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Big Springs, Texas

County Depository Howard County

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Revival Meeting Closed.

The revival which has been conducted at the tabernacle for the past two weeks, came to a close last Sunday night. Great good was done during this meeting that will be a permanent factor for the betterment of our town. Notwithstanding the unusually hot weather, five services were held each day in the week, Sunday excepted. There were three services at the tabernacle, one at the T. & P. shops and one on the street corner each day. Hundreds of people were thus brought under the influence of the gospel. Brother Monk preached boldly and fearlessly and held the standard of christian living high. Billy Lewis sang, as only Billy can, the gospel song to the great delight of all. There were 45 conversions and reclamations. In addition to these 71 children above the age of six, made public profession of faith and expressed a desire to join the different churches. The scene Sunday night was beyond description when after an able sermon 14 splendid young men and women offered themselves for God's

service in the home or foreign field. All hearts were touched when they heard these volunteers offer prayer to Almighty God for guidance and express their determination to live for God alone. The delight of the congregation reached its highest point when the parents, brothers and sisters and other relatives concurred in this act of consecration to God. The revival was of God and the results will abide. When shall we see the like again? For their services Brother Monk was paid \$200, Billy Lewis \$85 and Mrs. Lewis \$22.40.

City Will Require Owners To Remove Wooden Buildings on Main Street

It is authentically announced that at its next meeting the city council will give notice to owners of wooden structures on Main street to move them off.

E. L. Dreben has had a force of men at work putting in shelving in his apartment in the new Bauer building. When finished he will have a nice up to date store carrying a complete line of gent's furnishings.

Big-Barbecue July 5th.

One of the biggest and most enjoyable events that has ever been pulled off in Soash will occur July 5th in the form of a picnic and dance. This promises to be a big thing for that little enterprising inland town according to the work of those in charge. There will be a big barbecue and we are authorized to say that there will be plenty to eat and among other things to add to the enjoyment of those present in the way of a good base ball game and big dance.

The fare from Big Springs will be \$2.00 each way, this low rate being made so that all may have a good chance to go. The automobiles will leave in front of the Soash Land Co.'s office at 7:30 a. m., and transportation may be had by phoning 249.

Everyone knowing the enterprising spirit of the people around and in Soash can bespeak a good time for all who go.

Parker-Montieth.

The word was said last Sunday evening by Rev. Boyd Wade that made Ed C. Parker and Miss Lula Montieth man and wife. The wedding was one of those social events that is long remembered by the friends of the contracting parties. Miss Montieth lives out some twelve miles north-east of town where she is a very popular young lady, numbering her friends by her acquaintance. Mr. Parker is employed by the Western Telephone Co., here in which position he has a host of friends won by his fine business qualities. We extend to the happy couple our best wishes for a long and prosperous life.

The Automobile Contest.

The promoters of the "flag to flag" auto race which starts from Denver some time in October, have chosen Texas as a part of the proposed territory they will cover. It is definitely settled that the towns of Texaline, Dalhart, Amarillo, Plainview, Lubbock and Big Springs will be directly in line of the run. There will be some 100 contestants to enter the endurance run. They will consist of men in financial positions and should be shown the big heartiness of our people when they come. Aside from being a good advertiser, will carry the news of our good hearted people to other climes.

CULTIVATOR TIME

The rains have come and are still coming. We have had one inch more rain now than Fort Worth has, so it is up to us this year to make a bumper crop for the Big Springs country. We are in position to help you with the strongest lines of cultivators in the world.

The Case, The Canton and The Texas Ohio

Four or six shovel, round or flat shank; we also have a new improved two row cultivator with ten shovels. We have sold several of these and they are doing the work of two single row cultivators. They are not an experiment, they are a success; we guarantee them.

SLED LISTERS or "GO DEVILS"

are going like hot cakes. We have the Ohio and the Canton, lots of them; but they won't last always. Come and see us, we are the implement people.

Stokes-Hughes Co.

WHOLESALE

RETAIL

C. W. B. M. Will Entertain

The Christian Womans' Board of Missions will entertain at the Christian church Tuesday evening, June 29, from 8.30 to 11.00.

PROGRAM

Chorus.
Reading—W. H. Bainbridge.
Vocal Duet—Misses Ethel and Gladys Read.
Reading—Miss Eula Brown.
Vocal Duet—Misses Jessie and Nina Wright.
Reading—Jesse Ervin.
Instrumental selection, "Meditation"—Miss Bessie Prichard.
Reading—Miss Lillie Mauldin.
Duet—Mrs. Anna Pope and Miss Margaret Crawford.
Reading—Mrs. Bledsoe.
Instrumental selection—Mrs. Poffenbach.

A. F. Park, of Fort Worth, has been in the city several days this week in the interest of the town lots in San Jacinto addition to the town of Amarillo. Mr. Park has one of the finest propositions in the way of selling we ever saw. When you buy a lot from him you are given a chance at a drawing for 15 nice residences in Amarillo, all completed throughout, this making it a nice proposition to the investor and lends encouragement that he may succeed in winning one of these nice homes. Mr. Park's plans for selling are liberal enough for anyone. Prices range from \$130.00 to \$220.00 according to location. These lots are on car line in one mile of business section of the fastest growing, most enterprising cities in the state. Mr. Park, the agent, can be seen at Stewart hotel Friday or Saturday evening from 7 to 11 o'clock.

Quite a crowd of the young people went out on a hay ride Wednesday night and judging from the noise of laughter they made all enjoyed themselves.

Baptist Revival.

We had an opportunity just at this time to secure the services of one of our most able preachers and revivalists, Rev. F. M. McConnell, of Dallas, state evangelist of the Baptist state mission board. He is a great preacher. When you hear him once you will want to hear him again. He will arrive Sunday and take charge of the services. All christians are invited to attend and take part in the services, and the unsaved are cordially invited to come that they might be saved. Services each morning at 10 o'clock and each night at 8:30 o'clock at the tabernacle and a 4 o'clock street service each afternoon. We want everyone to feel easy and at home in this meeting. We believe in the good people of Big Springs and feel sure they appreciate all such efforts upon the part of the churches.

Wilson C. Rogers, Pastor.

While out looking around for news Tuesday we happened into the new paint and paper shop of Martin & Moon, in the Sparenberg building, and, by the way, we never saw a nicer looking place before. While looking over the situation and thinking of how nice this new shop was, in steps Moon, and in conversation told us they had bought a car of paint and some 6000 rolls of the best assorted paper. This new enterprise means much to this town. Besides doing the local work here they will be the distributing point in this county and surrounding counties. When they have received their new orders they will have one of the most up-to-date paper and paint businesses between Ft. Worth and El Paso. The many friends of the firm predict for them a brilliant career in the paint and paper business, and knowing the worth to a town of such a business, we know their success is assured.

A Most Hearty Welcome

to each of you who visit our store, and we are anxious that you become a customer if not already one. Our groceries are fresh, you know we are styled

The Pure Food Grocers

If its to eat, we have it. We carry feed stuff of all kinds, such as oats, chops, bran, hay, etc. Remember that you don't have to pay long time prices when you buy from us.

POOL BROTHERS

THE PRICE MAKERS

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| 1-4 OFF | All Ready-to-Wear Garments at 25 Per Cent DISCOUNT at J. & W. Fisher Get Ready for the Fourth Begins Monday, June 28th | 1-4 OFF |
| 1-4 OFF | | 1-4 OFF |

THE ENTERPRISE

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BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

Taken as a whole, it is most un-
usually fruit that grows on the gam-
bling tree.

Count Zepelin is unlikely to make
bank of a lot of Dresdenoughts before
they are built.

San Francisco probably would be
glad to trade its graft scandals for So-
viet's exposition.

Texas unions are driving Bermuda
unions out of the market, it being a
case of strong competition.

Kissing through a veil isn't worth
while, says a popular lecturer. Why
not—if you can kiss clear through it?

It may be all right asking the wom-
en to remove their hats in church.
But where in the world could they put
em?

The up-to-date Texas farmer who
has big mules and sulky plows is
right in the swim as a joy rider these
times.

They may be a little too severely
severe on the house fly nowadays, but
be certainly is a menace to bald
heads.

Earthquakes may not be any more
numerous than they were in former
centuries, but they attract more at-
tention.

A circumspect contemporary an-
nounces that a London physician has
an "alleged cure for the white plague."
We have lots of those.

That St. Louis man who is a stable
boss at a salary of \$12,000 a year is a
testimonial to the fact that the politi-
cal sharks don't pick all the fat pi-
gnons.

Doctors make a good deal of noise
over the fact that they have discov-
ered a man who lived without brains.
Plenty of them, but was this one a
professional jargon?

