

SANTA ANNA NEWS

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"He Profits Most Who Serves Best"

W. M. U. DOING GOOD WORK

At the regular monthly meeting of the Women's Missionary Union of the Baptist church on Monday of last week, among the several items that come up for attention was an appeal for aid in the Sunbeam work, which was heard and responded to in the right way. Sufficient funds were raised to supply the Sunbeams with literature and other necessities for the present time, and the Sunbeam leader, Miss Hilda Harrell, is exceedingly glad, as she was very much in need of funds to carry out her contemplated work with the little folks.

B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM

Devotional Meeting.—The Personal Friendship of Jesus.
Bible Quiz.—Mary McCorkle. Leader.—Knox Campbell.
Introduction.—By Leader.
Jesus Announces a New Relationship.—Nettie Newman.
Jesus Himself Offers His Friendship.—Joe McKay.
What His Friendship Involves.—Jewel Harris.
A Disinterested Friendship.—Florence Niell.
Proof of Christ's Friendship.—Elizabeth Walters.
Who May Have Christ's Friendship.—Mr. D. J. Barnes.
Earthy Friends, True and Tried.—Lee Niell.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

(Presbyterian Church)
Topic Lesson from Psalms 8; A Nature Psalm 104. (Consecration Meeting).
Leader.—Jasper McClellan.
God in Nature, Rom. 1-16:23—Arnold Davidson.
A Lesson from Flowers, Matt. 6:28-34.—Garner Morgan.
The Grass Message, I Peter 1:24, 25.—Vera Oakes.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School 9:45 a. m., J. Frank Turner, Supt.
Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.
Come and worship with us. Good music, cheerful addresses, hearty welcome. Men are to leave their coats at home.
R. A. Crosby, Pastor.

Camberland Presbyterian Church

Sunday school 10 a. m.
Everybody invited.—P. J. Van Dalsen, Supt.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC

Mrs. J. E. Ford entertained several of the Primary and Junior class of the Baptist Sunday School at her home near town Monday evening. Interesting games were played, and refreshments were served to about fifty.

SINGING CONVENTION IS SUCCESS

The Eastern District Singing convention met with the Double Churches, five miles east of Coleman, last Sunday and held another successful convention. The weather was very warm and the house was crowded to capacity.

Several of the regular attendants of the convention were present, but some of the main singers were absent and very much missed.

The good citizens of the community provided well for the convention, furnished a fine dinner and supplied us with plenty of good drinking water. The community in which the Double Churches are situated has been hit hard with grasshopper pests and hail damages, but the people seemed to be enthusiastic and provided well for their visitors. Pastor Strickland and Mr. Casey and others of the community did their utmost to make the convention a success, and it met with their expectations.

Santa Anna was successful in her bid for the next convention, which will meet on the Fifth Sunday in September, at which time we will also have a night session on Saturday night before the convention meets in regular session on Sunday morning.

The Western District convention meets with the Gouldsbush class next Sunday and all singers are invited to attend.

LOCAL PASTORS

HAVE RETURNED
Rev. J. M. Reynolds returned last week from Wingate, Texas, where he conducted a ten days revival and is back on his work at home this week.

Rev. R. A. Crosby returned first of this week from Gorman where he conducted a two weeks revival and is also enjoying home life again.

CHAMBERS-BELLEW

Married Saturday evening at six o'clock at the Christian church parsonage, by the Pastor, Rev. I. H. Teel, Mr. C. H. Chambers and Miss Mattie Mae Bellew. Mr. and Mrs. Chambers left here soon after the ceremony to spend their honeymoon in the Rio Grande Valley. Mr. Chambers is a faculty member of the Tarleton College and has won a most estimable helpmate.—Stephenville Empire.

C. H. Chambers is a grand-son of Mrs. M. E. Chambers of this community, and will be remembered by many friends here as Chester Chambers.

Lots of these folks are not babies, but they continue to cry for the bottle.

FACILITIES AVAILABLE AND STEPS TO TAKE BY FARMERS IN PRICING COTTON

(This is the 5th of the Series Articles on How the South can Make and Maintain a Profitable Price for Cotton, by W. B. Yeary of Dallas, Texas).

The great masses of the people, many of those vitally interested and suffering from the effects of the panic of 1920, has apparently been asleep, or doing nothing to repair the damage done. But a casual glance of what has been accomplished since then will show that some one has been actively at work in the repair shop.

On February 18th, 1922, there was a law passed by Congress permitting farmers to organize with, or without capital and for a profit not to exceed 8 per cent on the capital invested, and if any such association advances the price of its products unduly, in place of carrying it to court, the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States becomes the arbitrator. This is a long step in the right direction.

At adjournment of the last congress there was a standardization law of cotton passed, whereby farmers can warehouse their cotton and have it graded by a government grader and his grade must be accepted by buyers or spinners any where in this country or in the world. No buyer is allowed to offer cotton for sale on any other grade. Under this law, if farmers are beat out of anything in grade it is because they do not use the facilities at hand to protect themselves. The standard grades of the U. S. must go as graded by the grader.

Also at the close of the last congress there was a "Rural Credits Act" passed, establishing what is called "The Federal Intermediate Credit Banks."

There are twelve of them, one at each Federal Land Bank, and each one capitalized at \$5,000,000 by the Government with facilities of loaning a total of \$55,000,000 each on warehouse receipts for agricultural purposes. Since there will not be much need for loans for productive purposes, practically the whole amount will be available for marketing purposes. While the Federal Intermediate Credit Banks do not make loans direct to the farmers on their stored products, loans can be made through any bank, incorporated loan association or farmers co-operative marketing Association. Complete details of how to secure loans can be better had by applying to the Intermediate Credit Bank, Houston, Texas, the one for the South-west.

The Legislature of Texas has passed some valuable Laws in connection with it. Propaganda is being spread to prejudice the country banks against them making use of the facilities offered the farmers through these banks. Debentures must be sold against the cotton to replenish the supply of money as the \$5,000,000 is loaned, and it is estimated they can not be sold for less than about 5 per cent and the expense of the Intermediate Credit banks would be about one-half of one per cent, making the money cost 5 1-2 per cent. The law allows the country banks to charge one and one half per cent commission as agent of the farmer to secure the loan. Making the money cost the farmer 7 per cent per annum. Propaganda is being spread that a bank cannot afford to do business for 1 1-2 per cent interest, or in other words, it can not afford to endorse the farmers note secured by cotton to 75 per cent of its street price or market value for 1 1-2 per cent which is the maximum amount that will be loaned on the staple farm products. This kind of propaganda was spread in the fall of 1915, when Secretary of the treasury, McAdoo placed money in the Reserve Banks to be loaned on cotton to relieve the necessity of selling. The commission allowed then was 3 per cent. All banks in

Texas except 2 or 3 fell for the propaganda and refused or discouraged the farmers in borrowing the money. The presence of the money, however, caused a gradual advance in the price of \$25.00 per bale.

No matter how plentiful money is, it is very questionable whether it pays individual farmers here and there to hold cotton, but when there is an organization which controls as much as 5 per cent of normal crop and that organization is holding for a certain price, then the question of what is best to do is answered by saying, hold for the price and persuade others to do so, thus encouraging future dealers to the bull side and spinners to buy their supply, all to which shoves the price up. But no matter how much is under organization if it is not held for a price or for more money, it had about as well not be organized in so far as advancing or effecting the price is concerned. I never paid a wholesale merchant any more than he asked for his goods, and I never had a farmer offer me any more than I asked for what I had to sell.

But back to the Country banker and the propaganda that 1 1-2 per cent is not enough. If there is a general movement among the farmers to ask a stipulated price for cotton, and it is graded, warehoused and, insured, the banker is running no risk in a decline in price and the 1 1-2 per cent commission will pay very well for the trouble. But that is the part of last importance to the banker. His active co-operation with the farmers in this respect will add materially to the price and is absolutely necessary to place the South in position to establish a profitable and staple price for cotton, the country banker's only guarantee of safety and prosperity, or we might say his permanency.

Propaganda has also been scattered broadcast that "the middle man profits and waste is the farmers greatest trouble." No doubt this is aimed to detract the public mind from the necessity of the farmers taking steps to control the price and make them unthinking banker, merchant and farmer for get their duty of having a say as to the price. There is nothing so important to the farmer and nothing so dangerous to the gambler as the farmers directing what the price will be. I doubt the possibility of the farmers being able to create a distribution system for cotton that can compare with that established by the exporters for efficiency or economy. In making this statement I do not mean to say many exporters do not take a much larger toll than they are entitled to, or that the business will bear, but their exorbitant profit, if it exists, is because the farmers do not supervise and stabilize the price. With our standardization law in effect, if the farmers should arrive at a price for cotton each fall for the different grades and put their cotton in warehouses and notify central agencies, of their own, of the contents of each warehouse, the local buyer, (if their should be one) the exporter, the spinner anywhere in the world, and the cotton merchant, would all know the price of the different grades and staples. Does any one think for a moment that a spinner would pay an exporter more than a legitimate profit for the cotton he needed? Would a cotton merchant of England do so, knowing the price he could get it from the farmers organization for? Certainly it would mean no more than a legitimate profit to the exporter, or direct selling, which would reduce the middleman's profits all that any one could ask. If all of the charges, legitimate and other wise, including freight to foreign countries, were absolutely cut out, and all of it given to the farmers, it would

not raise past prices enough to cover cost of production. Then why try to content ourselves with trying to save apart of the middle-man's profits and ignoring our rights, and our business duty, of having a say as to the price?

Objects of a Cotton Growers Association

The object of a cotton growers association should be to make and maintain a profitable price for cotton. Not to see how high it can force the price, but arrive at a profitable price each year based upon cost and considering economic conditions. Then when that price is reached, supply the demand at the price being just as careful to not accept a higher price as it would reject a less one, thus maintaining the price and making it stable, thus following the practice of all reputable manufacturers of standard products. This course will win the respect of all farmers and the public generally. We have been cautioned against a surplus of cotton, but we must realize a reserve stock to supply the demand is essential to stability to prevent a "runaway market." The mills of the world use about one and a half million bales of American cotton monthly in normal times and when they can get it. Hence a carry-over of three million bales, which means July 31, is barely enough to keep the mills running until the new crop can reach them provided all the supply is in their hands and if evenly distributed, which is impossible. A carry-over of five million bales July 31st, should not be considered any surplus and would have no effect on the price with a strong organization and it properly financed. I hope to see the time when the South will have an association with a capital of at least \$50,000,000 to care for a respectable reserve stock of cotton, and be in shape to apply all known remedies and methods that will aid in reducing the cost of production and lowering the price to ultimate consumer, at the same time giving the producers a profit. Nothing short of a profit to the producers will ever enable them to build up the soil, eradicate insect pests and adopt improved methods of production and give the world cheaper cotton. This nation, as well as foreign ones that want cheap cotton and a full supply had as well accept this fact and co-operate with the producers for cost and a profit and stability of prices as the only means to that end. Is there a spinner, or other manufacturer, who can buy new machinery and adopt new and economic methods in production on any other basis? Then how can they expect cot-

ton producers to do that which they would know was impossible? The same method used by manufacturers, without listening to or depending upon those whose interest is contrary to that of the farmers, and ultimately that of the spinners and consuming public.

"How the South can make and maintain a profitable price for cotton" has no mystery when we consider the producer as a manufacturer which he is and shape the management of his business to follow that of every other manufacturer. In these articles I have tried to clear up that great mystery the South has been taught was connected with marketing her cotton by giving the results of past efforts the causes of their death and the location of the enemy who alone makes the job difficult.

There are two farmers organizations in the South at present either of which according to reports is strong enough to control the price of a normal crop under normal conditions. (See past efforts, article 3). From the best available statistics the maximum yield of the 1923 crop cannot be more than 11,500,000 bales, with a prospective demand of at least 14,000,000 bales. Then if one or both of them do not cause cotton to sell for cost and a profit next fall, it would appear they do not know what to do or do not want the producers of cotton to price it.

SUNBEAMS PAY VISIT TO GRANDMA CHAMBERS

Last Sunday afternoon Miss Hilda Harrell congregated fourteen of her senior Sunbeam class, secured the services of Rev. T. S. Slaughter with his Ford, and carried the bunch out to the home of Mrs. M. E. (Grandma) Chambers, and paid the good woman a very pleasant visit, several presents in token of love and respect were left with Grandma, and her heart was made to rejoice. Mrs. Chambers is numbered among the pioneer members of the Baptist church in this city, and her family has always been depended upon for whatever support the church was in need of, and such little tokens as were paid to her last Sunday is worth while to both her and those who took part in the visit. The gladness is bound to reflect and cover up gloom. Christian deeds will ever live and are bound to bring reward.

CARD OF THANKS

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W. E. Ragsdale and family.

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Santa Anna, Texas



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 Friday, August 3, 1923.

J. J. GREGG, Editor and Publisher

Business is business and it must have attention, but there are other things in this life of importance the same as accumulation of wealth. The possession of true friends is of more value than money. Let us think of the obligations we owe to them, and never forget that courtesy and kindness to those with whom we are associated in our every day life is an evidence of good breeding and will win the respect and esteem of all. While looking after our business affairs let us not forget the amenities of life that should always be observed. This is the New's doctrine, and we trust, amid our weakness to be able to live up to it.

The News is not a perfect paper, neither are the publishers perfect people, but it is our mistakes that we try to profit by. No one can see our faults more than we can ourselves and no one regrets more than we do that we have some unbecoming weaknesses. It being impossible for human beings to be perfect we do not particular crave perfectness but we do crave a heart and conduct that will be acceptable. We crave to live a life that will be approved by our associates in order that we may become closer and better friends. We often think that if we understood others and others understood us there would be much better feeling and stronger ties existing. Personally, we feel the need of more co-operation and better understanding among the business men of this town. We cannot believe that people are as selfish as some observations would lead one to believe, but instead it must be either carelessness or indifference. We know the people here are peculiar, but we are ever alert to find something good in them and are always finding it. Errors can be overcome but not without effort. Santa Anna has the surroundings and natural facilities to make up one of the best towns in west Texas. The editor has traveled over considerable territory in the past and we have always kept an observation eye open for resources and possibilities and in our humble opinion this country is hard to excel. We admit that we have not met with the encouragement and co-operation from the business men of this city during the past two years that an editor needs to accomplish what could be accomplished through a publication for a town but we do not and have never fought any man, firm or business of any kind or character since we have been here, but instead, we have tried to wage an honest fight, live economically and to the best of our ability prove ourselves to the people. We know that considerable idle rumors and groundless statements have been abroad in the community since we have been here, but a stranger coming into a new community, his mistakes and weaknesses will always stand out bigger and broader than whatever commendable traits he might possess, and such things are hard to outlive and overcome. What we want is a fair, just and equitable consideration, and we believe when this is given to us that conditions will be different. We hold not aught against any one regardless of what others may say, and a test is all we ask. We feel that much can be accomplished and considerable improvements made if a better understanding was brought about. We invite conferences with any of the business men at any time

MILL NOTICE

Due to repair work being done on our furnace, we will not be able to do any grinding on the first Saturday in August, but will soon have everything ready for grinding and ginning.
 Farmers Gin Co.
 By O. W. Parris.

WHY HENRY FORD FOR PRESIDENT?

(By S. E. Weaver)

What was once a joke about Henry Ford running for president now seems to be a serious matter. One of the leading magazines of the country is taking a straw vote and to the surprise of every one of the chagrins of the republicans, Ford is running Harding a close race for first place.
 No one can dispute Ford's place in the automobile world, but his place and capabilities as a statesman are debatable matters. He, like Alexander of old, has conquered his world, so he looks for other to subdue. It is true that he has put a car in almost every home in this country. He has indeed made a car for the masses—"The Universal Car."
 He now turns his attention to politics and finance and hopes to make valuable contributions to the thought in those fields.
 He offers solutions to problems of finance that have baffled the economists from Adam Smith to Fisher. He worked out a plan to save the Muscle Shoals situation within a few days, while a committee from Congress worked months without results. Since "History is all bunk" it is not at all surprising that he favors the policy of issuing non-interest bearing notes to finance the above project, instead of selling bonds.
 With his limited knowledge of history he, no doubt, has never heard of the millions of dollars lost by the too free practice of issuing notes without the proper reserve to guarantee their circulation. He even believes that gold is unnecessary to the existence of a good working currency system. If Ford should become president of this nation and be allowed to try some of his ideas, he would bring disaster to the country.
 Who is this man Ford and what has he done to be considered seriously for the presidency? He is a Detroit automobile manufacturer, who has made millions of dollars. He is said to pay good wages to his employees and to deal generously with them in all things. He is a philanthropist. He is against Wall Street. He, it was, who sent or carried the peace ship to Europe to settle the war.

Many people bless his name for giving us "The Universal Car." It is held by the average up-and-coming, forward looking citizen that we could not have made the wonderful progress that we have, without this cheap car. And that it has transformed our life and civilization. To all of which we must agree. If rapid change is progress, then we have made wonderful progress and the end is not yet in sight.
 Those who think that the automobile is an unalloyed blessing will tell you that children are able to attend school from greater distances than ever before. And that people may now come to the town churches and hear good preaching, who live in far remote places. But has the attendance at church increased as was expected? And what has been the effect of this on the rural churches? Many think that the cheap automobile has solved the city-ward movement of the country boy. Instead of solving it, the automobile has made it insoluble. The rural churches are being abandoned while some of their communicants go to the towns and churches. And for every family that goes into town from the country on account of the automobile, there is another family in the country to spend the day. The church statistics prove that beyond a doubt.
 This automobile, to which Ford has contributed so much, is indeed a marvelous device. It has made two mortgages grow where one grew before. The institution of road-side parking could not exist but for the universal use of automobiles. It is impossible to eliminate or control the social end or bootlegging because of the automobile.

