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## COL. THOS. H. BALL VISITS MEMPHIS.

### Court Room Crowded to Meet Many Ladies in Audience

The Denver train bringing Col. Ball to Memphis Friday morning arrived about 30 minutes late. A large number of Memphis citizens with the band headed by a reception committee met Col. Ball and escorted him to the Coburn Hotel where an informal reception was tendered him. Later escorted by the committee he visited business houses and met and shook hands with a great many, making friends by his hearty handshake and friendly manner. A large crowd gathered at the court house at 2:00 p. m. to greet Col. Ball, filling it to its utmost capacity. There were many ladies present.

Judge Thorne with a few preliminary remarks called the meeting to order. There were several of the lesser office seekers present who were each given two and one-half minutes to present their claims. As the time accorded to each was so short they simply made an informal announcement and a short bid for the support of the voters present.

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Judge Thorne then introduced Judge Presler who in introducing Col. Ball stated that he had a year personal acquaintance with him and spoke very highly of him in every way especially praising the fact that Col. Ball and Jim Hogg were the very best of friends. Col. Ball then delivered what a great many thought the best political speech ever made in Hall county. He devoted considerable time to the position he has taken on the Prohibition question. Most of his speech was along the same lines made at other places and published in the daily papers. The largest part of the audience seemed to be in sympathy with the speaker and the applause was frequent and prolonged, and no doubt but that he made many notes by his visit to Memphis. He promises many reforms if the people will give him a majority in the legislature in sympathy with his platform. Col. Ball is a man of ability and used to hand-

## W. O. W. Unveiling and Memorial Services.

On Sunday afternoon Memphis Camp No. 1091 W. O. W. and Memphis Grove Woodman Circle No. 803 held a joint Unveiling and Memorial Service at Fairview cemetery. The Childress team was present and assisted by Memphis team conducted the services which were very impressive. Judge Bryant delivered a splendid address on Woodcraft. The monument at the grave of Mrs. Mary Lewis was unveiled by the Woodman Circle and the monument at the grave of Sovereign Kilpatrick by the Camp. There were many visiting Sovereigns from neighboring camps present and the crowd at the cemetery was estimated at 400. A gentleman with a revolving camera was present and took a picture of the crowd. Those who spoke for pictures will call on Marvin Disheroon at the Sheriff's office for them. All out of town visitors were furnished their dinners and suppers.

## Hon. O. T. Warlick Offers for District Attorney.

While it has been very generally known that Hon. O. T. Warlick of Vernon has been actively campaigning for the office of district attorney for this 46th Judicial District he authorizes us to give more general publicity to his claims, and to formally announce his candidacy.

Mr. Warlick is a product of this district having moved to Childress County with his parents in 1887. He attended the public schools of Childress County finished in Clarendon College in 1905, attended the law department of the University of Texas at Austin, and was admitted to the bar in 1908 since which time he has been in the active practice of his profession. While Mr. Warlick is comparatively a young man, he has "won his spurs" as a lawyer of ability, and his name appears in all of our appellate courts as attorney of record for clients showing that he has a general experience in all of our courts.

He comes to us strongly endorsed and recommended as a man of sterling character and a lawyer of ability by the people of Childress and Wilbarger Counties. If elected he promises to give his entire time to the office and discharge the duties of the office to the best of his ability with out fear or favor.

### Special Notice.

There will be a meeting of Memphis Commandery on next Monday night, June 15, at their hall. All members are urged to be present.

J. H. READ, Com.

Regular meeting of Eastern Star Thursday night. All old and new officers are requested to be present so we can arrange for installation ceremonies.

SAM HOUSTON, Sec.

ling big propositions, has been successful in all his undertakings and will make Texas a business governor.

Immediately after the speaking Col. Ball and party accompanied by W. A. Johnson autoed to Clarendon where Col. Ball spoke at night. Mr. Johnson will speak at several points in the Panhandle in the interest of his candidacy for reelection to the office of State Senator, before he returns. Col. Ball after filling an engagement at Amarillo returned to his home at Houston.

## CHAUTAQUA JULY 9 TO 15

### One week Instructive Entertainment for the Citizens of this Community

The Memphis people are to be congratulated on securing a first class Chautauqua for a summer recreation season: First, because it takes enterprise and energy on the part of the people in towns of this size to secure an attraction of the class and tone of this Chautauqua, and our people deserve to be complimented in the highest degree for having the enterprise to undertake such a desirable and laudable entertainment.

Second: They deserve credit and endorsement for the good taste shown by expending money and time for things calculated to educate and elevate instead of degrading the masses. The Chautauqua, if properly encouraged, will become an annual event, and will form wholesome amusement for many of our people who are not able to secure the recreation of a summer trip and which will finally educate the taste until the cheap, questionable show and carnivals will not be appreciated.

### MORAL

This class of entertainment and summer recreation is planned to present in the most popular forms, the best of talent and lecture, music and literary fields, which has favor and endorsement of the best of all classes of people. There are no gaudy and cheap side shows, and every program is filled with the most creditable talents and elevating influence, especially does the features that enlists and instructs child life under a trained leader will be appreciated by both the parents and the children.

### RELIGIOUS

As one of the days during the season falls on Sunday, it is arranged that every feature will be in keeping with the best impulse and religious conscience of a progressive people. We all recognize that whatever hurts or lowers the tone of a people religiously is unwise and injurious and what ever does not properly preserve and protect the Sabbath is unwise and without gratification, therefore, this feature has been guarded and provided for in the best of spirit and letter.

### FINANCIAL ADVANTAGE

Then from a financial standpoint, there will be a great saving for if we were to have a Fourth of July celebration, it would cost more than will be expended on the Chautauqua, and there would be but one day, even though we were able to secure the very best spell binders we would not receive any more educational benefits than we would receive from one day of the Chautauqua, and the Chautauqua will last a whole week, while on the other hand if we should not have a celebration of some kind our people would spend more than the cost of the Chautauqua in visiting neighboring towns that do have such things.

Then from every standpoint it will be a good thing for us and every citizen of Memphis should commence NOW TO TALK CHAUTAUQUA.

We can make it a great advertisement for our town as well as a splendid entertainment for our

## COMMERCIAL CLUB MEETS.

### Commercial Club Elects Officers and Directors for the Ensuing Year.

Tuesday night was the first meeting of the new fiscal year of the Memphis Commercial Club and the Secretary made his annual commercial report which was approved. The Secretary made a statement of the work before the club and stated that he believed that we had never undertaken more important work than the Chautauqua and the Farmers Short Course and that if we made a success of these two enterprises it would be a good summer work, this was heartily concurred in by those present and all promised to work diligently, and much enthusiasm was shown for the Chautauqua.

This being the time for the election of officers, the following were elected. W. P. Dial, President; R. J. Thorne, 1st Vice President; H. A. Finch, 2nd Vice President; O. B. Burnett, 3rd Vice President; T. N. Baker, 4th Vice President; J. Henry Read, Treasurer.

There being nine Directors to elect the following named gentlemen were elected:

A. Power, J. G. Brown, Edwin Thompson, W. J. Owen, D. A. Grundy, D. L. C. Kinard, R. S. Greene, J. H. Brumley, J. F. Forkner.

The hold over Directors are H. E. Deaver, A. Baldwin, W. A. Johnson, W. B. Quigley, S. T. Harrison, J. F. Bradley. Which together with the ones just elected makes a very strong band which is thoroughly representative of every interest in the town.

The prospects for a good year's work for the club is very bright. The Club especially asks the cooperation of all the people in the work of making the Chautauqua and Farmer's Short Course a complete success believing that the proper handling of these two institutions will thoroughly establish Memphis supremely as a center for educational and entertainment features of real value and help to the people.

### Memorial Services.

The Oddfellows assisted by the Rebekahs will hold memorial services on next Sunday, June 24. All Oddfellows and Rebekahs will meet at the hall at 2:00 p. m. and will go from there to Fairview cemetery. Everybody invited to attend these services.

### All-Day Singing.

We are requested to announce that an "All-day Singing" will be held here Sunday, June 14. Everybody is invited to come and bring dinner and have a good time. Don't forget the date, next Sunday week.—Estelline News.

Miss Grace Fickas left for Clarendon Sunday morning to attend summer school at Clarendon college.

M. E. HAWKINS, Pastor of Methodist church.

R. B. MORGAN, Pastor of Baptist church.

WILL T. SWAIM, Pastor of Presbyterian church.

J. W. HAMILTON, Superintendent of Public schools.

## Miss Clarice Crozier Entertains

An enjoyable event of the week was the three course seven o'clock luncheon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Crozier, given by Miss Clarice complimentary to Misses Bernice, Neville Wrenn, Kathleen French and Grace Fickas, who are to leave Monday to attend the Normal. Other guests were Misses Hawkins, Gates, Cagle, and Norwood. After games and contests were engaged in we were served with delicious refreshments. Then Miss Clarice informed us we were to enjoy a "Bunk Party" the remainder of the evening or until morning if we choose, to which three did. All left Sunday morning voting Miss Clarice to be a most entertaining hostess.

## Prominent Business Man Weds.

On last Friday morning at the home of the brides brother Herbert Beatty, at Polytechnic Heights in Fort Worth occurred the wedding of Mr. Fred Estes of this place and Miss Ethel Beatty of Ft. Worth. The bride is a sister of a former wife of Mr. Estes. Mr. Estes is a brother of Mrs. J. B. Pritchett and has been prominently identified with the business interests of Memphis, having moved here from Childress about a year and a half ago and has conducted a harness shop on the West side. They came in on the Tuesday evening train. We join with their many well wishers in wishing them a happy journey through life.

Miss Tot Smith of Oklaunion, Texas, who attended school at Goodnight the past year and has been visiting with Miss Lucile Craft for several days left for home the latter part of the week.

Prof. Grandstaff left for his home at Springtown Friday, where he will visit a few days and will then go to Austin and attend the summer school at the State University. We understand that he was tendered his position in the Memphis schools but that he decided not to teach here next year. We are sorry to lose him from our schools.

