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Schoolastic Census Early.

Will be taken in March this year instead of May as heretofore

The schoolastic census of Texas will be taken this year during the month of March instead of the month of May as heretofore. This change was made in the law at the last regular session of the legislature. The amendment was offered by Senator Johnson of this district, and after an explanation of its merits was adopted. The reason for the change was the fact that so many schools are closed before May, and the children then scatter away to other places. When schools do not close it is a fact that many children are drawn away from school in May to help with crops, and thus perhaps move out of the district where they attend school. On the other hand practically every school in the state is running full blast during the month of March, and the census enumerator can get every pupil right where they are attending school. The new law also provides for enumeration of all pupils between seven and seventeen. This will considerably enlarge the number of schoolastics among whom to divide the school money, but inasmuch as they can now attend school free up to twenty-one this will make no special change in the general results. Texas is rapidly forging to the front in educational lines. Next Sept. the compulsory school attendance law goes into effect when another long step forward will be made. The state is going to crawl out of the basement of stasis in the literary lines and that real quickly.

Worlds Record in Cattle Breeding

Sheriff O. B. Hardin's son Harry, has a cow that seems to hold the world's record for breeding. Her record is five calves in eleven months and five days. First a pair of twins then in exactly eleven months and five days, triplets. Four of the calves are still living, one of the last ones dying. They all look healthy and if nothing prevents, they will be able to raise the four calves.

So far as we ever read, this is a great record for one cow. The young man thinks a great deal of his record breaking cow and is paying particular attention to the calves which if they live will be quite a curiosity to behold.

Senator Shepherd has introduced a bill for a \$5,000 government building for Canadian.

I. O. O. F. To Hold Special Meeting

The local lodge, Odd Fellows since occupying their new hall are increasing a much greater interest in the order and making special efforts to revive the work to the highest form.

A special meeting will be held next Tuesday night, at which time work in several degrees will be put on, refreshments served, and some talks for the good of the Order. Every member of the lodge is requested to come and all visiting brothers cordially invited, Tuesday night Feb 1st.

The Odd Fellows Lodge is one of the greatest institutions in the world, having the second largest membership of any secret order. It maintains a wide and Orphan-home in every state in the Union. The Texas home now has over 40000 children which it is educating, besides a number of aged people.

We feel proud to know that our lodge have a great interest in the work and have just completed a fine \$1000 brick hall near town. It shows permanency for the order, and a great faith by the members in the institution.

An Explanation

In a conversation with Mr. Cleve Coffee who is trustee for the Miami school, regarding the charges made the Lyceum course for the auditorium in answer to an editorial in the Chief recently, Mr. Coffee said.

"The trustees have been in the past not charging for the Lyceum course and were supposed to receive in the auditorium, all surplus left over from the course each year, and as there has been no surplus at any time, we have never received a dollar from the Lyceum committee. The lights, coal and janitor have cost us about \$2.50 a night, which has come out of the childrens school money and we do not consider this right. This year we passed a resolution to charge for everything in the auditorium, unless it was for the direct benefit of the school, however I believe that the Lyceum course run as it is should only have to pay the actual cost of the building and will recommend this at our next meeting."

This seems fair and the Lyceum course will be willing to meet all actual expenses, but they did not feel like paying an extra sum for the building. Mr. Coffee's proposition on this, is good and we appreciate his stand on the matter.

The Amarillo Light and Power Company propose to run wires to Claude and furnish them with electricity.

Must Pay City Poll Tax If You Want To Vote

A question as to whether a man who has not paid his city poll tax can vote in a county election, has come up. We will answer it by saying that you cannot.

Following is an article from the law regarding this, taken from Vernon Sayles Article 2033: "Provided that any voter who is subject to pay his poll tax under the laws of the state of Texas or ordinances of any city or town in this state shall have paid his poll tax before he offers to vote at any election in this state and hold a receipt showing payment of his poll tax before February 1st, next preceding the election etc."

The above is the law regarding poll tax payment and if you intend to vote in any election at all this year either county or city, you will have to pay your city and county poll tax, before the first of next month.

Baptist Preacher

ATTIVES

Rev. H. P. Wilsford, the new Baptist preacher arrived Saturday to take up the work with the local congregation. His household goods came in this week and his wife arrived Tuesday. He will preach Sunday at the auditorium and begin active service for the church. He comes to Miami very highly recommended and the local congregation feel much elated on securing such a splendid minister for their church.

He preached here a few weeks ago and all are invited out again to hear him

Over The Plains

Oscar Franz who lived in Hall county shot and killed his wife last week, then killed himself. They had been seperated some time and he went to her house, supposedly to have a division of their property and the tragedy occurred.

Robt. Bazelwood charged with attacking three women in Amarillo last summer with a window weight, was brought from the state asylum to Clarendon and tried there last week, the jury found him guilty and assessed his punishment at 22 months in the Potter county jail. His attorneys have appealed.

Hog cholera is reported to some extent over the Panhandle and many of the hog raisers are using every precaution to prevent it. However we have heard of none in this section of the country.

Hemphill county has out four candidates for Sheriff, four for Assessor, three each for Clerk and Judge. Seems as if they might have a lively political campaign.

H. S. Durham and Miss Clyde Parton of Mobeetie were married at Wheeler last week. Mr. Durham is assistant cashier in the Bank and Miss Parton was a teacher in the public school. They are both very popular young people.

Jim Miller of Okla., charged with theft, broke jail at Wheeler last week but was soon recaptured.