Let us speculate on what he would do if by accident Ford should become president. What would be his domestic and foreign policies? It is safe to predict that he offers an economic remedy for all the evils of this country and Europe.
 Immediately after his inauguration he would no doubt dispatch another peace ship to settle the Ruhr problem. This enterprise would fail as did the

first one. It has been suggested by some humorist that we introduce the use of the Ford in all the war like nations as a remedy for war. This humorist thinks that the Fords would come so near bankrupting the people where they were used that they would be unable to wage war. A large per cent of the people would be broke and another per cent would be so busy keeping their Fords up that they would not hear the call to the colors. I suspect that if every man in Europe was trying to keep up a Ford a band of sympathy would develop between those nations that hated each other when Caesar came that they would hate each other no more.

Ford would no doubt try to have legislation enacted that would do more for Zionism than all the Jewish philanthropist have been able to accomplish. Within a few months he would have that portion of the twelve tribes of Israel that live among us on their way to Palestine.

If it were possible he would get control of The League of Nations and lease it to an American operation company so that we could get all the profits earned by the concern. (He leased that railroad that he took over to himself after he had failed to buy all the stock. He did this to either compel the minority stock holders to sell to him or get no dividends. The stock holders appealed to the courts and blocked this effort.)

If he treated the nations of Europe like he treated his agents in this country when the slump in the demand for his cars came, he would not allow them to buy any of our cotton, wheat, iron or any other commodity unless they took our surplus at a price set by us.

Let us hope that Ford's candidacy will always be a joke, for he can do us far less harm in Detroit than in Washington. He may worry the country banker as he bankrupts the bank customer, but he would ruin all of us if he would experiment with this government for four years.

Note—The above article was written by Mr. S. E. Weaver of this city. Mr. Weaver is a bright young fellow, well educated, generous, courteous, and in every way a splendid young man who always finds a welcome at the News office, but our idea and his of Henry Ford are very much different. Personally, we are not boosting Mr. Ford for president of the United States, but we believe he would do as much to bring the country back to its senses as any prospective candidate so far mentioned, and we have confidence in him and his ability, and believe that if he was elected the country would prosper under his administration.—Editor.

FALLACY OF BUYING BY MAIL

How would you like to journey to the nearest city for a pound of sugar, or a yard of muslin, or a spool of thread, or a smoke? And how would you like to make the trip when you need a prescription filled in a hurry, with death running you a race?

You would make some noise if forced to such an extremity—and then more noise.

You would say—and justly so—that a town in which you can not buy a pound of sugar, or a yard of muslin, or a spool of thread, or a smoke or even get a prescription filled, is a mighty poor excuse for a town and not worth living in.

Yet our merchants can only afford to keep these things for your convenience as long as you buy other things from them.

It is not doing this town any good to buy the little things here and then chase off to a city or send to a catalogue house when you want something on which the merchant has a chance to make a dollar.

Neither is it doing you any good, for the prosperity of each citizen, is dependent to a large extent upon the prosperity of the community as a whole.

We are not telling you something you do not know.

We are simply refreshing your memory in hopes that the time may come when our people will conclude that a town that is worth living in is worth trading in.

SPEND DAY PARTY

The Sunshine Class of Methodist Sunday School very gratefully accepted the invitation from their teacher, Mrs. R. A. Crosby, to come to an all day party at the parsonage.

The morning was spent in fancy work and embroidery by some of the members, while the others kept things lively with merry making of their own originality.

At one o'clock cries of "when do we eat" were heard so often until the hostess rang the bell and the Sunshiners marched into the dining room, where a very attractive table, laced with 14 plates, and everything good to eat, was seen.

The smiling hostess and daughter, Miss Ruth, sat at one end of the table while the honored president, Miss Ruby Brannan, sat at the other. After lunch a back-sliders club was formed and took their respective places along side of the kitchen wall for purpose of seeing others wash the dishes up properly. Strong plank in the platform in the club—which was, we neither wash nor dry dishes—was soon reduced to splinters. Everyone fell to willing hand and helped Margaret and Bill, and in a short time the shining kitchen was forgotten.

Sleep and quiet in general reigned over the house for a short time, then singing, picture making and watermelon eating was indulged in the rest of the afternoon.

Dinner was served at seven o'clock and just as everyone had resolved from necessity to eat no more, Harry Caton sent up a case of sodawater, which, needless to say, was disposed of.

Those present were: Gladys Burk, Hazel Verner, Winnie Todd, Ruth Stephenson, Florence Dodgen, Ruby Brannan, Georgie Gilmore, Bill and Jimmie Vinson, Ruth Crosby, Mrs. Harry Caton, guest Margaret Barnes.

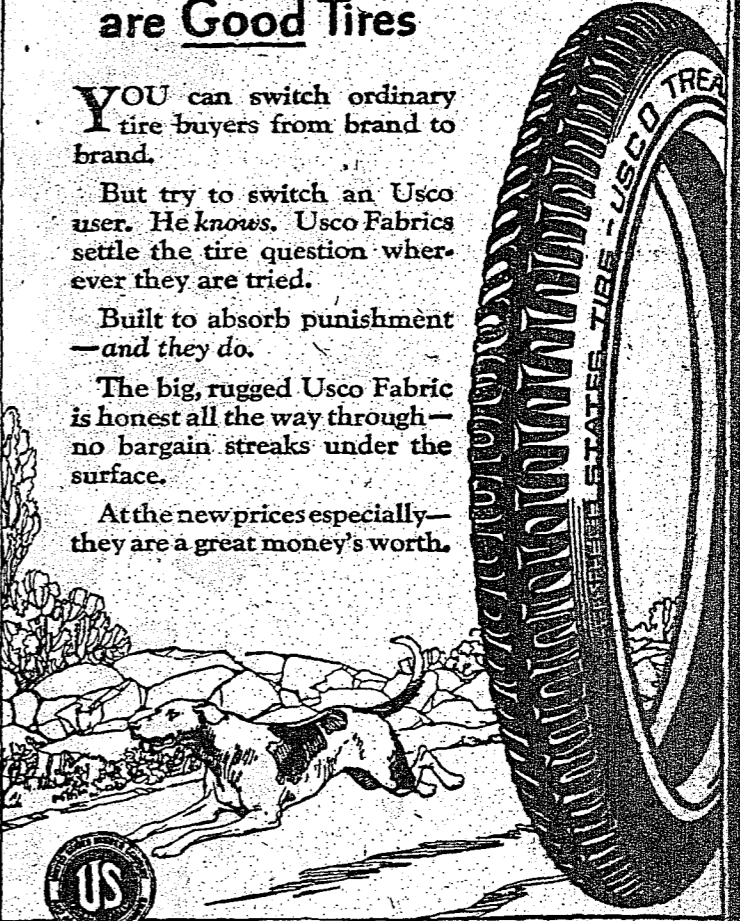
Sunshine Class shall write Tuesday 24th down in her book of memory as a perfect day, which began at nine o'clock, and which several declare hasn't ended yet.

—Contributed.

their rescue, he is never of their number. When money is needed for a public enterprise his name is never on the list. When he sees some neighbor stuck in the mud he detours to avoid him. In fact, if he stood on the shore and saw the ship of state sinking, he would never offer to throw out a line. And if all mankind was fashioned from this kind of clay, have you ever thought what would happen? There would be no hospitals for the sick, no institutions for the unfortunate nor rest rooms for the weary. Think this over, you good citizen, and see if you fill the bill; search your heart and ask yourself what you have done to improve the condition of your community and what succor you have offered to the afflicted and if you are about to become a useless "good citizen" then turn and read it twice.—Center Point News.

Miss Gorden Owens, one of the News force, returned last Sunday from a four week's vacation. She visited her mother in Eastland Co. and friends elsewhere.

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THE USELESS "GOOD CITIZEN"

There is a certain type of man in every community who poses as a good citizen. He breaks no laws, lives morally, pays his honest debts and is never tangled up with the law in any way. But he lives of himself and for himself exclusively. When the call is issued for volunteers to put across community movements and give a boost he never answers; when calamity has befallen people and charity flies to