Berry & Kauffman, Architects of Amarillo, spent a day last week in Memphis with Contractor Art Jaynes. The State Normal at Canyon will be rebuilt and they had been to Dallas to submit their plans to the building committee, and stopped off on their way home. The building will be 300 feet long and will cost over \$100,000. While they were here they showed several prospective views of our new high school building to be erected to some of the school board and to quite a number of citizens which called forth many complimentary remarks.

Dr. Winifred Wilson left Saturday night for New York, he will join a physician's excursion to Europe. The excursion will leave New York on about the 13th of June and will be composed of about 200 physicians from throughout the United States. They will visit many of the large cities, stopping four days at Paris, three days at Berlin and many other stops will be made. At each stop a clinic will be held and demonstrations by some of the best physicians will be made. By special invitation they will spend about ten days in July in London as guests of the American Association of Surgery. The trip will consume about two months.

## HON. J. E. FERGUSON VISITS MEMPHIS.

### The Band With a Large Number of Citizens Assembled to Greet Him.

As scheduled the Hon. J. E. Ferguson arrived in Memphis Saturday morning on the Denver arriving at 9:22. He was met by the band and a large number of citizens. A committee received him and escorted him to the Stephens hotel where a number of friends and supporters assembled to give him welcome. After a short time spent at the hotel he passed up and down our streets mingling with the people and giving each a handshake and a pleasant greeting.

Like Col. Ball the day before, he was greeted with a full court room at 2:00 o'clock and was introduced by O. B. Burnett one of our leading farmers. Mr. Ferguson proved to be a very entertaining speaker and held the crowd to very close attention for two hours, often bringing the crowd to laughter by his witty remarks. He admitted early in his speech that he was unknown quantity in politics, but seemed quite confident of his ability to take care of the helm of State should he be elected.

He scored Col. Ball heavily on some of the questions on which they differ in this campaign, commenting on nearly all the differences which have come up between him and Col. Ball since the campaign for gubernatorial honors had begun and from the expressions heard would convince anyone that while Ball may be for all, all were not for Ball.

They left immediately after the speaking for Hedley where he addressed the people at that place. Jno. M. Edwards candidate for reelection to the office of State Treasurer, is accompanying him on his tour.

There were quite a number of farmers in the audience and also a number of ladies.

### Sunday School Picnics.

The Sunday school of the Presbyterian church enjoyed an outing Thursday by going out to Montgomery Park and spending the day. Conveyances were furnished and a large number took advantage of the opportunity to go and have a pleasant time. The day was largely spent in playing games, riding the merry-go-round and social conversation. When dinner time came a splendid dinner was spread and was enjoyed very much by all present.

On Tuesday the Baptist Sunday school children accompanied by their teachers and many of their parents spent the day at Montgomery Park and if all reports be true they had a very fine time. These yearly picnics are very much enjoyed by all and especially do the children look forward to them. In fact old as well as young like to meet together and "mix grub" and enjoy the picnic lunch.

Miss Bessie and Earl Bradley will arrive at home from College Station Thursday evening. Earl graduated in the Department of Agriculture at A. & M. College and Miss Bessie has been attending school at Denton. She attended the commencement exercises at A. & M. and will accompany Earl home.

# OUR TENANT PROBLEMS

EDITOR'S NOTE.—This is the fourth of a series of articles on AGRICULTURAL PROBLEMS prepared by Judge S. A. Lindsey, chairman of the Texas Farm Life Commission.

The tenant problem is less simple than the getting of cheap money on land worth twice the amount borrowed; all that is required in that case is to arrange the security (the best in the world) so that it is acceptable at the source of cheap money. All this is cold-blooded business between the investors in securities and those selling same. The transaction is: give me security and I will give you money. The state is not interested in this and should take no further hand in it than to provide the law by which the organization for invading the cheap money market may be effected, and then giving such organization opportunity to borrow such trust funds as the government may be lending.

The problem of inducing shifting tenants who are merely in partnership with the landlord in robbing the soil of its fertility and dividing the swag, to induce them to buy, improve and build up the soil they till and become fixed units of strength in their communities is clearly a concern of the state. This problem is close akin if not entirely identical both in purpose and result to that of general education. The strength and vigor of the state is as much dependent upon conserving the fertility of the soil as upon the intelligence of the people. The family is the unit of the state and the home surroundings, the prosperity, the optimism and education of the members of the family spell the strength and vigor of the state. If the state would be strong and enduring it must educate its citizens and attach them to the soil. There is something strengthening in the possession and proprietorship of a piece of land. Deprive people of this strength and they become socialists because their sense of weakness and insecurity impels them to seize at straws as to the drowning.

Mr. V. T. Hoggatt, Register State Land Board of Colorado told me the other day how his state is attempting to convert tenants into land-owners. He said Colorado has \$6,000,000 of permanent school funds. This money is being made available in this way: The counties are given the privilege of investing their proportionate part in the notes of purchasers of homes. This is done through the commissioner's courts. The court considers each individual case. If the man is honest, intelligent, industrious and capable of paying out the land and the land is worth the money, the court buys the land for him, or takes up his notes and gives him 40 years at 5 per cent interest in which to pay. The county must see that the state does not lose its funds. Every proposed loan is advertised and the people knowing the county to be responsible to the state assist in preventing an unworthy or unsafe case from getting through.

Inasmuch as the people of a state have adopted this plan let us consider it closely, before dismissing or advocating it. For remember we are not writing a political platform but studying a modern question in economics or statecraft which is now upon us for solution.

This discussion will be continued in my next article.

The average tenant farm of Texas contains 115 acres while the average size of those operated by owners is 353 acres.

About 33 per cent. of the Texas farms are mortgaged. The mortgage indebtedness is approximately \$225,000,000.

The average mortgage debt of a Texas farm is \$1,548; the average equity \$4,619.

## A MESSAGE FROM THE RAILROADS.

Railroad Presidents Discuss Transportation Problems and Their Relation to the Public.

There are always two sides to a question. The public long accustomed to listening to arguments against an increase in railroad rates, is now given an opportunity by W. B. Scott, president of the Sunset-Central lines to hear the railroad's side of the question. In a recent interview to the Texas press is an out-pouring of the railroad heart and shows that the railroads of Texas instead of piling up high bills of money as they are generally supposed to do, are actually operating at a loss.

In his discussion of the subject, president Scott said in part: "The fiscal year ending June 30th, 1913, showed that the thirty-three Texas railroads earning a gross total of \$118,617,454. The operating expenses were \$92,609,612, the net income being \$26,007,842 with other income given as \$1,907,227 or a gross corporate income of \$27,915,070.

"To measure against this income, items including taxes, rentals, leases, hire of equipment, interest on bonds, debts, etc., aggregating a total of \$30,050,656, were properly charged, the result being that instead of the thirty-three roads mentioned really earning any money, they actually sustained a deficit of \$2,135,586. This does not mean that all of the lines failed to earn net revenue for some of them did, but it does mean that the burdens or operation set seriously upon a majority of the Texas lines, and that of the total number of roads twenty of them sustained deficits which in one instance ran as high as \$1,227,000.

"Railroads like other commercial institutions, have certain commodities for sale, viz: transportation of persons, transportations of goods. Out of the sale of this transportation must they find their revenue. If the price of the sale is too low, then the establishment cannot make a profit and if it cannot provide the necessary funds for operation must cease to be a going concern. There must be a limit to the present loss or the roads will be faced with either a decided decrease of high price service or placed at the tender mercies of a receiver and in either instance the public must suffer accordingly.

"The remedy, when it is acknowledged that the roads are intelligently and economically administered, is indicated in an increase in freight rates sufficient to overcome the loss and to meet the increase of expense in operations due to causes already set forth.

"An increase of ten per cent in all rates would of course apply on the rate for 100 pounds by class and commodity. If the railroads were permitted to increase their rates they would be enabled to successfully meet the present cost of operation without facing the serious deficits and difficulties which now confront them, and which seriously threaten a curtailment of service and efficiency and a decrease in the work of railroad development in all sections of the State."

The following interview with Mr. Ben B. Cain, vice-president of the Gulf, Texas and Western Railway, which appeared in the Washington Herald recently also throws an interesting light on the situation:

"There is no question confronting the country which is quite so vital as granting to the railroads an increase in freight rates. This applies not only to the eastern lines but is more essential to the prosperity of those lines struggling for existence in the most sparsely settled sections of the country. Data compiled by the American Railway Association which I have reason to believe are reliable, show that 91 1-2 cents of every dollar earned by the steam roads of the United States has to be expended in keeping the road going, there being only 8 1-2 cents with which to pay dividends and make improvements. The distribution of a dollar earned by the common carriers is as follows:

Labor, 44.17; fuel and oil 8.93; material, supplies and miscellaneous expense 14.06; loss and damage 2.20; taxes 4.21; rents and leases 4.41; interest on debt 13.43; dividends and improvements 8.59.

"Within the past month railroads of Texas made application to the railroad commission for an increase of 15 per cent in freight rates, but our commission refuses to even consider the application, notwithstanding it was based upon facts which if true undoubtedly warranted an increase."

# NEW WORK FOR AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT

Farmers' Union Would Have Commissioner of Agriculture Organize Co-operative Association of Farmers.

A Practical Farmer Demanded to Head Agricultural Department—No Lawyers Wanted.

Fort Worth, Texas.—The Commissioner of Agriculture has greater opportunities for service than any other official in State government. In addition to the important duties which have already been assigned that department by the Legislature, it is generally conceded that the Legislature will devote itself almost exclusively to agricultural problems and the proposed system of new and untried laws must be adjusted to working conditions by the next Commissioner of Agriculture in co-operation with the farmers.

The next administration will be confronted with the enactment and application of agricultural legislation and the Commissioner of Agriculture must be a practical farmer. The law requires, and public necessity demands, that he be a man who has first-hand knowledge of farming conditions.

We stand for law enforcement. We quote in part from the law on this subject: "The Commissioner of Agriculture shall have a knowledge of agriculture, manufacturing and general industry; shall be an experienced and practical farmer, etc."

We are going to put up a "posted" sign on the Agricultural Department against lawyers. There is no more reason why a lawyer should run for Commissioner of Agriculture than why a farmer should be a candidate for Attorney General. We know of no lawyers who contemplate entering the race, but we want to notify them not to hunt on our preserves in this campaign. We stand for law enforcement and call on all good citizens to see that the constitution is upheld and that no lawyer is permitted in the Department of Agriculture.