J. M. Thomas of Lockney committed suicide by blowing the top of his head off with a shot gun last week, cause, illness.

Green Lake Items

Ens Rodgers of Hoover spent Sunday at the Hoskins home.

Eve Williams, Tas Crowson and Erve Black went to Pampa Saturday.

Mrs. Eve Williams spent last Monday with Mrs. Crowson.

Bird Kitchen got his hand cut very bad while cranking his car last week.

R. D. Dunnivan shipped a car of hogs to Ft. Worth Saturday.

Mrs. Perry Brown went to Miami Saturday.

Harve Patton and wife went to Miami Saturday.

W. B. and Mrs. Homer Kitchen went to Miami Saturday.

Lucas Broaddus and Homer Allen went to Miami Saturday.

Mrs. Hollis left Friday for Oklahoma on a visit.

W. W. Davis and family spent Sunday with J. E. Seitz and W. D. Christopher.

Harve Patton and wife gave a 42 party Saturday night.

J. E. Seitz and wife and Erve Black went to Miami Saturday.

H. Hoskins went to Miami Monday.

Will Patton was out to his place Monday.

O. B. Hardin was out in the Green Lake country getting juryman Monday.

Chas. Lee is doing some carpenter work for W. D. Christopher this week.

Joe Kitchen returned from Ft. Worth Tuesday.

Miss Winburn visited Willie Christophers' Saturday and Sunday. They gave a party in her honor Saturday night.

Mrs. Pursley went to Miami Saturday and brought her little grandson Ervin out to spend a week.

Dave Glass and family from Ochiltree are visiting the H. T. Glass home this week.

Fresh supply of Heinz sweet, sour and dill pickles, some oyster dressing

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"Treating the people square"

Mr. Luther Broaddus and family visited with Lukes Broaddus' this week and both families spent Sunday at the J. E. Seitz home.

H. E. Baird was out to his place Sunday.

NOTICE

Inasmuch as the State Medical Association of Texas, requires all Physicians to charge the following fees:-

Ob-sterices	\$25.00
Plus mileage, per mile	\$1.00
Consultation fee	\$10.00
Country visits per mile	\$1.00
Day visits in town	\$2.50
Night visits in town	\$3.00
Perscriptions	\$1.00

Therefore, we the undersigned will hereafter be governed accordingly.

John H. Kelley, M. D.
M. L. Gunn, M. D.

M. B. Herely and W. Frederick of Chicago have purchased near \$1,500,000. worth of land in Hansford and Ochiltree counties, their purpose being a secret. They are now preparing to return home.

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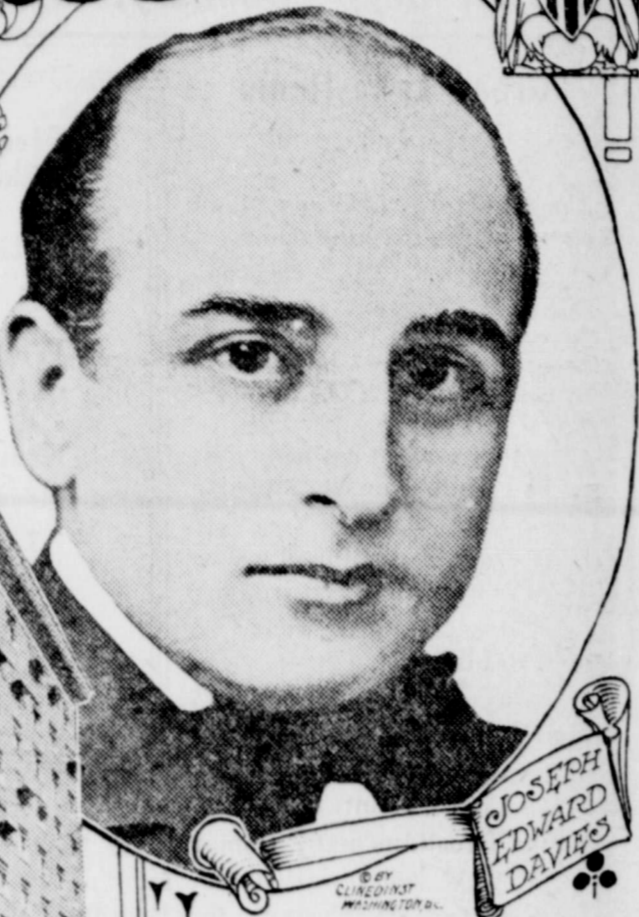
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THE TRAFFIC COP OF BIG BUSINESS

HERE'S AN INTRODUCTION TO JOSEPH EDWARD DAVIES, WHO IS CHAIRMAN OF THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION AND COUSIN OF LLOYD-GEORGE, BRITISH CABINET MEMBER.



By EDWARD B. CLARK.

JOSEPH EDWARD DAVIES, one time commissioner of corporations, and now the chairman of the federal trade commission, is a Celt. He shows it in his face, his manners and his methods of work. His father was a Welshman who came to this country sixty odd years ago, joining a Welsh colony in southern Wisconsin, a colony hardly second, it is said, in size and in the mark which it made on the state, to that which entered into the life of central New York much more than half a century ago.

The Celtic people are more or less emotional, and perhaps the accent should be placed on the more rather than on the less. In the greater men whom the Celts have contributed to public life, the emotionalism while marked, has always shown the effect of the steady hands of thought and of conscience. Emotionalism does not run away with Lloyd-George of Wales and of England, nor does it run away with his cousin, Joseph E. Davies of Washington and Wisconsin, for this chieftain of the federal trade commission is a cousin of the man now most in the public eye in the British islands.

