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Look For The Announcement of "The Woman's Candidate", In Next Week's Issue

Three Lakes Locals

Several of the Three Lake pupils are attending the West Point school, as Prof. Bishop's school at this place will not begin for some time yet.

Mrs. Keighler will leave in a few days to visit home folks at Norman, Texas.

Mrs. Hines and Mrs. Dial visited with Mrs. Yates Sunday.

Miss Keighler had business in the city since our last.

W. B. Edwards and family spent Sunday with Mrs. G. W. Ekerson.

Mrs. Marshall called on Mrs. Noble Sunday.

Three Lake community will make the biggest feed crop that has been made here in several years.

Felton Randall, of Lou, spent Saturday night with Madison Yates.

Mrs. Marshall had very bad luck with her Indian Runner Ducks, she had only two of the dozen she ordered to get here alive.

BEAVER.

Bro. S. Ribble who is preaching every night at the court house to highly interested congregations, visited the Tahoka high school several times this week and made the pupils some fine talks.

Ducking for cotton sacks at J. B. Keever's. 4-t

Rev. L. M. Wood, Presbyterian filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church Sunday. Rev. Wood preaches the first Sunday in each month at the German school house, 15 miles south of Lamesa; the second Sunday in Lamesa; third Sunday in O'Donnell and the fourth Sunday here. Next Sunday being a fifth Sunday he will preach at the Stark school house in Howard county. Next first Sunday he will begin a meeting in Lamesa, with Rev. Crane to do the preaching.

Eggs wanted at 20

cents a dozen in trade at J. B. Keever's. 4-t

G. W. King had a nice new 10 foot star windmill put up at his residence in North Tahoka this week. Show us a town that has more windmills than Tahoka, and we will show you that it is a larger town.

New Millinery every few days at Miss B. Madison's. 4-t

Married in Auto.

Mr. A. E. Clloyd, former Santa Fe agent at this place, and Miss Lucilla Lowe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lowe of East Tahoka, and one of Tahoka's most beautiful and popular young ladies, were married Thursday evening September 26th, about nine o'clock, Rev. R. J. McElrath officiating. Geo. Small accompanied by Miss Cryb brought the young couple down to the parsonage in his auto.

The News joins with their many friends in congratulations and well wishing.

DIKE'S.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Morris returned Saturday of last week from a three weeks wagon trip to New Mexico. They brought back 35 bushels of apples with them.



S. A. LINDSEY.

High Cost of Marketing Products

Tyler, Texas, Sept. 23rd.

Mr. S. A. Lindsey, chairman of the sub committee on Production, and Marketing of Farm Products, has been conducting an investigation into the high cost of marketing, on behalf of the Welfare Commission. There have been shipped out from this city this season 1,571 carloads of peaches to out-of-state points and the last end of the crop rotted on the ground for want of a market, although the consumer was anxious for the fruit.

A great deal of the Texas product goes to Colorado and Mr. Lindsey's investigation into market conditions at Colorado points shows that the Texas producer gets sixty cents per bushell for packed and delivered f. o. b. Tyler at a cost of twenty-seven cents for picking, packing and hauling, sell to the Colorado consumer at \$3.75 per bushel, and when the market drops to \$3.42 per bushel the Texas farmer get nothing for his peaches. The cost per bushell of marketing a bushell of peaches in Boulder, a common point with Denver, is distributed as follows: Picking, 2 cents; packing, 2 cents; package, 20 cents; hauling, 3 cents; freight, 40 cents; icing, 15 cents; handling after reaching Colorado \$2.60; total \$3.42. It follows that peaches which sell to the Colorado consumer for \$3.75 brought the Texas producer 33 cents.

The cost of handling the peaches after they get to Colorado is more than four times the cost f. o. b. Tyler, and nearly five times the cost of the freight and icing charges added together.

This situation exists to a greater or lesser degree with all perishable farm products, and many that are not strictly perishable.

The high cost of marketing reflects its results upon Texas producers in that it lessens the consumption of the quantity and reduces prices below the cost of production.

DIKE'S.

S. M. Pike who moved here with his family from Coahoma, Texas, and is occupying the east Gunter house, will open up a hardware business in the lower story of the W. O. W. building soon after the first of the month.

Try a bottle of Dike's Family Remedies—Sold and guaranteed, only by McGill's Drug Store. 4-t

Mrs. H. C. Crie is on the sick list this week.

Ellerd Contested the Election.

Hon. Ruben M. Ellerd, of Plainview, who is well known to many Lynn county citizens, contested the nomination of Geo. L. Mayfield also of Plainview, who made the race against him for district attorney. We quote from two issues of the Plainview News.

Rueben M. Ellerd last week filed with the democratic committee a contest of the nomination for district attorney, against Geo. L. Mayfield his successful opponent in the recent primary.