The Farmers' Union takes science by the hand and welcomes progress. We have been the pioneers in the movement for improved cultural methods but increasing production is not sufficient. The farmers have many important problems that cannot be solved by free grain seed, skillfully written bulletins and eloquent lectures. We will mention a few of them:

Organization and Co-operation Needed.

The farmer has the best security on earth, yet he pays an average of from 10 to 30 per cent interest on his money, against four to eight per cent paid by other lines of industry on less stable securities. Is it education the farmer needs to reduce his rate of interest? We think not. He might raise the largest pumpkin; the biggest bushel of corn and enough vegetables per acre to fill a silo, but his rate of interest would remain the same.

The farm laborer works an average of 12 hours per day the year round at 11 cents per hour and boards himself. The brick mason in Texas receives 87 cents per hour, the highest of any State in the Union, and farm labor ranks thirty-fifth. The laborers in all other trades work approximately an average of 9 hours for 25 cents per hour. Is it education the farm laborers need to bring their earning power up to that of their city cousins? We think not. He might read farm bulletins every night until the chickens crowded for day and he would not increase his wages one penny.

The average farm yields a net and one who enjoys an extensive acquaintance and possesses the confidence of the farmers of Texas.

It is as important that we select the right man for Commissioner of Agriculture as that we enact constructive legislation on the subject, for laws that are not properly used are worse than no laws at all.

W. D. Lewis, President. Peter Radford, Ex-President. Texas Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union.

income on the investment of 4 per cent and the average business 10 to 30 per cent. Will any one contend that this difference is due to ignorance on the part of the farmer? We think not. He might listen to agricultural lectures until he became gorged with knowledge and he would have no more to say in fixing the price of his products than he has today.

The world is one great corporation of which the farmers are the largest shareholders, but when we call at the counter of industry for our dividends we are handed a package of education and the other fellow gets the gold. We are glad to get the suggestions, printed and otherwise, but we want in on the dividends and a voice in fixing the price of our products.

### The Remedy.

We must further improve our cultural methods and move forward more rapidly in all branches of practical science of production, but the remedy for the present difficulties must come through organization and co-operation, and it is this new field of activities that the agricultural department must enter. Legislative permission to form rural credit associations; to build warehouses; to form co-operative cotton gin companies, to organize market associations, etc., is necessary, but it is not sufficient. To get the full benefit of these laws the farmers must be encouraged and directed in the organization of the respective associations needed in his community and this work properly belongs to the Department of Agriculture. It is as important a function of government to demonstrate the advantages of organization for the transaction of the business of farming as to demonstrate the advantages of cultural methods, and far more profitable. The formation of co-operative associations that will introduce economies in farm operations, reduce rates of interest, and afford facilities for the more profitable marketing of the crops, are what the Texas farmer needs today and needs badly.

The farmer has so often become the victim of designing promoters who operate under the guise of agricultural philanthropists that he very properly hesitates to enter into any voluntary organization that binds him financially. We have a very recent instance in which the farmers of this State were fleeced out of a few hundred thousand dollars by promoters, which illustrates the willingness of the farmers to co-operate in an effort to better their condition and demonstrates the disadvantage of no authoritative plan of action. He is entitled to the sanction of State and the endorsement of its authorized representative to co-operative contracts, in which his property and that of his neighbors are involved, and his faith in government will encourage him to enter into these new forms of business transactions when its seal of approval is placed upon them.

The appropriation should be made with a view to extending the work into rural credits and marketing, which is the most needed and most neglected factor in agriculture at this time. The farmers pay more into and get less out of government than any other class of citizens and have less to do with its management.

The next Commissioner of Agriculture should not only be a capable producer but a successful organizer as well. He should be a man who understands the business side of farming and of proven ability in co-operative work.

Texas has more farms than any state in the Union—417,770 in number.

The Texas farms produce \$662,198,000 annually.

Eighteen new farms are opened up in Texas every day.

The value of all Texas farm property is \$2,218,645,000.

Texas ranks third with other states in value of farm property.

Fifty-three per cent of the farms of Texas or 219,575 are operated by tenants and 198,195 or 47 per cent are farmed by their owners and managers.

Texas has more farm home owners than any state in the Union.

Sixty-six per cent of the farm some owners of Texas have no mortgage on their property.

Texas furnishes the world with its polo ponies.

# The DAIRY



## HANDY MILK BOTTLE CARRIER

Wire Clips Instantly Engage Neck of Bottle and Can Be Released Almost Instantly.

A bottle-carrier particularly designed for milk bottles, but useful for others with large mouths or for jars, has been patented by a Maryland man. Two pieces of wire are bent into square form at one end and semi-circular form at the other. When connected the square ends form clips to engage the neck of the bottle. When these handles are spread apart the circle formed by the two clips is at its widest circumference and will eas-



Milk Bottle Carrier.

ily encircle a bottle. When the handles are pressed together the circle is compressed and grips the bottle, making it easy to carry. By setting the bottle down and releasing the grip the improvised handle can be released in an instant. The milkman will find plenty of use for this device.

## INTEREST IN DAIRY FEEDING

Bulletin of Pennsylvania Experiment Station Discusses Matter in Most Thorough Manner.

To those of our readers who make a careful study of dairy feeding, bulletin 114 of the Pennsylvania experiment station will be very interesting. The principles in dairy feeding are gone into both in a theoretical and practical manner. In a rough way the following rules are laid down as good:

1. Feed grain in proportion to milk yield; that is, give her, for example, one pound of grain mixture per day for each three or four pounds of milk produced.
2. Feed all the roughage which the cow will eat up clean, up to the point where she gales too much weight.
3. Whenever she becomes too fat reduce the amount of roughage, leaving the amount of grain to be determined by the milk yield.

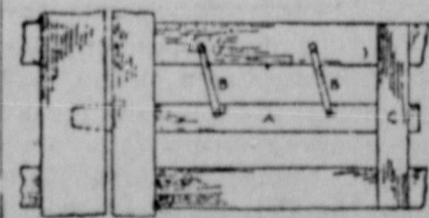
Food requirements for cows of different weights and cows producing different amounts of milk are given in tables. Most of our readers will find the methods as described in the bulletin extremely unscientific, but after they have studied it a little they will find it quite simple and, we believe, quite practical. Of all the experiment stations the Pennsylvania has done the most scientific work with feeding stock.—Pennsylvania Experiment Station.

## LATCH FOR A SWINGING GATE

Illustration Given, Together With Directions for Making Convenient Little Farm Device.

A good latch for farm gates may be made as shown in the accompanying sketch. The slide A is suspended by the hangers BB, which are placed on each side of the gate. The back end of the latch works between the guides C and the front end between the end pieces of the gate. The slide engages with a slot in the gate post when the gate is shut.

The hangers BB are made in any convenient length. The holes are one-fourth inch in diameter and tire bolts are used as fasteners. The holes for the hangers should be drilled one-third of the width of the latch from its top to make the largest



Latch for Swinging Gate.

part of the weight fall below the fastenings of the supports, writes Willard H. Elder in Popular Mechanic. The slide being in a horizontal position, it works better between the guides. When the slide is in the gatepost slot, the hangers should be at the angle shown, so that the weight of the slide helps to hold it in place.

## The Farm Separator.

The farm separator is too good a stepmother for the calf to get along without.

# POULTRY

## SELECTION OF RIGHT BREED

Leghorns, Minorcas and Other Small Fowls Are Best for Eggs—Americans for General Purpose

Do you want poultry for meat producers? Do you want poultry for egg producers? Or do you want poultry which will combine as well as possible the production of both meat and eggs? The answer to this question, says the Oklahoma Farmer, will help greatly in your selection, for if you desire a meat breed, selection should be made from the Asiatics or Cornish, or perhaps an Asiatic-American first cross. If this cross is used the crossing should not



Brown Leghorn Rooster.

be carried on beyond the first generation, and it is rarely advisable at all. If you want egg production, you select from the Leghorns, Minorcas, Anconas, Campines, Buttercups, or other of the smaller breeds. However, in the majority of cases the good purpose fowl will be found best adapted to the farmer who wishes to keep a few chickens as a side line. For this purpose the American breeds, such as the Plymouth Rocks, the Old English Game, the Game of England, the Game of France, and the Game of Spain, are about equally adaptable.

Does your market have any preference as to the color of the skin of dressed fowl? Many markets will pay enough more so that you will cater to this choice. If they prefer a yellow skin, the Old English and Langshans will be almost the outset, for they have white skin. On the contrary, if the market is a white skin, you cannot use mouth Rocks, Wyandottes, or

Does your market have a preference as to the color of the eggs? In cases this market preference is in form of a premium of five cents per dozen more for a preferred color. It is possible, to give the market a call for and will pay a premium on the color of the egg accordingly.

# DOULTRY NOTES

Tag your shipments. Straw and hay material. Always test the hen eggs before setting. The yolk of the egg quicker than the white.

The most profitable hatching is about four weeks.

Use insect powder from terminate lice when necessary to stop the cold to cure.

Broody hens should be the permanent sitting nest at the machine should be operating according to the manufacturer's directions.

Our American breeds fast readily, making them ideal poultry.

To get eggs avoid over-feeding do not starve. Give plenty of you have it.

Eggs saved for hatching should not be subjected to high temperatures.

Given proper care and attention is the most valuable for the farmer.

Overfeeding of green cut causes leg troubles, diarrhoea, complaints and worms.

The incubator should be in a room where the temperature not vary much during the night.

A good many chick hatch on a bad start by feeding. Let them wait 26 to 48 hours nature's way.

The beginner finds many blocks in the artificial method experience soon shows how easily to step over

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# The Case of Jennie Brice

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## CHAPTER IX.

I HAVE said before that I do not know anything about the law. I believe that the Ladley case was unusual in several ways. Mr. Ladley had once been well known in New York among the people who frequent the theaters, and Jennie Brice was even better known. A good many lawyers, I believe, said that the police had not a leg to stand on, and I know the case was watched with much interest by the legal profession. People wrote letters to the newspapers protesting against Mr. Ladley being held. And I believe that the district attorney in taking him before the grand jury hardly hoped to make a case.