It is within the range of possibilities that if two or three years ago some great corporation official of the United States should have consulted a fortune teller she would have looked at his palm and said: "Look out, for a dark, handsome man is about to stand in your path." Mr. Davies is a dark man, and it is no flattery at all to say that he is a handsome one. He became the commissioner of corporations soon after Mr. Wilson was inaugurated president of the United States. Many men had picked Joseph E. Davies for a cabinet position, and there are those to say that the prophecy of such a place for him eventually may not go unfulfilled. The bureau of corporations, as its name implies, looked after corporation matters. It was a check on illegal doings on the part of great concerns of the country and it was also intended as a help to such corporations as wanted to obey the law to the last letter and who wanted to know definitely just what the latter was.

Joseph E. Davies is a man of considerable brawn, and he would not be where he is probably if he were not a man of more than considerable brain. He comes by both by inheritance, for his father was a blacksmith, of "the muscles-of-his-brawny-arms-were-strong-as-iron-bands" species. Mr. Davies' mother was the daughter of a barrister. She was of Welsh and French extraction, thereby keeping the Celt blood in Mr. Davies virtually undiluted. The mother was one of

the best known women among the people of her race in America, and her fame reached outside of racial territory. She was an ordained minister, becoming one at the age of twenty-two years. She came to this country many years ago on a lecture tour. At Watertown, Wis., she met and married the father of the present chief of the federal trade commission.

There is one incident in the career of Joseph E. Davies which Washington politicians account remarkable. The chairman of the trade commission, as everybody knows, is a Democrat. After Mr. Wilson had been elected men all over the country began to write to him urging the appointment of the Wisconsin man to a cabinet position. Mr. Davies knew nothing about these efforts in his behalf. His mother was in England and ill. The son went abroad to care for her and to bring her back to this country as soon as she was able to travel. He was compelled to stay in England for months and was entirely out of direct touch with political affairs and his own concerns in this land.

At that time the Wisconsin legislature was Republican. In the body were a good many former students of the University of Wisconsin, of which Mr. Davies is a graduate. One night four Republican members and a Democratic member of the legislature happened to meet. The Republicans said: "Joseph Davies is an able, high-minded man. He ought to have a place in President Wilson's cabinet." It is needless to say perhaps that the Democratic member coincided instantly with what his Republican colleagues had said.

Then the Republican suggestion was that the senate and assembly of Wisconsin should adopt resolutions recommending Davies for a cabinet position. The Democratic member said, "That would be fine, but you can't get a Republican legislature to do it."

What was the result? The Republican assembly by unanimous vote passed the resolution and the Republican senate instantly followed suit.

Joseph E. Davies is under forty years of age and he is one of a group of young men whom President Wilson called as governmental aids in his administration. In positions just below that of cabinet rank there are today in Washington many young men, or young as the world looks on age when considering the responsibilities which it must bear.

One finds a genial host in the office of the commission's chairman. Mr. Davies has the Celtic temperament which makes for hospitality and good nature. Until a Celt reaches the point of righteous indignation and is therefore likely to explode, he is as polite as nature ever allowed any man to be. It makes little difference whether the Celt is Irish, Highland Scotch, Welsh or French, so far as this polite

characteristic is concerned, but there are times when the fires break loose and expend their flames on the head of the offender. It is said that one or two such things have happened in the career of Joseph F. Davies. There are a good many men in public life and in business life who are likely to become offenders against the properties of government and business, and on such as these the Celtic temper sometimes breaks.

There is one thing that is certain. Joseph E. Davies loves his home state, and he has an abiding affection for his educational alma mater. He attended the public schools of Watertown, Wis., graduated from the high school in 1894 with a class of which he was the valedictorian. He at once entered the University of Wisconsin and was chosen president of the freshman class. On graduation he was both class day and commencement orator. While he was attending the university he was made athletic instructor. He was one of the winning team in the Illinois-Wisconsin intercollegiate debate. He graduated in law in 1901, and in the year following he was made temporary chairman of the Democratic state convention.

At the beginning of his administration President Wilson gave Mr. Davies an opportunity to accept or decline two high offices of government, the assistant secretaryship of war and the governor generalship of the Philippines. Both of these offices the Wisconsin man declined. Later, however, he accepted the position of commissioner of corporations, a place which his record in the law made him seem peculiarly fit.

Into the campaign of 1912 in behalf of Woodrow Wilson Mr. Davies entered as a battling figure. He was prominent in the Wilson movement in the middle West and the West as was the Princeton man, William H. McCombs, in the East. Mr. Davies was a Wilson follower prior to the nomination of the present president at Baltimore. At the convention he joined forces with Mr. McCombs in the struggle which finally was successful in securing the president's nomination. During the election campaign Mr. Davies directed the Democratic forces in virtually all the western and middle western states.

Here is Mr. Davies' definition of the government body over which he presides as chairman:

"We might put it this way," he said. "The trade commission is the traffic police force to see that the rules of the road on what we may term the industrial highways of the nation are maintained. It is to compel the big touring car, in the use of those highways, not to disregard the rights of the little one, but to accord it its due share of the road."

Washington men have characterized this as a rather striking characterization of the functions of the trade commission. Of course the big touring car is "big business," and the small touring car is "little business."