Ellerd in his petition, alleges that he would have been elected had there been a fair count, but that the counting officers at the Plainview, Hale Center, Runningwater, Abernathy and Bartonite boxes in Hale county, at all the boxes in Floyd Bailey, Castro and Swisher counties, counted votes cast for him for Mayfield, there being more than 543 votes so fraudulently counted in the whole district.

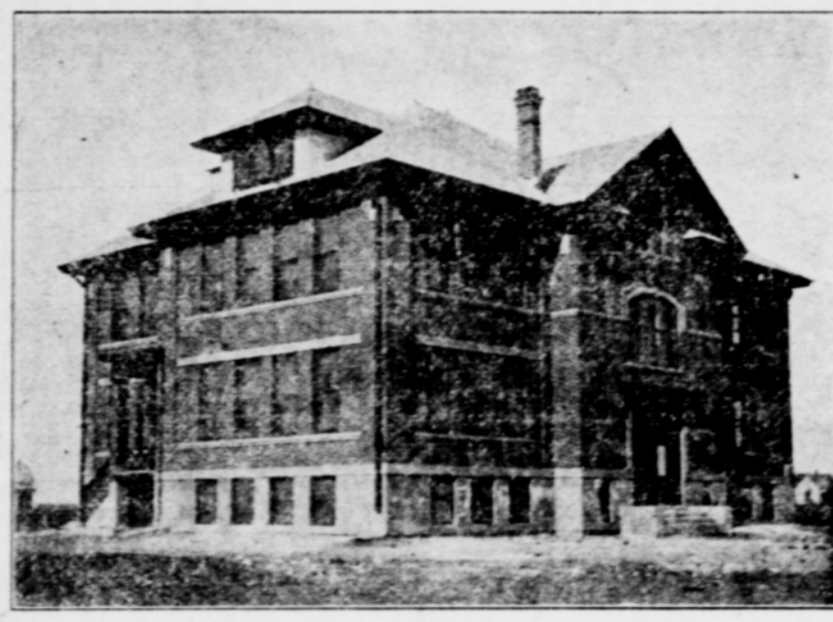
In the July primary Mayfield carried every county—the vote being according to returns, 1692 votes for Mayfield and 1149 votes for Ellerd.

The district committee, with Y. W. Holmes, chairman, J. N. Stalbird of Floyd and Dennis Zimmerman of Swisher, met Wednesday and heard the contest. After hearing several witnesses the committee overruled Ellerd's contentions, its findings being as follows: "The committee having heard and considered the contestee's exceptions to contestant's pleadings, is of the opinion that same ought to be, and same are hereby, overruled. And the committee having proceeded to hear and consider the evidence adduced touching the Plainview election box, there being no evidence offered touching any other box in any county in the said district, is of the opinion that the said evidence failed to show that there was probably fraud or illegality in counting the votes; Wherefore, the committee finds against the contestant, refuses to recount the ballots, and declares the contestee to be the legal nominee for said office; to which finding on the facts contestant then and there excepted and gave notice of appeal to the honorable district court of Hale county, Texas."

In the hearing Ellerd proposed, it is stated, that if the committee would go to each ballot box and count the votes, he would pay all expenses and pay Mayfield \$500, if he (Ellerd) was not found to be the nominee.

In the contest case of Rueben Ellerd vs. Geo. L. Mayfield for the nomination for district attorney, Judge Kinder had the ballot boxes of Plainview and Westside opened and recounted. The votes in the Westside box tallied with the primary returns and in the Plainview box it was found that Mafield received two more votes than the returns showed. No other boxes were questioned and Mayfield was declared by the court to be the regular nominee.

S. N. McDaniel received a letter Tuesday from C. R. Strong, of Wellington, Texas, who recently bought the Otis Keighler place 10 miles west of Tahoka, saying that he would ship in his cattle the last of this week.



TAHOKA PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDING

The Tahoka Public School, Some of Its History and Its Aspirations

The Tahoka Public School has been an institution of learning for something like eight years. Its struggles have been similar to those of most frontier schools; lack of funds, more pupils than the teachers could handle and do each justice, and a building too small and poorly built. All these however, are only some of the things that all schools of a new country have to conquer.

The Tahoka Public School today is one of the best High Schools in this section of the State. It has not been recognized yet by the State as a first class High School, but it has the standing of an A1 second class school.

The present corps of teachers, who are now filling their second term here, are working to have Tahoka Public School recognized as a first class High School.

This corps of teachers has made more visible progress than any since the school was organized. And we want to say that one reason for this is the hearty co-operation of the trustees and school board.

When the present faculty took charge of the school it was housed in a three room shack, (however the present building was under construction) and the school had no uniformity in grading. It had a bad name, as being unruly, and in general need of the care of a live faculty.

We are now housed in our \$15,000 brick, which is furnished with single desks, (with the exception of some rooms where the enrolment has increased so much that they are using temporary seats until better ones can be secured,) the school is strictly graded, it has recognition from the Wayland Baptist College of Plainview, and this college has offered a scholarship for the honor graduate this year.