But he did, to his own surprise I fancy, and the trial was set for May. But in the meantime many curious things had happened. In the first place, the week following Mr. Ladley's arrest my house was filled up with eight or ten members of a company from the Gaiety theater, very cheerful and jolly and well behaved. Three men, I think, and the rest girls. One of the men was named Bellows, John Bellows, and it turned out that he had known Jennie Brice very well. From the moment he learned that Mr. Holcombe had left him. He walked to the theater with him and waited to walk home again. He took him out to restaurants and for long street car rides in the mornings, and on the last night of his stay, Saturday, they got gloriously drunk together—Mr. Holcombe, no doubt, in his character of Ladley—and came reeling in at 3 in the morning, singing. Mr. Holcombe was very sick the next day, but by Monday he was all right, and he called me into the room.

"We've got him, Mrs. Pitman," he said, looking mottled, but cheerful. "As sure as God made little fishes, we've got him." That was all he would say. However, it seemed he was going to New York and might be gone a month. "I've no family," he said, "and I need money to keep me. If I find any relaxation in hunting down criminals, it's a harmless and cheap amusement, and—it's my own business."

He went away that night, and I must admit I missed him. I rented the parlor bedroom the next day to a school teacher, and I found the perfume affair very handy. I could see just how much gas she used, and although the notice on each door forbids cooking and washing in rooms, I found she was doing both; making coffee and boiling an egg in the morning, and rubbing out stockings and handkerchiefs in her washbowl. I'd much rather have men as boarders than women. The women are always lighting alcohol lamps on the bureau and wanting the bed turned into a cozy corner so they can see their gentlemen friends in their rooms.

With Mr. Holcombe gone and Mr. Reynolds busy all day and half night getting out the summer and preparing for remnant day, with Mr. Ladley in jail and Lida in the city—for I saw in the papers she was not well, and her mother had taken her to Bermuda—I had a

good bit of time on my hands. And so I got in the habit of thinking things over and trying to draw conclusions. I had seen Mr. Holcombe do. I could sit down and write things out as they had happened and study them over, and especially I worried over how we could have found a slip of paper in Mr. Ladley's room with a list, almost exact, of the things we had discovered there. I used to read it over, "rope, knife, shoe, towel, Horn"—and get more and more bewildered. "Horn"—might have been a towel, or might not have been. There was

of it. Was it a towel that was a horn? The dictionary gave only a few words, beginning with "horn"—horn, hornblende, hornpipe and horny, one of which was of any assistance. And then one morning I happened to see in the personal column of one of the newspapers that a woman named Eliza Shaeffer of Horner had had day off Buff Orpington and Plymouth Rock chicks for sale, and it started me to puzzling again. Perhaps it had been Horner and possibly this very Eliza Shaeffer—I suppose my lack of experience was in my favor, for, after all, Eliza Shaeffer is a common enough name, and the "Horn" might have stood for "hornswoggle" for all I knew. The story of the man who thought of what he would do if he were a horse came back to me, and for an hour or so I tried to think I was Jennie Brice trying to get away and hide from my rascal of a husband. But I made no headway. I would never have gone to Horner or to any small town if I had wanted to hide. I think I should have gone around the corner and taken a room in my own neighborhood or have lost my self in some large city.

It was that same day that since I did not go to Horner Horner came to me. The bell rang about 3 o'clock, and I answered it myself, for with times hard and only two or three roomers all winter I had not had a servant except Terry to do odd jobs for some months. There stood a fresh faced young girl, with a covered basket in her hand. "Are you Mrs. Pitman?" she asked. "I don't need anything today," I said, trying to shut the door. And at that minute something in the basket cheaped. Young women selling poultry are not common in our neighborhood. "What have you there?" I asked more agreeably. "Chicks, day old chicks, but I'm not trying to sell you any. I—may I come in?"

It was dawn on me then that perhaps this was Eliza Shaeffer. I led her back to the dining room, with Peter sniffing at the basket. "My name is Shaeffer," she said. "I've seen your name in the papers, and I believe I know something about Jennie Brice."

Eliza Shaeffer's story was curious. She said that she was postmistress at Horner and lived with her mother on a farm a mile out of the town, driving in and out each day in a buggy. On Monday afternoon, March 5, a woman had alighted at the station from a train and had taken luncheon at the hotel. She told the clerk she was on the road, selling corsets, and was much disappointed to find no store of any size in the town. The woman, who had registered as Mrs. Jane Bellows, said she was tired and would like to rest for a day or two on a farm. She was told to see Eliza Shaeffer at the postoffice, and as a result drove out with her to the farm after the last mail came in that evening.

Asked to describe her—she was over medium height, light haired, quick in her movements and wore a black and white striped dress with a red collar and a hat to match. She carried a small brown valise that Miss Shaeffer presumed contained her samples.

Mrs. Shaeffer had made her welcome, although they did not usually take boarders until June. She had not eaten much supper, and that night she had asked for pen and ink and had written a letter. The letter was not mailed until Wednesday. All of Tuesday Mrs. Bellows had spent in her room, and Mrs. Shaeffer had driven to the village in the afternoon with word that she had been crying all day and bought some headache medicine for her. On Wednesday morning, however, she had appeared at breakfast, eating heartily and had asked Miss Shaeffer to take her letter to the postoffice. It was addressed to Mr. Ellis Howell in care of a Pittsburgh newspaper.

That night when Miss Eliza went home, about half past 8, the woman was gone. She had paid for her room and had been driven as far as Thornville, where all trace of her had been lost. On account of the disappearance of Jennie Brice being published shortly after that, she and her mother had driven to Thornville, but the station agent there was surly as well as stupid. They had learned nothing about the woman.

Since that time three men had made inquiries about the woman in question. One had a pointed vandyke beard; the second, from a description, I fancied must have been Mr. Graves. The third, without doubt, was Mr. Howell. Eliza Shaeffer said that this last man had seemed half frantic. I brought her a photograph of Jennie Brice as "Topsy" and another one as "Juliet." She said there was a resemblance, but it ended there. But of course, as Mr. Graves had said, by the time an actress gets her photograph retouched to suit her, it doesn't particularly resemble her. And unless I had known Jennie Brice myself I should hardly have recognized the pictures.

Well, in spite of all that, there seemed no doubt that Jennie Brice had been living three days after her disappearance and that would clear Mr. Ladley. But what had Mr. Howell to do with it all? Why had he not told the police of the letter from Horner? Or about the woman on the bridge? Why had Mr. Bronson, who was likely the man with the pointed beard, said nothing about having traced Jennie Brice to Horner?

I did as I thought Mr. Holcombe would have wished me to do. I wrote down on a clean sheet of note paper all that Eliza Shaeffer said—the description of the black and white dress, the woman's height and the rest—and then I took her to the courthouse, chicks and all, and she told her story there to one of the assistant district attorneys.

The young man was interested, but

smiling as he bowed us out. I looked in the doorway. "This will free Mr. Ladley, I suppose?" I asked. "Not just yet," he said pleasantly. "This makes just eleven places where Jennie Brice spent the first three days after her death." "But I can positively identify the dress." "My good woman, that dress has been described to the last stilted arch and colonial volute in every newspaper in the United States!"

That evening the newspapers announced that during a conference at the jail between Mr. Ladley and James Bronson, business manager of the Liberty theater, Mr. Ladley had attacked Mr. Bronson with a chair and almost brained him.

Eliza Shaeffer went back to Horner after delivering her chicks somewhere in the city. Things went on as before. The trial was set for May. The district attorney's office had all the things we had found in the house that Monday afternoon—the stained towel, the broken knife and its blade, the slipper that had been floating in the parlor and the rope that had fastened my boat to the staircase. Somewhere—wherever they keep such things—was the headless body of a woman, with a hand missing, and with a curious scar across the left breast. The slip of paper, however, which I had found behind the baseboard, was still in Mr. Holcombe's possession, nor had he mentioned it to the police.

Mr. Holcombe had not come back. He wrote me twice asking me to hold his room, once from New York and once from Chicago. To the second letter he added a postscript: "Have not found what I wanted, but am getting warm. If any news, address me at Des Moines, Ia., general delivery. If I was nearly the end of April when I saw Lida again, I had seen by the newspapers that she and her mother were coming home. I wondered if she had heard from Mr. Howell, for I had not, and I wondered, too, if she would send for me again."

But she came herself, on foot, late one afternoon, and the school teacher being out, I took her into the parlor bedroom. She looked thinner than before and rather white. My heart ached for her.

"I have been away," she explained. "I thought you might wonder why you did not hear from me. But, you see, my mother"—she stopped and flushed. "I would have written you from Bermuda, but—my mother watched my correspondence, so I could not."

No, I knew she could not. Alma had once found a letter of mine to Mr. Pitman. Very little escaped Alma.

"I wondered if you have heard anything," she asked. "I have heard nothing. Mr. Howell was here once, just after I saw you. I do not believe he is in the city."

"Perhaps not, although—Mrs. Pitman, I believe he is in the city, hiding."

"Hiding? Why?" "I don't know. But last night I thought I saw him below my window. I opened the window, so if it were he he could make some sign. But he moved on without a word. Later, when ever it was came back, I put out my light and watched. Some one stood there in the shadow, until after 2 this morning. Part of the time he was looking up."

"Don't you think, had it been he, he would have spoken when he saw you?" She shook her head. "He is in trouble," she said. "He has not heard from me, and he—thinks I don't care any more. Just look at me, Mrs. Pitman. Do I look as if I don't care?"

She looked half killed, poor lamb. "He may be out of town searching for a better position," I tried to comfort her. "He wants to have something to offer more than himself."

"I only want him," she said, looking at me frankly. "I don't know why I tell you all this, but you are so kind, and I must talk to some one."

She sat there in the cozy corner of the schoolteacher had made, with a portiere and some cushions, and I saw she was about ready to break down and cry. I went over to her and took her hand, for she was my own niece, although she didn't suspect it, and I had never had a child of my own.

But, after all, I could not help her much. I could only assure her that he would come back and explain everything and that he was all right and that the last time I had seen him he had spoken of her and had said she was "the best ever." My heart fairly yearned over the girl, and I think she felt it, for she kissed me shyly when she was leaving.