Some Londoners were more dis-
tressed over the report that the Hol-
bein painting might come to Amer-
ica than they were over the parades
of unemployed men.

Americans in Havana decorated the
wreck of the Maine on Memorial
day. But that pitiful hulk should be
lifted out of the mud of Havana har-
bor just the same.

Now it is alleged England has no
need for a blue navy. A huge navy
is like keeping a six-shooter in the
house—you may not need it very
often, but when you do you want it
bad.

Man's vanity is great, but it is one
of his strange inconsistencies not to
be pleased at big damages assessed
against him in breach-of-promise suits
as showing how very much he is
worth.

The tactful woman generally man-
ages to obtain all the spending money
she wants by making believe she ac-
cepts everything her husband tells her
as gospel truth. There are many wo-
men, however, who are always shy of
spending money.

The minister of finance in Vienna
has announced new taxes on bache-
lors, widows, matches and land values.
It cannot be said that the tax author-
ities there have not comprehensively
and conscientiously covered the tax-
able ground.

Hiram Maxim insists that his noise-
less gun does not really do away with
sound to an extent that would give
criminals a great advantage. He re-
gards the protests against his device
by legislators as hysterical. Like a
fond parent, the inventor can see no
fault in the offspring of his genius.

A Gotham coroner's jury found that
a child had come to its death while
undergoing a surgical operation from
a surgeon's knife slipping and cutting
an artery, and recommended that the
hospital surgeons be more careful in
the future. It could easily be seen
that this jury was drawn from a na-
tion of humanists.

Mistaken which is a great producer
of that valuable beast, the American
mule, requires that the price of the
animal be going up. In these days of
motoring, freighting and other ad-
vanced methods of transit it is some-
thing to be proud of that the Amer-
ican mule more than holds his own.
And sometimes it is quite a task to
hold the American mule.

The girls employed in the stores
in the shopping district of Chicago
have organized a war on that queer
and useless class of humanity popu-
larly known as "Street Johnnies."
They will be ably assisted by a "Mas-
sachusetts Police Squad," especially de-
tailed to the duty, which need of such ser-
vice shows another anomaly in our
higher civilization.

The sight of a woman performing
the heavier kinds of labor once
deemed fit only for men is still suffi-
ciently novel. Yet the census re-
turns show that nearly 25,000 women
are employed as blacksmiths, brick-
makers, wood choppers, stove-makers
and porters. Sentiment may depreciate
their increase of numbers in indus-
tries requiring strength and endur-
ance. But where they possess the re-
quisite physique and are under no
illusions as to degrees of respectabil-
ity in labor it is not apparent why
they should not engage in masculine
occupations as freely as they like.

EVENTS BOILED DOWN

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MATTERS SERVED UP IN ATTRACTIVE STYLE.

NOTHING GOOD GOT AWAY

Everything Important That Could Be
Confined to a Small Space is
Here Found.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

President Taft will possibly super-
sede putting the finishing touches upon
the proposed amendment to the tariff
bill providing for the imposition of a
2 per cent tax upon the net earnings
of corporations.

Availing themselves of the presence
of a quorum, the leaders of the House
Monday obtained action upon several
important matters of legislation.
Among these was the conference re-
port on the bill providing for the tak-
ing of the thirteenth census and with
respect to that measure the debate
hinged on the Senate amendment
requiring that applicants for appoint-
ment must take examinations in the
State or Territory in which they pro-
pose to live, and that they must have
had at least one year's actual domicile
therein previous to such examination.

Just before adjournment Friday the
Senate, at Washington, adopted by a
vote of 44 to 32 the amendment of the
Senate Committee on Finance fixing a
duty of \$4 a ton on print paper in
place of the House rate of \$2 a ton.

President Taft sent a message to
Congress Wednesday in which he ar-
gued against the adoption of the pend-
ing amendment to the income tax and
recommended a tax on the net earn-
ings of corporations.

A report which became current Tues-
day that President Taft will shortly
send to Congress a message urging the
adoption of an amendment to the tariff
bill levying a tax of 2 per cent on cor-
porations in lieu of the proposed in-
come tax created consternation in the
ranks of the supporters of the Bailey-
Cummins income tax amendment.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS.

Earthquake shocks were felt in por-
tions of France Wednesday. No lives
were lost, but considerable damage was
done.

Edgar Jones, 15 years of age, resid-
ing in West Sherman, was drowned in
Post Oak Bayou, supposedly at a very
early hour Friday morning.

The third annual meeting of the
Central West Texas Association of
Commercial Clubs was called to order
at 10:30 a. m. Tuesday in Abilene.

A record-breaking price for Texas
hogs was reached on the Fort Worth
market Friday morning, by the sale of
71 head which brought \$7.75 per hun-
dred.

Conservative estimates on the loss
sustained by the Katy Thursday night
in the fire which destroyed the car
repair shops in Denton range between
\$125,000 and \$150,000.

In a spectacular raid made by post-
office inspectors and city detectives a
patrol wagon full of Italians was
rounded up Thursday in Cincinnati,
Ohio.

The Missouri, Kansas and Texas
Monday notified the Railroad Commis-
sion that an agreement had been
reached with the H. & T. C. and Frisco
for a resumption of the work on the
union depot ordered constructed at
Denton.

G. J. Gibbs, secretary of the Grain
Dealers' Association, says the new
Texas wheat crop is the best, in point
of quality, in years. He says the crop
now being harvested is weighing 58 to
62 pounds to the bushel. The last four
years the average has been about 54
pounds.

The Oklahoma State School Land
Commission Thursday instructed the
School Land Department to immedi-
ately make arrangements for sale of
a large amount of the State's school
lands under authority of an act of the
last Legislature, which became effec-
tive one week ago, Thursday.

Events are so shaping themselves in
the matter of the proposed loan of
\$17,500,000 on the Hankow-Szechuan
"Chinese Railway" as to make the State
Department at Washington hopeful
that the American group of bankers
anxious to participate will be allowed
to do so.

Four men were killed and four in-
jured in an explosion in the power
plant of the Deaver Gas and Electric
Company Tuesday. The plant was
badly damaged.

Several odd automobile accidents oc-
curred in Chicago Wednesday. Six
persons in an automobile were hurled
down a fifteen-foot embankment with
the machine near Hammond, Ind.,
when the chauffeur was seized with an
epileptic fit and a taxicab, in which
were three men, crashed into a railing
of a bridge and hung suspended over
the river.

Despatches received from Perm,
European Russia, say the local police
have begun an investigation into the
sect of the Crimson God, the members
of which are accused of human sacrifi-
ces and various other horrible prac-
tices.

F. Y. Callahan of Enid, Ok., former
Territorial Delegate to Congress and
promoter of the People's Packing plant,
which will be an independent concern,
has made a proposition to the people
of Guthrie looking to location here.
The capitalization will be \$1,000,000,
shares selling at \$50.

FT. WORTH ROBBER GETS EIGHT THOUSAND

WAGGONER BANK AND TRUST CO. ON LOWER MAIN STREET ROBBED.

The annual convention of the Texas
Retail Merchants' association, assem-
bled in Temple Tuesday morning for a
three days' session.

The heaviest rain at one period since
October, 1908, fell at Ft. Worth, Fri-
day. The total precipitation was 1.84
inches in forty-five minutes.

One hundred and thirty-one deaths
from bubonic plague occurred in
Amoy, China, during the fortnight end-
ing June 14.

Tuesday night about 10 o'clock
Harvey Marsh was robbed of \$500 at
his home six miles and a half north of
Crocker.

Another heavy rain fell in Sweetwa-
ter, Tuesday, accompanied by heavy
wind and electrical storm. Fully two
inches of rain fell.

The consumption of watermelons in
Waco amounts to two car loads a
week, nearly the entire supply com-
ing from the Rio Grande Valley.

An elevator in the machine shops of
the Texas and Pacific Railroad at Mar-
shall fell with three men, and all of
them were injured, but none of them
killed.

While the son of Doc Alexander, who
lives about three miles west of Hico,
was in the field hoeing cotton, he was
struck by lightning and instantly
killed.

Advices received from Cartagena,
Colombia, confirm previous reports
that Gen. Rafael Reyes, President of
Colombia, has abandoned his office and
sailed for Europe.

A monument to the private Confed-
erate soldiers was unveiled at Cen-
tennial Park in Nashville, Tenn., Sun-
day in the presence of an immense
crowd of people.

The two-year-old child of Lester
Thurber, living near Ripley, Okla., was
instantly killed Tuesday by falling
from a wagon and being crushed under-
neath the wheels.

Jack Johnson has challenged James
J. Jeffries to fight one round or fifty
within two months in Boston, and in a
rage, calls on Jeff to accept within ten
days or "hold his tongue."