Prof. E. A. White is now circulating a subscription list for the purpose of raising money to install the necessary equipment to qualify this school for the summer normal for 1913. The amount required is something like \$300 and he has already \$210 subscribed. The town will be more than reimbursed by the normal if they secure it, and the equipment will still remain here and will be of untold value to the school.

Some of the other things this equipment will fit the school for, besides the securing the normal, are: It will give us a First Class High School, it will bring us into recognition by the State University, provided we add one more

grade, and it will fit graduates of this school to take the entering examinations of any college in the State.

Tahoka needs the normal, but the school needs the laboratory equipment more.

Always something new in Millinery at Miss B. Madison's. 4-t

Mrs. W. D. Nevels went up to Slaton Wednesday morning to meet her mother, Mrs. Moore, of Lampasas, Texas, who came down with her on the afternoon train. Mrs. Moore had a very severe sick spell this summer and the pure, bracing air of the Plains will likely prove beneficial.

Go to McGill's Drug Store for Dike's Family Remedies. 4-t

J. E. Gracy and family, of Dallas county, came in Saturday of last week with a car of household goods, farm implements, a fine jersey cow, span of mules and five head of horses. He is moving to a farm four miles north of Brownfield. He came back and loaded two wagons with lumber at the Higginbotham-Harris Co. yard Wednesday.

NOTICE.

Any one caught hauling wood out of the Jno. B. Slaughter or Post pasture will be prosecuted.

A. R. McGonagill will report to me any one he sees hauling my wood. 4-tf

JNO. B. SLAUGHTER.

Attorneys Bledsoe, Ferguson, Beal and several others came in on the Thursday afternoon train to attend District Court.

Some nice fresh cheese at J. B. Keever's. 4-t

F. E. Redwine and T. J. Blankenship have formed a partnership and gone into the real estate business again. Both men are experienced in this line and any one having land to sell can do no better than to list it with this firm of hustling traders. 4-tt

DIKE'S.

Clifford Thomas, of the Thomas Bros. & Co.'s drug store at this place, went over to Post Monday morning with Jack Edwards in his auto. Mr. Edwards went to get some bagging and ties. They returned after dinner.

Try a bottle of Dike's Family Remedies—Sold and guaranteed, only by McGill's Drug Store. 4-tt

H. P. French was in town Thursday.

O'Donnell News

September 23rd, 1912.

Rev. T. A. Knight filled his regular appointment Sunday at eleven. He also took his missionary collection, receiving the amount for this place.

Sunday School opened Sunday with all teachers and officers present and 21 pupils in attendance.

B. L. Blackburn has moved his telephone exchange over the O'Donnell Drug Store. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Tredway will occupy his residence.

Luke Riley has added another room to his residence.

Mr. Campbell, manager of the Lamesa exchange, was here Thursday and connected the Western Telephone line with the O'Donnell exchange.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Phillips was made merry in entertaining the young folks of O'Donnell September 21st.

Judge Stokes and Mr. Redwine were on our streets last week.

Dr. Inmon, Messers Paul Miller and Griffith were down from Tahoka Thursday in Dr. Inmon's car.

C. H. Doak returned from Kansas City Saturday.

Cotton sold on the streets of O'Donnell last Friday for 11.10.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Lindley and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Belcher, of Lamesa, were up in Mr. Lindley's car last week.

Mr. Phoenix Franklin, cattle buyer of Amarillo, was here Saturday figuring on a bunch of 2's at Dee Harris' ranch.

Mr. Jim Rigs and Miss Ola Hester were quietly married at bride's home Sunday morning at 10:00 o'clock. Bro. T. A. Knight officiating. Their many friends wish them much joy and success.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Tredway visited their son, W. A. Tredway, of this place last week.

Since our last writing we have had a good rain and prospects for a good coat of winter grass is very flattering. The rain will also do much good to late feed.

Cotton has been coming into O'Donnell very fast for the past week.

REPORTER.

C. C. McLaurine was in town Thursday with a bale of cotton to be ginned.

For Sale or Trade.

A fine \$3,000 Registered German Coach Stallion, solid black, 8 years old, 15 hands high, weighs 1500 pounds, very pretty and stylish, considered the finest looking horse in our part of the country. Will sell him or trade for mules, horses, mares, or a tract of land.

For particulars write the owner, Dr. G. Schulze, Shiner, Lavaca County, Texas. 4-7

Ben King, of the G. W. King & Son livery stable, had us print some circulars last week for Jno. R. Williams, the mule buyer, who will be in Tahoka today and tomorrow.

DIKE'S.

J. H. Cowan and family moved Monday from the McLoud house east of the square, into the Preston Majors house in North Tahoka.