With the newspaper files before me it is not hard to give the details of that sensational trial. It commenced on Monday, the 7th of May, but it was late Wednesday when the jury was finally selected. I was at the courthouse early on Thursday, and so was Mr. Reynolds.

The district attorney made a short speech. "We propose, gentlemen, to prove that the prisoner, Philip Ladley, murdered his wife," he said in part. "We will show first that a crime was committed; then we will show a motive for this crime, and finally we will seek to show that the body washed ashore at Sewickley is the body of the murdered woman and thus establish beyond doubt the prisoner's guilt."

## CHAPTER X.

MR. LADLEY listened with attention. He wore the brown suit and looked well and cheerful. He was much more like a spectator than a prisoner, and he was not so nervous as I was.

Of that first day I do not recall much. I was called early in the day. The district attorney questioned me.

"Your name?" "Elizabeth Marie Pitman." "Your occupation?" "I keep a boarding house at 42 Union street."

"You know the prisoner?" "Yes. He was a boarder in my house."

"For how long?" "From Dec. 1. He and his wife came at that time."

"Was his wife the actress, Jennie Brice?" "Yes, sir."

"Were they living together at your house the night of March 4?" "Yes, sir."

"In what part of the house?" "They rented the double parlors downstairs, but on account of the flood I moved them upstairs to the second floor front."

"That was on Sunday? You moved them on Sunday?" "Yes, sir."

"At what time did you retire that night?" "Not at all. The water was very high. I lay down, dressed, at 1 o'clock and dropped into a doze."

"How long did you sleep?" "An hour or so. Mr. Reynolds, a boarder, roused me to say he had heard some one rowing a boat in the lower hall."

"Do you keep a boat around during flood times?" "Yes, sir."

"What did you do when Mr. Reynolds roused you?" "I went to the top of the stairs. My boat was gone."

"Was the boat secured?" "Yes, sir. Anyhow, there was no current in the hall."

"What did you do then?" "I waited a time and went back to my room."

"What examination of the house did you make—if any?" "Mr. Reynolds looked around."

"What did he find?" "He found Peter, the Ladleys' dog, shut in a room on the third floor."

"Was there anything unusual about that?" "I had never known it to happen before."

"State what happened later." "I did not go to sleep again. At a quarter after 4 I heard the boat come back. I took a candle and went to the stairs. It was Mr. Ladley. He said he had been out getting medicine for his wife."

"Did you see him tie up the boat?" "Yes."

"Did you observe any stains on the rope?" "I did not notice any."

"What was the prisoner's manner at that time?" "I thought he was surly."

"Now, Mrs. Pitman, tell us about the following morning." "I saw Mr. Ladley at a quarter before 7. He said to bring breakfast for one. His wife had gone away. I asked if she was not ill, and he said no; that she had gone away early; that he had rowed her to Federal street, and that she would be back Saturday. It was shortly after that that the dog Peter brought in one of Mrs. Ladley's slippers, water soaked."

"You recognized the slipper?" "Positively. I had seen it often."

"What did you do with it?" "I took it to Mr. Ladley."

"What did he say?" "He said at first that it was not hers. Then he said if it was she would never wear it again—and then added—because it was ruined."

"Did he offer any statement as to where his wife was?" "No, sir; not at that time. Before he had said she had gone away for a few days."

"Tell the jury about the broken knife." "The dog found it floating in the parlor with the blade broken."

"You had not left it downstairs?" "No, sir. I had used it upstairs the night before and left it on a mantel of the room I was using as a temporary kitchen."

"Was the door of this room locked?" "No. It was standing open."

"Were you not asleep in this room?" "Yes."

"You heard no one come in?" "No one—until Mr. Reynolds roused me."

"Where did you find the blade?" "Behind the bed in Mr. Ladley's room."

"What else did you find in the room?" "A blood stained towel behind the washstand; also my onyx clock was missing."

"Where was the clock when the Ladleys were moved up into this room?" "On the mantel. I would it just before they came upstairs."

"When you saw Mrs. Ladley on Sunday did she say she was going away?" "No, sir."

"Did you see any preparation for a journey?" "The black and white dress was laid out on the bed and a small bag. She said she was taking the dress to the theater to lend to Miss Hope."

"Is that all she said?" "No. She said she'd been wishing her husband would drown; that he was a fend."

I could see that my testimony had made an impression.

The slipper, the rope, the towel and the knife and blade were produced in court, and I identified them all. They made a noticeable impression on the jury. Then Mr. Lowellyn, the lawyer for the defense, cross examined me.

"Is it not true, Mrs. Pitman," he said, "that many articles, particularly shoes and slippers, are found floating around during a flood?" "Yes, I admitted."

"Now, you say the dog found this slipper floating in the hall and brought it to you. Are you sure this slipper

belonged to Jennie Brice?" "She wore it. I presume it belonged to her."

"Ahem! Now, Mrs. Pitman, after the Ladleys had been moved to the upper

floor, did you search their bedroom and the connecting room downstairs?" "Ah! Then how do you know that this slipper was not left on the floor or in a closet?"

"It is possible, but not likely. Anyhow, it was not the slipper alone. It was the other things and the slipper itself."

"Exactly. Now, Mrs. Pitman, this knife. Can you identify it positively?" "I can."

"But isn't it true that this is a very common sort of knife? One that nearly every housewife has in her possession?" "Yes, sir. But that knife handle has three notches in it. I put the notches there myself."

"Before this presumed crime?" "Yes, sir."

"For what purpose?" "My neighbors were constantly borrowing things. It was a means of identification."

"Then this knife is yours?" "Yes."

"Tell again where you left it the night before it was found floating downstairs."

"On a shelf over the stove."

"Could the dog have reached it there?" "Not without standing on a hot stove."

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"Oh! Well, he might have. He never said."

"Now, then, this towel, Mrs. Pitman. Did not the prisoner on the following day tell you that he had cut his wrist in freeing the boat and ask you for some court plaster?" "He did not," I said firmly.

"You have not seen a scar on his wrist?" "No." I glanced at Mr. Ladley. He was smiling as if amused. It made me angry. "And what's more," I flashed, "if he has a cut on his wrist, he put it there himself to account for the towel."

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"You saw Mr. Ladley when he brought your boat back?" "Yes."

"What time was that?" "A quarter after 4 Monday morning."

"Did he come in quietly, like a man trying to avoid attention?" "Not particularly. It would have been of no use. The dog was barking."

"What did he say?" "That he had been out for medicine. That his wife was sick."

"Do you know a pharmacist named Alexander—Jonathan Alexander?" "There is such a one, but I don't know him."

I was excused, and Mr. Reynolds was called. He had heard no quarreling that Sunday night, had even heard Mrs. Ladley laughing. This was about 9 o'clock. Yes, they had fought in the afternoon. He had not overheard any words, but their voices were quarrelsome, and once he heard a chair or some article of furniture overturned. Was awakened about 2 by footsteps on the stairs, followed by the sound of oars in the lower hall. He told his story plainly and simply. Under cross examination admitted that he was fond of detective stories and had tried to write one himself; that he had said at the store that he would like to see that "concocted ass" swing, referring to the prisoner; that he had sent flowers to Jennie Brice at the theater, and had made a few advances to her, without success.

My head was going round. I don't know yet how the police learned it all, but by the time poor Mr. Reynolds left the stand half the people there believed that he had been in love with Jennie Brice, that she had spurned his advances, and that there was more to

the story than any of them had expected.

Miss Hope's story held without any alteration under the cross examination. She was perfectly at ease. Poked handsome and well dressed, and could not be shaken. She told how Jennie Brice had been in fear of her life and had asked her, only the week before she disappeared, to allow her to go home with her—Miss Hope. She told of the attack of hysteria in her dressing room, and that the missing woman had said that her husband would kill her some day. There was much over her testimony, and I at least a part of it was not to go to the jury. But I am not and I repeat what I recall.

"Did she say that he had been drinking?" "I believe he was worse than that."

"Did she give any reason for her husband's attitude to her?" "She said he wanted to marry another woman."

There was a small sensation at the if proved it established a motive.

"Did she know who the other woman was?" "I believe not. She was away most of the day, and he put in his time as he liked."

"Did Miss Brice ever mention the nature of the threats he made against her?" "No, I think not."

"Have you examined the body washed ashore at Sewickley?" "Yes"—in a low voice.

"Is it the body of Jennie Brice?" "I cannot say."

"Does the remaining hand look like the hand of Jennie Brice?" "Very much. The nails are filed to points, as she wore hers."

"Did you ever know of Jennie Brice having a scar on her breast?" "No, but that would be easily concealed."

"Just what do you mean?" "Many actresses conceal defects. She could have worn flesh colored plaster and covered it with powder. Also, such a scar would not necessarily be seen."

"Explain that." "Most of Jennie Brice's décolleté gowns were cut to a point. This would conceal such a scar."

Miss Hope was excused, and Jennie Brice's sister from Olean was called. She was a smaller woman than Jennie Brice had been, very indylike in her manner. She said she was married and living in Olean; she had not seen her sister for several years, but had heard from her often. The witness had discouraged the marriage to the prisoner.

"Why?" "She had had bad luck before."

"She had been married before?" "Yes, to a man named John Bellows. They were in vaudeville together on the Keith circuit. They were known as The Pair of Pillows."

I sat up at this, for John Bellows had boarded at my house.

"Mr. Bellows is dead?" "I think not. She divorced him."

"Did you know of any scar on your sister's body?" "I never heard of one."

"Have you seen the body found at Sewickley?" "Yes," faintly.

"Can you identify it?" "No, sir."

A flurry was caused during the afternoon by Timothy Seuff. He testified to what I already knew—that between 3 and 4 on Monday morning, during the height of the flood, he had seen from his shanty boat a small skiff caught in the current near the Ninth street bridge. He had shouted angrily to the man in the boat, running out a way on the ice to make him hear. He had told him to row with the current and to try to steer in toward shore. He had followed close to the river bank in his own boat. Behind Sixth street the other boat was within rope throwing distance. He had pulled it in and had towed it well back out of the current. The man in the boat was the prisoner. Asked if the prisoner gave any explanation—yes, he said he couldn't sleep and had thought to fire himself rowing. Had been caught in the current before he knew it. Saw nothing suspicious in or about the boat. As they passed the police patrol boat prisoner had called to ask if there was much distress and expressed regret when told there was.