The government, ever since men began to think progressively, has been trying to get fair trade conditions. Joseph E. Davies of Wisconsin today is at the head of the commission which has this work in large part in hand. He has not been long in the present office. The future is ahead of him and it is up to him to make as good in his new office as the records show beyond cavil that he has made good in other walks of life.

Poor Satisfaction.

After trying all the advice she could read how to reduce, all the satisfaction Miss Hortense McGhee got was to have her friends look her over and say, "How thin you're getting, dear! Aren't you feeling well?"

Mr. Cumrox Speaks Out.

"Do you approve of slang?" "No," replied Mr. Cumrox. "It's too much trouble. It's as hard to know what slang is permissible as it is to guess the right implement for every course at a big dinner."

GATHERED FACTS

Arkansas produces the greater part of the natural oil stones of this country.

One seed of cotton planted and re-planted will produce 49,000,000,000 seeds in six years.

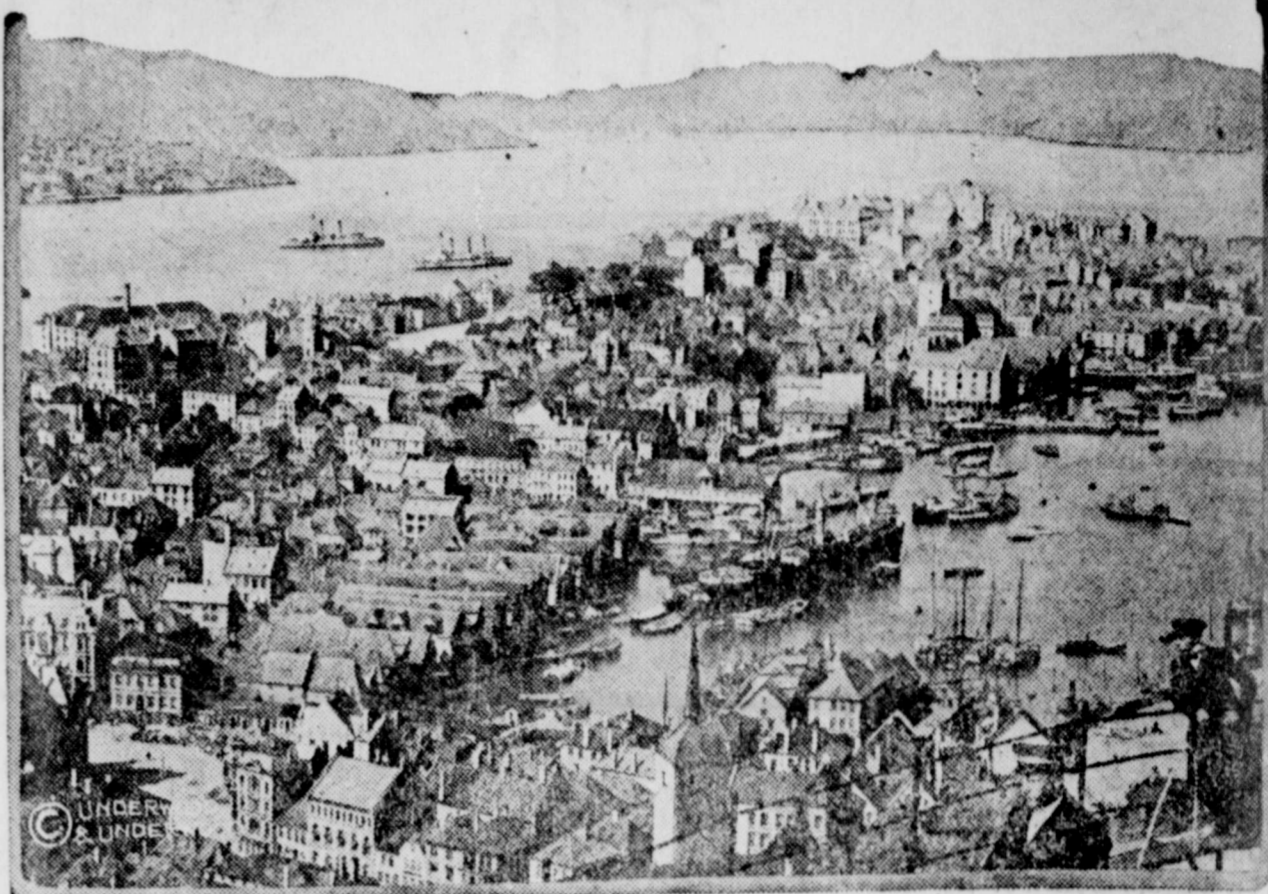
Some of the finest tapestry ever woven in Japan is to be seen in the peace palace of The Hague.

Although there are 1,600 miles of railway lines in Uruguay, there is only one tunnel in the country.

Cows on the steppes of Russia are said to be fitted with spectacles because they graze through the snow all winter long, and the dazzle of the crystals is very injurious to their sight unless this form of protection is furnished them.