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For the LITTLE ONES

NEW YORK LAD HAD A HEART

Little Fellow Held Nose Bag Up So That Horse Might Get Few Remaining Oats in Bottom.

The cold wind was sweeping through Church street under the "L," and a small boy was running along shivering for lack of an overcoat, when he saw a horse feeding from a nose bag. Only a few oats were left in the bottom of the bag, and the horse was jerking its head so as to catch the remnant of its dinner, that was out of reach of



A Boy With a Heart.

its tenure. The lad, says the new York Mail, ran up to the horse and held the bag so that the animal could get the rest of the oats, and he shivered the while. Then he patted the horse on the nose and ran along whistling.

TINIEST TRAVELER IN ARMY

Miss Julia Kitts, Daughter of Lieutenant of Infantry, Has Record as Globe Trotter.

The United States army can now probably claim the world's juvenile traveling record by virtue of the globe trotting of Miss Julia D. Kitts, daughter of Lieut. William P. Kitts, Twenty-first United States infantry.

Incidentally her record sheds a strong light upon the mutations of the army officer and the frequent recurrence of "moving day," says the Army and Navy Journal.

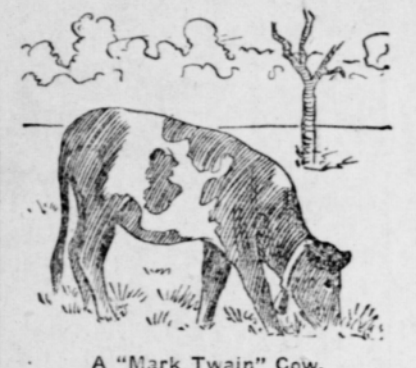
The child was born at Fort Lincoln, N. D., April 29, 1904, and was the first baby born at that post. Within three weeks she had traveled 452 miles; within two months, 1,259 miles; within six months, 3,759 miles, and within one year, 13,306 miles. In this short time she had traveled from North Dakota to Minnesota, to the Atlantic coast; to San Francisco, and thence across the Pacific to the Philippines.

It took her only two years more to add 17,000 miles to her record, making the total distance covered in three years, 32,296 miles, or an average of more than 10,000 miles a year. She has kept on going and at present has more than 45,000 miles to her credit. This youthful tourist, who could not be shamed by Phineas Fogg, Jules Verne's traveling hero, has nearly completed her second tour of foreign service with the regiment.

COW IS CURIOUSLY MARKED

Alderney Holstein, on Whose Side There Appears Profile Bust of Humorist, Mark Twain.

This curiously-marked cow was born on the farm of Mr. Walker, near Alberts, Pa. It is an Alderney Holstein cow, on whose side there appears the profile bust of the great humorist. The colors of the cow are white and dark brown. As the months have passed the Twain bust has become more and more distinct, until today it stands out so plainly that the



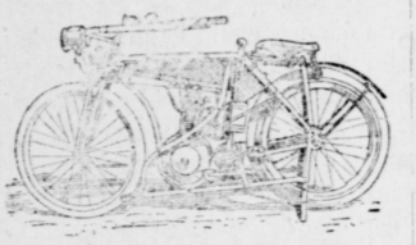
A "Mark Twain" Cow.

most casual glance shows what it is. The white marking is also unique, in that it forms an almost perfect map of the United States.

MOTORCYCLE DEVICE IS NEW

Stand Patented by Eastern Inventor Designed to Eliminate Most of Jar Usually Felt.

A motorcycle stand, raised and lowered by means of a hand lever, has been patented by an inventor of Chatham, Mass. It is shown attached to a high top-frame old-style machine, the saddle of which has been brought low enough for the rider to stand over it, with his feet on the ground. After starting the engine, the rider presses forward on the hand lever, thus throwing the stand in its cooperative posi-



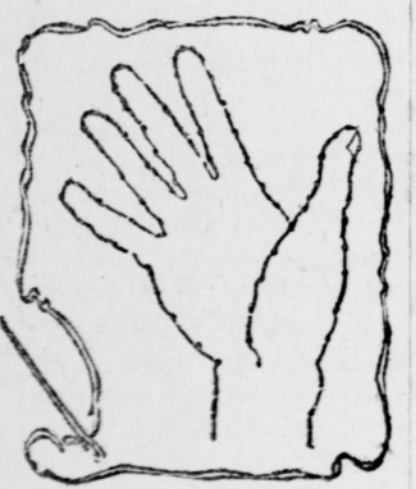
New Motorcycle Stand.

tion, the revolving drivewheel comes in contact with the ground, and the machine starts under momentum. The brake-shoe attachment of the stand rests against the lower part of the front tire when the stand is in operative position, and is designed to eliminate most of the jar incident to the use of the ordinary stand.

MAKING PICTURES OF HANDS

Illustration Shows How Little Folks May Amuse Themselves—Colored Worsteds Is Needed.