Tim was excused. He had made a profound impression. I would not have given a dollar for Mr. Ladley's chance with the jury at that time.

(To be continued)

Told by the Eyes. Greenish, hazel and spotted eyes are accompanied, usually, with shrewd, quick, nervous, restless temperaments. According to Professor Hudson, Asiatics with hazel eyes are cunning and wassellike. Contrary to the popular notion, persons with green eyes are too indifferent in passion to be at all jealous of the opposite sex; they are, however, frequently envious of their own.

Queer English Duty. Americans will be interested to know that from 1660 it has been customary to take a duty as one of the hereditary customs of the crown. In 1660 there was a duty of eight pence a gallon on all the tea liquor sold in all coffee houses—a great inconvenience to tea drinkers, because it was surveyed only twice a day by the excise officers, and so could only be brewed twice a day.—London Mail.



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Mrs. J. F. Bradley visited with friends in Hedley Thursday.

Dr. Stidham of Lakeview, was a Memphis visitor Saturday.

C. F. Stout went down to Esteline Monday to visit relatives.

F. A. Hudgins has been on the sick list the last few days.

A. Baldwin is sporting a new Ford car, purchased last Thursday.

Hats cleaned and blocked by the O. K. Tailor.

Miss Irene Thrasher visited with Miss Cleo Grundy at Newlin Saturday and Sunday.

Col. Browder left Friday morning for Mineral Wells where he will spend about two weeks.

Miss Elsie Read returned from Denton last week where she has been attending school.

Max King returned Tuesday morning from a business trip to Haskell, Texas.

We want to sell you good yellow corn chops. MEMPHIS MILLING CO.

Boys always be sure you have a pint of flies before bringing them to office.

If it is feed you want we have it at the Memphis Milling Co.

Dick Martin and wife of Throckmorton, Texas, is in town this week visiting his mother.

N. E. Burk and J. P. Depauw make a business trip to Quail Friday.

Ira Neeley spent Sunday in the city with his brother D. A. Neeley.

Call 262 for a perfect job of cleaning and pressing.  
36 tf J. C. Ross.

Mr. Roy Britt and Perry Cruse of Ell, were business visitors in Memphis Saturday.

Mrs. R. E. Paniter returned Saturday night from a months visit with relatives at Canyon.

Manager Geo. Scruggs of the Cameron Lumber Co., has been on the sick list the past week.

Mrs. E. G. Welch left Monday morning for a visit with relatives at Fort Worth and other points.

Rev. W. R. Perry of Goodnight attended the pastors conference at the Baptist church Monday.

Sidney Fletcher and B. D. Sebring left Tuesday for Odell, Okla., where they go to help in grain fields.

Miss Loma Madden returned Monday morning from a visit with friends and relatives at Hedley.

J. C. Ross has the best line of samples in town. See him before you buy.  
36 tf

Mrs. W. L. Fore returned to her home at Amarillo after a few days visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Fore.

I. W. Thomason and family of Lakeview, were in attendance at

the Woodman memorial services Sunday.

Miss Julia Lane returned home Sunday from a two weeks visit with her grandparents at Clarendon.

Get a dish with each pound of coffee at the Davis Grocery Co.

Mrs. A. G. Crump and Mrs. C. G. Crump, mother and sister of Conley Ward are visiting with him this week.

Bill Allen accompanied his sister to Clarendon this morning where Miss Vena will attend summer school.

Quite a number of visitors came up from Esteline and Newlin Friday and Saturday to hear the next Governor speak.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nabors have a new boy at their home; arrived last Wednesday night. Mother and babe doing well.

Before buying corn chops See MEMPHIS MILLING CO.

Pres. Moore of the Baptist college at Goodnight filled the pulpit at the Baptist church Sunday morning and evening.

Postmaster Thos. Durham and Editor Ladd of the Wellington Leader came over Friday to hear Col. Ball speak.

J. M. Lane has placed an order with Milam & Grundy for a new Cadillac, which will arrive in a few days.

For the best cleaning and pressing phone the O. K. Tailor Phone 38 will call for and deliver.

Mrs. J. R. Allen left Saturday morning for Grandfield, Okla., where she was called on account of the serious illness of her niece, Miss Ada Lock. Mrs. Allen will likely be gone about ten days.

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Saturday  
June 27

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June 27

Is running full blast at our store this week. Each day gets better than the day before--why? Any sale in which you are offering genuine bargains advertises itself. If you haven't been to the sale yet--ask your neighbor what kind of bargains he got. We are offering big reductions on all summer goods that will mean a big saving to you. You owe it to yourself to make your money go as far as possible.

**Sale Ends June 27th, 1914.**

## GREENE DRY GOODS CO.

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fact that strictly printed never ever world will

left Saturday morning for her Bluffdale, Texas. Miss

Just received a car load of Flour, Meal, Corn Chops and Bran. Bring us your produce.

Mrs. Carey Lane of Bellevue, came in Sunday and visited with the family of J. Walker Lane Sunday.

We have received notice that the Hon. W. P. Lane, State Comptroller, will speak here in Memphis on Thursday, June 11, at 8:00 p. m., in the interest of his candidacy for Congressman at large.

Since the fly campaign started in Memphis the Democrat office has received up to now 29 pints making in all 60 pints, just like four pints being a bushel, destroyed in the last three weeks.

C. W. Broome came in this morning from A. & M. college where he has been attending commencement exercises. His son, Scott, graduated from the Engineering Department. Scott did not accompany his father home as he has a position.

We have just received shipments of all kind of feed, and would like to have a share of your business.

We are requested to announce that there will be no services at Friendship church next Sunday, but on the Third Sunday there will be services at 11:00 o'clock and at four o'clock. All members of the church are requested to be present.

Mrs. Q. Street left for her home Thursday morning after a three weeks with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Wheat. Mrs. Wheat and Ella Pearl accompanied her home. Mrs. Wheat will visit for a month and Ella Pearl will likely spend the summer.

FOR SALE—Two sections of grazing land, four miles north of Giles. J. S. BEARD, 300 Lamar Ave. Wichita Falls, Tex., 47-5tp

Miss Mary King, one of Memphis popular young ladies, won the prize in Art Painting in Simmons college, at Abilene, where she attended school the past year. We are always pleased to know of those that excel and especially if they are from Memphis.

Roy Bartlett received a telegram Sunday that his mother living in Oklahoma, was dangerously ill. Ola Davidson drove him over in a car and stated that when he left there that they thought there was a slight chance for her recovery. Mr. Bartlett is employed at the Orr Studio.

The following left Monday morning for Clarendon where they will attend summer school: Misses Louise Wright, Bernice and Neville Wrenn, Miss Frankie Presler, Kathleen French, Myrtle McElreath, and Ruth Callan. Mrs. Nora Barker and a Mr. Messer.

Our ball boys went down to Estelline Saturday and played a double header. The Estelline team proved themselves too much for them defeating them both games. The first game resulted in a score of 6 to 2 and the second 7 to 3. Estelline has made themselves a reputation this year as ball players having been defeated a very few times.

Mrs. Arthur Power left Tuesday for Henderson, Ky., where she will visit her parents for some time. Mr. Power accompanied her as far as Fort Worth and will look after business affairs there and in Dallas for several days. He may attend the Cotton Seed Crushers Association at Galveston on June 15, 16 and 17.

Mrs. P. M. Holland left Tuesday for a ten days visit with her father and mother at Itasca. Mr. Holland accompanied her as far as Ft. Worth where he stopped off and will look after some business matters there and at Dallas. He will attend the Superintendents convention which will be held on June 10, 11 and 12, in Dallas.

Take good care of the livestock, for livestock will be worth much to the farm. The time has come for us to raise pigs, calves, lambs and colts and feed them on the farm. This gives us a market for crops and helps us sell finished products instead of the raw materials. Raise livestock and live better.—Farm and Ranch.

### To Superintendents of Sunday Schools of Hall County.

At the last meeting of the Hall County Sunday School Association the Superintendents of Sunday schools were made an advisory board. A business meeting of this board is called for next Sunday, June 14, at 2:00 p. m. at Lodge and you are requested to be present or to have a representative there. All other officers of the Association will be there.

JNO. D. BIRD, President.

Farm and Ranch feels it a sacred duty to pass hope and good cheer to its readers in all sections of the Southwest. Its highest ambition is to cause people to be hopeful, cheerful and contented and for that reason it has no time nor patience to listen to those who would afflict their neighbors with grumbling, censure and abuse. No reader of Farm and Ranch shall ever find low and degrading ideals in our columns. Our mission is to build.—Farm and Ranch.

Good teams are indispensable to economical farming. Man's time is too valuable to lose with an inefficient team. The farm can not afford to keep up inefficient animals and the fact that it is required to "pensioners" has often been the cause of unprofitable farming. Whenever the manager keep poor teams he deprives himself of the use of labor saving, profit making implements.—Farm and Ranch.

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  - Dixie Cream.
  - Steam Cooked Horse and Cow Feed.
  - Stock Salt.
  - Alfalfa Hay.
  - Prairie Hay.
  - Shelled Corn.
- Also carry a complete line of field seeds and "The Old Reliable Oakdale Coal." Deliver any of the above to any part of the city.

### The Vote for County Supervisor.

The Commissioners Court met Monday in regular session and among other things canvassed the official returns of the election held Saturday, June 30, for County supervision of schools. Following is the vote:

	FOR.	AGAINST
Memphis	87	102
Newlin	26	4
Elli	10	6
Finger	00	16
Estelline	14	76
Baylor	00	9
Omen	3	12
Turkey	21	5
Lakeview	30	21
Brice	7	00
Lodge	26	10
TOTAL	224	262

Lost by 38 majority.

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of a bachelor's house and one where a lady presides; the thousand little elegancies of the latter, though nothing in themselves, adding, like ciphers, prodigiously to the value of the solid articles they are appended to.