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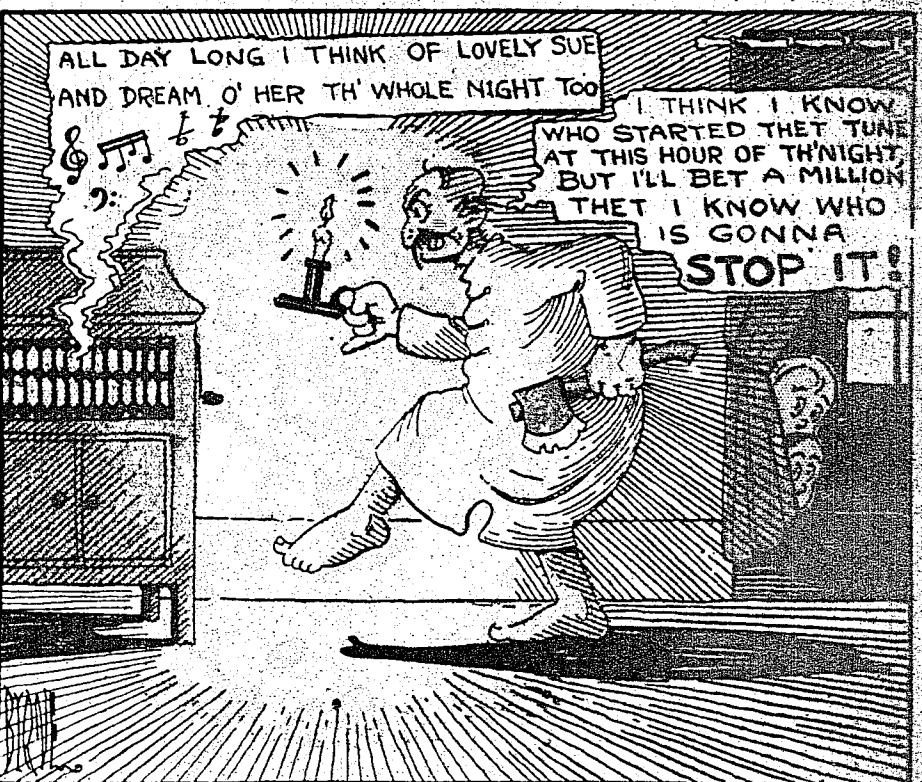
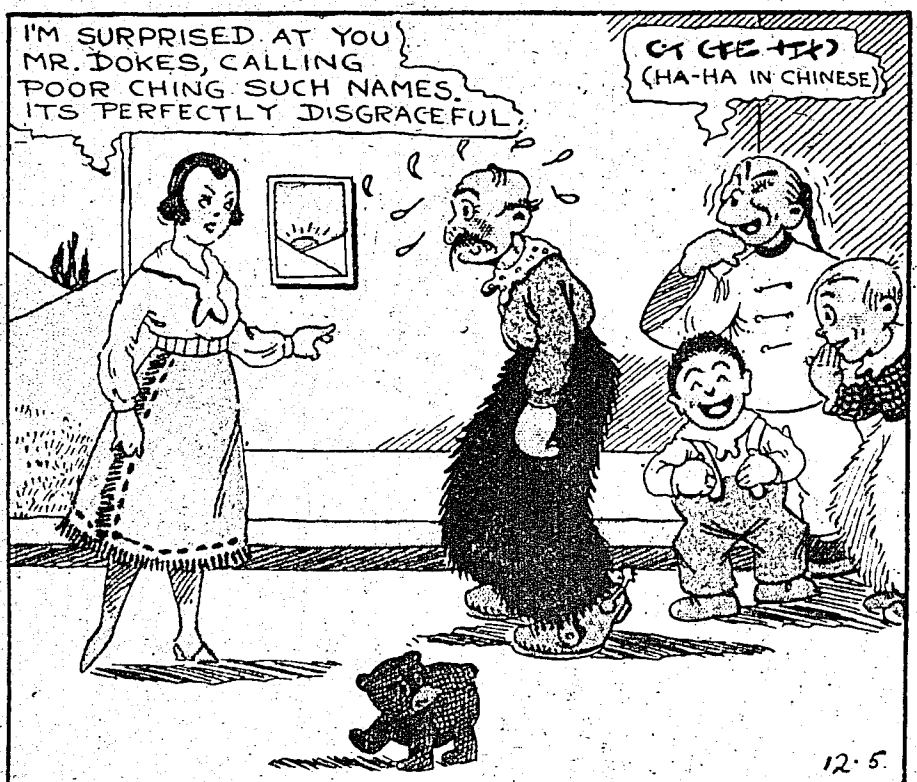
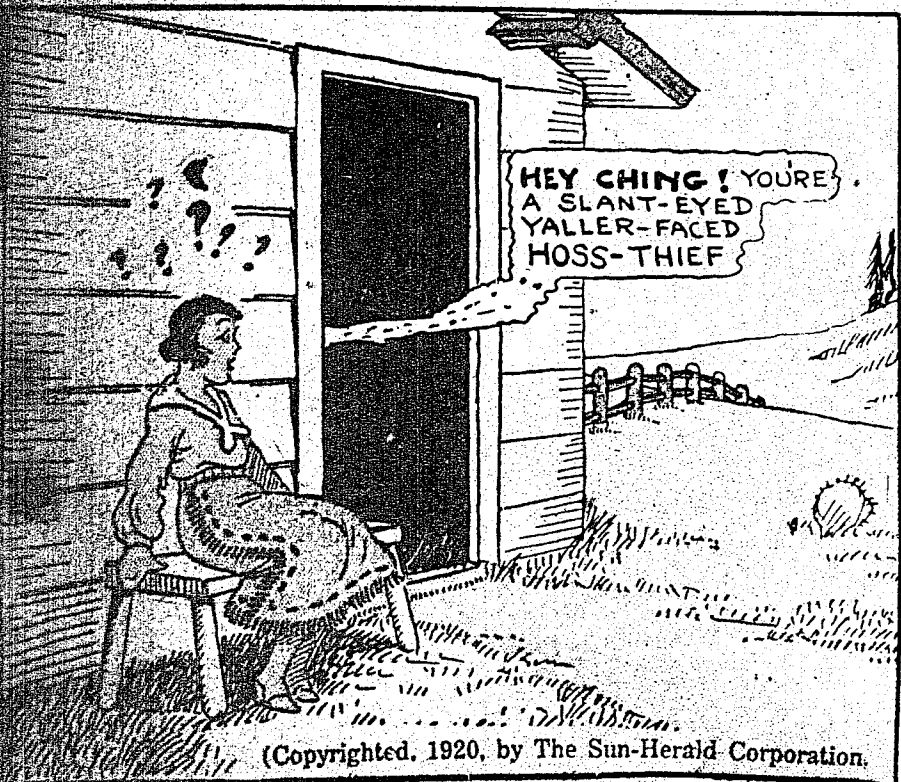
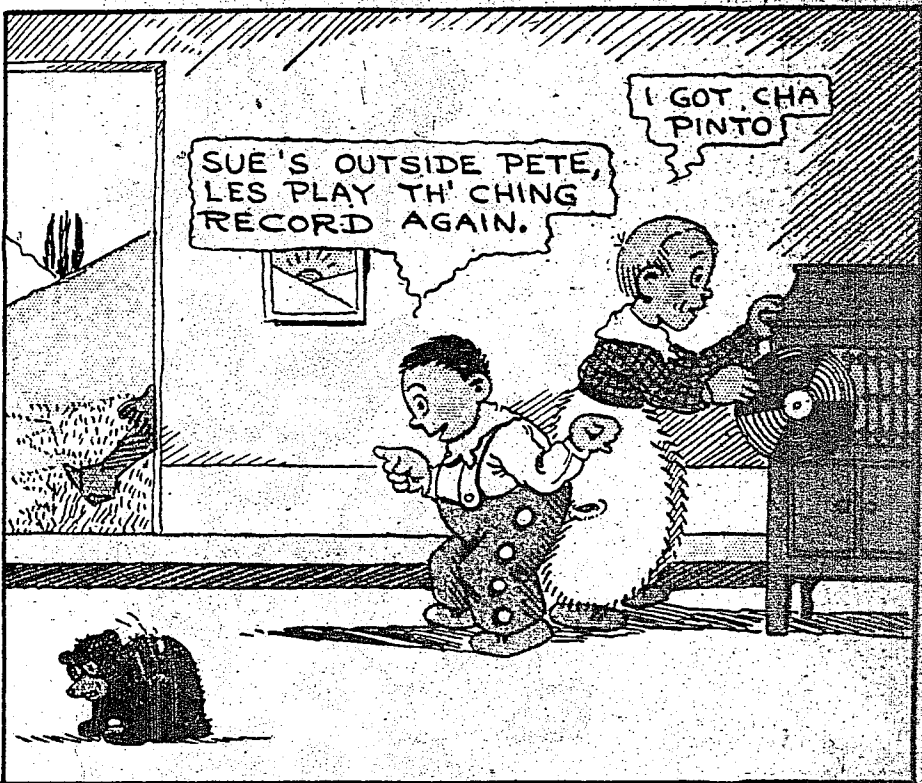
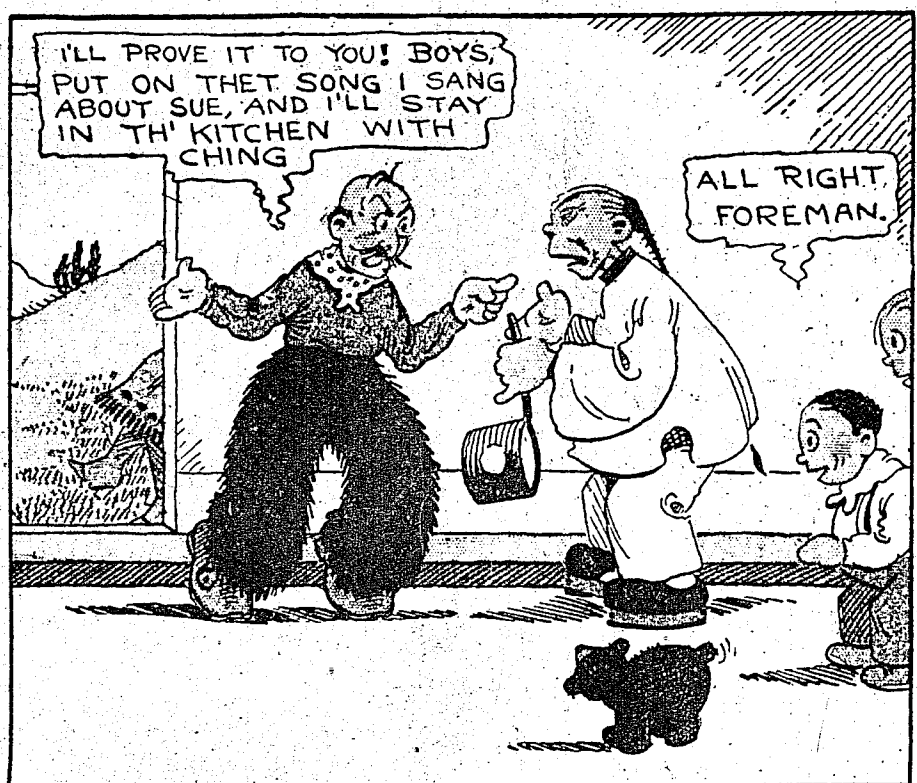
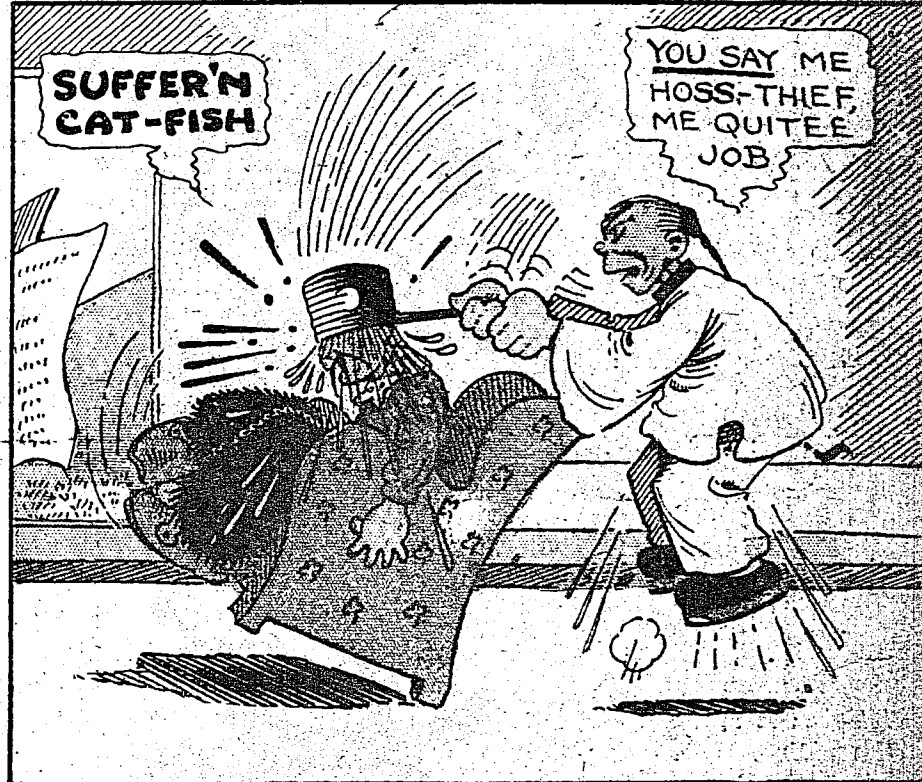
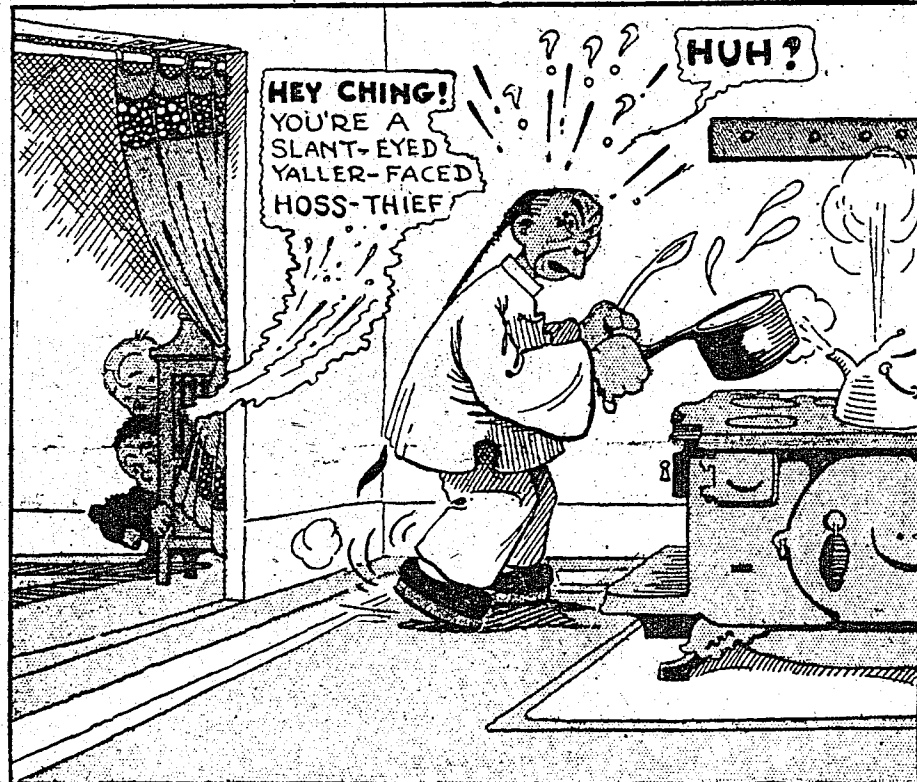
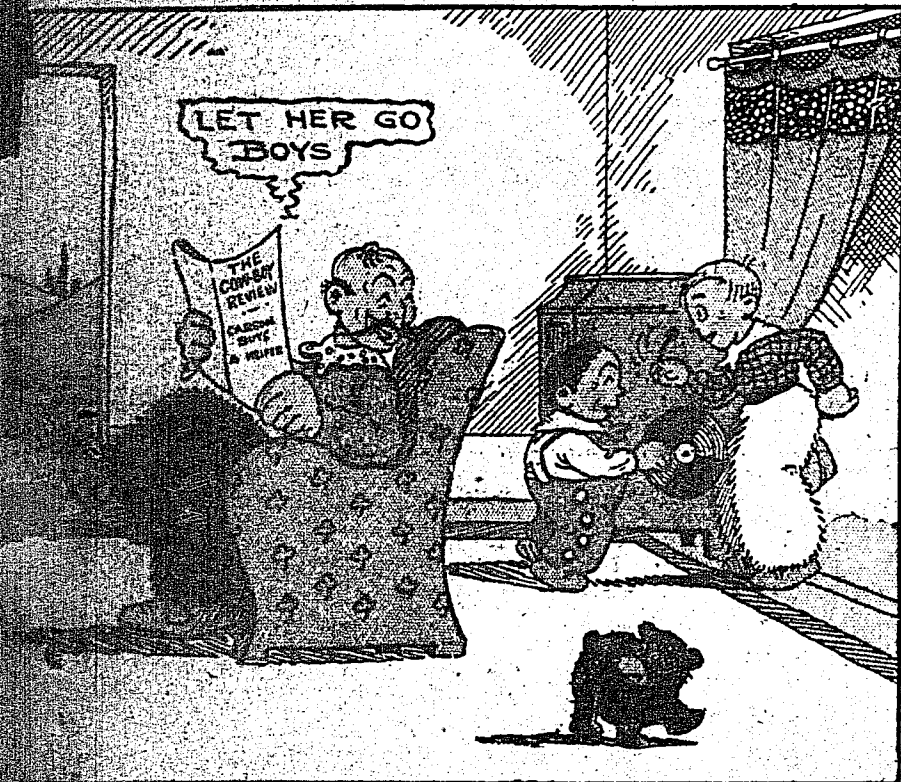
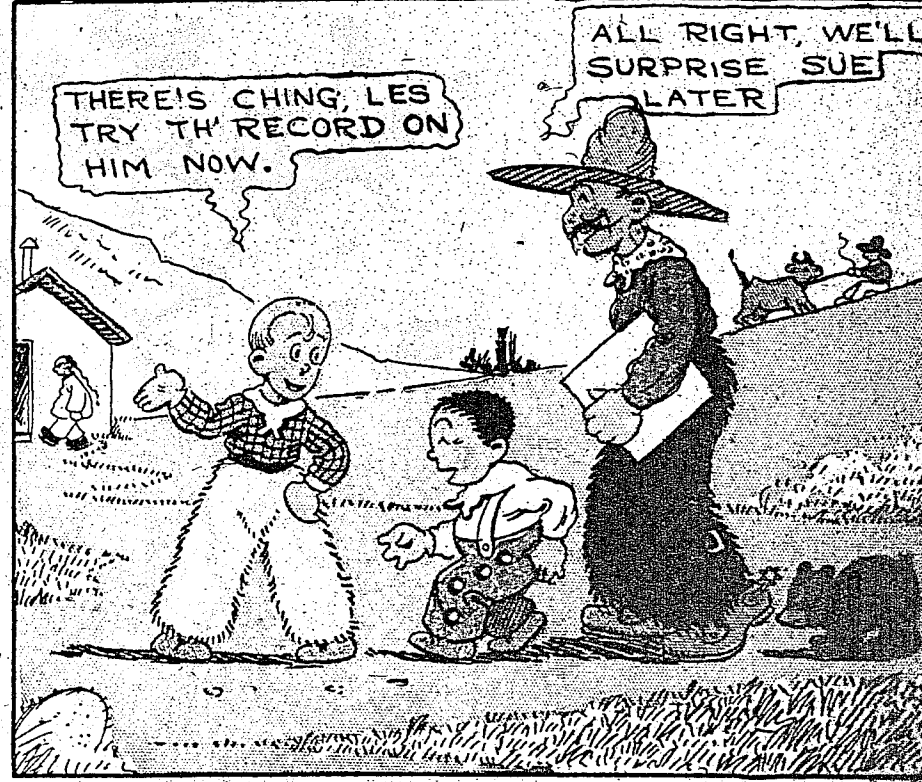
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"HE PROFITS MOST WHO SERVES BEST"

PETE AND PINTO The Cow-Kids of O-Joy Ranch

By M. M. BRANNEN



Where Texas Martyrs Rest *An Early Tragedy in Texas History.*

By AUSTIN CALLAN

Monument Hill overlooks the beautiful valley of the Colorado river in Fayette county. Heroes sleep there! On its high green crest more than seventy-five years ago practically the entire white citizenship of Texas gathered for a strange mission. A tomb had been prepared of simple stones quarried near by and into it the bones of Texas martyrs were tenderly laid to rest.

Looking eastward from this consecrated spot, across the red waters of the winding river, you can see a shaggy oak on the main street of the town of La Grange. That is the "noche triste" tree, or "Historic Oak," with which is associated one of the darkest tragedies of the early days of the Texas Republic.

Dawson's Fifty-Six Braves.

The men whose dust now repose in the tomb on Monument Hill, met beneath the once wide-spreading branches of the old tree, and organized a military company. There were but fifty-six of them, yet with lion-hearted courage and a love for liberty, they rode westward to fight the besieging hosts of Adrian Woll, who were storming the gates of San Antonio. The gallant N. H. Dawson was given command of this little troop and the massacre of his braves at Salado near San Antonio in 1842, when every man but eleven was butchered and mutilated after surrendering, inspired the ill-fated Mier expedition into Mexico. And in the same simple sepulchre on Monument Hill, in which those heroes sleep, under a massive oak, where for three-quarters of a century the birds have called the flowers back to bloom each springtime, sleep also sixteen of the seventeen Texans ("the men of Mier") who drew the black beans of death at Hacienda Salado, in Coahuilla, Mexico, following their surrender under the promise of protection.

The year 1842 was a sad one for the Anglo-American settlers of Texas. General Santa Anna had broken his promises to Sam Houston and Mexicans were constantly giving trouble on the north side of the Rio Grande river. Early in the spring of that year Valasquez led an army almost to the shadow of the Alamo before he was repulsed. And later there followed the invasion of the "palados," under a French leader named Woll, who assaulted and captured the Mission City.

News of this outrage flew like wildfire to every inhabited part of the Texas

republic. A rider from San Antonio carried word to La Grange and Nicholas Dawson hastily summoned together fifty-five of the brave young pioneers of Fayette county and after organizing under "Historic Oak," and receiving a God-speed from all those who were assembled there, the men rode like knights of old to the aid of the besieged Col. Caldwell.

As they neared San Antonio they heard a rattle of musketry together with an occasional boom of cannon. At that very time General Woll and fourteen hundred and fifty Mexicans were giving battle to Caldwell's two hundred and twenty poorly equipped Texans. When a point was reached on the Salado, near the city, four hundred of the Mexican cavalymen who were retreating ran into Dawson's fifty-six braves. It was an uneven contest but the fire of the La Grange heroes was true and it temporarily put the enemy to flight. The Americans took advantage of this to reload, but while they were grouped together getting ready for another charge, Woll threw consternation into their camp with two cannons. It was impossible to hold out against such overwhelming odds, especially when artillery was being brought into play, and Capt. Dawson was forced to run up a white flag.

Mexican Treachery.

The Mexicans did not respect the surrender; they ignored the agreement made by Santa Anna after the battle of San Jacinto; they forgot the mercy shown their "Napoleon of the West" when he was captured, and in a brutal and cowardly manner, chopped their defenseless victims to pieces on the battlefield. Forty-one were left there so mutilated that friends who visited the spot a few days later could not recognize a single one of the number.

That crime gave impetus to the cry "On to Mexico!" And from old Fayette along the Colorado, and from far up the Brazos, and from every point in Texas where there were white people, men rushed to San Antonio determined on an invasion of the Southern Republic. Edmond Burleson was chosen commander but for some reason Sam Houston failed to respect the choice of the men and put General Somerville in charge of the assembled forces. Somerville went as far as Laredo and there he decided to abandon the expedition. This caused dissatisfaction and three hundred and six

of the men refused to follow him back. Instead they went down the river, crossed over at Mier and engaged a Mexican force that outnumbered them three to one. After a desperate battle, with Captain Fisher in command, the number of soldiers was reduced to two hundred and twenty-seven. It was not yet a Mexican victory, however, and it might not have been had the Texans ignored certain representations that



"HISTORIC OAK," NORTH SIDE OF PUBLIC SQUARE, LA GRANGE, TEXAS.

Under this tree Dawson's men organized in 1842; the Confederate forces in 1860; the Spanish-American volunteers in 1898, and in 1917, when the call came for service in the World's War, the last rally of the men who went overseas took place under the old "Historic Oak."

were made to them. A surgeon in the Mexican army who had attended school with one of the American leaders pretended to be friendly. He sent word that reinforcements were momentarily expected at Mier, but that if his Texas friends would surrender not one of them should be harmed.

Fisher was wounded and discouraged, and believing the surgeon to be sincere, he complied with the request. But it was a mistake. The surgeon proved to be an arch-fiend; he laughed at those

he had betrayed and they were immediately bound about the wrists with rawhide cords and sent away as prisoners to Matamoros. From there they were marched overland to Monterey and Saltillo and Hacienda Salado, being exhibited along the way as conquered Tehanans (Texans). They had chains about their necks and ankles and were half starved and mistreated in every manner on the tiresome journey of more than a thousand miles to where they were imprisoned.

Break for Liberty.

On February 11, 1843, the men made a break to get away. The guards were overpowered and one hundred and fifty guns captured. At the outer gate, however, there were several hundred soldiers and it meant havoc to the small force to rush by them. A sacrifice had to be made and two gallant Texans agreed to give their lives that the others might have a chance to live. Doctor Brenham, after whom the town of Brenham was named, and Pat Lyons were the two men. They plunged through the open gate and drew the fire of every Mexican gun. This gave the Texans an opportunity to escape without further losses. The prisoners, after getting away, started back to Texas. It was a long, long way to go and they had no supplies. But they might have been successful had it not been that they became famished for water. Struggling along several days later, weak, weary and discouraged, they sighted a Mexican army camp on a distant hill and voluntarily surrendered. The commander was General Mexia, whose name will ever be revered in Texas because he stuck to the promise he made the men when they straggled into his camp. It was the cruel Santa Anna who broke the pledge and decreed that one out of every ten of these helpless prisoners should draw a black bean and die. Mexia protested against this, and when his wishes were set at naught he sent his commission and his sword to the monstrous dictator and left the army.

Perhaps no more solemn and dreadful scene was ever enacted in Mexico, since the ancient Aztecs made living sacrifices at the old temple which stood on the Zocolo, than was presented by this inhuman manner of choosing life and death with beans. There was a great assembly and in the center of the courtyard the beans were placed in an earthen jar. Then each man was led up blind-

folded to the jar to fish out either the black bean of death or the white bean of hope and liberty. After the seventeen were murdered the balance of the men were taken near Mexico City and imprisoned. Their release was secured on March 25, 1844, when the United States consul-general interceded in their behalf. A number of the men had made their escape previous to the order setting them free.

Two years later the American army was in Mexico. Following the storming of Monterey, Major Walter P. Lane, a Texas, was scouting around San Luis Potosi, and captured Hacienda Salado. He demanded of the Alcalde the bones of those unfortunates who were shot after the drawing of the black beans. The request was complied with and the sacred remains were carried to the headquarters of General Zachary Taylor's army. And during the balance of the campaign through the land of the Montezumas all that was mortal of "the Men of Mier" was present with the soldiers to urge them on to victory.

A Great Memorial Service.