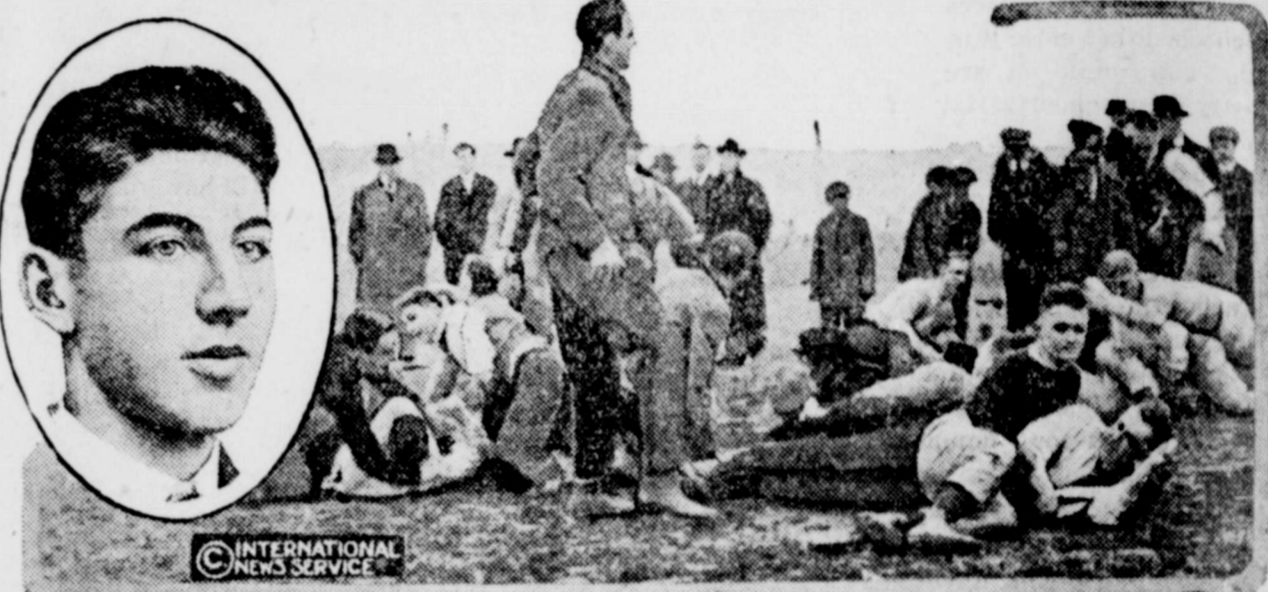
A Southwestern paper answering a question about high and low record cotton prices, said that in 1856 the highest price was 52 cents and the lowest 32 cents, while since that time cotton has dropped as low as 55-16 cents, in 1898.

NORWEGIAN CITY THAT WAS DEVASTATED BY FIRE



General view of Bergen, one of the chief cities of Norway, which was partly destroyed by fire. At least 400 buildings were burned and thousands of persons made homeless.

FATAL BOWL FIGHT AT PENN UNIVERSITY



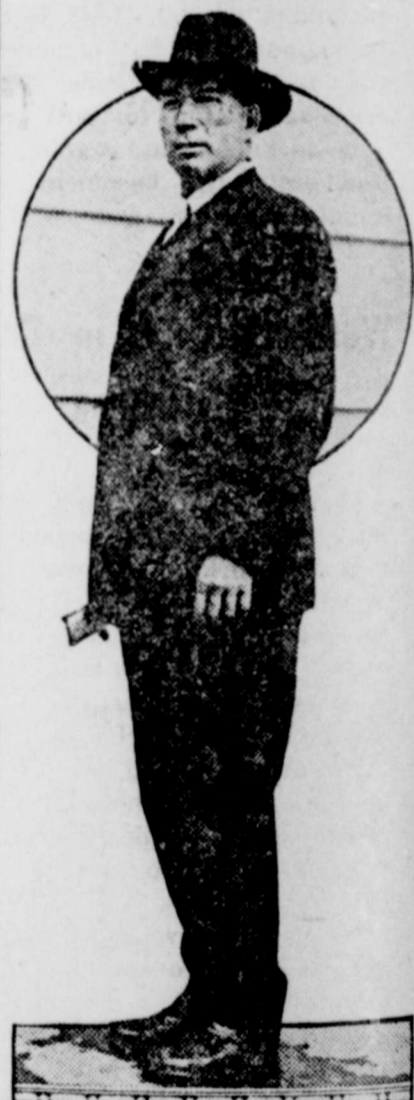
This is a photograph taken during the annual bowl fight between the freshmen and sophomores of the University of Pennsylvania, in which one lad lost his life and six others were badly injured. At the left is a portrait of William Lifson of Elizabeth, N. J., who was killed. He was a member of the freshman class and was twenty years old.