Joe Parr, 12 years of age, died Fri-
day afternoon, at Sherman, twenty min-
utes after being dragged head down-
ward a block and a half to North
Maxey street, by a frightened horse.

Miss Maria Trigg, 19-year-old daugh-
ter of O. T. Trigg, of El Paso, was
drowned in the lake at the smelter
Monday afternoon, where she had gone
with a party to spend the day picn-
ing.

When the residence of John Valen-
tine of San Angelo was destroyed by
fire Monday afternoon an adopted 5-
year-old boy was burned to death.
Nothing is known regarding the origin
of the fire.

The new city light plant in Terrell
is nearing completion. Most of the
poles and wires are in place and the
machinery has been installed expect-
ing the large flywheel for the power-
house engine.

There is a movement on foot to sup-
ply Dallas, Fort Worth, Mineral Wells
and other North Texas cities with nat-
ural gas, drawn from a field which will
soon be prospected in Palo Pinto Coun-
ty.

Since the boll weevil has appeared
in Mississippi, the farmers are border-
ing on a panic and the Mississippi
delegation in Congress has put in re-
quests for soil surveys to ascertain in
what other profitable crops they can
plant their lands.

Ground was broken Monday in Gal-
veston to start the erection of the cot-
ton palace to be used for the housing
of products and display of machinery
and other things connected with the
fleece staple at the big cotton carnival
to be held there the first week in Au-
gust.

Midway Park, on the traction line
between Temple and Belton, which has
not been actively operated for the past
two years, is now to be opened to the
public, and first-class amusements
furnished during the summer months.

That an automobile line between
Denton and Deatur would be of strik-
ing service to traveling salesmen
was confirmed by the action of a
salesman, who, while in the city, made
it a point to seek out members of the
Commercial Club and have them take
up the proposition with parties at Den-
ton, who, it is said, are favorable to
the idea.

That the Mexican people intend to
do everything in their power to con-
trol the oil situation is indicated by
the formation of a \$25,000,000 Mexican
money company, to be known as the
Compania Mexicana de Petroleo el
Aguila, S. A., and of which Guillermo
Landa y Escandon, Governor of the
Federal District, is president.

The pantalon gown, the latest Pa-
risian freak creation, made its first
appearance at Coney Island this week.
Its advent created such a sensation
that the police had to be called to
disperse the crowd.

The first assistance the State has
received from transportation compan-
ies toward making Oklahoma "dry"
came in a notice from the American
Express Company Thursday to agents,
instructing them to refuse delivery of
shipments of liquors received inter-
state and to immediately return such
shipments on hand to original con-
signor, if known.

Strong efforts are being made by the
Japanese strikers in Honolulu to get
the Japanese Government to make an
international incident of the arrest of
the local Japanese newspaper men.

MAN WORKS SINGLE HANDED

Enters Place While Cashier King is
Checking Up. Takes Money
and Disappears.

GENERAL RAIN FOR TEXAS.

Crops of the State are Greatly
Benefited.

Dallas: From reports received
Tuesday night, it appears that the
rainfall of that afternoon was not only
general in its scope, but that it did a
vast amount of good to the sections
visited. Hard rains fell at Wichita
Falls, Weatherford, San Antonio, Tay-
lor and other sections.

Road to Pass Through Snyder.
Snyder: A letter from chief engineer
of Santa Fe Railroad in Chicago, ad-
dressed the Commercial Club at this
place stated that the road has
adopted the route that would carry it
through Snyder. The same train that
brought this good news also brought
three carloads of mules to be used in
grading.

French Navy Scandal.
Paris: The report of the Parliamen-
tary Commission which investigated the
naval scandals in France, has been
turned in. It is a scathing condemna-
tion of the naval administration for
the past ten years and it makes an
astounding exposure of the deplora-
ble condition of the fleet for which
France has spent \$700,000,000 since
1899.

Cuban National Lottery.
Havana: The Senate has accepted
the report of the committee approving
the establishment of the National lot-
tery. Details of the plan will now be
referred to a conference committee
of both houses with the expectation
that an agreement will soon be re-
ached and the measure will become a law
in a few days.

Work on Brazos River.
Waco: Major A. C. Waldron and his
assistant, Capt. Ralf Smead, are on
the Brazos River, forty miles below
Waco, superintending operations there
connected with dam and lock building,
and the construction of snagboats for
the improvements above Old Washing-
ton, ending, for the present, at Waco.

Board to Codify Texas Laws.
Austin: The Governor Tuesday ap-
pointed the board to codify the laws
of Texas, composed of James G. Dud-
ley of Paris, R. B. Miner of San An-
tonio and H. G. Ybrock Robertson of
Beaumont. Mr. Robertson served on
the codifying board that prepared the
statutes of 1895.

Roosevelt Party Doing Well.
Natalva, Africa: All members of
the Roosevelt expedition, at present
in camp on the Loletta Plains, in the
Sotik district, are in excellent health.

Steamers Collide in Lake.
Alpena, Mich.: The steamer W. P.
Thew, owned by Hugh R. Harvey of
Detroit, was sunk off Thousand Bay
Island Tuesday by the steamer Lav-
ingstone. The captain and eleven men
escaped in yawls and were picked up
by the steamer Mary Elphicks.

Delegates at Monte Ne, Ark.
Monte Ne, Ark.: Probably seventy-
five delegates, representing as many
cotton-growing States, were present
Tuesday at the third annual meeting
of the National Cotton Association.

Vote On Tax at Denton.
Denton: The taxpayers of Denton
voted Tuesday 261 to 257, in favor of
levying a tax of 25c on the \$100 to
build a hospital. The building is to
cost \$25,000 and the special tax will
be collected for two years only.

Princess Born in Spain.
Lagranja, Spain: Queen Victoria
gave birth to a daughter Tuesday. The
Princess will be named Beatrice, for
her grandmother. The baptism has
been fixed for June 27.

It May Be Your Fate

To have your house burned down tonight. One can never tell what
minute such a thing may happen. The question naturally arises, "ARE
YOU INSURED?" If not, do you think it would be wise to have us
issue a policy at once? It is most decidedly penny wise and pound
foolish to be without insurance when the danger of fire is always pres-
ent, when ruin may come at any time. Call on us at our

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Marchion 118344, son of (Imp-
Marchion 7025.

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and also Yamales every day.

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Your Stationery

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you sell fine goods that are up-
to-date in style and of superior
quality it ought to be reflected
in your printing. We produce the
kind that you need and will not
feel ashamed to have represent
you. That is the only kind it
pays to send out. Send your or-
ders to this office.

..FAME..

Is not achieved by doing things
as well as others. We have for
years the old order of things and
designed a photographic system so
high that the rest of our kind
must look up. It's power to in-
fuse into a photograph a vigor, a
definite style and character that
brings success to the maker.

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M. D. WILLIS, Photographer

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munity.
- ☑ The things in which you are most
interested.
- ☑ The births, weddings, deaths of
the people you know.
- ☑ The social affairs of our own and
surrounding towns.

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Col. Peters returned Thursday from an extensive trip east in the interest of the new railroad. He reports crops conditions good in the east.

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Local and Personal

George King is visiting in Midland this week.

Will Simpson and son were in town Saturday.

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Miss Aannbell Birdwell is visiting in Dallas.

W. E. DeLamar returned Monday to Henderson.

Rev. J. M. Reynold of Abilene was here yesterday.

Rev. J. M. Hull, of Coahoma, was in the city Tuesday.

C. C. Powell went over to Midland Monday on business.

Judge W. W. Dillard of Coahoma was here yesterday.

E. L. Dreeben went over to Dallas on business Monday.

T. H. Campbell was one among Saturday's visitors to the city.

Dr. Griffin and wife went over to Dallas Tuesday on business.

Rev. J. B. Kerr, of Knott, was seen on the streets Wednesday.

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Ike Cox, the restaurant man at Coahoma, was here yesterday.

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Miss Nell Haas returned from several days visit at Colorado this week.

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Misses Lucile and Edna Kelsey of Snyder are here on a visit to relatives.

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J. F. Brown of El Paso is visiting relatives in the city for a few days.

Mrs. Elew Read and daughter have gone to Kentucky on a visit to relatives.

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H. T. Gooch was in town from his ranch out near Central for a few hours Wednesday.

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Mrs. M. E. Harry of Ft. Worth is visiting her niece, Mrs. Connell for a few days this week.

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J. C. Smith came in last week from his Pecos ranch and reports range conditions good out there.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ward escorted a crowd out to Lamesa Saturday night to attend the Eastern Star lodge. Those who went have been unable to learn, but all no doubt had a real nice time.

While out looking for news items Tuesday we were shown some hand-painted China executed by Miss Jennie Cannon. We must say it was indeed beautiful and bespeaks for the ability of Miss Jennie. As all will remember the past season was Miss Jennie's first year in art, and as she has made such a great achievement we believe the future holds something good in store for her.