After Old Glory had triumphed, all the way from the bishop's palace at Monterey to Chapultepec, the bones of our martyrs were returned to Texas for interment. For a time they lay in state at the old Svoboda building, which still is one of the landmarks of La Grange. Then one day in 1848, the heroes of every Lone Star battlefield assembled on the banks of the Colorado river and a great memorial service was held. Men were there with fresh recollections of the Alamo and Goliad and San Jacinto—from old Independence, from San Felipe on the Brazos, from the far away Trinity. And they dedicated anew their lives and services to the mission of making this splendid commonwealth of ours a great, free and prosperous state.

That was a long time ago. The babes who played upon the hillside during the memorable event have grown aged, gray and bent. Most of them are now on the other side of the River. But the grass is just as green each springtime, as in that distant day; the flowers of April come with the same fragrance; the view up the Colorado river to the northwest has all its virgin charm, and the memory of Dawson's men is still fresh and inspiring to all true Texans. They died for us and we shall not forget them.

Passing of the Big Ranches *From Cattle Herds to Waving Grain Fields.*

Texas is still the cattle kingdom of the nation. One can yet find in the great trans-Pecos country ranches large enough to accommodate a state like Rhode Island, with an abundance of land left over to make an ordinary New England county. But generally speaking, the huge pastures are gone and small stock raisers and farmers dwell on the domains of the early bovine kings.

One wise man said: "Civilization begins and ends with the plow." Whether that be altogether true or not, it is certain that civilization never gets very far beyond that useful agricultural implement. It is certainly an essential of human progress. You can sink your cannons into the depth of the ocean and break the warrior's last blade of steel; you can do away with all the facilities of modern transportation, take out the telephones, leave the electrical appliances to corrode and rot, and yet maintain a living standard as high as mortals have ever reached.

But beat the plow points of the nation into bayonets, leave untouched our great agricultural soils and there would arise a crisis that all the statesmanship America has produced, from the days of Jefferson down to Woodrow Wilson, could not successfully cope with.

Useful in Its Day.

The large cow ranch was useful in its day. Those pioneers of the cattle industry, who figuratively speaking, heated their branding irons in the Indians smoldering camp-fires, did their state a service. The Lovings, the Goodnights, the Slaughters and their contemporaries, performed a reclamation and did a work of development along the western wilds, that we should always gratefully remember.

But when the time came to make our vast areas support an increased population, the big ranches had to go. They didn't sustain enough human beings. They stood in the way of actual settlement and prevented that higher development that is always brought about in any part of the world by an intelligent cultivation of the soil.

The old-timer remembers when the cattle of one brand were scattered for fifty or a hundred miles across the western plains. The Capitol Syndicate ranch alone embraced something like nine hundred square miles of territory, and there were many such ranches containing from one hundred to three hun-

dred sections in a solid body. Such ranches as these worked big outfits, they had many men employed to ride the range, to attend the round-ups, to keep the fences in repair and look after windmills. But as a rule the cowboys were not the heads of families—only a few of them improved homes of their own; they were simply hard-workers and easy-spenders. And this is said of them affectionately, for those jolly, big-hearted and open-minded "punchers" of the old West were loyal, square, kind and brave. They were the product of an era, and no people ever fit better into that particular place created for them than the cowboys fit into West Texas from the departure of the romantic savage to the coming of the man with the hoe.

But land that will grow wheat and oats and corn and cotton and potatoes, is

Southwest have been cut up into small holdings the past fifteen or twenty years. Where once the "Long S," the "Door Key," the "Hat," the "Spur" or the "Hash Knife" brands decorated a herd that roamed over a hundred thousand acres of land, there are now many small herds bearing different brands, or flocks of sheep and goats. The eight section man has proven a real blessing in what has been termed a dry grazing land country. By drilling wells and building wolf-proof fences, he has been able to do away with the expense of herders, has made the acres more productive of wealth and has materially increased the population.

In those sections of the country where the soil is rich and the seasons dependable, the big ranch has been subdivided into small stock farms, or cut up and sold off strictly for agricultural

most of it was tillable land. Those who owned it realized that it was too valuable for cattle to run over, and they had it surveyed off into small tracts and put on the market. Now the section is a veritable garden spot, when the seasons are favorable. There are many prosperous farms dotting the prairies that formerly gave little evidence of human habitation. Happy families are found in large numbers on every side and the beautiful homes, the good schools and magnificent churches of the thriving city of Spur, and to some extent that of Girard, Orlana and Aspermont, all adorn that part of Texas as the result of cutting up this big ranch.

We could name many other thriving towns that have sprung up in Stone-wall, Haskell, Dickens and those counties lying out there, that owe their existence to the fact that a number of the once great ranches, bordering the Clear Fork and in the Panhandle, were subdivided and sold off for agricultural purposes. But enough has been given here to show what a transformation the policy has brought about.

School Lands Released to Settlers.

Partly responsible for the passing of the large pastures in the strictly grazing country, was the policy the state adopted of putting the school lands on the market for actual settlement. For years the ranchmen leased these lands at a reasonable price, getting a long-time contract that enabled them to make it profitable to fence and improve the same. But the pressure from the home-seekers grew too great and gradually the land was released for actual settlement. It was then taken up in four and eight-section blocks, according to the location.

This policy resulted in some exciting land rushes over the West. Men scrambled and even fought for the opportunity of being the first to file their applications to purchase with the different county clerks. Sometimes you could see men sleeping at the door of the clerk's office in the courthouse, in order to reach the window, on the day announced, ahead of any one else. And several times serious difficulties took place between rivals for the same tracts.

Out in the Marfa country you can still ride on the train for an hour or two, off to the south of the Davis mountains, through that section where Livermore Peak lifts its frowning cliffs 9,000 feet above the level of the sea and never be out of sight of Bill Jones' rich holdings.

Down on the Rio Grande river the Paloma Cattle Company borders the stream with its meanderings for seventy miles; between Del Rio and Sonora you can travel half a day in an automobile without crossing all of the White-head range, and Bill Cleveland owns enough territory in the Big Bend country for England to fight a war over. A number of others could be named, including the Joe Jackson ranch in Brewster county, the McCutcheon ranch in Jeff Davis county, and the Green Davidson ranch in Maverick county.

These huge holdings that remain intact, however, are nearly all located in sections that can never be successfully farmed. They might sometimes be subdivided and converted into a number of ten and twenty-section ranches, but the climatic conditions where they are located and the character of the soil are a sufficient guarantee that the stockman will always be able to hold them against the farmer.

Volumes could be written on the changes of the past two decades, from hooves and horns, to cotton blossoms and corn tassels. It has been a marvelous transformation brought about by the plow and the hoe. The cow-pony of song and story is passing on and the tractor plow now turns under the sod on the old round-up grounds.

Thus has Texas kept up the march of civilization, steadily growing in population and wealth from decade to decade.

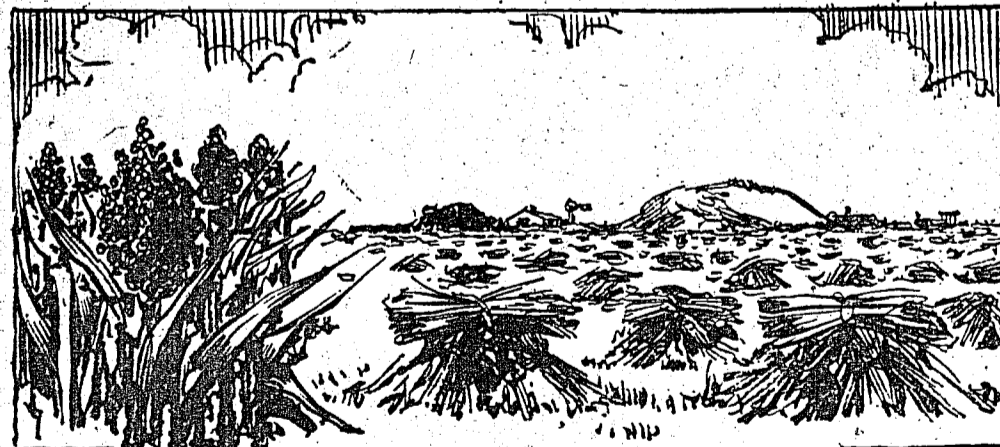
YOUR HOME TOWN.

EDITOR'S NOTE—This is the third of a series of talks on "Your Home Town." Other talks will follow. There will be food for thought and profit to you if you read carefully each one of these talks. The publisher of this newspaper is not finding any fault with his home town, but wants it to progress and set a pace that will be the envy of all towns in Texas—now the biggest and potentially the richest state in the Union.

Town and country life is so interdependent that when a dollar is sent away, that might be kept at home, it affects the destiny of every citizen of the community.

There are those who boast of buying where they please. "My cash is my own and I buy where I can get a dollar's worth," they say. The only place where any citizen of a community can get 100% out of his dollar is buying at home. The dollar sent away aids in building the distant city, community or town, while the dollar spent at home paves roads, builds bridges, builds churches, schools and adds in every conceivable way to the prosperity and well-

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"Where the Soil is Rich and the Seasons Dependable, the Big Ranch Has Been Sub-Divided into Small Stock Farms."

too valuable for the grazing of livestock. In all ages and everywhere there has been "a survival of the fittest," and that applies to an industry the same as to anything else. The farmer can make an acre of good soil, in a seasonable climate, produce more of the essentials of life than a cowman, hence the transformation of a great portion of Texas and the breaking up of the big ranches.

The change that has come about since the old days when Burnett and Waggoner and Merchant and Browning and Paramore were leaders in the cattle industry, has brought us two results: Smaller ranches in those regions not very well adapted to agriculture and farms where the soil and seasons are more suitable.

Old Brands That Have Disappeared. Most of the large pastures of the

purposes. The recent announcement of plans for settling a portion of the old C. C. Slaughter ranch in Howard county, illustrates what it means to change from a big cattle pasture to small farming tracts. Raymond F. Lyons purchased a part of the Slaughter range and had it divided into bodies of 160 acres each and a contract was made for the erection of a home, a windmill and other necessary improvements on every one of these 160-acre sub-divisions. This means population, more business and consequently greater prosperity in that section.

This plan has been carried out extensively in that great region lying west and northwest of Fort Worth. The celebrated Spur ranch belonging to the Swensons is one of the notable examples of that portion of the state. This ranch was one of the biggest in Texas, and

CURRENT COMMENT

By J. H. LOWRY

ANNIVERSARY OF HORRORS.



Yes, I am sure you remember it very well. It was in August of last year—just one year ago. One day a peculiar feeling came over you and me. The doctor was consulted, but he didn't look the part of wisdom that he usually does. He looked worried. He counted the pulse beats several times, he scrutinized the tongue again and again. He tried out the blood pressure, he thumped the abdomen in search of gas; then he sat himself down, bewildered and baffled. He saw that something was wrong; in truth, everything was wrong; but where should he begin to right the human machinery and make it perform its accustomed stunts? He dosed out potions of liquid and powders, which the patient swallowed—and felt worse. He recommended that the patient go to bed and keep perfectly quiet. The patient went to bed, glad to make a change of any kind. In a minute patient found that he was on the wrong side of the bed, changed to the other side. He then discovered that his head was at the wrong end of the bed; he changed ends, pushed his head under the footboard and parked his feet on the pillow. A minute convinced him he had not yet found the correct position, and as there was only one more change he could make, he got off the bed and crawled under it, only to be pulled back to his original position by the patient's wife or nurse. About this time patient discovered he was freezing. The blood in his veins was congealing, the marrow in his bones was rapidly turning to blocks of ice, icicles were hanging from his toes, and the pitiless winds of the arctic regions were forcing themselves through his body. Blankets, hot bricks and steaming water bottles were hurried to the freezing frame, but just as the calorific was ready, patient discovered his awful mistake. He wasn't freezing, he wasn't cold; he was literally burning up! His covering was hot embers, mixed with red-hot lava, and the fires of hades were burning under him. The blankets, the water bottles and the hot bricks were kicked aside and poor patient was plastered with ice bags, the touch of which made him furious, for he had discovered by this time that he wasn't cold. Pretty soon patient's head was laid on a railroad track, and hundreds of heavy cars, drawn by ponderous engines, passed over it in quick succession. About the same time big steers, with sharp, icy hoofs, began running races up and down his spinal column, and a spinning, screeching fiend of hell came and poured boiling blood in his eyes.

To add to patient's horrors other fiends came and stuffed his mouth with assafoetida and smart weed, and drenched him with vitrol and tobacco sauce. I am sure you need not be told more. It was last August, the time you had the dengue.

I have just read of the fixing of the state tax rate, by the state taxing board. I note that the rate is the limit. It couldn't be made any higher under the constitution; if it could have been made higher the board would not have hesitated to add a few more cents, as there are many institutions, employes and bureaus calling for more money. Sometimes we cuss our constitution, and denounce it as an old fog, badly out of date, but that old constitution has served the people a good turn this year by keeping an additional tax burden from their already burdened backs. Nobody can blame the people for being slow to change their constitution or swap it for a new one. Take the bridge off, and taxes would be doubled in a few years. The constitution may be imperfect, but the people know that it stands as a barrier against higher taxes, and is better to bear the few ills we have under the old constitution than fly to ills we know not of under a new one. But what I started out to say is that the politicians told us last year if we would elect them they would see to it that the tax burden was reduced. The politicians will tell us the same thing next year, and some of us will actually believe them.

AN UNDISCUSSED SUBJECT. One fellow who reads this department of the Magazine Section, wants to know why I never discuss the Ku Klux question. The fellow, in his note of inquiry, went on to say that I have discussed everything else. Furthermore, he made the point that this department is headed "Current Comment," and that the Ku Klux question is now the most current thing in this country. I am not going to answer the fellow further than to say there are some things I have never done, and some things I will never do. I am very brave, and frequently wade in up to the boot-tops where angels wouldn't risk one toe. I may some time march up to a cyclone and tell it to unwind and twist the other way; I may even muster sufficient courage to look a gray-eyed Kentuckian in the face and tell him a mint julep isn't fit to drink, but while reason sits enthroned I will never go out on the street, declare myself a Ku Kluxer and enter into an argument with an anti-Klan man; neither will I, when I see a Ku Klux parade coming up the street, get in front of it and try to stop it. But while I pass the fellow's inquiry up without giving a satisfactory answer, I will give herewith

the lines of a little poem, which has served to keep me out of much trouble, and I am sure it will serve inquirer well if he will read it carefully and heed its moral. The poem was written by a Kansas poet, and it will be seen that the first stanza states a fact, while the second points a splendid moral:

"Once a Kansas zephyr strayed
Where a brass-eyed bull pup played,
And that foolish canine bayed
At the zephyr, in a gay,
Semi-idiotic way.
Then the zephyr, in about
Half a jiffy, took that pup,
And it turned him wrong-side up,
Then it turned him wrong end up.
Then calmly journeyed thence,
With a barn and string of fence.

When communities turn loose
Social forces that produce
The disorders of a gale,
Act upon a well-known law—
Face the breeze, but close your jaw.
If you buy it, in a gay,
Self-sufficient sort of way,
It will land you, without doubt,
Upside down and wrong side out."

NO ONE IS SATISFIED. I have just talked with a good farmer, who is doing and living so well it is difficult indeed to keep from envying him. The farmer has a large, pretty home, ideally located, with a big painted barn, and a fine orchard, where big red apples ripen under the kisses of the summer sun, and fine peaches smile and blush. This farmer's home is supplied with all modern conveniences, such as water works, electric lights and telephone. He even has a radio, and listens in on the broadcastings of distant cities, and a big auto which will whirl him to town and back in a few minutes. He also has what no town man can have—absence of dust and noise. But this good farmer is dissatisfied, and says he will move to town soon. Not long ago I talked with a successful business man. He is one of the few who have made a success of buying and selling goods, and finds himself, in the evening of life, able to discount all bills. He has a pretty home in town, money in the bank and stock in several paying institutions. He told me he hoped to retire from business soon and move to the country, and spend his declining days "far from the madding crowd's ignoble strife." This business man is "fed up" on noise, and the sights and bustle of the city. He has seen much of the world, has seen much of its art and its architecture; he has stood in the great marts of trade and seen the great rush of greed for gain, and is tired of it all. He has an idea that there is more beauty in the pictures cast by the sun on the ground as it sifts through the young leaves than in the world's art galleries, and more poetry in a drink of freestone water from the old oaken bucket in the farm-house yard than in the world's ac-

cumulated libraries. And so, having wrought well in the city, he longs for the quiet and peace of the country home, which his farmer friend is anxious to forsake. And this goes to show that none is satisfied, but all crave the blessings which others have and don't want. And it's safe prediction that when my farmer friend moves to town, and my friend in the city moves to the country, neither will be satisfied. Satisfaction belongs to Heaven, and it's hard to pull Heaven down to earth.

GETTING RICH QUICKLY.

I note from many of the oil stock operators of Fort Worth, Dallas, and other places were doing a fine business and building plethoric bank accounts rapidly when Uncle Sam stepped in and began jailing them for exploiting their schemes through his postoffices. It is not my purpose here to say anything disrespectful of the oil stock operators or those who patronized them, but to tell of a scheme I had on foot to make me rich when Uncle Sam took the oil men to task for advertising their schemes through the mails and scared me off, and left me in the clutches of old poverty. The circular which I intended having printed and circulated read something like this:

"Dear Friend: While we have never met, I have always loved you. Even though I have not been permitted to gaze into your face, or hear the sound of your voice, I have said to myself thousands of times that if it ever became possible for me to aid you, even to the point of making you rich, I would gladly welcome and embrace the opportunity. And now, dear friend, that long looked-for, long hoped-for opportunity is here. I know you have had a pretty hard time, and have longed to be rich. Cease your longing and worrying, for a brighter day has dawned for you. I have found a well of magic water that does things man never dreamed could be done. Draw a bucket of water from this wonderful well and in ten short minutes it will turn to the finest whiskey that ever touched the lips of man. Throw one ounce of the water on your farm, and it will kill every sprig of Johnson grass on the plantation in one hour. Throw a small quantity of water on your back yard, and never will a chigger, mosquito, rat, mouse or cock roach invade the premises. Put a drop of the water on your door-facing, and not a tramp, burglar, book agent or medicine vender will dare step on your porch. This water, dear friend, is not for sale. I could dispose of every drop of it in an hour at thousands of dollars a drop, but not an ounce will I sell. I have decided to organize a stock company to own and control this well. The capital stock will be a hun-

dred billion dollars, and the stock will pay for dividend of ten thousand per cent monthly. I could dispose of every share of the stock right here, in two hours, but as I said above, I desire to make you rich, even though I never saw you, and got your name from the tax rolls of your county. And so I have reserved a few shares for you. The stock is now selling at \$100 a share; it will be advanced to \$225 a share next Wednesday. Enclosed you will find a blank. Fill it out for the number of shares you wish and send it in accompanied by certified check or New York exchange. Of course I reserve the right, if all the shares have been sold before your letter reaches me, to return your money. But hurry up, dear friend, and don't lose this opportunity to get rich in a week."

