of oil prices of stock would jump! The time for buying stock at par in a company already drilling will soon be passed. We still have a small amount of the stock allotted for sale in this company which we yet offer at par—this offer will not be kept standing and may be withdrawn at anytime. Our well is down now close to where we expect to find oil and the indications are good. Our operations are being conducted openly and above board; any information we have regarding the well is yours for the asking; you are invited to visit the well and investigate for yourself. We believe an oil field will be found in this section; that the progressive doers outnumber the knockers and penny hustlers, that development will continue until oil is found in abundance.

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