The Airdome theater is again open for business having closed down during the meeting. The playhouse has changed hands and is now under new management and will be run in the future as an up-to-date show. Ray brothers are no longer connected with the show, but instead a young lady experienced in the show business who promises a good play house in the future.

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Word was received here yesterday from J. C. Baumgarten that his mother was dead, which is sad news here to the many friends of the family. It has been known here for some time that she could not live, so when the news of her death came it was no surprise to those who were acquainted with her condition. This paper extends sympathy in this sad hour of life.

Charley Simpson, one of the pioneer citizens of Colorado, was in the city a few days this week.

The shows at the Pictorial this week have been up to the standard for cleanliness and good acts. Mr. Lapri the new manager in charge has demonstrated his ability to put on a show that people enjoy going to. The players for the past week have been continuously a source of enjoyment to the many show goers. While in conversation with Lapri a few days ago he said the shows would gradually increase in popularity as he demonstrated what he was able to do.

THE LION'S SHARE

BY OLIVE THANET
AUTHOR OF THE MAN OF THE HOUR

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SYNOPSIS.

The story opens at Harvard where Col. Rupert Winter, U. S. A. visiting, saw the Mercers, brother of the dead student. Three years later, in Chicago, in 1906, Col. Winter overheard Cary Mercer apparently planning to kidnap Archie, the colonel's ward, and to gain possession of Miss Rebecca Winter's millions. A Miss Smith was mentioned, apparently as a conspirator. Winter unexpectedly met a relative, Mrs. Millicent Melville, who told him that his Aunt Rebecca, Archie and the latter's nurse, Miss Janet Smith, were to leave for the west with the colonel and Mrs. Melville. A great financial magnate was about to start on the coast. Miss Smith and Archie. He set his orderly, Sgt. Haley, to watch over Cary Mercer. Col. Winter learned that the financial magnate was Edwin S. Keatcham. On approaching Cary Mercer, the colonel was snubbed. Winter, aided by Archie, cleverly frustrated a hold-up on the train. He took a great liking to Miss Smith, despite her alleged connection with the kidnaping plot which he had not yet revealed to his relatives. The party arrived in San Francisco. It was thought that there were big persons behind the hold-up gang. Archie mysteriously disappeared. Fruitless search was conducted for Archie. Blood in a nearby room at the hotel caused fears for the boy's life. No headway was made in the search for Archie. The lad's voice was heard over the telephone, however, and a minute later a woman's voice—that of Miss Smith. Col. Winter and a detective set out for the empty mansion, owned by Arnold A. Harvard graduate. They were met with a terrible detonation, indicating an explosion within. The party rushed into the house. A few minutes later Mercer appeared. He assumed Winter that Archie had been returned to Mrs. Rebecca Winter. The colonel saw a vision flitting from the supposedly haunted house. Archie had overheard plans for a coup which Mercer and his friends wanted to carry out. For that reason Archie had been kidnaped. One of Mercer's friends returning the boy to his aunt had been arrested for speeding and when he returned from the police station to his auto the lad was gone. Mercer confessed he was forcibly taking Keatcham—the "haunted house." Mercer told his life story, relating how Keatcham and his second secretary, Atkins, had ruined him, the blow killing his wife. Despite the fact that Mercer was in Keatcham's service, he was holding him prisoner in order that he could get control of a railroad which was the pet project of the father of his college friend, Endicott Tracy.

CHAPTER X.—Continued.

"He isn't a very confiding man. I didn't see him often. My dealings were with Atkins. He didn't know that I had found him out; he thought that he had only to explain his two names, and expected gratitude for his warning, as he called it. He is silly; but I was able to repay a little of my score with him. I was employed by more than Keatcham, and I saw a good many industrial back-yards. Just chance, I came on a claw, and Endy Tracy and I worked it up together. Atkins was selling information to Keatcham's enemies. We did not make out a complete case, but enough of one to make Keatcham suspect him, and at the right time. But that happened later—you see, I don't know how to tell a story even with so much at stake." He pulled out his handkerchief, and Winter caught the gleam of the beads on his fallow forehead. "It was this way," he went on. "At first I was only looking about for a safe chance to kill him, and to kill that snake of an Atkins; but then it grew on me; it was all too easy a punishment—just a quick death, when his victims had years of misery. I wanted him to wade through the hell I had to wade through. I wanted him to know why he was condemned. Then it was I began to collect just the cases I knew about—just one little section of the horrible swath of agony and humiliation and poverty and sin he and his crowd had made—the one I knew every foot of, because I'd gone over it every night I wasn't so dead tired I had to sleep. God, do you know what it is to have the people who used to be running out of their houses just to say howdy to you, curse you for a swindler or a fool or turn out of one street and down the other not to pass you? Did you ever have a little woman who used to give you frosted cake when you were a boy push her crape veil off her gray hair and hand you the envelope with her stock, with your handwriting on the envelope, and beg you—trying so hard not to cry, 'twas worse than if she had—beg you to lend her just half her interest money—and you couldn't do it? Did you—never mind. I said I waded through hell, I did! Not I alone—that was the worst—all the people that had trusted me! And just that some rich men should be richer. Why should they have the lion's share? The lion's share belongs to the lion. They are nothing but jackals. They're meaner than jackals, for the jackals take what the lion leaves, and these fellows steal the lion's meat away from him. We made honest money; we paid honest wages; folks had more paint on their houses and more meat in their store-houses, and wore better clothes Sunday, and there were more schoolhouses and fewer saloons, and the negroes were learning a trade instead of loafing. The whole county was the better off for our prosperity, and there isn't a mill in the outfit—and I know what I'm talking about—there isn't a shop or a mine that's as well run or makes as big an output now as it did when the old crowd was in. You find it that way everywhere; and that's what is going to break things down. We saw to all the little affairs; they were our affairs, weren't you know? But Keatcham and his crew drew their salaries and

let things slide. Yet Keatcham is a great manager if he would only take the time; only he's too busy stealing to develop his business; there's more money in stealing a railway than in building one up. Oh, he isn't a fool; if I could once get him where he would have to listen, I know I could make him understand. He's pretty cold-blooded, and he doesn't realize. He only sees straight ahead, not all around, like all these superhumanly clever thieves; they have mighty stupid streaks. Well, I've got him now, and it is kill or cure for him. He can't make a rifle. I knew I couldn't do anything alone; I had to wait. I had to have stronger men than I am to help. By and by they tried their jackal business on a real lion—on Tracy. They wanted to steal his road. I got on to them first. I see a heap of people in a heap of different businesses—the little people who talk. They notice all right, but they can see only their own little patch. I was the fellow riding round and seeing the township. I pieced together the plot and I told Endy Tracy. He wouldn't believe me at first, because his father had given Keatcham his first start and done a hundred things for him. To be sure, his father has been obliged as an honorable man to oppose Keatcham lately, but Keatcham couldn't mean to burn him out that way. But he soon found that was precisely what Keatcham did mean. Then he was glad enough to help me save his father. The old man doesn't know a thing; we don't mean he ever shall know. We let him put up the best sort of a fight a man can with his hands tied while the other fellow is free. My hands are free, too. I don't respect the damned imbecile laws that let me be plundered any more than they do; and since my poor mother died last summer I am not afraid of anything; they are; that's where I have the choice of weapons. I tell you, sub, nobody is big enough to oppress a desperate man! Keatcham had one advantage—he had unlimited money. But Aunt Rebecca helped us out there. Colonel, I want you to know I didn't ask her for more than the bare grub-stake; it was she herself that planned our stock deal.