Henry Ford is the richest man in the country, and John D. Rockefeller is second, but my name would have led all others in the financial world if Uncle Sam hadn't made up his mind to protect the gullible and caused me to send my scheme to the discard before having my circulars printed and mailed. Of course I hadn't discovered any well, but nobody would have stopped to inquire whether I had not. I know the people. They would have read the circular and sent in the money.

CATCHING FISH.

Saw a crowd of fishermen come in the other day, and a tired, pessimistic, bedraggled, discouraged band it was. The only thing about this band of fishermen that shone resplendent was their truthfulness. They said they hadn't caught any fish, and they intimated that the man who spent his time trying to catch fish was a man without brains. I had felt the same way many times in early life, and of course I sympathized with the sad-hearted, discouraged band. And yet I know there were fish in the stream these men had visited; and this made me think of Uncle Ed Norvell, whom I knew many years ago. Uncle Ed always caught fish. He caught fish when the stream was rising and when it was falling, when the wind was blowing. I went fishing and came home tired and hungry, without fish; Uncle Ed went to the same stream and came home happy, with a fine string of fish. I swore there were no fish in the stream; Uncle Ed said nothing, but caught fish. And why the difference? It's easy. I felt that the finny tribe owed me a mess of fish, and merely gave the fish a chance to get caught; Uncle Ed fished—fished faithfully, persistently and intelligently. Many are saying there is no money to be made farming, raising chickens; others go right on making money, just as Uncle Ed went right on catching fish when I said there were no fish in the stream.

THE MEDINA LAKE A Beauty Spot, in the Medina Valley of Southwest Texas

By W. L. DUBOSE



AN EARLY MORNING CATCH OF BASS AND WHITE PERCH.

The Hanging Gardens of Babylon were among the "Seven Wonders of the world," and their ruins pay a silent tribute to the engineering skill of the Babylonians, whose king wished to please his wife, who was reared in a mountain country, and longed for the hills of her childhood, but Medina Lake "hangs" out under the blue skies of Southwest Texas, as a scenic wonder and a living tribute to the engineering skill of Dr. Pearson's world-famed engineers.

About thirty miles from Devine, Medina County, and about an equal distance from San Antonio, over a beautifully picturesque "toll road," lay this inland sea, some four miles wide in its widest place, sixteen miles long, and 180 feet deep at the dam.

A Young Engineer's Dream.

Back in 1890, when this writer was advocating the damming of mountain

streams for the impounding of water and irrigating the fertile valleys of south Texas, my friend, Major A. Y. Walton, of San Antonio, a young engineer, was hunting and fishing on the Medina river. He inadvertently looked up from the deep clear pool, from which now and then he would hook a mountain trout, and saw bees working in and out of "Bee Bluff," a cliff with narrow, perpendicular walls; then his eyes wandered to the other side of the river bank, where nature seemed to have cut the mountain in two, in some remote age of the past, so that the waters from above might join the waters below; and thereupon he conceived the idea of the stupendous task of building a dam across the Medina river.

A few years later, another young San Antonian, C. H. Kearney, had become a famous engineer and was engaged by a British syndicate, under the direction of Dr. F. H. Pearson, in a great project in Necaxa, Mexico. Mr. Walton appealed to C. H. Kearney, and in turn Mr. Kearney put the matter up to Dr. Pearson, with the result that a \$6,000,000 corporation was formed and in 1912 and 1913 Medina Lake dam was built, which is 128 feet wide at bottom, 180 feet high and 1,580 feet long, so wide at the top that autos easily pass to and fro as upon a concrete bridge. It is made of re-enforced concrete, anchored deeply in the almost solid rocks. This lake impounds 250,000 acres of water one foot deep, and was primarily built to irrigate 40,000 acres of land, on the beautiful prairies and valleys about Devine, Lytle and La Coste, and we would be glad here to tell of the diversion dam, the big canals and mountain flumes, through which this water flows to the farm lands, thirty miles below, but this would require another story.

It is sad to relate that just as Dr. Pearson, with his wonderful engineering ability, and confidence in English capitalists, was getting this project upon its feet, he lost his life in the Titanic disaster; then there followed the world war, money became scarce, especially in England, where most of the stock and bondholders lived, and the big corporation was forced into the hands of

a Federal receiver. Because of these handicaps the possibilities of the big reservoir have never fully developed, but the great \$6,000,000 dam had been built, as well as the big canals and flumes, and it was too good a proposition to fall down. It has been only recently, however, that its future was assured, and now it promises the greatest agriculture development for all this immediate section. San Antonio being the chief city nearest to the lake, claims it as her very own; but there are several smaller towns nearer the lake, especially to the irrigated lands, which are materially benefited.

The Sportsman's Paradise.

Long before the dam was built, as we have already indicated, this was one of nature's beauty spots and the sportsman's paradise; and you can now only imagine what a transformation has taken place. Thousands of bass from the Government fish hatcheries of San Marcos were taken to the lake several years ago, wharves were erected, boats were put upon its waters and then the world began to hear of the Medina Lake, as a fishing resort. Persons came from far and near to declare, like the queen of Sheba of old, that "The half had not been told." A hotel was finally built, cottages erected and the "toll road" constructed through the mountains, over which automobiles and automobiles, busses from San Antonio pass every hour of the day. The water for two miles between the main dam and the diversion dam is private property, and one must get permission to fish or hunt there, but the big lake is free to the world, and one is asked only to obey the state fishing and hunting laws. It is primarily a "summer resort," but in the fall and winter months wild ducks and other migratory fowls from the north come to this lake and the hunter can enjoy his sport while the fisherman can angle for the finny tribes.

Government Hatcheries Now.

While the lake has depended upon fish raised in its waters and those supplied from San Marcos Government hatcheries, and other places, and has won its fame in this way, the United

States Bureau of Fish Hatcheries has just recently given permission and made appropriations for establishing a Government fish hatchery here, and proposes to raise 250,000 bass the year for this lake, and other waters where needed; which is hailed as an assurance not only of continued prosperity for the resort, but that it will greatly increase its interest among sportsmen. Pits will be built in the lake above the diversion dam, and offices and caretaker's home erected upon the west bank of the stream, below the lake.

Variety of Fish.

Bass, trout, perch, channel cat and braeme make up the variety of fish in Medina Lake. The lake can be visited at all seasons and a good "catch" always relied upon, provided the fisherman is first well informed as to the kind of bait to use and the most favorable spots to cast and set lines.

Southwest Texas is noted for its climate, its cloudless skies and its pure and healthful ozone; and on this lake the gulf breezes blow each summer's night and fan the weary fisherman into slumbers of tomorrow's catch.

Before closing this article, we would like to mention "Chicon Lake," which covers something like 100 acres, fed by the waters of Medina Lake, and only about five miles from Devine and Lytle, which, however, is under the control of the "Devine-Lytle Rod and Gun Club" composed of 100 men. It can be visited by picnicking and bathing parties and used by the members and their friends by permission. It is stocked with bass and white perch and keeps the members of the club pretty well supplied with fish, affording no end of pleasure as a resort, and as one of the beautiful "side-spots" from the Medina Lake. We would like to tell you of the thousands of fertile acres watered and the cars of onions, spinach, cabbage, etc., not to speak of corn and other feed crops grown upon these lands, irrigated by the waters of Medina Lake, but I have already intruded upon the space allotted me in the Magazine Section, and shall therefore hope at some future time to tell of these farm and garden products.

YOUR HOME TOWN

(Continued from Page 3)

fare of the home town and community. Buy of your home town merchants. Remember that modern stores and prosperous merchants make attractive trading centers. Make your home town just as attractive as any in the state.

The local stores in your home town employ labor, and on account of taxes and other expenses the profits largely revert back to the community, and find their way through the various channels of trade. Taxes go to support and build schools, build roads and maintain them; also supports the local, county, state and national governments. The stores in the home town contribute largely through their proprietors and employes to the support of charities, the churches, chautauquas, young peoples enterprises, entertainments and the forces that give life and stability to the community.

The owner of a successful retail store who spends a lifetime in a community and has delivered a service that meets competition fairly and becomes well off financially, should be the pride of his home town and community. His financial success is but reflection of the wealth and progress of the surrounding trade territory.

The retail store is one of the important institutions of the town, state and nation. A community cannot develop, grow and prosper as it should unless all of its institutions grow and develop in proper proportion to each other.

Business is the heart of the institutional life of every community. Full credit must be given to the retail and wholesale stores for the good they do, as well as for the service they render, and you will make no mistake to give each of them your loyal support that they may continue to progress and be a developing factor in the life of your town and county.

We need the stores just as we need the banks, the cotton gins, the newspapers, the blacksmith and tin shops, the lumber yards, the railroads and the products of the mines, farms and stock ranches. Let us all do our part in trading at home and demand goods of known quality and standard price.

BRIEF TEXAS NEWS

FROM OVER
THE STATE

HIGHWAYS TO BE MARKED.

The main highways leading to Greenville will be marked with a large number of sign posts which will be welcomed by travelers. The work was prompted by the Greenville Retail Merchants' Association.

GIFT OF BOOKS TO LIBRARY.

The Vernon public library has recently received a valuable gift of books from the private library of Mrs. W. W. Gilbert. There are 280 books in the collection, and they represent considerable value.

83-YEAR-OLD WOMAN WINS FIDDLING PRIZE.

Although 83 years old, Mrs. Mollie J. Starkey of Merkel, Taylor county, still has music in her soul. She won a \$20 prize as the best fiddler at the old fiddlers contest held in Merkel July 1st.

MAKING SURF ON THE LAKE.

Surf bathing is a new attraction at Fort Worth's Lake Worth. The custodian of the lake has a 25-foot motor boat which he speeds up just behind the safety ropes and causes swells to roll in, to the delight of the bathers.

KEEPING UP ITS REPUTATION.

For the third time the McKinney Woodmen of the World degree team has been awarded first place in drills at the national convention, winning that honor at the recent meeting in San Antonio. The team was similarly successful in 1919 and 1921.

HADN'T LEARNED TO SPELL.

A young negro swain applied at the county clerk's office in Gainesville for a marriage license, but could not spell the name of his bride-to-be. He was forced to postpone procuring the necessary papers until he had gone to the girl's home and learned to spell her name.

DALLAS FAIR PARK NAMED.

The fair park in Dallas has been named Gaston Park in honor of Capt. W. H. Gaston, an old settler and long-time banker of Dallas. The Park Board has also decided to have a white way around the race track and to make other improvements that will call for an expenditure of about \$10,000.

RECORD MILK PRODUCTION.

The record of Aggie Wayne Concor dia, milch cow owned by E. E. Prince of Camp County, is 814 pounds of milk in seven days. This is said to be the state record for such performance. One gallon of milk weighs 8 pounds, so it is easy to figure how many gallons of milk this cow gives in one day.

TEXAS MAN HIGH UP IN MARKSMANSHIP.

At the training camps conducted by the A. & M. College of Oklahoma in June, Mr. Crawford, a student at this college, but formerly a resident of Lodi, Texas, was fourth on the list in rifle marksmanship. At the end of the first round Crawford's score was 221 out of a possible 250.

TRAINED HORSE "CUTS" HERDS WITHOUT BRIDLE.

Billy Bronk is the name of a horse on Swenson Bros. ranch, near Stamford, that "cuts" herds of cattle without a bridle. Billy knows the cow game thoroughly and separates the cattle with as much skill and precision as though he had a rider on his back.

BASEBALL PLAYERS BEWARE.

Texas league baseball players who have any unfinished umpire assaulting to do had better do it on week days. President Doak Roberts has announced that any player assaulting an umpire on a week day will be suspended for 30 days, while the same offense committed on Sunday will bring a season's suspension.

SWITCHING THE TELEPHONES.

Only one minute was required to switch 3500 telephones to a new telephone exchange recently opened at San Antonio. The cables were prepared ahead of time and, with a force of men ready to make the shift and a corps of 35 operators on duty in the new building, the change was made in what is claimed to be record time.

LEGENDS OF TEXAS

Legends of Texas are to be collected under direction of the Texas Folk-Lore Society, edited by J. Frank Dobie of the University of Texas, secretary of the society, and published. There is said to be a wealth of legendary lore in Texas. These legends are a part of the social records of Texas and their preservation is as important as the preservation of historic facts.

SNAKE SWALLOWS DOORKNOB.

A large chicken snake swallowed a door-knob by mistake when it foraged the hen house of a farmer near Honey Grove. The reptile is thought to have been in search of eggs and got the door-knob down before discovering its mistake. The farmer killed the snake which had been enlarged by the hardware until it could not escape through the hole by which it had entered the hen house.

EARLY COTTON IN TEXAS.

Some one has discovered, through an article which appeared in a Chicago newspaper in 1873, that the Rio Grande valley produced the first bale of cotton in 1873, Santa Marie being mentioned as the place of production.

TEXAS FARMERS' UNION.

The new president of the Texas Farmers' Union is J. D. Henderson of Munday. A. L. Baker of Yoakum has been elected secretary-treasurer, and headquarters of the organization will probably remain at Yoakum where the recent annual convention was held.

WOULD INSURE ELEPHANT.

An insurance company willing to take a chance on an elephant's life is being sought by the Fort Worth park department officials. The elephant, which will be kept in the city zoo, will be the first and only animal that is insured when the policy is finally written.

WIG-WAG CROSSING SIGNALS.

The railroad crossings on the Southern Pacific railroad in Sherman are being fitted with electrically operated wig-wag alarm signals which will be installed at four street crossings. These signals will be automatically operated by the approach of trains.

A MUSICAL CAT.

A local hotel owner of Henderson has a novel possession in a musical cat which delights to perch on the piano stool and strike the keys with its paws. Henderson has nothing on Sherman which is boasting the ownership of a parrot which sings whenever the Sherman band plays.

BOYS ENCAMPMENT AT VERNON.

Nearly two hundred boys from Wichita, Foard, Knox, Baylor and Wilbarger counties attended the annual boys' club encampment near Vernon. Contests were held to determine the representatives to the annual state club contests which are held each year at A. & M. college, Bryan.

FIVE-OUNCE FIG.

A fig weighing five ounces, said to be a record in Texas for size and weight, is reported from Winfield, Texas. It was larger than a hen egg and while of unusual size, was only a little larger than many other figs from the same tree. Fig preserves are delicious and why not plant more fig trees in Texas; they will grow almost anywhere in the state.

WOULD CREATE UNDERGROUND LAKES.

A new project is being considered at San Antonio. Four huge underground caves have been discovered about 5 miles north of the city, near the Olmus Creek, which overflows nearly every year, sending a large volume of water into the San Antonio river and flooding the city. It is proposed to divert the water into the underground caves and store it there for use by a cement company which has a plant nearby.

NEW USE FOR FINGERPRINTS.

Federal dry officers working in Texas have determined to try the fingerprint method to determine ownership of stills and whisky containers. They claim there is no reason why fingerprints would not convict guilty moonshiners or bootleggers just as they convict hijackers. To a certain extent fingerprinting has taken the place of photographing in the rogue galleries of Eastern cities.

OLDEST PERSON IN TEXAS.

The oldest person in Texas is said to be "Aunt" Priscilla Anderson, a negress of Palestine, who, according to records in possession was born 114 years ago. She is a native of Alabama, and came to Texas in the days when it was a republic. She says she can remember the building of the first cabin at Fort Houston, in Anderson county. Although her sight and hearing are impaired, her mind is active and her voice has not failed and she likes to talk for hours about the pioneer days in Texas.

"PETTING PARTIES" DANGEROUS.

"Petting parties" along improved highways in the state are declared dangerous to travelers and to petters. None of the improved highways are wide, yet the cars in which the "petting" is indulged are drawn up just at one edge of the road and lights turned off so that other cars coming along often do not see them until too close to avoid collisions. Another danger is presented when the young men try to drive their cars with one hand.

SALT THROWING STARTS TROUBLE.

A superstition of Aztec origin is that throwing salt into a person's house will cause a terrible catastrophe. During a Cinco de Mayo celebration in "Little Mexico's" district of San Antonio, a sweetheart of 18-year old Sara Castillano danced often and too well with a rival. To get revenge Sara threw a handful of salt through the front door of her rival's home, which resulted in a complaint being filed by the rival against pretty Sara.

BRICK 4000 YEARS OLD.

A brick 4000 years old was exhibited recently to a crowd of bricklayers working in Vernon who had become involved in a discussion of how long a brick going into a modern structure would last. The brick, in the form of a clay tablet, is the property of Dr. E. L. Moore. It was one of a number of temple records dug up in Babylonia on the site of the ancient city of Drechem.

OUTGUESSING THE WEATHER MAN.

The most ticklish job in the world next to the weatherman's, is that of gas dispatcher for a large gas company, according to William A. Moorehead of the Lone Star Gas Company. Moorehead says the gas dispatcher must outguess the weather man, and know how much gas to have at a certain place served by the company, depending upon the changeable weather.