LAYING LABOR BUILDING CORNERSTONE



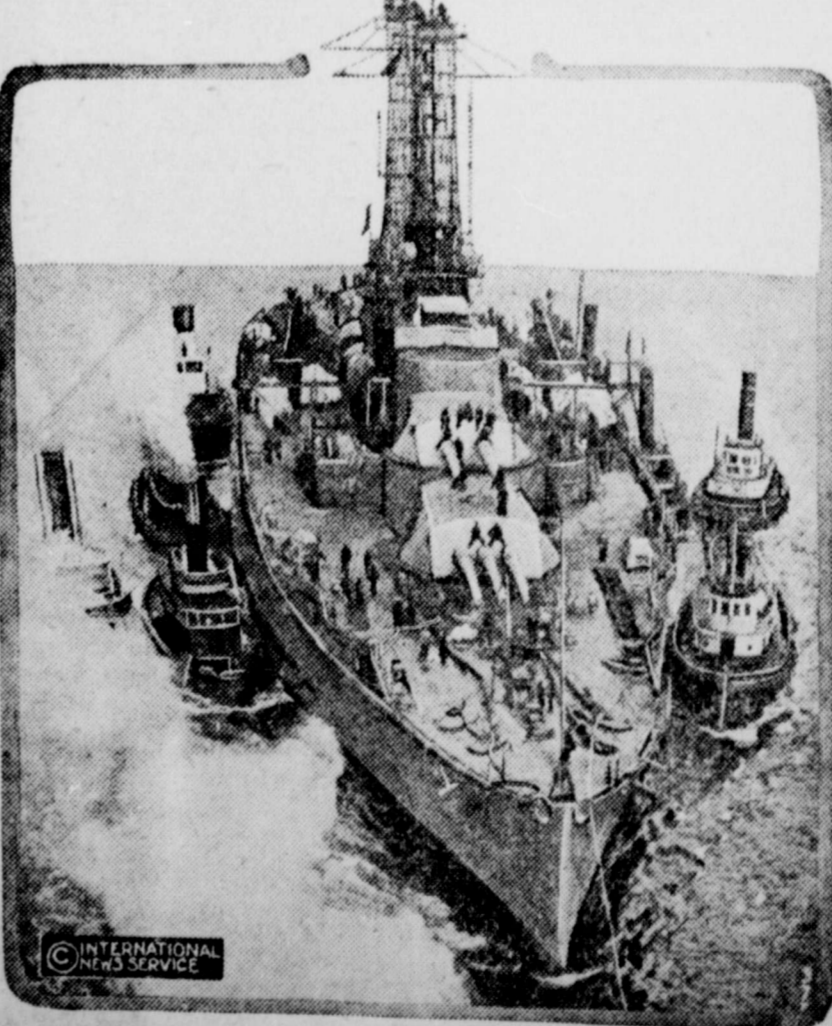
Samuel Gompers, Secretary of Labor Wilson and others taking part in the ceremony of laying the cornerstone of the new building being erected in Washington as headquarters of the American Federation of Labor.

INDIAN A CAPITOL GUARD



Frank Janis, a Sioux Indian from Tripp county, South Dakota, is one of the men employed by Uncle Sam to protect his property. He has joined the force of police that guard the Capitol at Washington. Janis is well educated, owns a big farm on the Rose Bud reservation and drives his own automobile.

OKLAHOMA OFF FOR ITS TRIALS



The battleship Oklahoma, latest superdreadnaught to be added to the United States navy, here seen as she passed beneath the Brooklyn bridge on her way to the coast of Maine for official trials, stood the first tests well. She developed a speed of 21.47 knots.

Rehearses in Six Languages.

Richard Ordynski, the Polish producer who is now in New York, is very different from the average Broadway theatrical manager. The latter usually speaks but two languages—English and profane. Ordynski speaks eight.

When Pavlova was here he conducted some of the rehearsals in six languages—conversing in Russian with the famous dancer, in French with some of her ballet, in Italian with the conductor, Italian with the members of the orchestra, German with the property men and English with the house manager.

Professor Ordynski—he was once a member of the faculty of the University of Cracow, despite the fact that he is only thirty years of age—has been invited to deliver a course of lectures on Polish literature at Columbia university.

THE BALL OF FIRE

By **GEORGE RANDOLPH CHESLER**
and **LILLIAN CHESTER**

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SYNOPSIS.

At a vestry meeting of the Market Square church Gail Sargent listens to a discussion about the sale of the church to Edward E. Allison, local traction king, and when asked her opinion she says it is apparently a lucrative business enterprise. Allison takes Gail riding in his motor car.

CHAPTER II—Continued.

Gail, too, was disturbed. While she had laughed to cover the embarrassment of her mishap, she had been quite collected enough to thank Allison for his ready aid; but she had felt the thrill of that tensed arm, and it had awakened in her mind an entirely new vein of puzzled conjecture.

Gravity with a man invariably leads him back to the consideration of his leading joy in life, business; and the first thing Allison knew he was indulging in quite a unique weakness, for him; he was bragging! Not exactly flat-footed; but, with tolerably strong indignation, he gave her to understand that the consolidation of the immense traction interests of New York was about as tremendous an undertaking as she could comprehend, and that, having attained so dizzy a summit, he felt entitled to turn himself to lighter things, to enjoy life and gaiety and frivolity, to rest, as it were, upon his laurels.

Gail was amused, as she always was when men of strong achievement dropped into this weakness to interest girls. She did appreciate and admire his no doubt tremendous accomplishment; it was only his naivete which amused her, and to save her she could not resist the wicked little impulse to tease him. To his suggestion that he could now lead a merry life because he was entitled to rest upon his laurels, she had merely answered, "Why?"

He dropped into a silence so dense that the thump was almost audible, and she was contrite. She had pricked him deeper than she knew, however. She had not understood how gigantic the man's ambitions had been, nor how vain he was of his really marvelous progress. After all, why should he pause, when he had such power in him? She did well to speak slightly of any achievement made by a man of such proved ability. New ambitions sprang up in him. The next time he talked business with her he would have something startling under way, something to compel her respect.

CHAPTER III.

The Change in the Rector's Eyes.

The grand privilege of Mrs. Jim Sargent's happy life was to worry all she liked. Just now, as she sat on the seven chairs and the four benches of the mahogany paneled library, amid a wealth of serious-minded scripture and painting and rare old prints, she was bathed in a new ecstasy of painful enjoyment. She was worried about Gail! It was six-thirty now, and Gail had not yet returned from Lucile's.

Mrs. Helen Davies, dressed for dinner with as much care as if she had been about to attend one of the unattainable Mrs. Waverly-Gates' annuals, came sweeping down the marble stairs with the calm aplomb of one whom nothing can disturb and, long-nette in hand, turned into the library.