"She is a dead game sport," the colonel chuckled. "I believe you."
"And I hope you don't allow that I was willing to have her mix herself in our risks. She would come; she said she wanted to see the fun—"
"I believe you again," the colonel assured him, and he remembered the odd sentence which his aunt had used the first night of their journey, when she expressed her hankering to match her wits against those of a first-class criminal.
"We didn't reckon on your turning up, or the complication with Archie. I wish to God we'd taken the boy's own word! But, now you know all about it, will you keep your hands off? That's all we ask."
"Well," the colonel examined his finger nails, rubbing his hands softly, the back of one over the palm of the other—"well, you haven't quite told me all. Don't, unless you are prepared to have it used against you, as the policemen say before the sweat-box. What did you do to Keatcham to get him to go with you so like Mary's little lamb?"
"I learned of a little device that looks like a tiny cerry-comb and is so flat and small you can bind it on a man's arm just over an artery. Just press on the spring and give the least scratch, and the man falls down in convulsions. I showed him a rat I had had fetched me, and killed it like a flash. He had his choice of walking out quietly with me—I had my hand on his arm—or dropping down dead. He went quietly enough."
"That was the meaning of his look at me, was it?" Winter thought. He said only: "Did Endicott Tracy know about that?"
"Of course not," Mercer denied. "Do you reckon I want to mix the boy up in this more than I have? And Arnold only knew I was trying some kind of bluff game."
"I will lay odds, though," the colonel ventured, in his gentlest tone, "that Mr. Samual, as Haley calls him, knew more. But when did you get rid of Atkins?"
"Mr. Keatcham discharged him at Denver. I met Mr. Keatcham here; it was arranged on the train. We had it planned out. If that plan had failed I had another."
"Neat. Very neat. And then you became the secretary?"
"Mercer flushed in an unexpected fashion. "Certainly not!" he said, with emphasis. "Do you think I would take his wages and not do the work faithfully? No, sub. I assumed to be his secretary in the office; that gave me a chance to arrange everything. But I did it to oblige him. I never touched a cent of his money. I paid, in fact, for our board out of our own money. It would have burned my fingers, sub!"
"And the valet? Was he in your plot? Don't answer if you—"
"He was, sub," replied Cary Mercer. "He is a right worthy fellow, and he



"For if you find him, you will find him dead."

thought, after he had seen to the tickets—which he did very carefully—and given them to me, he could go off on the little vacation which came to him by his master through me."
"That's a little bit evasive. However, I haven't the right to ask you to give away your partners, anyhow." He was peering at Mercer's face behind his glasses, but the pallid, tired features returned him no clew to the thoughts in the head above them. "What have you done with Mr. Keatcham?" he concluded, suddenly.
"The question brought no change of expression, and Mercer answered readily: "I put him off by myself, where he sees no one and hears nothing. I read a good deal about prisons and the most effectual way of taming men, and solitary confinement is recommended by all the authorities. His meals are handed to him by a mechanical device. He has electric light some of the time, turned on from the outside. He has a comfortable room and his own shower-bath. He has comfortable meals. And he is supplied with reading."
"Reading?" repeated the colonel, his surprise in his voice.
"For the first time he saw Mercer smile, but it was hardly a pleasant smile. "Yes, sub, reading," he said. "I have had type-written copies made of all the cases which I discovered in regard to his standing our company. I reasoned that when he would get absolutely tired of himself and his own thoughts he would just naturally be obliged to read, and that would be ready for him. He tore up one copy."
"Hmm—I can't say I wonder. What did you do?"
"I sent him another. I expected he would do that way. After a while he will go back to it, because it will draw him. He'll hate it, but he will want to know them all. I know his nature, you see."
"What are you going to do with him?"
"Let him go, after he does what we want and promises never to molest any of us."
"But can you trust him?"
"He never breaks his word," replied Mercer, indifferently, "and besides, he knows he will be killed if he should. He isn't given to being scared, but he's scared of me, all right."
"What do you want him to do?"
"Promise to be a decenter man and to let Mr. Tracy alone in future; meanwhile, to send a wire in his secret code saying he has changed his mind. It will not surprise his crowd. He never confides in them, and he expects them to obey blindly anything in that code language. I reckon other telegrams are just for show, and they don't notice them much."
The colonel took a turn around the room to pack away this information in an orderly fashion in his mind. Mercer waited patiently; he had said truly that he was used to waiting. Perhaps he supposed that Winter was trying the case in his own mind; but in reality Rupert was seeking only one clew, as little diverted from his purpose as a bloodhound. He began to

understand the man whose fixed purpose had his own quality, but sharpened by wrong and suffering. This man had not harmed Archie; as such as his warped and fevered soul could feel softer emotions, he was kindly intentioned toward the lad. Who had carried him away, then? Or was he off on his own account, really, this time? Or suppose Atkins, the missing secretary discharged at Denver, coming back for another appeal to his employer, finding Keatcham gone, but let one say, stumbling on some trace of mystery in his departure; suppose him to consider the chance of his having his past condoned and a rosy future given him if his suspicions should prove true and he should release the captive—wouldn't such a prospect spur on a man who was as cunning as he was unprincipled? Mightn't he have watched all possible clews, and mightn't he have heard about Archie and plotted to capture the child, thinking he would be easily pumped? That would presuppose that Atkins knew that Archie was at the Arnolds' or—no, he might only have seen the boy on the street; he knew him by sight; the colonel remembered that several times Archie had been with him in Keatcham's car. It was worth considering, anyhow. He spoke out of his thoughts: "Do you think Keatcham could have told the truth, and that code of his be lost or stolen? Why couldn't Atkins have stolen it? He had the chance, and he isn't hampered by principle, you say?"
Mercer frowned; it was plain the possibility had its argument for him. "He might," he conceded, "but I doubt it. Why hasn't he done something with it? He hasn't. They wouldn't have postponed that meeting if he had wired his proxy and his directions in the code. He'd have voted big employer's stock. He's got too much at stake. I happen to know he thought it a sure tip to sell short, and he has put almost all he has on it. You see, Keatcham was banking on that; he knew it. He thought Atkins wouldn't dare give any of his secrets away, or go against him in this deal, because they were in the same boat."
"Still, I reckon I'll have to see Keatcham."
Mercer shook his head, gently, but with decision. "I hate to refuse you, colonel, but unless you promise not to interfere, it is impossible. But I'll gladly go with you to see if we can find any trace of Archie. I'll risk that much. And if you will promise—"
"Such a promise would be impossible to an officer and a gentleman," the colonel urged lightly, smiling. "Besides, don't you see I have all the cards? I have only to call in my men. I'd hate to do it, but if you force me, you would have no chance resisting."
"We shouldn't resist, colonel, no, sub; your force is overwhelming. But it would do no good; you couldn't find him."
"We could try; and we may be better sleuths than you imagine."
"Then it would be the worse for him; for if you find him, you will find him dead."

There was something so chilling in his level tones that Winter broke out sharply: "Are you fooling with me? Have you been such an incredible mad man as to kill him already?"
Mercer's faint smile made the colonel feel boyish and impetuous. "Of course not, sub," he answered. "I told you he was alive, myself. I reckoned you knew when a man is lying and when he is telling the solemn truth. You know I have told you the truth and treated you on the square. But, just the same, if you try to take that man away, you'll only have his dead body. He can't do any more harm then, and a dead man can't vote."
The colonel, who had taken out his cigarette case, opened it and meditatively fingered the rubber band. "Do you reckon," he suggested, in his most amiable voice, "do you reckon young Arnold and Endicott Tracy will stand for such frills in warfare as assassination?"
"I do not, sub," replied Mercer, gravely, and as he spoke he pushed back the heavy tapestry hiding a window opposite the colonel's head. "But they can both prove an alibi. Mr. Arnold is in Pasadena, and there goes Mr. Tracy now in his machine—to try to find Archie. Do you see?"
The colonel saw. He inclined his head, at the same time proffering his case.
"I rather think, Mr. Mercer, that I was wrong. You have the last trump."

CHAPTER XI.

The Charm of Jade.
It was no false lure to distract pursuit, that hurried sentence of Randall's which had met the colonel's angry appeal for information. The woman was not only repeating Mrs. Winter's message; the message itself described a fact. As she stood at her room telephone, Aunt Rebecca had happened to glance at Randall, supplementing the perfunctory dusting of the hotel maid with her own sanitary, damped, clean cloth; Randall's eyes suddenly glazed and bulged in such startling transformation that, instead of questioning her, Mrs. Winter stepped swiftly to the window where she was at work to seek the cause of her agitation.
"Oh, Lord! Oh, Mrs. Winter!" gasped Randall. "Ain't that Master Archie?"
Mrs. Winter saw for herself; the face at a window, the waving of a slim hand—Archie's face, Archie's hand. Brief as was the space of his passing (for the two horses in the cab were trotting smartly), she was sure of both. "Give me my bonnet," she commanded, "any bonnet, any gloves! And my bag with some money!"
It was as she flung through the door that she threw her message to the colonel back exactly as Randall had submitted it. Miss Smith was coming along the loggia. "Don't stop me!" said Mrs. Winter, sternly. "I've seen Archie; I'm after him."
"Stop!" cried Miss Smith—but it was the elevator boy who was whizzing below them in his cage, not to her employer; and she boarded the elevator with the older woman. "I'll go with you," she said. There was no vibration in her even tones, although a bright red flickered upon her cheek. But Rebecca Winter caught savagely at her breath, which was coming fast. "It is not with the running; you needn't think it, Janet," she panted, sharply, in a second. "It was the sight of his face—so suddenly; I never expected any face would make my heart pump like that again. All of which shows"—she was speaking quite naturally and placidly again—"that women may grow too old for men to make fools of them, but never for children. Come; it was a shabby sort of hack he was in, drawn by two horses with auburn tails. Here's the office floor."
Not a word did Janet Smith say; she was now a woman of words in any case. Moreover, the pace which Mrs. Winter struck was too rapid for comments or questions; it swept them both past the palm-shaded patio into the side hall, out on the noisy, dazzling, swaying street. Looking before her, Miss Smith could see the dusty body of hack a block away. Mrs. Winter had stepped up to a huge crimson motor car, in the front seat of which lounged the chauffeur, his forehead and eyes hunched under his leather visor. The machine was puffing with the engine working, ready to leap forward at a touch of the lever. "Twenty dollars an hour if you let me get in now!" said Mrs. Winter, lightly mounting by his side as she spoke.
"Hey, me? what?" gurgled the chauffeur, plucked out of a half-doze. "Oh, say, beg your pardon, lady, but this is hired, it belongs—"
"I don't care to whom it belongs, I have to have it," announced Mrs. Winter, calmly. "Whoever hired it can get another. I'll make it all right. You start on and catch that hack with the auburn-tailed horses—"
"I'll make it right with your fare!" Miss Smith cut in before the chauffeur could answer. "It's a case of kidnaping. You catch that cab!" She was standing on the curb, and even as she