POLICEMEN HAVE HEARTS.

Policemen have been found to have hearts—sometimes. Two patrolmen of El Paso "arrested" three cats on complaints of persons who were annoyed by the midnight serenades. The officers were asked to kill the kittens, but no one at headquarters had the heart to shoot the "prisoners," and they now have the run of the jail kitchen and catch the mice.

HUNT COUNTY PRESS ASSOCIATION.

Members of the press of Hunt county and of the Greenville Chamber of Commerce recently met in Greenville and organized a Hunt County Press Association. Lester White of the Campbell Review, was elected president, and S. E. Barnett, of the Lone Oak News, secretary. Fred E. Horton of the Greenville Banner was elected vice president, and John H. Erickson, vice-president.

COURT HAS BOYS WHIPPED.

Judge Lawrence of Sherman believes that corporal punishment is more effective for boys arraigned for first offenses than a reformatory would be. Recently three boys between 10 and 12 years of age were brought before him on charges of holding up a fourth boy and taking a buggy from him. Instead of sending the boys to a reformatory, Judge Lawrence had them chastised in his office and then sent them to their homes. The boys are said to regard the judge as their friend.

NEW RAILROAD CHARTERED.

A charter has been granted by the attorney general's department of Texas to the Texas Panhandle & Gulf Railway Company, which proposes to build a line of railway extending between Fort Worth and the New Mexico line in Palmer county, a distance of about 380 miles. The capital stock will be \$2,700,000. Headquarters are to be in Tulia, Swisher county. The road is to extend through 17 counties of Texas and probably into Mexico. A group of Chicago business men is named as the incorporators.

HORSE AND TURKEY PALS.

A horse and turkey belonging to J. T. Ramage, a farmer near Temple, are said to be devoted pals, the devotion between them never having been seen before between a four-footed animal and feathered bird. A turkey hen recently hatched two eggs and soon thereafter died along with one of the little turks. The remaining turkey was adopted by the horse, which is a pensioner about the place, and they have become such pals that it is almost impossible to keep them apart. The turk rides about most of the day on the back of the horse and sleeps in the same stall with him at night.

HOOD'S THIN GRAY REMNANT.

The thin, gray remnant of Hood's immortal Texas Brigade assembled in Bryan at 9 o'clock June 27th, in its fifty-second annual reunion. At each recurring reunion the number grows smaller, and, after the register was completed, only twelve of Hood's men were on the list.

Capt. W. C. Walsh of Austin is president of the brigade, and Miss Katie Daffan of Houston, life secretary. Miss Daffan is a daughter of the late L. A. Daffan of Ennis, himself a member of Hood's Brigade, and she is beloved by each one of the surviving veterans.

FIRST CARBON BLACK PLANT OPERATING.

The first carbon black plant in Texas is now operating in Stephens county, five miles south of Breckenridge. It is being erected by the Coltexco Corporation and parts of each of the three units started to burning gas for carbon black as rapidly as they were being completed.

There are about 100 buildings in this plant, which covers several acres of land and represents an investment of approximately \$350,000. It is one of four similar plants which are being erected, following permission by the Texas Railroad Commission recently, for residue gas to be burned for carbon black in this field.

DENISON POULTRY RAISERS.

The Grayson County Poultry and Rabbit Breeders Association recently held a meeting at the Denison Chamber of Commerce and accepted the report of the committee on premiums which announced that more prizes are to be given this year than ever before. There will be many new departments in the show which is to be held December 7 to 9.

CAMPERS LIKE TO "ROUGH IT."

The average automobile tourist in Texas likes to "rough it," and wants to camp and sleep in the open, in the opinion of R. A. West of Big Springs, an experienced auto tourist who has been all over Texas and recently started on a trip to California. He says the tourist likes to stop at auto camps where there is shade and water, but the average camper does not care to stop at camps where all the conveniences of home are provided.

MAPS OF BANKHEAD HIGHWAY FOR TOURISTS.

V. P. Craven, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Weatherford, has received a number of maps of the Bankhead Highway, showing the route, distances and principal points, to be distributed to tourists traveling the highway. The public is invited to call at his office in passing through Weatherford for one of these maps. This highway extends the entire distance, east and west, through Texas, from Texarkana to El Paso.

FINGER PRINTS REVEAL MURDERER.

A finger print found on an empty bottle in a grocery store which had been robbed in Dallas led to the arrest and conviction of a negro and former convict, and to a confession which implicated another negro and ex-convict in the murder of a special officer who had surprised the negroes in the act of committing the robbery. One of the negroes has been sentenced to die.

MINNOWS TO KILL MOSQUITOES.

A use for minnows other than as bait has been demonstrated at Greenville with remarkable success. A shipment of minnows was made from the state fish hatchery and placed in the Greenville city lake on recommendation of the health authorities. The act was for mosquito destruction, and that the minnows have done their work well has been demonstrated by fewer mosquitoes in that city this summer.

NATIVE SONS OF TEXAS.

"The Native Sons of Texas, Inc.," is a recently organized patriotic association chartered under the laws of Texas with headquarters at Mexia. The charter was granted to Hampton Steele, L. C. Steele and L. L. Steele, son, grandson and great grandson respectively of Alfonso Steele, last survivor of the Battle of San Jacinto. The purpose of the organization is to perpetuate traditions of the past and to foster movements looking to the advancement of Texas without political affiliations or intentions. One must be a Texan born and a resident of Texas to be eligible for membership.

PREPARING FOR LEGIONAIRES.

More than 3,000 legionnaires and members of the women's auxiliary are expected to attend the annual convention of the Texas Department of the American Legion, which will meet in Galveston August 28, 29 and 30. Speakers who have promised to attend are United States Senator Morris Sheppard, Governor Pat M. Neff and Judge Kenesaw Landis, national commissioner of baseball. Madame Schumann-Heink, world-famed opera singer, has offered her services during the convention. Arrangements are being made with the navy department, too, to send a battleship to Galveston for the occasion.

BANTAM HEN MOTHERS PART-RIDDGES.

Children of Mrs. R. B. Newman, chopping cotton near Comanche, came upon a nest of partridge eggs. The mother partridge left the nest, and, knowing she would not return, Mrs. Newman took the eggs home, twenty-five of them, and placed them under a bantam hen. In due time 25 little partridges were hatched; though only 18 of them survived. These eighteen are in thriving condition and the foster mother struts proudly about the place with her little charges, giving them as much attention as though they were real chickens.

HELP FOR STATE TREASURY.

The last Legislature authorized \$2,000,000 each year to supplement the available school fund and \$1,500,000 each year to aid school funds. However, since there is a deficiency of large proportions in the State Treasury, State Superintendent Marrs has authorized the transfer of the \$2,000,000 to the available fund on September 1, but will wait until late in the winter when present funds are exhausted and the money is actually needed. He says the board probably will need to use some of the \$1,500,000 for the rural schools commencing in November and December.

NEW USE FOR AIRPLANES.

With the entire crop of the county threatened by leafworm, and the fields too wet to be sprayed with Paris green by machinery, O. W. Wright, who lives fourteen miles south of Corpus Christi, secured the assistance of Clifford Kennard, a commercial aviator, and had his cotton field of 460 acres sprayed from an air plane. This is the first time this method of distributing poison in a field has been used in Nueces county.

SALE OF CERTAIN FISH FORBIDDEN.

Thirty-eight counties in Texas are affected by the new law which forbids the sale of bass, crappie and catfish in certain restricted districts. Those who would eat any of these fish must go to person to the lakeside or the riverbank and catch them. The new law affects the finest fresh water fishing district in Texas and will put many market fishermen out of business.

TEXANS BUY BELLEAU WOODS.

Plans have been completed by the Second Division association to buy Belleau Woods, France, as a memorial to the men of the division who fell in action there, according to announcement made by Colonel W. W. Bessell, adjutant of the division at Camp Travis, San Antonio.

Two members of the association that were sent to France to make arrangements for the purchase of the woods reported recently that purchase had been made.

WILL USE WATERMELONS AS CONVENTION BAIT.

Texas dentists who will attend the convention of the American Dental Association in Cleveland, Ohio, in September with a view to obtaining the 1924 convention for Dallas will use a carload of Texas watermelons as convention bait.

It is planned to give a melon feast, using specially selected Texas melons, on the night before the vote on the convention city is taken.

EAGLE OVERCOME BY GAS FROM OIL WELL.

Eagles had better be careful how they fly around Texas, where so many wells are spouting oil and gas. A Mexican eagle flying high above the derrick of the Wheatley & O'Hern No. 2 well, on the Los Ojuelos grant, near Mirando City, south Texas, was observed to go into a tail spin and drop into the slush pit. When rescued by the drilling crew the eagle showed all the symptoms of gas asphyxiation, but recovered within a few minutes and fought its captors.

NUMBER OF CONVICTS IN TEXAS NEARLY 4,000.

The number of convicts in Texas now total 3,906, of which twenty-one are in insane asylums. Some years ago the number exceeded 4,000 by a narrow margin. The convicts are located as follows: Huntsville prison 432, Harlem farm 299, Eastham 349, Imperial 378, Ramsey 509, Wynne 135, Goree 81, Shaw 185, Clemens 465, Ferguson 175, Retrieve 202, Darrington 233, Blue Ridge 271, Senior 95, Blakely 168 and eight in transit.

BETTER TRAFFIC CONDITIONS.

The automobile impounding system at San Antonio is proving quite a success. During the first 11 days it was in effect 173 cars were impounded, and after that the number fell off sharply. The lesson was sinking in. The owner of each impounded car was required to pay a fee of \$2, in addition to a fine for violating a traffic ordinance. The cost of maintaining the impounding system runs to \$500 or \$600 a month, and far it has more than paid for itself. Other cities in Texas have been threatening to adopt the same plan.

FAVORED PLAINTIFFS NO MORE.

A new law that went into effect in Texas on July 1 makes it necessary for the original papers in any court suit to be left on file in the district clerk's office. No more will newspaper reporters, sometimes with tears in their eyes, have to beg for the privilege of looking at divorce and other petitions filed in the district clerk's office, which, under the old law, might be immediately withdrawn by the attorney filing the suit. The law says that all public documents are open for public inspection and a new law requires that all such documents be left in the custody of the district clerk at all times for inspection by those desiring to see them.

\$4,000,000 DEFICIENCY IN STATE GENERAL FUND BY SEPT 1.

State Treasurer Terrell says the deficiency in the general fund will be larger on Sept. 1 than any estimate made heretofore. He believes it will be over \$4,000,000 and probably go to \$4,500,000 when all of this fiscal year's business is cleaned up. The highest estimate made of the deficiency, which occurred during the Legislature, was \$3,300,000 on Sept. 1. Mr. Terrell thinks it will be sure to go \$1,000,000 above that figure.

All of this has revived the talk of another special session of the legislature next year to provide revenue to meet the deficiency.

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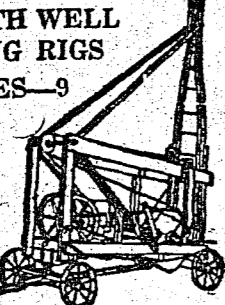
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The Victim: "Yes, I had so many bullet holes bored through me that the boys behind me complained of the draught."

SCANDALOUS BEHAVIOR.
Sam came to work rather late. "I've been to Bill Williams' funeral," he explained, "and, boss, dat was some funeral. He wuz de popularest man aroun' heah, an' I mean we wuz givin' him some funeral; everybody frum miles aroun' came to it. We had a drum an' a brass band, and flowers. My goodness! It look lack some flower garden done bust open and scattered flowers all ober everything, but you know dat nigger, he did ack scandalous. Fact is, I nebber seed anybody act so bad at dar funeral."
"Acted scandalous?" asked the boss. "What did he do?"
"Lawd, Boss," said Sam, "he kicked de lid offen de coffin."
"Kicked the lid off of the coffin! Did they go on and bury him?"
Sam shook his head doubtfully. Then said: "How'd I know?"

INFALLIBLE PLAN.
Ragged Robin: "How d'ye manage ter keep so nice an' plump, Dusty?"
Dusty Rhodes: "I eats. An' de way I gets it ter eat is dis. I goes ter de kitchen door an' offers ter saw wood fer a meal. Den when de lady of de house faints away I helps meself."

THE PIPING COSTS
The colored minister had just concluded a powerful sermon on "Salvation Is Free," and was announcing that a collection would be taken. Up jumped a brother in the back of the church. "If dis here salvation am free," he interrupted, "what's de use paying for it? I'm gwine to gib you nuthin' till I find out. Now—"
"Patience, brudder, patience," said the parson. "I'll illustrate. Supposing you was thirsty and came to a river. You could kneel right down and drink, just so, couldn't you, and it would cost you nuthin', would it?"
"Ob course not. That's just what I—"
"Dat water would be free," continued the parson. "But supposing you wus to have dat water piped to your house. You would hab to pay, wouldn't you?"
"Yes, sah, but—"
"Well, brudder, salvation am free, but it is de having it piped to you dat you gotta pay for. Pass the hat, sexton."

WHY, CERTAINLY NOT.
The Boss: "Is it true that you leave your typewriter and go when the clock strikes five, even if you are in the middle of a word?"
The Stenog: "Certainly not! When it gets as near five as that I never begin a word at all."

SIMPLE ENOUGH.
There had come to command the company a new captain whose idea was that, while it was important to teach the young idea how to shoot, a little primary education in book-larin' wouldn't hurt. The big scheme was for each corporal to get his squad together and drill them in the three R's.
Corporal McGarrity was having trouble in impressing the simplest ideas of arithmetic upon his seven assorted oil-cans. Apparently all they knew about a school house was that it was a place to sleep up in passing with a car.
"You big cheeses!" he exclaimed. "Can't you add four and three? Look here, if each one of you was a triple-plated, iron-headed idiot, how many triple-plated, iron-headed idiots would there be in this room?"
"Eight," chorused the class promptly.

POWER OF WILL.
After having shot his bitterest enemy full of holes with his trusty forty-five, the toughest citizen of Blood-in-your-eye immediately gave himself up to the authorities.
"What made you shoot this man?" demanded the sheriff.
"Self control," was the reply. "If it hadn't been for that I'd broke his neck and chawed both his ears off."

"DO IT NOW!"
The head of the firm was a hustler, and it annoyed him to see his clerks idling. One day, in an attempt to awaken his staff, he bought six signs, bearing the motto, "Do It Now!" He hung these up in various parts of the office, and waited results. The following Saturday the hustler, sad of face, gloomily detached each of the signs from the wall, and bore them despairingly to the dust bin.
During the week the cashier had gone off with \$10,000, the chief bookkeeper had eloped with the typist, three junior clerks had asked for raises in salary, and the office boy started to Oklahoma to become a bandit.

ACUTE.
Two students on a train were bragging about their abilities to see and hear. The one says: "Do you see that barn over there on the horizon?"
"Yes."
"Can you see that fly walking around on the roof of that barn?"
"No, but I can hear the shingles rattle when he steps on them."

THAT FINISHED THAT.
Two soldiers in a colored regiment were boasting about their company buglers.
"G'long wid you, boy," said one. "You got no booglers. We's got the boogler. When dat boy wraps his lips 'round dat horn and blows pay call, it sounds jes' like a symphony band playin'."
"Well, if you like music, dat's all right; but if you is yearnin' fer food, you wants a boogler wid a hypnarcotic note, like we's got. Boy, when ah hears old Custard Mouth Jones discharge his blast ah looks at mah beans and ah says: "Strawberries, behave yo'selves. You am crowdin' all de whip cream outer ma dish."

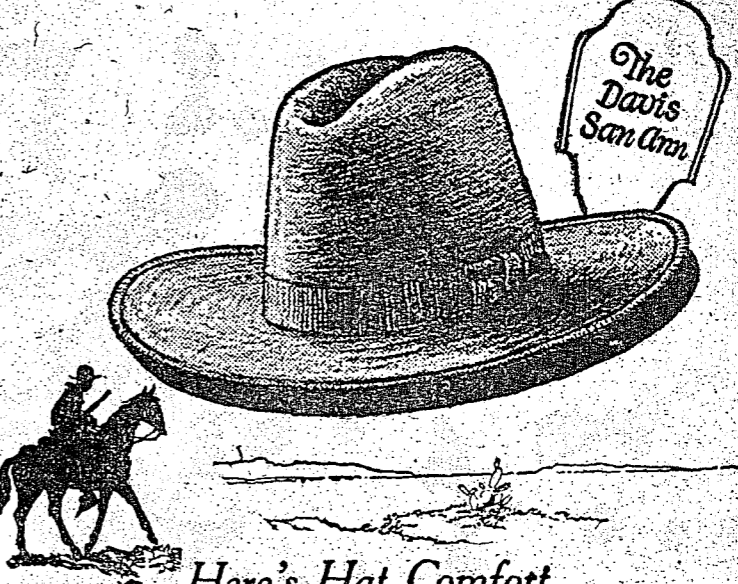
UNCLE SI.
Uncle Si broke a banana from a newly-hung bunch and gave it to a small and exceedingly dirty boy whose eager eyes had invited generosity.
"When I was a little feller," he said in explanation, "Pap took me to the county seats every now and then, and every time I seed a bunch of bananas I got so hungry I suffered. I made up my mind if ever I got growed up and had a lot of money I was going to buy all the bananas I could eat. I done it, too, when I got to be my own boss, and I ain't liked bananas since."
"I reckon it's that way about most everything in life." The joys and pleasures life has to offer seem mighty nice as long as we don't have too much of 'em, but if ever the time comes when there isn't anything to restrain us and we are free to take all we want, we usually overdo it and lose our appetite.
"I don't believe there is any chance for happiness except in moderation. If we have to do without altogether, we can't be happy, because we feel abused and cheated; and if we have too much we get fed up and can't appreciate it any more."
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To facilitate gear shifting, squirt a little oil on the clutch thrust bearing.
Loose terminals corrode quickly. They also cause fuses to burn-out, dim lights, etc.
The most effective protection against strong sunlight and glaring lights is a shield of opaque or translucent material placed in the left-hand corner of the windshield, behind which the blinded driver may hide his eyes.