The illustration shows a way for little folks to make pictures of their own hands. The hand is placed flat on a piece of heavy paper or cardboard and traced all around with a lead pencil. Then with a darning needle or other blunt point punch out



Picture of Own Hands.

holes at frequent intervals on the pencil outline. With a needle and colored thread or worsted the child then sews over and under around the outline, returning the same way to fill the alternate spaces.

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Cannot Hold Hand Still.

it—or use one of your own if necessary. Then take a piece of thread about 18 inches long and fasten one end of it to the coin with a little sealing wax or a piece of somebody's gum. Then get a friend to rest her arm on a foot rule or other stick about that long with the other end on the table. Have her hold the thread as shown, so that the coin will just reach into a glass on the table—and then see if she can keep the coin from hitting the glass. She will be unable to do it, for the coin will soon begin to sway back and forth like a pendulum and tinkle on the glass.

SPOILED WEDDING BREAKFAST.

The jealousy of the bridegroom's brother brought a wedding breakfast to a rude termination the other day. It was the marriage day of a couple of Besztetreczbanya, a Hungarian village, after an engagement of several years. After they had returned from the ceremony the bridegroom's brother rose at the wedding breakfast, and, after toasting the young couple and wishing them every happiness, declared that he had loved his sister-in-law as long as he had known her, and that he could not bear to see her married to another man. He then shot himself through the head.

The Desert.

Have you felt the charm of the desert,
The lure of the cactus land,
When cloud ships white and fleecy
Cast shadows o'er the sand?
Have you seen the smile of the desert
At the close of a restful day?
Each breeze goes by like a woman's sigh,
And here you would fain always.

Have you felt the fangs of the desert,
The sting of its poisoned days,
When the cruel sun is gleaming
On spear-lined, dusty ways?
Have you felt the breath of the desert
When the lips of the wanderer swell,
When the breezes leap o'er the gulches
deep
From the open doors of hell.

Have you felt the breath of the desert
In the moonlight's shimmering veil,
When the sky is molten copper
And the sands have hid the trail?
Have you felt the clasp of the desert
When the old canteen is dry,
And you quit the fight and pray for night
That in darkness you may die?
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Panel 1: "WHY AN' GOT TRAP! THEY SAY THAT TH' SIMPLY CAN'T BE ON IT!"

Panel 2: "NOW I'LL JUST SET A TRAP NEAR TH' HOLE EN' BY HECK I BET I'LL RID THIS BARN OF THEM'ER PESTS!"

Panel 3: "WELL I'LL BE DURNED!!"

Panel 4: "THAT NIGHT HEY FELLERS COME OUT HERE"

Panel 5: "I SAY HE OUGHT TO BE MADE TO APOLOGIZE!!" "RIGHT!!"

Panel 6: "THAT OUGHT TO HOLD HIM FOR AWHILE."

Panel 7: "SIR—THIS TRAP IS AN INSULT TO OUR INTELLIGENCE WE REFUSE TO BE CAUGHT IN ANY TRAP BOUGHT AWAY FROM HOME."

Panel 8: "HERE AFTER I'LL BUY IT AT HOME!!"

Panel 9: "NEXT MORNING"

Young Women

Read what Cardui did for Miss Myria Engler, of Faribault, Minn. She says: "Let me tell you how much good Cardui has done me. As a young girl, I always had to suffer so much with all kind of pain. Sometimes, I was so weak that I could hardly stand on my feet. I got a bottle of Cardui, at the drug store, and as soon as I had taken a few doses, I began to feel better. Today, I feel as well as anyone can."

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A Painted Lady

By Marion Gordon

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Gladwin looked around the fine old hall with satisfied eyes, his dreams of a home at last fulfilled. From his orphaned boyhood he had yearned for four walls of his very own to encompass him with friendly warmth and affection, and now he found them here in this fine old mansion purchased from the impoverished members of an almost extinct family. Samuel Gladwin had made himself rich and successful at forty-two.

"Samuel, my boy," he said to himself, "this is better than bachelor apartments or splendid hotels—this is home! It only lacks one thing. I must get me a wife."

He looked a little wistfully through the vista of untenanted rooms. His own money and cultivated taste had perfected the shabby interior, which still retained its fine old mahogany and china. In the library, which was his own special den, hung several family portraits that had passed into his hands.

Over the fireplace hung the portrait of a lady—a sweet, fair, brown-haired girl, with dreamy gray-blue eyes and rose-tinted cheeks. Her hair framed her face mistily, and her white throat and arms were veiled with some sheer black gauzy stuff. At her bosom nestled a pale pink rose.

Gladwin threw himself into a low chair and blew a cloud of smoke upward. Through the blue haze the painted lady smiled tenderly down at him. So he would have his wife look at him—so would he have her gaze at their children.

Presently black Martha brought some fresh logs for the fire, and her keen old eyes caught the expression on his face as he stared up at the picture.