"I'm so glad you came down, Helen," breathed Mrs. Sargent, with a sigh of relief. "I'm so worried! Gail hasn't come home from Lucile's!"

Mrs. Helen Davies sat beneath the statue of Minerva presenting wisdom to the world, and arranged the folds of her gown to the most graceful advantage.

"You shouldn't expect her on time, coming from Lucile's," she observed, with a smile of proper pride. She was immensely fond of her daughter Lucile; but she preferred to live with her sister. "I have a brilliant idea, Grace. I'll telephone," and without seeming to exert herself in the least, she glided from her picturesque high-backed Flemish chair, and sat at the library table, and drew the phone to her, and secured her daughter's number.

"Hello, Lucile," she called, in the most friendly of tones. "You'd better send Gail home, before your Aunt Grace develops wrinkles."

Mrs. Helen Davies listened to the answer, a sparkle in her black eyes.

"Where is she?" interrupted Mrs. Sargent, holding her thumb.

"Out driving," reported sister Helen. "Have you sent your invitations for the house party, Lucile?" and she discussed that important subject until Mrs. Sargent's thumbached.

"With whom is Gail driving, and where?" asked sister Grace, anxious for detail.

Mrs. Helen Davies touched all of her fingertips together in front of her on the library table, and beamed on Grace.

"Don't worry about Gail," she smilingly advised. "She is driving with Edward E. Allison. He is the richest bachelor in New York, though not so lately prominent. No one has ever been able to interest him. I predict for Gail a brilliant future," and she

moved over contentedly to her favorite contrast with Minerva.

"Gail would attract anyone," returned Mrs. Sargent complacently, and then a little crease came in her brow. "I wonder where she met him."

"At the vestry meeting, Lucile said."

"Oh," and Mrs. Sargent's brow cleared instantly. "Jim introduced them. I wonder where Jim is?"

The door opened, and Jim Sargent came in, wiping the snow from his stubby mustache before he distributed his customary hearty greetings to the family.

"Where's Gail?" he wanted to know.

"Out driving with Edward E. Allison," answered both ladies.

"Still?" inquired Jim Sargent, and then he laughed. "She's a clever girl smart as a whip! She nearly started a riot in the vestry."

"Was Willis Cunningham there?" inquired Mrs. Davies interestedly.

"Took me in a corner after the meeting and told me that Gail bore a remarkable resemblance to the Fratelli Madonna, and might be called."

The telephone bell rang, and Sargent, who could not train himself to wait for a servant to sift the messages, answered it immediately, with his characteristic explosive first-syllabled:

"Hello!"

"Oh, it's you, Uncle Jim," called a buoyant voice. "Mr. Allison and I have



Rev. Smith Boyd Came Out With His Most Active Vestryman.

found the most enchanting roundhouse in the world, and we're going to take dinner here. It's all right, isn't it?"

"Certainly," he replied, equally buoyant. "Enjoy yourself, Chubsy," and he hung up the receiver.

"What is it?" asked Mrs. Davies, in a tone distinctly chill. She had a premonition that Jim Sargent had done something foolish. He seemed so pleased.

"Gail won't be home," he announced carelessly, starting for the stairs. "She's dining with Allison at some roundhouse."

"Unchaperoned!" gasped Mrs. Davies.

"She's all right, Helen," remarked Jim starting upstairs. "Allison's a fine fellow."

"But what will he think of Gail?" protested Helen. "That sort of unconventionality has gone clear out of Jim, you'll have to get back that number!"

"Sorry," regretted Jim. "Can't do it. Against the telephone rules, and he went upstairs, positively humming."

The two ladies looked at each other, and sat down in the valley of the shadows of gloom. There was nothing to be done!

It was not until nine o'clock that they expressed their worry again. At that hour Ted and Lucile Teasdale and Arly Fosland came in with the exuberance of a New Year's eve celebration.

"It's great sleighing tonight," stated Lucile's husband, who was a thin-waisted young man, with a splendid natural gift for dancing.

"All that's missing is the bells," chattered the black-haired Arly, breaking straight for her favorite big couch in the library. "The only way to have any speed in an auto is to skid." "We're to get up a skidding match, so I can bet on our chauffeur," laughed Lucile, sniffing her blonde ringlets before the big mirror in the hall. "We fore a complete circle coming down through the park, and never lost a revolution!"

"I've been thinking it must be bad driving," fretted Mrs. Sargent. "Gail should be home by now!"

"Allison's a safe driver," comforted Ted, who liked to see everybody happy.

Jim Sargent came to the door of the study, in which he was closeted with Rev. Smith Boyd. Jim was practically the young rector's business guardian.

"Hello, folks," he nodded. "Gail home?"

"Not yet," responded Mrs. Sargent, in whose brow the creases were becoming fixed.

"It's hardly time," estimated Jim, and went back into the study.

"I'm terribly vexed," confided Lucile, stopping behind Ted's chair, and idly tickling the back of his neck. "I thought it would be such a brilliant scheme to give a winter week-end party, but Mrs. Acton is going to give one at her country place."

"Before or after?" demanded Mrs. Davies, with whom this was a point of the utmost importance.

"A week after," answered Lucile. "But her invitations are out. I wish I hadn't mailed mine. What can we do to make ours notable?"