spoke an elderly man and his wife came out of the shop. They stared from her to the automobile, and in their gaze was a proprietary irritation. "This was instantly transfused by a more vivid emotion. The woman looked shocked and compassionate. "Oh, pa!" she gasped, "did you hear that?"
The man was a country banker from Iowa. He had a very quick, keen eye; it flashed. "Cash of kidnaping, hey?" snapped he, instantly grasping the character of the speakers and jumping at the situation. "Take the auto, madam. Get a move on you, Mr. Chauffeur!"
"Oh, I'm moving, all right," called the chauffeur, as he skillfully dived his lower wheels under the projecting load of a great wagon and obliquely bumped over the edge of a street car fender, jursued by the motorman's curses. "I see 'em, lady; I see the red tails; I'll catch 'em!"
His boast most likely had been made good (since for another block they bore straight on their course) but for an orange wagon which had been overtaken. There was a rush of pursuit of the golden-balls from the sidewalk; a policeman came to the rescue of traffic and ordered everything to halt until the cart was righted. The boys and girls in the street chased back to the sidewalk. The episode took barely a couple of minutes, but on the edge of the last minute the cab turned a corner. The motor car turned the same corner, but saw no guiding or flame of waving red horsehair. The cross street next was equally bare. They were obliged to explore two adjacent highways before they came upon the hack again. This time it was in distant perspective, foreshortened to a blur of black and a swath of red. And even as they caught sight of it the horses swung round into profile and turned another corner. In the turn a man wearing a black derby hat stuck his arm and head out of the window in order to give some direction to the driver. Then he turned half around. It was almost as if he looked back at his pursuers; yet this, Mrs. Winter argued, hardly could be, since he had not expected pursuit, and anyhow, the chances were he could not know her by sight.
It was a mean street, narrow and noisome, but full of shipping traffic and barred by tramways—a heart-breaking street for a chase. The chauffeur was a master of his art; he jumped his great craft at every vacant arm's length; he steered it through incredibly narrow lanes; he progressed sometimes by luffs, like a boat under sail when the forward passage much be reached in such indirect fashion; but the crowd of ungainly vehicles, loaded dizzily above his head, made the superior speed of the motor of no avail. In spite of him they could see the red tails lessening. Again and yet again, the hack turned; again, but each time with a loss, the motor struck its trail. By now the street was changed; the dingy two-story buildings lining it were brightened by the gold-leaf and vermilion; oriental arms and garbs and embroidery spangled the windows and oriental faces looked inscrutably out of doorways. There rose the blended odors of spice, sandalwood and uncleanliness that announce the east, reeking up out of gratings and puffing out of shops.
"Ah," said Mrs. Winter, softly to herself, "Chinese quarter, is it? Well." Her eyes changed; they softened in a fashion that would have amazed one who only knew the surface of Mrs. Winter, the eccentric society potentate. She looked past the squalid, garish scene, past the shining sandhills and the redwood trees, beyond into a stranger landscape glowing under a blinder glare of sun. Half mechanically, she lifted a tiny gold chain that had slipped down her throat under the gray gown. Raising the yellow thread and the drawn jade ornament depending therefrom, she let it lie outside amid the white lace and chiffon.
"We're making good now," called the chauffeur. "Will I run alongside and hall 'em, or what?"
She told him quietly to run alongside. But her lips twitched, and when she put up her hand to press them still, she smiled to discover that her hand was bare. She had forgotten to pull on her glove. She began to pull it on now.
"The road is narrow," said she. "Run ahead of the back and block its way. You can do it without hitting the horses, can't you?"
"Well, I guess," returned the chauffeur, instantly accomplishing the maneuver in fine style.
(TO BE CONTINUED)
Idaho Ahead of Egypt.
America has now triumphed over Egypt and India in holding what will soon be the largest irrigated tract of desert land in the world. This is what is known as the Twin Falls county in the state of Idaho. The ultimate area under-irrigation; when the entire Twin Falls project shall have been completed, will be 1,250,000 acres.—Harper's Weekly.

Nickel's Worth of Ice

Can you get it? Well, we would say you can. Why can you, and who made it possible? Be honest about it, and give credit to whom credit is due, and show your appreciation by patronizing the people who made it so. Talk about your home industry; if we are not a home industry we do not know where you would go to find one. We are no new comers; we do not live in large cities and bleed your very life's blood out and spend our money elsewhere; we spend and cause to be spent more money in Big Springs than any of your home industries. Some reliable party has told that we are selling ice on salary for Mr. Radford, but we say that is not true. We buy our ice and pay for it just the same as we buy our coal and wood. We are in the ice business like we are in the coal, wood and dray business, in it to stay, notwithstanding the rumors to the contrary. We do not try to scare people and run a windy over them to get their business; we give them their money's worth. If we can't do an honest business we would get down and out. Some people say they give us credit for bringing about a great change in the ice business in Big Springs. We can't live on credit altogether, friends, show us your appreciation and give us your business. If the driver overlooks you, telephone 102. Watch for the yellow wagons.

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The price is the thing.

The Methodist Church Sunday.

The regular services at the Methodist church will be resumed Sunday. Let all of those who have given their names for membership in the Methodist church be present Sunday morning at 11 o'clock to be received into the church. We desire to have the entire membership present also at that hour. Let us have a full attendance.

A. S. Horn returned from Kansas City Tuesday night with his bride and has since been receiving the congratulations of his friends.

Mens' pants the Sweet-Orr make. Sold by A. P. McDonald & Co.

The Christian Church Sunday.

Services at 11 a. m., subject: "Vision and assimilation." In the evening at 8:30 subject: "The message and mission." It is the duty of every christian to attend church on the Lord's day and bring others with you.

Notice.

If you have any painting on hand that you would like to have done at once, let me figure with you. Prices and work guaranteed to satisfy. See or address M. D. McDonald in Big Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Ford and Mrs. Ford's sister, Miss McPherson, left Monday morning for the old states for a few month's visit among relatives. The many friends of these good people regret to see them go, but wish them a pleasant summer and an early return.

We were shown the new locking device on the new jail Wednesday by the man who is installing the steel cells and it is as fine as we ever saw. All the doors are locked and unlocked from the outside and makes it more safe for the jailer, beside making it more secure in every way.

FACTS

The features of DR. RUTHERFORD'S STOCK REMEDIES is Quality not quantity, medicine not food. If your horse or cow is not thriving give Dr. Rutherford's Blood Tonic, it will renovate the blood and leaves the system pure. Formula on box. Price, 50c. Sold by R. L. McCamant & Co., the druggists. 29

The new Carter rooming house is near completed. This will be one of the finest rooming houses in Big Springs and will add much to the beautiful dwelling places in town.

Want to trade a fine home at Weatherford for good farm near Big Springs, address box 215 Weatherford, Texas. 36-2t.

The city and county have been doing some nice work on Main street in the way of leveling it up along in front of the business houses on the west side.

The laying of the foundation on the new Eddings building was begun Monday morning and work will be pushed until it is completed. This will be a two-story building and complete throughout.

THE ENTERPRISE

W. V. ERVIN, Editor.

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Senator Bailey and His Party.