When descending a hill close the throttle. This is not only safer, but will save gasoline.
Properly inflated tires will always give longer service than those not properly inflated.
The lights of a car should be carefully inspected after an accident to see that they are still properly focused and pointing directly.
Ether is best for removing grease or oil from clothing. A small quantity applied with cotton will quickly remove all stains without leaving a ring.
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TEXAS FARM NEWS

Tomato shipments from Jacksonville for the 1923 season have totaled 297 cars. Shipments from the entire East Texas territory totaled about 900 cars.

From four acres of fertilized ground, a farmer near Gainesville raised 500 bushels of oats. This is a record yield for Cooke county.

A local store in Brownwood recently had an exhibition in one of its show windows, 24 different kinds of vegetables, all raised within a few miles of Brownwood.

Shipments of strawberries from Tyler, East Texas, for the season, amounted to 34 carloads. The acreage was larger than last year, and the yield good, but prices unsatisfactory.

Harrison county, East Texas, is waging relentless war on the boll weevil. The Marshall Chamber of Commerce at the close of the week of July 23rd had paid for 3,041,374 punctured cotton squares.

The fig crop of Galveston county, with exception of the territory around San Leon, will be less this year than last. Majority of the growers report that late freezes this year delayed the crop considerably.

Continued dry weather throughout the latter part of July has damaged cotton in Central Texas. Cotton in bottom lands, however, seems to be holding its own. The corn crop has also been damaged by drought throughout North and Central Texas.

The cotton acreage of Texas has increased over last year, 1,826,000 acres, according to the report released by United States Bureau of Crop Estimates. The total estimated cotton acreage for Texas this year is 14,077,000 acres.

A car-load of high-grade Jersey stock has arrived at Lampasas from Sulphur Springs, and was selected by C. D. Ward and J. L. Thomas of the A. & M. College for the purpose of developing the dairy interest of Lampasas county. These Jerseys were secured at a reasonable price.

A. M. Martin, one of the largest truck farmers of the Plainview country, estimates that he will ship not less than 15 cars of celery from his farm in the fall. Celery has proven a paying crop around Plainview for several years. The celery averages one carload to each acre harvested.

Records show that Texas raises one-tenth of the watermelons of the United States, and that Parker county raises one-fourth of the watermelons grown in the United States. Parker county melons are famous throughout the country for size and flavor.

J. B. Millican, "Pean King" of San Saba, estimates the pecan crop of Texas this season at half crop. Mr. Millican is working in the interest of pooling the nuts for better prices. He owns 20,000 top-worked trees on his place and 5,000 nursery stock trees.

The new crop of Elberta peaches in East Texas is moving to market. The crop is a short one and in many counties not more than one-third of a crop has been produced. In other counties the crop will be about half the average. It is assumed that the crop will average around \$3.00 per bushel.

Practically every car of wheat shipped from the Plains country this year has graded hard red winter wheat No. 1, and has tested around an average of 60 pounds per bushel. Wheat inspectors believe this to be a new world's record for grading of wheat shipments from one section.

The largest fig orchard in the world will be established near Houston if plans now being developed are carried out. Beginning this fall 6,000 acres in Brazoria county are to be planted to figs. When the land has all been planted the tract is to be divided into 5-acre and 10-acre plots and sold. They will be set 16 1/2 feet apart or 160 trees set to the acre and occupy 4,687 acres.

A new poultry farm is being built by Harvey Thompson a few miles east of Bowie. About 2400 white leghorns hens will be purchased to stock the new chicken farm. For many years Bowie has claimed the distinction of having the largest poultry farm in Texas. The poultry industry of our state is growing by leaps and bounds and will add many millions of dollars to the farming industry of Texas.

Mr. Ira Floyd, a Dallas county farmer, exhibited in Dallas recently, a Plymouth Rock egg which measured 7 1/2 inches in circumference and 8 1/4 inches from end to end. Mr. Floyd thinks this is the largest egg ever laid by a Plymouth Rock chicken. It was a double egg, and when the shell was pierced, another egg of ordinary size was found within the large shell.

Application has been filed with the state railroad commission for a general revision of rates on wool and mohair shipped in less than carload lots from points originating in the state to intrastate points. Hearing on the application has been set for September 11. The application asks that one stop be allowed, except that a second concentration privilege will be allowed on carload shipments at Houston or Galveston, at an additional charge of 7 cents per 100 pounds plus back-haul charges.

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For Our Boys and Girls

By AUNT MARY.



William Barrett Travis.

GREAT MEN AND WOMEN

Dear to the heart of every Texan is the name of William Barrett Travis. Not alone for his great "heroism" shown at the Alamo but for his strength of character and fortitude.

Travis was born in Conechu county, Alabama, in 1811. In later years he was described as being of fine stature, about six feet tall, with regular features, blue eyes and auburn hair. Little is recorded of his early life, but he must have been an excellent law student as he was admitted to the bar when only nineteen years old. He began the practice of law in Claiborne, Alabama, but gave it up two years later (1832) and came to Texas.

The first we hear of W. B. Travis is when at the head of fifty colonists he captured Anahuac, an important Mexican military post in Texas. From then on to the day of his death he took an active part in all Texas war preparations.

Colonel Neil who had been in command of the Alamo was ordered to blow up the fort, remove the cannons and

withdraw. However he was unable to do so, he said, as he did not have enough horses or mules to move the supplies. Lieutenant-Colonel Travis was then ordered to the Alamo with a few additional men. When Travis arrived Colonel Neil resigned his position and went home. This left Lieutenant Colonel Travis in command.

The Texans had been lax in their watch on Santa Anna and before they knew it he was at the gates of San Antonio demanding surrender. Travis and his men had barely time to retreat to the Alamo, which was the only fortified position within the then small town of San Antonio. A heavy norther had delayed Santa Anna. As Travis' army crossed the plains it captured thirty or forty beef cattle, but had only three or four bushels of corn; later eighty or ninety bushels were found in deserted houses.

On February 24, 1836, Travis sent his stirring message to the government for aid. The lines "victory or death! I shall never surrender or retreat!" have come down through history with a ring never to be forgotten.

Several skirmishes took place in the beginning but no Texans were lost and several Mexicans were killed. March 1st Captain J. W. Smith stole his way into the Alamo with thirty men. The garrison now numbered 175 men. The Mexicans numbered around 2500 men with a goodly supply of ammunitons.

The last message from the Alamo was sent on March 3rd in which Travis again asked for aid and repeated he would never surrender to Santa Anna.

Then came the fateful day of March 6, 1836, when Lieutenant Colonel Travis and all those in the Alamo fort with the exception of a Mexican woman, Mrs. Alsbury who was a sister-in-law to Colonel Bowie, her little sister, Lieutenant Dickerson's wife and infant child, and a negro boy who had been a servant to Travis, came to their death in defense

of the land they loved so well. After two attacks on the fort the Mexicans succeeded in scalling the walls upon the third attack. Texans fought from room to room of the Alamo with rifle butts and bowie knives, but they were just outnumbered and overpowered. Santa Anna ordered the bodies of the dead Texans to be burned.

The attack had started at four o'clock on Sunday morning and by nine o'clock the fort had fallen.

The sacrifice was not in vain, as the terrible slaughter awakened the colonists to their real danger. From then on their real struggle for independence took on a definite shape. The battle cry of the Texans at San Jacinto when Gen. Sam Houston defeated the main army of Santa Anna and thereby won Texas independence was "remember the Alamo!"

OUR FRIENDS AND ENEMIES OF THE GREAT OUT-DOORS.

Feathered Friends.

What a wonderful opportunity for "Nature study" we have here in Texas. My dear children, who live away down in "South" Texas, how much do you know about the lovely birds and animals that the children of "North" Texas know and love? Those of the "North" what do you know about those of the "South"? Do you know about your own? Now, lets get together and tell each other about our lovely friends of "Out-of-Doors." I want each child from all sections of the country to write me a story about some bird in your section, what you know about its color, its habits, how many eggs it lays and just everything it does and eats.

In reading the travels of Alexander Von Humboldt, in the south, he gives some interesting stories on bird life. One I remember real well as I had never heard of the bird before and I wondered who else hasn't heard about it.

He describes his exploration of a "Guacharo Cave" several miles from the convent of San Antonio and Guanaguana in the valley of Carpi. It was a dangerous and tiresome trip to reach the Guacharo mountain. The path winds itself with a rivulet and at its last bend one suddenly stands before the co-

lossal opening of the Guacharo cave. The foliage here is beautiful and grows very tall and thick. The first thing that impresses you is the noise that comes from the cave. It is the yelling and penetrating screeching of the "Guacharo" or "Fat Bird." The noise that they make in the darkness of the cave is nerve thrilling. The farther you go in the cave the more intense the noise. On entering the cave you can see by the light of the torches thousands of funnel shaped holes which are the bird's nests. Here they stay, venturing out only at night, especially on bright moon light nights, to hunt their food which consists solely of hard grains. They never eat worms or insects of any kind. The grain is very fattening, and having little exercise, they become extremely fat; that is why they are called the "Fat Bird."

The Indians in this part of the country have a custom that once a year they pilgrimage to the cave and set up temporary camps. When every thing is in readiness they enter the front part of the cave, destroy the nests, and kill the birds. They are at once dressed and the fat is rendered from them. This is put up in earthen jars and sold on the market as "Guacharo-lard." It is a semi-liquid, clear, odorless and so pure it will keep over a year without becoming rancid.

The only thing that perhaps has saved this bird from becoming extinct is the fact that the Indians will not go far into the cave, as they believe their "ancestors" dwell there. Fakirs and medicine men have taken advantage of this superstition and at night they will prepare their "hokus-pokus" before the mouth of the cave; they make the Indians believe that it will keep away the "ghosts."

I am anxious to hear about the bird near your home that you know about. We must protect our "Feathered Friends" from enemies, as they every day do us a great service by ridding the world of insects that destroy crop and plant life. Never kill a bird "just for the sport."

IMPORTANT NOTICE

I have been snowed under with answers to the prize poem but some how or other you seemed to have overlooked a-

bout "Our Birds." I am especially interested in hearing about the bird you know best in your vicinity. So I am going to extend the prize poem time from August the 1st to September the 1st. In fairness to the few who sent in copy I will give them another chance if they want it, or will let the copy sent in stand as it is.

Do not write more than two hundred words. Tell me about its colors, how it builds its nests, how many eggs it lays, and all the things it does. Remember that for the best story I will give a beautiful book, and my dear children it is well worth having. It has in it the stories of many birds and lovely colored pictures. Hoping to hear from many of you real soon.

AUNT MARY,

Box 544, Fort Worth, Texas. (Winner of the prize poem contest will be announced in September.)

LETTER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

This month I have received the following letters from my children:

Miss Ora Lee McDonald, Route 1, Gorman, Texas.

Miss Verty Raley, Route No. 3, Bartlett, Texas.

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- Mix and sift flour, sugar, salt and baking powder; add one-half milk, egg well beaten; add remainder of milk with oat meal and beat thoroughly; then add butter. Bake in but-

Last month we all decided to be "Cheerful." Now we are both "Neat" and "Cheerful." What will it be next? I'll tell you let's all resolve to be "Helpful." Will you all agree? In each day "do one kind deed at least." Go on; you'll see how much fun it is and then you'll be doing it all the time. Just a little helping hand all day long.

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WOMAN'S PAGE

MRS. MARGARET STUTE

HOME PROBLEMS.

MILK, ITS PRODUCTION AND PROPER CARE.

The one perfect food nature has given us for care of the young should be guarded, as it were, with our life. Few people realize the great value of milk as a food and how easily it can become of great danger to good health.

In milk tubercular germs, typhoid germs and pus germs are easily multiplied and spread. A person who is engaged in producing milk for use at home as well as for the market is really a "guardian of public health," especially in regard to little children. No one would wish to be called a murderer but hundreds of innocent little babies are yearly paying the price for the careless production and care of milk.

Cows milk is the most commonly used and will be the only one considered here. However milk from any animal should be treated the same.

To begin with milk must come from contented, healthy, correctly fed animals. In order to insure this every cow should be inspected and tested for tuberculosis at least once a year by a recognized authority. No new cow should be added to the herd without the inspection and test, and to insure safety should be carefully watched for several days before using the milk for human consumption.

After we are positive that the animals are in perfect condition we turn our attention to the stables and places of milking. The poorest of farmers cannot afford to overlook these important steps. With a little effort and expense we can do wonders if we really want to. Even for family consumption great precautions must be taken, as with a little care your cows can be made to pay better by having better milk. It is the presence of certain bacteria that causes milk to sour; one can see that if the action of these are delayed what the result will be. Barn and stables should be absolutely clean at the time of milking. A scrub brush and clean water will do wonders. They should be well ventilated and plenty of sunshine utilized, as it is our best disinfectant. The place where milking is done should be used for no other purpose. The cow should be clean, a curry comb and brush should be used daily. The flanks and udder of the cow cleaned with a clean damp cloth. Then the milker must be clean. Clothes for this purpose only should be used. The hands must be thoroughly washed and dried. Never moisten the teats with milk or water as these drops will fall into the milk and contain thousands of disease germs. The utensils used in milking must be sterilized. Not only cleaned but sterilized under steam pressure or boiled for twenty minutes in "boiling water." This applies to any utensils in which the milk is handled from the cow to the consumer. The small top milk pail is much to be preferred to the large top. After each cow is milked the milk should be immediately strained and cooled. The very best strainer is made with a layer of absorbent cotton between two thickness of cheese cloth. Before using cotton split into one-third or one-fourth of its original thickness, and fresh cotton must be used each time. A one-pound package should last about a month for a herd of twenty cows. Water is perhaps the most common cooling agent used. Where ice can not be obtained, which is rare on Texas farms, well or spring water is the best substitute. A milk cooler is easily built and should be used for no other purpose. By writing the U. S. Department of Agriculture and asking for Farmers Bulletin 976 you will receive free of charge a pamphlet fully describing the details more minutely than I am able to do in such a small space. In asking for this bulletin also ask for numbers 602, 1019, 954, 569, 540, 666 and 642. It is well worth the few cents and the effort, as it will increase your enjoyment of this product besides giving your family the assurance of pure milk which is one of the most important points of our diet. You owe this to yourself and to your family. Your debt to good health is greater than your debt to your bank. Milk can be made a source of pleasure and profit to any farmer. Or it can be made a source of trouble. Think it over, send for these bulletins; they won't cost you a cent, except for a letter, and I am sure you will be more than paid for the effort.

LATE FASHIONS

Easily made at home.

A little one-piece slip-on dress is a delight in warm weather. Made up in chiffon, which is very effective, for size 8, requires 1 1/2 yards of 40-inch material, 10 yards frilling and 2 1/2 yards gross grain ribbon. It can be made up in any color but I think white with delicate colors for ribbon is best for summer.

The flowers on the bottom of the skirt are not hard to make.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

A nursery refrigerator being an uncleanly thing to travel with, I use the deep aluminum kettle of my fireless cooker. Any deep pail with a tight lid will answer as well. I made a cover of khaki cloth, cutting a circular piece a trifle larger than the bottom of the kettle and making the straight piece of the bag sufficiently longer than the height of the kettle to allow a hem, in which I ran two strong tapes. Then I drew this up so as to cover all. I carried seven bottles of milk, one of boiled water and a small white medicine bottle with boracic solution for nipples. Each bottle was wrapped in paper and tightly corked. The ice was packed around and over the top, filling the vessel. It is easily carried by tapes or handles. I used this first for short automobile trips and later for a twenty-four-hour railroad journey. I have no trouble in renewing the ice at restaurants or with the help of the pullman porter.

Now is the time to see about the general health of your children. See that their tonsils are in good condition and most important of all their eyes. A yearly examination is well worth the money. If you live near a city there are plenty of school clinics.

I have been having very good success in setting hens through the summer months. My pullets will lay when eggs are scarce, the cookery makes good fryers when they are at the peak of the prices. I always give the setting hen a cool shady spot protected from disturbance by the other fowls. I supply the baby chicks with plenty of shade and cool water, feeding only on dry mash or hard boiled eggs. Keep pens and chicken houses clean, and well disinfected.

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Question: Should people suffering with kidney trouble, eat any meat? S. R. S.

Answer: No. Meat contains certain elements that would be injurious. However, people suffering with kidney trouble should be under the care of a reliable physician and his directions carefully followed.

Question: Is there anything that could be used to kill cutworms? N. S. M.

Answer: Cut worms can not be sprayed, but are poisoned with a thick paste made from a cup of bran moistened with a little water; into this stir a teaspoon of molasses and a teaspoon of arsenate of lead. Scatter the paste over the beds in the dusk of evening.

All questions pertaining to the home will be answered by Mrs. Margaret Stute, Box 1012, Fort Worth, Texas.

FOOD

Its Use to the Body and Proper Preparation.

Last month we talked on fruits and vegetables which should constitute a large part of our diet. This month we will discuss milk, cheese, eggs, meat, fish and dried legumes (peas, beans, etc.), which gives us our tissue building properties.

Milk is too often considered as a beverage by many, when in reality it is one of our most important foods, especially for children and invalids. Give a child a quart of milk and an egg a day with proper fruits and cereals and it will have a properly balanced diet. The most important point to note is that it is clean and free from any disease germs. To be taken correctly it should be sipped or eaten with a spoon, this is because upon entering the stomach it at once becomes a curd. It can be served in many forms as butter, cheese, cream, curds, junket, whey, sour milk, butter milk, fermented milk, Metchnicoff artificially scoured milk, kumis, modified milk, malted milk, peptonized milk, condensed milk, dry milk or evaporated milk. All have their place in our diet. From time to time I will mention them on this page.