**A GOOD NATURED MAN.**

In an Omaha church, Sam Jones shouted, "is there a man present who has never spoken a cross word to his wife?" The silence was becoming oppressive; every husband looked here and there; every husband wanted to get up, but did not dare to. But the sadness that had possession of Jones' face vanished a moment later when a round-faced, good-natured man rose from his seat. "Thank God!" exclaimed, "there is one man who has never spoken a cross word to his wife." The good natured man smiled a bland smile and said: "No sir, I never did. I'm a bachelor." Then he put on his hat and calmly walked out of the door.

Wake up and see what you can do.

**SECRET OF CHEERFULNESS.**

How you admire that lady who seems to be all brightness and cheerfulness, and yet she is as busy at the rest of us in household duties with everything to do. Listen, and we'll tell you the reason why she seems to have more time than the rest of us she wastes no time in fretting; she has learned the true value of things. She never frets and she never scolds. It doesn't pay. Fretting and scolding leave ugly marks upon the face and upon the character. If everything wrong, the day upside down, the fire won't burn, the children out of sorts, a picked-up dinner, and company at the last moment. She does the best she can and lets the consequences take care

**The Home Circle Column**

PLEASANT EVENING REVERIES

A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as They Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide

Crude Thoughts From The Editorial Pen

**WOMAN'S TASTE.**

A cultivated taste marks a woman of elegance and refinement as decidedly as a knowledge of classical literature does a gentleman; and there is nothing in which female vulgarity is more clearly shown than in want of taste.

This is an axiom that we think will not admit of dispute; but it is a question how far taste is natural, and how far it may be acquired.

A delicate taste must, to a certain extent, depend upon the organization of the individual; and it is impossible for any rules to

be laid down which will impart taste to persons entirely devoid of it.

But this is very seldom the case with women, as it is one of the few points in which women naturally excel men.

Men may be and probably are, superior to women in all that requires profound thought and general knowledge; but in the arrangement of a house, and the introduction of ornamental furniture and articles of bijouterie, there can be no doubt of the innate superiority of woman.

Everyone must have remarked the difference in the furnishing

Say, young man, there is one thing you can not do. You can not make a success in life unless you work. Better men than you have tried and failed. You can't loaf around street corners and saloons; smoke cigars, tell foul stories, drink whiskey and sponge on someone else, without making a failure in life. You must learn a trade or get into some honest business. If you don't you will be a chronic loafer, despised by all, producing nothing, simply making yourself a burden on your parents or the state. There is no place in the world for loafers. The ripe fruit is all at the top of the tree. You must climb to get it. If you wait for it to fall at your feet you will never get it. Smarter men will jump up and get all. Move. Do something; no matter how small. It will be a starter. Help yourself and others will help you. There is no royal road to success. Toil, grit and endurance; these are requisites

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The girl who is so lacking in self-respect as to be ashamed of any honest work commands no respect. She who endeavors to do whatever work her hands find to do in the best and most thorough manner, as by God's law, makes that and the action fine. It is not so much the work as the manner in which it is done that ennobles or disgraces the worker. A well scrubbed floor is a much more useful work than a stupid oil painting in which much valuable canvass and other material has gone to waste. Intelligence and faithfulness tell in every department of work. Respect your work whatever that work may be, and remember that the best, brightest and wisest of men and women will respect you for it.

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**And For Three Summers Mrs. Vincent Was Unable to Attend to Any of Her Housework.**

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## Big Times at Clarendon

Let us remind you you do not wish to face meet in Clarendon 1, 2, 3, 4, and the 5th on the Fourth. In this matter, containing event, is going out office this week, distributed over the next few days. News wishes to fact that every strictly as advertised dinner ever served the world will be 4th. Arranged to be made ready been in amusements, conveniences has as stated at other places. The race will participate some of them. Depend four days. is absolutely here all four days to come the 4th. been made to care for if you fail to come, will just be "out" the Clarendon News

## Near Serious

Last Saturday happened to a victim. He was auto in front Grundy garage Morgan in back of the garage turn to his on which) ing his ay light and gan's car at RR Co. Lakeview

Office of Peace, Precinct No. 1.  
R. E. STAFFORD

## Suffragate Notes

The program of the Biennial General Federation of Women's Clubs announces that the speaker for the evening of June 1st, will be Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt. Woman suffragate clubs and individual members of the Federation are delighted at this feature of the program, since few speakers are so fully conversant with the world-wide suffragate movement as Mrs. Catt. The President of the Texas Woman's Bankers' Assn., is Miss Leffler Corbitt of Austin. Her practical experience for the position has been gained by study and conscientious work. She is a recognized authority on banking matters. The South Carolina suffragists have formed a State League with Mrs. M. T. Coleman of Abbeville as president. Among the resolutions adopted are those asking that the age of consent be raised from 14 to 21 years; compulsory education; equal guardianship of children by fathers and mothers, and an equal wage law for women doing the same work as men. About 200 delegates attended the

## Farm Loans

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OFFICES:  
MEMPHIS Monday  
Tuesday and Wednesday  
CLARENDON: Thursday  
Friday and Saturday

J. S. ULM

## Letter From Former Hall County Girl.

Elcentro, Cal. June 1, 1914.—To the Democrat and its many readers:

I will write you this beautiful evening. How bad we miss our friends and relative at Memphis and Friendship. Our school closed last Friday May 29, I am very glad that I was promoted to the A 6 and B 7 grade which means high 6 grade and low 7 grade. It gets very warm in this town some days. I wish you were all out here on this large desert which is about 14 miles from Old Mexico and is 95 feet below sea level. Where the sun shines 365 days out of a year and where it rains three time a month or which we call airragating rain. Our rain doesn't fall it runs a foot deep on the ground. We have Sunday school and preaching every Sunday and prayer meeting every Wednesday night.

I have went on four picnics since I came here. We are going to have a large picnic the Fourth of July we are expecting a nice time. They have a large fair ground and have fair here every year we live about two block from the fair ground. I had a nice trip coming on the train everybody come to the land of sunshine and flowers. Every one is welcome to come to our picnic don't forget the date July 4th 1914. If any one cares to write to me, address Elcentro, Cal.

Best wishes and success to the Editor and its many readers. I remain as ever  
Lillie H. Moore.  
Elcentro, Cal.

County Judge Owen has invited the Women's City Club of Chicago and the suffrage and civic reform organizations to study conditions in the first and second wards, and recommend fit polling places and reputable persons to serve as Election officials. "Such a process will assure the cleanest polling places and raise a barrier which will prevent any of the old time repeating and back-room frauds," said Judge Owens. This is but one of the many good results since Illinois women were given the vote.

Chief Ryan, in his annual address to the police chiefs of Texas, said: "Not alone does the traffic of morphine, cocaine, heroine and other drugs exist in the cities, but the small towns are infested with such conditions generally unknown to the inhabitants until the victims have become extreme cases." He declared the statute aimed to put an end to the sale of drugs, is so framed as to make it almost impossible to draw a complaint correctly. Another argument for the nomination and election of first class men as lawmakers.—Fort Worth Record.

San Angelo—Eastern buyers paid 19 1/2 cents per pound for several thousand pounds of wool here last week. The product was of this year's clip.

Houston—On account of the heavy fig crop in this section, additional preserving plants will have to be erected and plans are about complete for the building of a preserving factory. Work will commence immediately.

Waxachie—A campaign to secure 200 new members has been stated by the local Commercial Club.

Coleman—The local Chamber of Commerce is planning to secure 500 laborers to assist the farmers in this section in working and harvesting their crops.

Lockhart—The railroad to be built from Harbor Island to Seymour, Quanah and Belton, via this city, is practically assured, as all financial arrangements have been made. The construction of this line will start immediately.

## Ordinance No 100.

An Ordinance prohibiting Hackmen, Omnibus Drivers, Baggage-men, Hotel Porters and Solicitors from going within certain distance of any Passenger train.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Memphis, Texas, that from and after the passage of this ordinance it shall be unlawful for any hackman, omnibus driver, driver of any baggage wagon, hotel porter, or any person soliciting patronage for any hotel, or for any omnibus, carriage or any vehicle of conveyance, while so soliciting the patronage of any person or persons embarking from any passenger train in the City of Memphis, Texas, to be in a position nearer than ten feet of any passenger train.

Any person violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not less than \$1.00 and not more than \$10.00.

Passed and approved this 2nd day of June, A. D. 1914.

D. Browder, Mayor.

Attest: D. L. C. Kinard Secretary.

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Rockwall—The citizens of this place will get the chance to vote on the issuance of road bonds in the sum of \$20,000 June 13th.

Baird—Plans have practically been completed by local parties for the erection of a large cotton oil mill here.

Waco—A charter has been applied for by the Texas Steel Range Company with a capital of \$10,000. It is the purpose of the concern to sell steel ranges in Texas and maintain headquarters in this city. A little later on

the stoves will be manufactured in Waco.

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It still keeps on killing pain. Does Hunt's Lightning Oil. For years it has been used with wonderful success for rheumatism, neuralgia, cuts, burns and other hurts. All druggists sell it in 25c and 50c bottles.

Cures Old Sores, Other Remedies Won't Cure.  
The worst cases, no matter of how long standing, are cured by the wonderful, old reliable Dr. Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil. It relieves Pain and Heals at the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00

What You Should Know About Beaver Board

Discription  
Pure Wood Fibre wallboard which takes the place of lath, plaster and other wall building materials. Because of its superior surface for decorating, it makes wallpaper unnecessary.

Application  
Beaver Board is nailed to the studding (wall and ceiling beams) of new rooms or directly over the lath and plaster of old rooms. The seams formed by the joining of the panels are covered with decorative strips of wood making an artistic panel arrangement. Anyone handy with tools can get a nice Beaver Board job by following instructions. Beaver Board is easily cut with a fine tooth saw, sharp knife or chisel.

A Few of Its 41 Advantages  
Beaver Board does not chip, crack or disintegrate. It makes rooms warmer in winter and cooler in summer. It retards fire; is a sound deadener, withstands shocks, strains and vibrations which crack and bring down plaster. Beaver Board improves with age; never needs repairing or replacing.

We want to invite everybody to call and see our new inside wall finish. We have just completed a small room at our office to advertise Beaver Board. This is something new and very attractive. We have this in Stock and can furnish you requirements on demand.