Again Senator Bailey has deserted the democrat party and voted with the republicans. Senator Bailey's first excuse for repudiating the policy and pledges of the party was that the 25 per cent tariff on iron ore which protects the steel trust was a revenue producer. This claim was proved absurd. When all other excuses fail he justifies his vote for trust-controlled paper in the same way. Since when have democratic senators been thus called upon to assist republicans in encouraging extravagance by providing more millions for government waste. What if the republican party is unable to raise by the old method the millions for extravagance? Plundering the consumer for all the money the trust masters would like to spend in and out of politics. Is it not Bailey's duty to restrain these grafters with his vote instead of throwing in with them and voting a republican ticket? Senator Bailey's idea of a shortage in funds is pathetic. It pains a democrat in the small of the back. If possible, Bailey's speech against free paper has surpassed all others in fly-blown sophistry, although a highly favored and leading man in the democratic party. He declares his willingness (in spite of his strong opposition to it) to vote to put on the free list every trust-controlled product in America. In order to prove that his party's pledges are foolishness and in order to read "those men a lesson." In other words in order to expose the ignorance and destroy the character of his party, he would jeopardize the interest of his country, but he makes this offer (of itself a veritable stab in the vitals in of his own party) after he has first voted to lump all trust into the free list pot, but wise and practical above all men

he refuses to proceed in the practical and the only possible way to place such trust-controlled product where it belongs as it reaches in regular order. Senator Bailey declares he is "not willing to be bound by any convention of delegates who assemble in a room without any knowledge of this question." He mentions only one bit of evidence of the fact that the numskulls have shown themselves too weak and ignorant to bind him "that platform does commit the absurdity of being in favor of repealing the duty on logs when logs are already on the free list." Now what do intelligent and honest men in or out of the democratic party think of such straining and quibbling as that? Remember it is not the platform of the republicans, the enemy, that this leading democrat is thus ridiculing and repudiating. It is the platform of the democratic party, made by democratic delegates, including many of his own friends and approved by a great democratic people, the people of Texas. Senator Bailey's own state leading in demonstrations and expressions of approval. No republican senator, not even the most vicious one of them, has ever referred as contemptuously to the democratic platform as Senator Bailey now does. He ridicules it, laughs at it, spits upon it and repudiates it openly and repeatedly. The only reason why he would consent to comply with it would be to try and show it up as a failure. This is the man who has led others in speeches that has shook the halls of senate and is unable to pluck the smallest gem from the democratic party. He is searching for some excuse for going back on his party and the people who have done so much for him. He is finding none. He is grabbing at straws.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is sold on a guarantee that if you are not satisfied after using two-thirds of a bottle according to directions, your money will be refunded. It is up to you to try. Sold by all druggists.

There are some things that look bad to the stranger when he enters a town and one in particular is rubbish laying around in the streets and alleys. It seems to us we have some of this if we only look east on Second street. We think the owners of that property should have it cleaned up and help beautify the city.

A. Z. Fuston left for eastern points Monday on business.



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CONDENSED HAPPENINGS IN TEXAS

Fire in Brownwood Wednesday did damage to the amount of \$50,000.

The Texas Pharmaceutical association met in annual session in San Antonio Wednesday.

The Comanche volunteer fire department has purchased a team of fine fire horses, at a cost of \$600.00.

A windstorm, accompanied by rain and hail, visited San Antonio Wednesday, doing considerable damage.

During the past week the tomato movement has been heavy in Jacksonville, and consequently prices have dropped.

Near Waco, Wednesday, while building a fire with kerosene oil, the two children of J. W. Pearce were burned to death.

A company has recently been formed in Comanche for the purpose of prospecting for oil near Bibb, in that county.

Tom Bowen, track walker for the Kirby Lumber Company, was burned to death in Kirbyville Saturday in the calaboose.

The first train over the newly completed portion of the Asherton and Gulf Railroad, which runs from Artesia to Asherton, was run Sunday.

One of the motor cars for the Red Springs (Mt. Pleasant) Street Railway Company arrived Saturday and was placed in operation Sunday for the first time.

A force of linemen have reached Fort Worth, putting up the wires for the Santa Fe's telephone system, to be used in handling trains on that division.

Little Miss Katherine Mason, who was so horribly burned on the first day of this month, succumbed to her injuries and died Sunday morning, at Honey Grove.

Ernest Dierolf, a butcher, aged 50, went to his room Wednesday, in San Antonio, after kissing his wife and five children good-bye, and shot himself in the mouth, and died instantly.

A big waterspout visited San Maritine Saturday. It is reported that the Texas and Pacific bridge is destroyed and all trains will be delayed indefinitely. Three miles of track are under water.

The Court of Criminal Appeals holds that the practice of osteopathy is healing the sick and the practice of medicine, thereby bringing osteopathic practitioners under the State medical act.

The Odd Fellows' Widows' and Orphans' Home, three miles west of Corsicana, built and maintained by the Odd Fellows of Texas, entertained visitors Sunday to the estimated number of about 1,900.

Wisconsin cities of the second, third and fourth class now have the privilege of adopting the Galveston commission form of government. Gov. Davidson has signed the bill permitting them to organize under the provisions of the act.

An engine attached to an extra northbound freight train on the Kansas City Southern Railroad overturned between Shreveport and Hornbeck, La., Tuesday, resulting in the serious injury of N. D. Hahn, fireman, and Virgil Pentegast, brakeman of Shreveport.

Two interesting and rare astronomical phenomena took place Thursday evening. The moon eclipsed four-fifths of the sun at two minutes after 7 o'clock in the vicinity of New York and three hours later the fall at least of Brooks' wonderful comet came into plain view.

Dr. E. H. Lancaster, State bacteriologist, announces through this month's health bulletin that ankylostomiasis, or hook worm disease, is epidemic in the southern part of Texas. The Board of Health is preparing to fight its aggression before it causes great trouble.

Greenville was full of doctors Tuesday, there being something over 100 physicians present from various cities and towns over North Texas attending the North Texas Medical association's 59th semi-annual meeting, which opened there Tuesday.

Oil developments are taking on business-like shape now around Tolbert, Wilbarger County. It has been the belief of Tolbert citizens for some time that oil existed in the valley around Tolbert, but it is only in the last ten days that they have given any actual work and effort toward the development of same.

W. C. Phalen, an expert in the United States Geological Survey, in a report on the production of salt in 1908, calls attention to the fact that Texas was one of the few States whose output and value of salt increased in 1908 over the preceding year.

The Decatur Commercial Club has considered the matter of co-operating with breeders of thorough-bred stock in the matter of holding a live stock exhibition during the coming reunion, and has agreed to assist in raising the fund necessary to present the respective awards and prizes.

At a mass meeting of the citizens held at the court house in San Angelo Wednesday, it was decided to accept the proposition of J. J. Lanin, the railroad promoter, to build a railroad from that place to Sterling City for a bonus of \$40,000 and free right of way through the county.

A. C. Cates of Decatur, who was appointed by the District Court as receiver for the abolished corporation of the town of Alvord, has made a report to the court which places the taxable valuation of the property owners of Alvord at \$360,000.

NEVER DONE.



Slimkins—I hope you didn't mind my putting that little matter of \$5 in the hands of the bill collector yesterday?

Podger—Not at all; I borrowed a dollar from him.

SORE EYES CURED.

Eye-Balls and Lids Became Terribly Inflamed—Was Unable to Go About—All Other Treatments Failed, But

Cuticura Proved Successful.

"About two years ago my eyes got in such a condition that I was unable to go about. They were terribly inflamed, both the balls and lids. I tried home remedies without relief. Then I decided to go to our family physician, but he didn't help them. Then I tried two more of our most prominent physicians, but my eyes grew continually worse. At this time a friend of mine advised me to try Cuticura Ointment, and after using it about one week my eyes were considerably improved, and in two weeks they were almost well. They have never given me any trouble since and I am now sixty-five years old. I shall always praise Cuticura. G. B. Halsey, Mouth of Wilson, Va., Apr. 4, 1908." Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston.

Youngster's Fellow Feeling.

A small boy, about five years old, was taken to an entertainment by his mother the other evening. It was 10:30 o'clock when they reached home and the little fellow was very tired and sleepy. He undressed quickly and hopped into bed. "George," said his mother sternly, "I'm surprised at you." "Why, mamma?" he asked. "You didn't say your prayers. Get right out of that bed and say them." "Aw mamma," came from the tired youngster, "what's the use of wakin' the Lord up at this time of night to hear me pray?"

Files.

God bless the man who first invented screens, and God pity the man who is too indolent or indifferent to place them between his family and the spreaders of deadly disease. There is absolutely no excuse for the man or woman whose place of habitation swarms with flies and whines with the voices of mosquitoes. They can be kept out, and 25 cents spent in keeping them out is equivalent to keeping out a doctor who would cost \$25, or possibly to keeping out a much less welcome visitor.

Forestalled.

"Well, Mrs. Dennis, what are you going to give Pat for Christmas this year?" inquired the recipient of Mrs. Dennis' regular washday visits, one day at the beginning of the festival season.