Cheese is made from full milk, skim milk, or cream, and is very thoroughly assimilated. Usually not given to invalids or young children.

Meat is rich in nitrogenous compounds and fats. It is easily cooked and improved in flavor in the process. Lean meat is not as necessary to the diet as popularly supposed. For a man at hard labor it is more important than one at light muscular work. However, eggs, milk and fowl are much more desirable. Raw meat is not as easily digested as when cooked. In baking, boiling and frying the meat should be first cooked so as to coagulate the album on the outside. Then cooked slowly so as to insure its being well done and appetizing. The tougher and less expensive meats are as nutritious and as easily digested as more tender cuts if well cooked. Beef, veal, mutton, and lamb are much to be preferred to pork with the exception of crisp cooked bacon and ham. Children should be given meat very sparingly and not until they are old enough to masticate it well.

TESTED RECIPES

If my readers are desirous of going into the canning of fruits and vegetables thoroughly you can obtain all the help and information you want by requesting Farmer's Bulletin 1211 and 984. Simply write the U. S. Department of Agriculture at Washington, D. C., and request them to send you the above mentioned bulletins. They go into detail more than I am able to on this page.

Canned Grapes

Wash and pulp the grapes, putting pulp in one kettle and skins in another. Set both kettles on the fire, with just enough water to cover. When pulp is tender turn into a colander and press through. Mix with the skins, add 3/4 their weight in sugar, and cook 10 minutes. Seal hot; do not attempt to retighten. The hot can coming in contact with the rubber forms a sort of glue. If covers are re-tightened this glue is broken and fruit often spoils.

Scrapple.

This is intended especially for the farmers' wigs at butchering time and is a delightful change from head cheese. Soak hog's head over night in slightly salted water. In the morning clean thoroughly and cook until done. Pick all the meat off the bones and put the liquid aside to cool. Return the shredded meat, free from bones and fat, to the liquid, previously skimmed off fat, season with salt and pepper, heat to boiling point and stir white cornmeal into it until it is of the consistency of mush for frying. Let it cook slowly for one hour, stirring occasionally to prevent burning; put in pans and when cold slice and fry as you would mush.

Baked Potatoes.

Bake potatoes and split in two. Take out inside and mash fine. Add one teaspoon cream and a piece of butter for each potato, 2 eggs for 12 or less potatoes, put back in peeling and bake brown.

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All parties who are indebted to A. C. Garrett, the Second Hand man, must call and settle their accounts before the tenth day of August or the same will be turned over to a collector for adjustment. 31-2tc A. C. GARRETT.

LIVERGARD—the New Laxative Mothers: LIVERGARD is the new Laxative we cannot improve. Safe and best for the Baby, Father, Mother, grandparents, sickly and strong. When the bowels are sluggish, LIVERGARD makes laughing babies of puny ones; keeps old folks young; a bottle today keeps ill away. Children are eager for it, grown-ups praise it. At good drug stores. Write us for free samples. Lungardia Company, Dallas, Texas For Sale by C. K. Hunter

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A special four week's course is given for \$58.00, including tuition, samples, and materials for Cotton Grading. Four weeks board and room will cost \$20.00; a total of \$78.00 will place you in a \$150.00 per month position. In order to complete your course in time to prepare for the coming cotton season, you should enroll with us now. Write, wire or phone for information and our free catalogue. **TYLER COMMERCIAL COLLEGE, Tyler, Texas.**

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No. 929 CITATION ON APPLICATION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION THE STATE OF TEXAS. To the Sheriff or any Constable of Coleman County Greeting: You Are Herby Commanded to cause to be published once each week for ten days, before the return day hereof, in some newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in Coleman County, Texas, the following notice: **THE STATE OF TEXAS,**

To all persons interested in the estate of C. G. Erwin, deceased, Sallie Erwin, has filed in the County Court of Coleman County, an application for Letters of Administration upon the estate of said C. G. Erwin, deceased, which application, will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the first Monday in September, 1923, at the Court House thereof, in Coleman, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so. Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court on the said first day of the next term thereof this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed same.

WITNESS L. Emet Walker, Clerk of the County Court of Coleman County. Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Coleman, Texas, this the 24th day of July, A. D. 1923.

L. EMET WALKER, Clerk, County Court, Coleman County, Texas By V. RAWLINS GILLILAND, Deputy

COMANCHE ENTERTAINS BIG DISTRICT MEETING I. O. O. F. AND REBEKAHS

Many Delegates Attend from the Various Lodges Over the District; De Leon Selected as Next Meeting Place

Comanche Lodge No. 165 and Rebekah Lodge No. 210, were the happy hosts on Wednesday and Thursday of this week to the Annual Meeting of the Central West Texas Odd Fellows and Rebekah Association; with a large number of delegates present from over the district, which is composed of the five counties of Mills, McCullough, Coleman, Brown and Comanche. At the opening session Wednesday morning there were more than 200 representatives and visitors present, including the President of the State Rebekah Assembly, Mrs. J. D. Alexander of Cisco.

The meeting was presided over by President, C. W. Green, formerly of Brownwood, but now a resident of Fort Worth. The welcome address was extended by Mayor J. R. Eanes, which was preceded by an invocation by Dr. C. C. Klingman, pastor of the Central Christian Church here. W. D. Carroll extended the welcome on the part of the local Odd Fellows and Mrs. J. E. Miller for the local Rebekahs. These were responded to by B. J. Pittman of De Leon and Dr. W. T. Hillsman of Brownwood. The principal address of the opening session was delivered by Mrs. J. D. Alexander of Cisco, President of the State Rebekah Assembly. At the close of her address she was presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers by a number of little girls, who put on a drill for her benefit and pleasure.

Wednesday night, contests were held by both the Rebekahs and Odd Fellows in charges and degree work, the principal contest being one between Coleman and Comanche in the First Degree in which Coleman won out. At noon each day luncheon was served to the visitors in the vacant store building underneath the new lodge hall, with a final reception Thursday night.

De Leon was selected as the next place of meeting and officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: Judge S. J. Pieratt, Coleman, President; B. J. Pittman, De Leon, First Vice-President; Mrs. Tom Glover, Brownwood, Second Vice-President; Mrs. W. D. Carroll, Comanche, secretary; Mrs. Viola Richardson, Santa Anna, treasurer.

Taken as a whole the meeting this year was one of the most successful and enthusiastic ever held, and the visitors all went away praising the hospitality of the good people of Comanche.—Comanche Enterprise.

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We wish to extend our thanks to the good neighbors who assisted us during the illness and death of our darling baby, and we hope to repay in some way. We also appreciate the beautiful floral offering.—Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Ripley and children.

The man who prates of his honesty leads people to question his sincerity. . . .

Chasing rum-runners seems to be the regular thing, but who ever took rum without a chaser? . . .

Looks the dove of peace is about to degenerate into a piece of dove.

Next Door to Childers Shapiro's Cash Store to Childers
Great Going Out of Business Sale
NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC!

My whole stock, consisting of \$10,000.00 worth of clean, fresh merchandise, will be sold out at Actual Wholesale Cost. I am not forced to do this, but on account of failing health I am compelled to make this the greatest sacrifice of merchandise ever offered in Santa Anna.

Below a few prices are quoted, as space will not show all the values we are offering.

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\$4.00 Values \$2.65
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OVERALLS, Worth \$1.50
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ALL RED-SEAL GINGHAM
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CHILDREN'S SOX
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36 inch French Gingham, extra Special
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CHILDREN'S PLAY SUITS
Worth \$1.25
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As this is the greatest sacrifice of merchandise ever offered in Santa Anna

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"Some time ago, I was very irregular," writes Mrs. Cora Robie, of Pikeville, Ky. "I suffered a great deal, and knew I must do something for this condition. I suffered much with my back and a weakness in my limbs. I would have dreaded headaches. I had hot flashes and very queer feelings, and oh, how my head hurt! I read of

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and of others, who seemed to have the same troubles I had, being benefited, so I began to use it. I found it most beneficial. I took several bottles and was made so much better I didn't have any more trouble of this kind. It regenerated me."

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SATURDAY—

TOM MIX

"JUST TONY"

ALSO COMEDY.

The home of Mrs. S. W. Childers was a scene of beauty and tastefulness to the members and friends of the Thursday Thimble Club. Piano solos played by Mrs. Paul Williams were well-encored. Delicious and appetizing refreshments were served by the charming hostess. Out of town guests were Mrs. W. F. Ramsey and Miss India May Ramsey, and Mrs. Madge Terry of Abilene.

The local National Guard Company returned Sunday from a two weeks encampment at Camp Mabry. The boys enjoyed the variety of exercises and general affairs of the encampment, but were glad to get back to Santa Anna.

KASH Pedigreed Cotton seed—The Originator of Kash Pedigreed cotton planting seed authorizes me to solicit orders for fall deliveries. If interested see, write or phone 3412.—W. L. Alford. 32-tfc.

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CAUGHT IN THE ROUND-UP

Prof. and Mrs. A. J. Sparks returned to Santa Anna Monday after a visit in Comanche.

Mrs. W. J. Curry visited her sister Mrs. Fred White of Brownwood last week. Mrs. White is visiting near here this week.

Grady and Willie Marshall of Weir, Texas, and Miss Patty Evans of Burtram, and Ray Evans are spending the week in the G. S. Evans home.

Mrs. Pat Green of Brownwood visited Miss Doyve Polk Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Evans of Burtram, and Mr. and Mrs. Harrell Hudgen of Winters, are visiting in the G. S. Evans home.

Fayette Goodwin returned to his home in Waco Tuesday after visiting several days in the home of his sister, Mrs. George Stewardson, of the Shield community.

Rev. A. M. Pleasant, pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church moved from Blanket to the Karl Wallace house in the West part of town and will make his home here in the future.

J. J. and W. L. Keeling made a business trip to Rogers, Texas, last week. W. L. Also made a business trip to Dallas first of this week.

Elder Clem Wesley Hoover closed a successful revival meeting at Plainview Monday and returned to his home in Mason Tuesday.

C. E. Jordan and sons, Darrell and Edwin of Winters are visiting in the Santa Anna territory this week.

Mrs. Ruth Jangema of Alvin, Texas, is visiting her father, L. D. Boyd.

Miss Ida Pearce of Oklahoma is visiting in the G. W. Teagle home this week.

Chas. Oakes and Jasper McClellan had business in the County Capitol Thursday.

Wm. Lovestein of Brownwood was a business visitor in Santa Anna Wednesday.

Burgess Weaver, and family went to San Angelo Monday on a business and pleasure trip, returning Tuesday.

G. S. Evans, wife, son Chas and daughter, Miss Vesta, were called to Winters Saturday night to attend the bedside of Roy Evans, who died Monday.

Master Jim Bob Gregg visited a couple of days first of the week and little Miss Queenie Gregg was a mid-week visitor in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Harrell, south of town.

Mrs. S. Ferrell from out on route 1, has our thanks for calling in last week and renewing her subscription to the News.

Tax Collector J. C. Lewis of Coleman is listed among our recent renewal subscribers.

G. W. Faulkner is in Fort Worth, Dallas and other eastern market places this week, purchasing goods for the S. W. Childers & Co. store.

Mrs. S. P. Jones and little son, Robert, returned to their home in Ranger Friday after a several days visit in Santa Anna with relatives. They were accompanied home by Mrs. J. H. Latham and little daughter, Virginia and Miss Ethel Jones, who will visit with relatives a few days in Ranger.

The News is in possession of a premium list and entrance blanks for the State Fair at Dallas, if anyone wishing to enter needs same can call and get it.

Miss Beatrice Weathers and little brother of the Trickham community left last Tuesday for Goldthwaite to visit several days with relatives.

J. G. Williamson, one of our trusted employes on the News the past two years, has resigned his position and purchased an interest in the Frank Edsall Boot and Shoe Shop. They have purchased some new and up to date equipment and expect to better prepare themselves for all kinds of repairing, and will also make to order any kind of footwear you want. We predict for them a splendid business, as the two are both honorable and worthy citizens, as well as good mechanics.

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Sunday School Lesson

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LESSON FOR AUGUST 5

MARY MAGDALENE

LESSON TEXT—Luke 8:1-3; John 9:1-5; 11:1-15.

GOLDEN TEXT—"Our soul waiteth for the Lord: He is our help and shield."—Psalm 33:31.

REFERENCE MATERIAL—Mark 15:40-16:8; Luke 23:49-24:12.

PRIMARY TOPIC—How Mary Magdalene Showed Her Love for Jesus.

JUNIOR TOPIC—How Mary Magdalene Showed Her Gratitude to Jesus.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—A Woman's Grateful Service.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Mary Magdalene, Saved and Serving.

I. Mary Saved (Luke 8:1, 2).

While Jesus and His disciples were preaching throughout the villages of Galilee, Mary and certain other women heard the good news of salvation and were saved. Evil spirits were cast out of them. Mary had been possessed with seven demons. The number seven indicates the completeness of her affliction. Bodily affliction usually accompanied demon possession. Doctor Erdman says: "It is a cruel error to confuse Mary Magdalene with the sinful woman of whom Luke has just been writing. Mary had suffered from demon possession, as here stated, but there is nothing in the gospels to indicate that she had ever been a woman of notoriously evil life." So widespread is this false impression that many rescue homes for fallen women are named unjustly, "Magdalene."

II. Mary Ministering (Luke 8:3).

She, with certain women who had been saved from Satan's power, out of a heart of gratitude looked after the comfort of the Lord and His disciples. These women must have been in easy circumstances, as they were able to buy food and other necessities and, doubtless, lodging for Jesus and His disciples. These women were the forerunners of that large company of saved women, who have, throughout the Christian centuries, been ministering to the Lord through kindness to His ministers. How poor would be this world without the ministry of godly women.

III. Mary's Steadfastness (John 19:25).

After the men and disciples had forsaken the Lord a group of faithful women remained at the cross, among whom was Mary Magdalene. Others lingered, prompted by natural affection, but she lingered out of grateful love for salvation from Satan's bondage.

IV. Mary at the Empty Tomb (John 20:11-18).

1. Mistaken Tears (11-13). She had come to the tomb to weep and to pay respect to the body of her Lord. She was weeping over what she regarded as a tragic loss. In spite of her love and faith, she was in a state of confusion. If she had known what was revealed to her a short time afterward, she would not have thus wept. She was weeping because the tomb was empty, when the real cause for weeping would have been the Lord's body in the tomb. How many times we break our hearts over misunderstanding. The fact that a living body had walked out of the tomb instead of the dead body in it should have occasioned rejoicing. The empty tomb is the Christian's ground for hope.

2. The Unrecognized Master (vv. 14, 15).

She was within sight of the living Lord, yet mourning for Him. Let us look in the right direction and we shall have our sorrows turned into joys. The reason she did not recognize the Lord was that He did not appear as she thought He should. Many times our preconceived notions prevent us from seeing Jesus.

3. Restrained Familiarity (vv. 16, 17).

The full meaning of Jesus' words when he forbade Mary to touch Him perhaps we cannot surely know. The difficulty doubtless inhered in Mary's misunderstanding. She seemed to think that the same relations instituted before the resurrection could be resumed. He showed her that He was ascending into glory and that He should henceforth receive divine worship.

4. Mary Telling the Good News of the Resurrection (vv. 17, 18).

The need of telling the good news to the poor dependent disciples was so urgent that there was no time for familiarity. What joy there must have been in the hearts of the disciples at this good news.

Riches.

If thou art rich thou art poor; for like an ass, whose back with ingots bows, thou bearest thy heavy riches but a journey, and death unloads thee.—Shakespeare.

Communism.

Communism possesses a language which every people can understand. Its elements are hunger, envy and death.—Heine.

Humility.

Humility is a virtue all preach, none practice; and yet everybody is content to hear.—Seiden.

The Idler.

An idler is a watch that lacks both hands, as useless if it goes as if it does not.—Cowper.

Moulton Sims made a business trip to Gorman this week.

A fine baby boy was born last Friday to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kingsbery.

Mrs. C. W. Tierney is visiting in Fort Worth this week.

Mrs. Howard Welch of Fort Worth visited relatives here this week.

Mrs. Florence Crenshaw spent Sunday in Brownwood with her son, Frank.

W. S. Melton and family visited relatives eight miles east of Brownwood Sunday.

B. E. Wester and family left Monday for Stephenville, where they expect to live in the future. Mr. Wester expects to organize and promote a mutual insurance company.

Mrs. J. D. Simpson and two children, James and Mary Harriet spent several days last week with Mrs. Simpson's sister, Mrs. Mollie Williams, eight miles east of town.

Mrs. J. J. Tate and daughter, Miss Velma, of Comanche are visiting Mrs. Tate's sisters, Mrs. S. W. Childers and Mrs. Lee Millhollan.

Miss Bobby Brown visited her mother, Mrs. Vaughan, at Brownwood Sunday.

J. T. Miller and son spent Wednesday in Abilene on business.

Miss Fay Childers returned Sunday from a two weeks visit in Comanche, Fort Worth and Hubbard City. She was accompanied home by her father, J. M. Childers, and sister, Mrs. John Chauncy, who returned home to Comanche Sunday evening.

Miss Artie Mae Stewardson returned this week from a six weeks' vacation, spending a portion of the time at Eldorado, and is back on her job at the Wofford store in this city.

Dr. R. R. Lovelady and family and J. C. Grantham and wife spent last week on the Llano river fishing and camping.

H. E. Everett and family of Lometa passed through the city first of the week enroute to Winters to attend the funeral of a cousin to Mrs. Everett.

A very enjoyable meeting of Miss Ollie Pearce's Sunday School class was held Friday afternoon, at the pretty home of Mrs. Roger Hunter.

Congressman Thomas L. Blanton was acquitted in a trial at Comanche last Thursday night on a charge of criminal libel, the jury being out about two hours. The trial lasted four days, and all who read the daily papers are not surprised at the outcome of the trial.

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