"Kin I do anything more, Marse Gladwin?" she asked, lingering near the door.

"No, thank you, Martha—that is, unless you can tell me something more about the picture over the mantelpiece."

A film seemed to cover Martha's eyes—she looked like a wise old tortoise as she drew her lean neck back into the folds of her kerchief.

"Excuse me, Marse Gladwin," she said drily, "seems like I done told you all about dat picture. It's de pictur of Miss Rosamond Dilly—she's daid and buried this twenty year like all de Dillys' cept old Miss and young Miss."

"Who is 'old Miss'?" "Missis Jedge Dilly—her as sold you de house, sah," returned Martha crisply.

"Oh, I never met her; I transacted all the business through her lawyers. And who is 'young Miss'?"

"Miss Rosamond Mallory—granddaughter to Missis Jedge Dilly—that's Miss Rosamond's ma befor' she was married." Martha pointed to the portrait above the mantel.

"Tain't considered lucky to hev dat pictur' around sah," she said as she opened the door.

"Why?" he asked quickly, scenting a story.

"It's ha'nted."

"Nonsense," he laughed.

Martha tossed her white turban scornfully. "I guess ole Marse knew! He was sot aginst her marryin' young Mallory—he was hand-sum—but he was pore—and when de baby was born Miss Rosamond died and her pa never forgive himself and he usester say she cum down outer de pictur' and talk to him when he sat smokin' heah!"

Martha swung out of the room, and the door closed behind her with a bang that Gladwin did not notice.

So his home was filled with memories of other people! It was still alive with old tragedies—old heart-aches. All there were left of the fine old family were the grandmother and the young girl who taught school in Fairlawn.

The clock, striking the half hour eleven aroused him to the fact that the lamp was burning low, and he extinguished it, sitting there by the glow from the embers in the fireplace.

"It is home, but it is very lonely," he murmured regretfully.

Then something strange hap-

pened.

When he opened his eyes again he was conscious of a presence in the room beside him.

He stared up at the black space where the portrait had been, and then at the dim corner of the room where the fire-light flickered over the paneled wall, making an unsubstantial background for the slender form of a girl gowned in gauzy black. A pink rose nestled in her bosom and her fair face set in its frame of misty dark hair looked like another rose.

So Martha's story was true! The fair Rosamond of the picture had stepped down from her frame and come to reproach him—for what? For buying her old home, of course, he told himself as he stared at her with fascinated eyes.

All at once he realized that she was staring back at him in a frightened way. Her hand moved! It flew up to her white throat with a gesture of great fear!

His picture was alive!

"Don't be frightened, Miss Rosamond," he heard himself saying gently.

"Oh!" cried the apparition, turning as if to flee.

"Please stay—I thought you were a ghost or something—" he went on, still sitting there. "Old Martha has been telling stories to me."

The girl sighed audibly.

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"I apologize most humbly," she said in a low, sweet voice that thrilled him. "You must not blame old Martha—I begged her to let me come in for a few minutes. There was no light and we thought you had gone to bed."

Gladwin arose and wheeled another chair to the fire. He tossed on some pine splinters and another log and turned to her with a charming gesture of hospitality.

"I am sure you will rest a little while," he said courteously.

"Oh, thank you," she hesitated and then swept forward and sank into the chair.

Gladwin saw that she was indeed flash and blood. He easily guessed that she must be the daughter of that fair Rosamond Dilly, who had eloped with her lover and displeased her stern parent.

"I am Rosamond Mallory," said the girl with a quick upward look at the portrait of her mother now visible in the candle light Gladwin had produced. "Today is my birthday—and I wanted to come back to the old home and look at her picture just once more. Grandmother does now know—she would be horrified at such an act. She doesn't understand how I feel about it. I never knew my mother, but I love her memory so dearly."

Gladwin's own eyes dimmed. He, too, had never known his mother and he understood the yearning for mother hands and mother heart to learn upon.

"I know," he said hoarsely, and she glanced at him and knew that he understood. "It is very good of you to tell me all this, and now, if you will honor me by remaining here as long as you please, I will send Martha to you at once."

She held out her hand, a firm pink flesh and blood palm that he covered in his own large grasp.

"I thank you sincerely, Mr. Gladwin," she said simply. "I am sure grandmother will be glad to meet you; of course, you know it hurt us to part with the old place, but I feel differently now that I have met you."

"You are very good," murmured Gladwin as he bent over her hand. "Some day when Mrs. Dill is able to receive visitors I will ride over to Fairlawn."

When he left the room Rosamond was looking at the portrait of her mother with the same tender gaze that the painted Rosamond bent upon her daughter.

He found a badly frightened Martha lingering outside the door, but when he reassured her and sent her into the library with a tray of refreshments for the unexpected visitor, she smiled gratefully at him and thereafter was devoted to him.