"Deed thin, ma'am, I don't know," replied Mrs. Dennis, raising herself from the washtub and setting her dripping arms akimbo. "I did be thinkin' I'd give him a pair of pants, bet. Lord bless ye, ma'am, only last night didn't he come home wid a pair on 'em."—Success Magazine.

A Rich Error.

"Printers' errors are always funny," said Gen. P. P. Parker of the Arizona G. A. R., "and I'll never forget one that was made over a Memorial day sermon some years ago in Phoenix. 'The Monday morning report of this sermon being: 'The Rev. Dr. John Blank greased the pulpit on the occasion'—and so on. 'Graced,' of course, is what was meant."

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Bad Food and Good Health Won't Mix.

The human stomach stands much abuse but it won't return good health if you give it bad food.

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"A year ago I became much alarmed about my health for I began to suffer after each meal no matter how little I ate," says a Denver woman.

"I lost my appetite and the very thought of food grew distasteful, with the result that I was not nourished and got weak and thin.

"My home cares were very heavy, for besides a large family of my own I have also to look out for my aged mother. There was no one to shoulder my household burdens, and come what might, I must bear them, and this thought nearly drove me frantic when I realized that my health was breaking down.

"I read an article in the paper about some one with trouble just like mine being cured on Grape-Nuts food and acting on this suggestion I gave Grape-Nuts a trial. The first dish of this delicious food proved that I had struck the right thing.

"My uncomfortable feelings in stomach and brain disappeared as if by magic and in an incredibly short space of time I was myself again. Since then I have gained 12 pounds in weight through a summer of hard work and realize I am a very different woman, all due to the splendid food, Grape-Nuts."

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Backache, pain through the hips, dizzy spells, headaches, nervousness, bloating, etc., are troubles that commonly come from sick kidneys. Don't mistake the cause—Doan's Kidney Pills have cured thousands of women afflicted in this way—by curing the kidneys. Mrs. C. R. Foreman, 113 S. Eighth St., Canon City, Colo., says:

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ACCENT ON THE "PUS."



Teacher—Now, Jimmy Green, can you tell me what an octopus is?

Jimmy Green—Yes, sir; it's an eight-sided cat.

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

Great Improvement.

The patient told the doctor all his symptoms. At the end of the recital the medical man looked severe.

"My dear sir," he said, "you must gradually give up whisky and soda."

Some months later he met the patient and inquired whether the advice had been followed.

"To the letter," replied the patient, beaming. "Why, I've already given up soda completely!"

A Resourceful Mind. What would happen if a comet should manage, to hit this whirling sphere of ours?" asked the imaginative man.

"I don't know," answered Mr. Fanson, "but I'd be in favor of offering it an engagement on our home team."

Wildness.

"Your boy was just a little—er—wild when he was at college wasn't he?"

"O, yes; he generally was a little wild at first. Couldn't get 'em over the plate, you know. But he always steadied down before the game was over."

Use Allen's Foot-Ease.

It is the only relief for swollen smarting, tired, aching, hot, sweating feet, corns and bunions. Ask for Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder to be shaken into the shoes. Cures while you walk. At all Drugists and Shoe Stores. Do not accept any substitute. Sample sent FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

Not the Fly Season.

"Well, Johnny, having any luck? What do you fish with, worms or flies?"

"Worms, o' course. It ain't warm enough for flies to come around yet."

For Colds and Gripp—Capudine.

The best remedy for Gripp and Colds is Hicks' Capudine. Relieves the aching and feverishness. Cures the cold—Headaches also. It's Liquid—Effects Immediately—10, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

Knocking.

"Do you believe in hypnotism?"

"I should say I do! Didn't Mag Smith get married?"

Teething Children During Hot Weather. Should take Dr. Biggers' Huckleberry Cordial. It cures all Stomach and Bowel Disease, Diarrhoea, etc. At Druggists 25c and 50c.

It's a great comfort to a woman to believe that her husband is lonesome when she is away.

The imitations cost you just as much as real Wrigley's Spearmint with a spear on it!

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FERRY DAVIS' PAINKILLER.

It is the best of prevention as well as a "positive cure" for neuralgic, skin, rheumatic, and other ills. Do and see soon.

A homely truth is better than a handsome lie.

NERVE.



"Excuse me, can I speak to your typewriter a moment?"

"You cannot; she's engaged."

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Richland Items.

The all day singing Sunday was a success. The singing was fine and plenty of dinner for all. We hope the singers from classes will attend again.

J. B. King and wife, Misses Tena King and Borough, of Fairview, visited Mrs. Henry Simpson Sunday evening.

Miss Mattie Boaze spent last week in Big Springs visiting friends.

R. E. Spears returned home Monday night from visiting his parents at Artesia, N. M.

All report a good singing at Mr. Lovelace's Sunday.

Ed Simpson is attending the normal at Sweetwater.

Miss Sussie Christian is attending the Sweetwater normal.

Reader.

"It cured me," or "It saved the life of my child," are the expressions you hear every day about Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. This is true the world over where this valuable remedy has been introduced. No other medicine in use for diarrhoea or bowel complaints has received such general approval. The secret of the success of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is that it cures. Sold by all druggists.

Did you see the new arc light south of Horn's restaurant that has been installed by Mr. Horn. It is indeed a beauty and should be patterned by some of our progressive merchants. Nothing is a better advertiser for a good live town than a few good street lights.

Armstrong Tailoring Company have secured the basement in the First State Bank building and will soon be ready for business with a complete line of goods.

Lubricating oil in bulk, at Biles & Gentry's.

Miss Mary Williams is visiting friends at Garden City this week.

J. M. Wagstaff was here from Baird Thursday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Westerman went over to Stanton yesterday.

Dr. Rice, of Beaumont, has been out here for a few days the past week looking over the chances for another good doctor.

Miss Mary Times came in on the midnight train and left this morning for Brownfield to visit her mother and father. Miss Mary is one of the teachers in the high school at Waco.

FIRE INSURANCE. Let me write your policy.

J. C. Baird.

Joe Piner is here from Wichita Falls on a visit to his parents.

Several of the young lady friends of Miss Leona George gave her quite a surprise party Wednesday night. All report a delightful time and pleasant refreshments of cream and cake.

Misses Powell are working for Berry & Devenport through the sale they now have on.

We glad to see our efficient blacksmith, J. F. Powell, able to be up again from a painful incision caused by a nail.

Prof. A. D. Ellis and wife went over to Sweetwater to visit Mrs. Ellis' mother and father.

For better service, see Jones & McGowan, first door south of McCamant Drug Store.

Miss Margaret Crawford, Mrs. Pope and Walter Barrett went over to Sweetwater today to attend the picnic given by the different lodges of that town.

Mrs. L. V. Read and daughter Nellie have gone to Owensboro, Ky., to visit friends for a month or two.

Miss Velma Dillard, of Colorado, is visiting Misses Grace and Sallie Toiar this week.

Mrs. Francis Lott, of Kansas City, is visiting at the Slaughter ranch for a few weeks.

Mrs. W. H. Brennan, of Seminole, visited Tom Permitter and family the first of the week.

Tom Brennan, of Stiles, was seen on the streets a few days this week. Tom was smiling and when asked why said prospects looked good in Stiles.

Mrs. Anna Kennedy is visiting Elis Douthitt and family for a few days this week.

Judge Littler and wife are on a visit to Mineral Wells this week for the Judge's health.

Mrs. Herman Goldstein, of Jaysonville, Indiana, is the guest of William Fisher and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Biles left Thursday for Pittsburg, Texas, for a few weeks visit among friends and relatives.

Mrs. Dell Hatch and daughter, of Larena, are visiting in the city for a few days.

J. C. Smith returned from a business trip to his ranch in Pecos county Thursday and reports prospects good since the recent rains.

Miss Edith Strunk left Saturday for Waterloo, Iowa, for a visit among friends and relatives for a few weeks.

Mrs. Kerry and family have returned from an extensive visit with relatives in Wisconsin.

Mrs. Maddox, of Sweetwater, has been the guest of Mrs. J. W. Ward this week.

Miss White, of Carbon, has been partaking of Mrs. J. W. Ward's hospitality for a few days this week.

John Slaughter was in from the ranch Wednesday, and carried out a load of ranch supplies.



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cries the umpire and all the boys and young men in the land gladly obey. Have you seen our

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| Bleached Turkish Bath Towels, per pair, 25c to | 50c |
| Unbleached Turkish Bath Towels, per pair | 25c |
| Barber Towels 4c each or per dozen | 45c |
| Turkish Wash Cloths 5c, or 6 for | 25c |
| 25c quality Red and Blue Table Damask | 15c |
| 25c quality Bleached Table Damask | 19c |
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Miss Sallie Austin leaves Saturday night for Wichita Falls and Clarksville on a pleasure tour among friends and relatives.

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