Wm. Cameron & Co., Inc.  
G. N. Scruggs, Manager

## The Specials

SEE THEM

June 13 and 15

### Lace

"All wool and a yard wide," in other words strictly up to standard Torchon, 2 inches wide pretty patterns, per yd. **12 1-2c**  
Valenciennes Lace Insertion delicate patterns, per yd. **10c**  
Fine 1 inch lace, light and filmy, per yd. **8 1-3c**  
Other laces and embroideries in variety; best appreciated when seen.

**Saturday-Monday**  
Specials for Men and Boys  
OVERALLS OVERALLS  
OVERALLS OVERALLS  
THEN SOME MORE OVERALLS  
**ONE-THIRD OFF**  
June 13-15

# THE EXCITEMENT'S OVER

### Hats for Children

A number of Straw Hats for children, choice **19c**  
Little Boys Cloth Hats up-to-date styles **50c**  
"Trident" Embroidery Cotton, colors and white, will bear washing and remain bright. Remember the "Trident" the only kind to use, 2 bunches for **5c**

### Big Political Guns

have shelled the woods and now let's settle down to quiet life again. Ours represent the best bargains in general dry goods. Lovely crepes and other charming piece goods are on hand to abundantly please all. Some new silks await you, just received. Big lot of new shoes just reached us and coming. To be possessed of your choice from our line and is to be well dressed. Seeing Our Goods Convinces.

### HOSE

"Cadet" Hose are perhaps the most popular made. They are always good sellers **25c-35c**  
Silk Hose Popular Prices  
Half Hose, or "Sox" **10c Up**  
Hose **10c**  
Supporters **10c**  
REMNANTS: Big Bargains in remnants, always priced at less than regular price. Big assortment; see them.

## The Specials

TRY THEM

June 13 and 15

### Rompers

Children's Rompers, good strong summer Fabrics **50c**  
age 1 to 6 **50c**  
Overalls for small boys, good heavy duck **50c**  
STORK? Several white garments for infants, up to \$2.50. Buy a outfit and the stork will give you per recognition.  
Full outfit of hose, shoes or moccasins and the garments will complete the welcome.

**Saturday-Monday**  
SPECIAL FOR WOMEN  
CALICOES PERCALES PLAITED TUCKER  
**ONE-THIRD OFF**  
June 13-15

Remember Our Specials Mean Big Savings

# JOE J. MICKLE & SON

Distributors of Dependable Up-to-Date Merchandise

### El Brevetios.

Nina Perkins has been on the sick list for the past week, but we are glad to say that she is much improved at this writing. We hope that she will soon be well.

Misses Linnie and Kitty Yarbrough took the teachers examination last week.

We hear that a son of Mr. Sturdivant's is just in from the east.

Mr. Claude Vanderventer and Miss Nora Fields were married at Lodge last Saturday. Bro. Mitchell performed the ceremony. We wish them a long and happy life.

J. A. Britt and family spent Sunday with R. Cruse and family.

Arthur Yarbrough and Bill Brookshire left for the wheat harvest Sunday.

Mr. Jones intends beginning the harvesting of his alfalfa as soon as the weather permits.

J. W. Anthony was in town Monday, selling some hogs.

Eld. Huff preached in the Baptist church Sunday.

Lura Billington has been sick but she is better at this writing.

Roy Britt and Victor Yarbrough were in town on business Saturday.

"DADDY'S BOY."

## NEW CITY MARKET

West Side Square  
Max Bishoff Prop

Dealer in all kinds of fresh and cured Meats and manufacturer of fine home made Sausage of all kinds. Your Business respectfully solicited. PHONE 113

### Hogs and Aid to the Farmer.

Mr. Edwin Houston of Welfare, Texas, a member of the advisory board of the Texas Industrial Congress, and president of the Texas Swine Breeders Association, is an enthusiastic believer in the value of hog raising on the farm and has written to the Congress as follows:

"Some people farm for the love of nature, and some for the amusement and glory that they get out of it, but almost every body farms in order to make a living. This last class, the farmers of and by necessity are the ones I appeal to.

With them, how to properly feed, clothe and educate their families are the prime factors in life. The grocery bill is their greatest expense and pork, or its products, is the largest single item on this bill. If each family will produce its own pork it will materially increase its prosperity.

This can be done, too, with very little trouble and at only a nominal expense, if all the kitchen scraps, damaged grain and other waste products of the average farm are used for this purpose; and at the same time a small piece of tillable land is set aside and fenced for a hog pasture.

A good way to try out the hog business and at the same time a sure way to get a year's pork supply for nothing is to fence about one acre of land hog-proof. Also cross fence it so as to make two half-acre lots. In these put a small portable hog house of some kind and plant the lots in whatever crops will make the surest and most abundant pasture in your locality.

If the right crops are used, green forage of some kind will be in one or the other of these pastures all the year round.

A good pure bred sow should be bought and she should raise her owner two litters of big, strong pigs each year. With plenty of green pasture and waste from the kitchen and a very little grain the sow and litter can be well cared for. Then if the pigs are fed heavily on grain from the time they are six to eight months old they will be ready either for making the finest home-cured bacon, hams and sausage or to top the local market.

It is usually more convenient to keep your spring litter for your own killing in the winter and sell the fall litter the following spring or early summer. In this way your fall pigs will bring you a hundred or more dollars in cash which will more than pay for running your hog department and you will have the spring pigs left for your year's meat supply.

I have not considered one sow and her profit in order to discourage those who would keep more than one, but because there is no farmer in Texas that can afford to be without at least one. Then another thing, the greatest mistake that is made by the average man starting in hog business is that he starts with too many before he knows much about the business.

The Texas Industrial Congress is doing splendid work along this line by introducing farm boys to take one barrow each and properly feed it and keep careful records of gains made and the cost of gains. If these boys learn how to make a good profit on one barrow they will soon be able to do the same thing with a lot of them.

Texas imported last year over \$24,000,000 worth of products from other states. Is there much honor in our boast, of raising a third of America's cotton supply when we have to trade it off to the other states for pork, especially as cotton is ruining the farms of the South and hog raising is making "corn belt" farmers richer.

No state in the Union has as many natural advantages for hog raising as ours and Texans are to much alive to let these opportunities go by. The only question is how long will it take us to learn."

### Grains of Gold.

No man's work is greater than his soul.—Browning.  
If you want knowledge you must toil for it. Toil is the law.—Ruskin.  
Life is so stern that it ought never to be played with.—R. J. Campbell.  
Our past becomes the might-

iest teacher to our future.—Lytton.

There's a world of comfort in the thought that all days are not alike.

Success in life means the accomplishment of a purpose.—Moore Ede.

If you want to be miserable, think about yourself.

Troubles, in one way, are like babies. They grow bigger and heavier by nursing.

There's nothing so kingly as kindness, and nothing so loyal as truth.

If thou wouldst conquer thy weakness, thou must never gratify it.—W. Penn.

To know how to wait is the great secret of success.—De Maistre.

Freeport—The "Freeport Facts" has been purchased by C. P. Kendall. The paper under the new management, has been enlarged to eight pages.

Marlin—The Commercial Club is promoting a proposition to get a handsome, up-to-date pleasure pavilion constructed in this city.

Robstown—Cotton in this section is from six inches to a foot high and is in good condition. From present indications Robstown will witness a banner season.

### Laconic.

The mother of a very wealthy American young lady had for some time hesitated whether her daughter should marry a rather dissipated foreign grandee or a thoroughly impetuous but quiet and gentlemanlike English peer, absolutely warranted to give no trouble. Owing to unsatisfactory reports concerning the foreign grandee, choice ultimately fell upon the English peer. So she cabled to an accommodating English friend: "Grandee off, send along peer."

### Good Pol.

Turpentine makes a good polish for floors, oilcloth, and when mixed with sweet oil is excellent for polishing furniture.

### Nothing to Worry About.

"Have you heard about the awful thing Mr. Jobson did this morning? Several of the neighbors saw him dragging his wife around in the back yard by her hair. Don't you think the authorities ought to do something about it?" "Why should the authorities interfere? Haven't you heard that Jobson and his wife are working for a moving picture film concern?"

### Senior League.

Song Service.  
Prayer.  
Topic: Christian Culture—The Practice of Medicine Exalted to a Vocation—Luke.  
Lesson: Col. 4, 14; 2 Tim. 4, 4—Leader.  
Archie Blanton—1 and 2 Paragraphs.  
Song  
Pinkney Cagle—3 and 4 Paragraphs.  
Prayer.  
Agnes Gates—5 and 6 Paragraphs.

### Reading—Elbert Kittinger.

Song.  
John Ewen—7 Paragraph.  
Talk—Mrs. Blanton.  
Song.  
Benediction.  
Leader—Willie Guinn.

### Junior League.

Song service.  
Scripture, First Psalm.  
Prayer—Leader.  
Memory verse, Malachi 2:10—Willis Lemons.  
Recitation—Bruce Frankum.  
All for Missions—Hazel Delaney.

Ten Little Fingers—Martha DeBerry.

My Gift for Missions—Margret Brewer.

Song.  
Call the roll.  
New members.  
Song.  
Leader—Margret Hawkins.

### Intermediate League

Song.  
Subject—Honoring God by Helping Others.

Scripture Lesson—Matt. 22:29  
Prayer, closing with Lord's Prayer.

Recitation: Bread for the Hungry—Murlee Frankum.

Bible questions—Lois Quigley

Sentence Prayer.

Vocal Solo—Sammie Noel.

Report on Bible reading.

Song.

Leader—Georgia Ella Mickle.

### Dead Letter List.

List of dead letters remaining in Postoffice at Memphis, Texas, June 10th, 1914, which will be delivered on payment of 1 cent.

Dewey, H. M.

Dentis, Mr. Joe.

Kookin, Mr. R.

When asking for these letters state advertised.

BEN. F. SHEPHERD, P. M.



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## Don't Cry!

After It Is Too Late

It is useless to cry. Don't wait until your hair is all gone it is not necessary to be bald come in and get a bottle of our III AHDEEN hair Tonic and stop the hair from falling out.

WE HAVE ALL KINDS OF TONICS

Not all Tonics for the hair but for the whole system. Tell your trouble to us We can help you.

**Fickas-Tomlinson Drug Co.**