In time Gladwin's other dreams came true. Into his lonely life there came a beautiful love story, and the painted lady in the picture smiled tenderly down upon Gladwin and his wife, Rosamond, and their children, and upon the white-haired grandmother, who came back into the old home to partake of their happiness.

HEAVY VOLTAGE.

"That doctor is a regular human dynamo."

"Yes; when I came in contact with him, I myself was highly charged."

GIVE A LIFETIME



Smudge—I hear that old Crookery was given "the time of his life" yesterday.

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BAD ROADS BURDEN

ONWARD MARCH OF PROGRESS IS RETARDED BY MISERABLE HIGHWAYS.

BIG HANDICAP TO PEOPLE

Costs Much More to Haul Produce Over Bad Roads Than It Does Over Good Roads—Effect of Good Roads on Social Life.

BY HOWARD H. GROSS.

When one makes a study of this great subject and sees in how many ways the march of progress is retarded by miserable highways the country over, and realizes what a big on this handicap places upon the people, it is surprising that the whole population does not rise as one man and demand that the highway conditions shall be improved to the standard required for the twentieth century.

Road advocates have shown for years and years how much more it costs to haul produce over bad roads

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per year over and above what it would cost to perform the same service over roads that are uniformly good. One of the great world questions is that of good roads, and the sooner the people wake up to the fact the faster and surer will our progress be toward higher and better things.

There is a widespread clamor for a parcel post and strong influences are at work to get the federal government committed to it. The indications are that it will be tried out on a moderate scale. Whether the parcel post will prove a blessing or otherwise is an open question, and one we will not at this time discuss. We may say, however, that any attempt at the parcel post that contemplates extending the service to the rural mail routes will prove a disappointment. The conditions of the public roads are such that for weeks at a time it would be physically impossible to make delivery. The carriers are taxed now to the limit. If he starts out with fifty pounds over bad roads it is a heavier burden than five times the weight over a good road. Given the parcel post in full swing and without doubt the weight the carrier must handle will be many times what it is now. Any one familiar with conditions will say that without good permanent highways the delivery of packages over rural routes will be a physical impossibility. The first thing to strive for is good roads; let the parcel post come later.

TRY FERRO-CEMENT ROADS

Experiments With This Substance in France Have Been Highly Successful.

"Ferro-cement" roads are being experimented with in France. The substance is made of cement mixed with straw. To make a slab or block of ferro-cement, a mass of iron-straw is placed in the mold, and there is poured over it cement sufficiently fluid to penetrate into all the interstices of the iron and completely cover it. When the whole has set, the core of iron, thus intimately incorporated gives to the block a great resistance to breakage and to traction, at the same time furnishing elasticity to compression which enables it to stand superficial shocks. A brick of ferro-cement 135 inches thick has supported during crushing tests, a pressure of about 65 tons to the square inch. In breakage tests, the resistance was quadruple that of ordinary cement. Resistance to wear was no less remarkable.

ELECTRIC MULES FOR PANAMA

Railroad to Be Built Along Panama for Drawing Ships From Ocean to Ocean.

The first shipment of steel has been made from New York for building a unique electric railway along the Panama canal for drawing great ships from ocean to ocean. The enormous volume of shipping across the isthmus will be drawn on the ancient towpath system, so that it will be unnecessary for steamers to proceed under their own steam. In place of the mules, on this curious towpath, powerful electric locomotives will draw the largest ships smoothly and swiftly across the continent. A steamer of, say 20,000 tons, which the canal will readily accommodate, is obviously a very heavy burden, and the electric locomotives will be geared to the tracks by a middle rail in the form of a rack. The canal commission has authorized for 2,000,000 pounds of steel ties, slots and covers and 1,300,000 pounds of steel channels. This rack railway will be built by the commission, and will be in working order in less than two years, in time for the opening of the canal.

Silver-Eyed Beefsteak.

The London cop calls his half-penny herring his silver-eyed beefsteak, and there are hundreds cooking every minute in London town where one is eaten here. Any time of the year a big part of this city would profit by eating fish for a spell instead of beef. With no open air exercise beef is a heap harder than fish for the body to get rid of, because there is a good deal more water in fish than in beef or pork. Fish are fat or lean. Eel, salmon, herring are more than five per cent. grease. Halibut and mackerel are two to five per cent. fat; cod, whiting, haddock, even less than two per cent.—New York Press.

It Seems Puzzling.

Recently in Pittsburg Mrs. Katherine Maxon-Smith-Baumgardner, reputed to be the wealthiest woman in Louisville, Ky., embarked on the matrimonial sea for the fourth time by becoming the bride of Carl Neumeier, also of Louisville. The bride is said to be very close to eighty-three years of age and the groom somewhat over half of that. At some time the same time in Paris Mrs. Albert Clifford Barney, of Washington, who owns up to sixty-one widowers and who is worth some \$5,000,000, married Christian D. Hemmick, of Washington, who is twenty-six years of age. There are times when matrimony looks like maternal love.

An Uncertain Step.

"He has about the strangest walk I have ever seen." "Yes; you see, he was engaged to a girl who wore a hobble gown and just when he had got so he could keep step with her she threw him down, and now he is engaged to a girl who wears a harem skirt and he is trying to learn to keep step with her."—Houston Post.

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The report for the Tahoka Methodist Sunday School for Sunday September 22nd was as follows: Officers and teachers present 9, absent 0; pupils present 37, absent 25; visitors 1; total present 47; collection .81.

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FEMINE PERVERSITY.

"Why did that poor little woman turn so white?"

"I suppose on account of her husband's black look."

NO DANGER.

"Maria, look at the clock. Is the pendulum oscillating?"
"Law, no, ma'am! It's just swinging back an' forrerd all right."

GOOD THAT FAR.

Bill—Is your eyesight bad, old man?
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cream, biscuits, cakes and sauces. The use of the soya bean oil for paint purpose is established as a practical fact. While it is said that soya oil is not yet proved a perfect substitute for linseed oil in exterior painting, in interior painting it is entirely satisfactory and for some sorts of finishings, like "baking japans," it is even better than linseed oil.—Christian Science Monitor.

INTEURDANITES.

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than it does over good ones; how with good roads the farmer can market his produce at any time he desires to do so and take advantage of market conditions and get the most for what he has to sell.

End roads are a serious handicap to social conditions, and sometimes for weeks at a time dwellers in the farm home are marooned by stretches of impassable roads. They cannot get out to see anybody and nobody can get to see them. The town that is five miles away might as well be twice that. We know that man is a sociable thing—it is part of his nature—he can only grow and develop by meeting his fellow men—touching elbows—and by social and business intercourse.

We know that bad roads have been responsible in a very large degree for retarding the young people from the farm to the cities. The census for the last thirty years has shown an ever increasing drift of the best brains from the top of the farm to the city. This

well as muscle. In such a school the boy and girl would be able to get a high school education and live at home upon the farm.

The school would be the social as well as the educational center of the township—the rallying point where the citizens could go and hold meetings; it would develop the social life, would be strong and helpful, and the young people would find in the central school and the associations that go with it, and the school spirit that would be developed, a satisfying condition that would make life upon the farm attractive instead of otherwise.

Another handicap to progress and a menace to our whole country, that is very rarely traceable to bad roads, is the fact that so many thousands of farms are passing from the hands of owner into the hands of tenants. The weaning of the children from farm carries the patents away when advancing years makes it necessary for them to lay the burdens down. We

are building up a peasantry (it sounds hard to call it that) which promises trouble in the future and raises the question whether we are not establishing here in the central west the conditions that have been the curse of Ireland for three hundred years. The result of this condition is that the soil is losing its fertility; the farm is becoming foul; noxious weeds are growing; the landlord squeezes the tenant for all the rent that is in sight and the tenant takes it out of the farm; he cannot afford for the short lease of one or two years to buy fertilizers; he must simply rob the soil for all he can get and turn it over to his successor in worse condition than he found it. He cannot go into stock farming on short land tenures, so he must be what is known as a grain farmer, and this takes the life out of the soil. The greatest economic menace of the world today, bar nothing, is the depletion of soil fertility, and this will go on as tenantry increases.

Thus we see a few of the very many drawbacks that are directly and indirectly due to bad roads, and we may add to the list, as stated by the department of agriculture, that the cost of moving farm products to the market and getting supplies back to the farm over bad highways causes an extra expense of at least \$3.50 per person



A road that is undrained, undragged, useless and uninviting. Query: Is it a highway or mirage? The march of progress over such roads will certainly be slow. Such roads mean isolation, drudgery, poor schools, poverty and wretchedness. The building of good roads will practically double the value of such farm lands and the State and Federal Government ought to help build the roads. A good road ought to change the name of such a locality from Mud Flats to Pleasant Plains.

the true understanding that there is no better business in the world than farming, if it is done along up-to-date, progressive lines. It renders a surer and larger return than anything else in the world's work, yet the fact remains that the boy is not satisfied with farm life. With good roads, so he could get out whenever he desired to with his best buggy and girl, or perhaps an automobile, country life would take on an entirely different aspect.

The handicap of the bad road is certainly a heavy one and is far-reaching. Education has suffered greatly by reason of it. The country schools are little, if any, better than they were forty years ago. It is an open question whether they are as good. The wages paid the teachers are small. The number of pupils is very limited—sometimes three or four—often not over a dozen or fifteen. There is no school spirit; there is no anything but dreariness and drudgery with little progress toward education. When the boy and girl get old enough to realize this condition and the parents see it, there is nothing to do but send Johnny or Lizzie to the nearby town or city, where the schools are better and where there is an opportunity getting the education and while Johnny and Lizzie are picking

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