That being a matter worth considering, the entire party, with the exception of Aunt Grace, who was listening for the doorbell, set their wits and their tongues to work. Mrs. Helen Davies took a keener interest in it than any of them. The invitation list was the most important of all, for it was a long and arduous way to the heaven of the socially elect, and it took generations to accomplish the journey. The Murdock girls, Grace and herself, had no great-grandfather. Murdock Senior had made his money after Murdock Junior was married, but in time to give the girls a thorough polishing in an exclusive academy. Thus launched, Helen had married a man with a great-grandfather, but Grace had married Jim Sargent. Jim was a dear, and had plenty of money, and was as good a ralloader as Grace's father, with whom he had been great chums; but still he was Jim Sargent. Gail's mother, who had married Jim's brother, had seven ancestors, but a mother's family name is so often overlooked. Nevertheless, when Gail came to marry, the maternal ancestry, all other things being favorable, might even secure her an invitation to Mrs. Waverly-Gates' annual! Reaching this point in her circle of speculation, Mrs. Helen Davies came back to her starting place, and looked at the library clock with a shock. Ten; and the girl was not yet home!

Rev. Smith Boyd came out of the study with his most active vestryman, and joined the circle of waiting ones. He was a pleasant addition to the party, for in spite of belonging to the clergy, he was able to conduct himself in Rome in a quite acceptable Roman fashion. Pleasant as he was, they wished he would go home, because it was not convenient to worry in his company; and by this time Lucile herself was beginning to watch the clock with some anxiety. Only Mrs. Sargent felt no restraint. An automobile honked at the door as if it were stopping, and she half arose; then the same honk sounded half way down the block, and she sat down again.

"I'm so worried about Gail!" she stated, holding her thumb.

"We all are," supplemented Mrs. Davies, quickly. "She has been dining with a party of friends, and the streets are so slippery."

"I should judge Mr. Allison to be a very capable driver," said Rev. Smith Boyd; and the ladies glared at him. "I envy them their drive on a night like this. I wonder if there will be good coasting."

"Fine," judged Jim Sargent, looking out of the window toward the adjoining rectory. "That first snow was wet and it froze. Now there's a good inch on top of it. And, at this rate, there should be three by morning. A little thaw, and another freeze, and a little more snow tomorrow, and I'll be tempted to make a bobsled."

"I'll help you," offered Rev. Smith Boyd, with a glow of pleasure in his particularly fine eyes. "I used to have a twelve-seated bobsled, which never started down the hill with less than fifteen."

"I never rode on one," complained Arly. "I think I'm due for a bobsled party."

"You're invited," Lucile promptly told her. "Uncle Jim, you and Doctor Boyd will have to hunt up your hammer and saw."

"I'll start right to work," offered the young rector, with the alacrity which had made him a favorite.

"If the snow holds, we'll go over into the Jersey bills, and slide," promised Sargent with enthusiasm. "I'll give the party."

"I seem to anticipate a pleasant evening," considered Ted Teasdale, whose athletics were confined entirely to dancing. "We'll ride downhill on the sleds, and uphill in the machines."

"That's barred," immediately protested Jim. "The boys have to pull the girls uphill. Isn't that right, Boyd?"

"It was correct form when I was a boy," returned the rector, with a laugh. He held his muscular hands out before him as if he could still feel the cut of the rope in his palms. He squared his big shoulders, and breathed deeply, in memory of those health-giving days. There was a flush in his cheeks, and his eyes, which were sometimes green, glowed with a decided blue. Arlene Fosland, looking lazily across at him,

from the comfortable nest which she had not quitted all evening, decided that it was a shame that he had been cramped into the ministry.

"There's Gail!" cried Mrs. Sargent, jumping to her feet and running into the hall, before the butler could come in answer to the bell. She opened the door and was immediately kissed, then Gail came back into the library without stopping to remove her furs. She was followed by Allison, and she carried something inside her coat. Her cheeks were rosy from the crisp air and the snow sparkled on her brown hair like tiny diamonds.

"We've been buying a dog!" she breathlessly explained, and opening her coat, she produced an animated teddy bear, with two black eyes and one black pointed nose protruding from a puff ball of pure white. She set it on the floor, where it waddled uncertainly in three directions, and finally curled down between Rev. Smith Boyd's feet.

"A collier!" and Rev. Smith Boyd picked up the warm infant for an admiring inspection. "It's a beautiful puppy!"

"Isn't it a dear!" exclaimed Gail, taking it away from him, and favoring him with a smile. She whisked the fluffy little ball over to her Aunt Grace and left it in that lady's lap, while she threw off her furs.

"Where could you buy a dog at this hour?" inquired Mrs. Davies, glancing at the clock, which stood now at the accusing hour of a quarter of eleven.

"We woke up the kennel men," laughed Gail, turning with a sparkling glance to Allison, who was being introduced ceremoniously to the ladies by Uncle Jim. "We had a perfectly glorious evening! We dined at Roseleaf Inn, entirely surrounded by hectic lights, then we drove five miles into the country and bought flakes. We came home so fast that Mr. Allison almost had to hold me in." She turned, laughing, to find the eyes of Rev. Smith Boyd fixed on her in cold disapproval. They were no longer blue!

CHAPTER IV.

Too Many Men.

"A conscience must be a nuisance to a rector," sympathized Gail Sargent, as she walked up the hill beside Rev. Smith Boyd.

The tall young rector shifted the thin rope of the sled to his other hand. "Epigrams are usually more clever than true," he finally responded, with a twinkle in his eyes. It had been in his mind to sharply defend that charge, but he reflected that it was unwise to assume the speech worth serious consideration. Moreover, he had come to this toboggan party for healthful physical exercise!

"Then you're guilty of an epigram," retorted Gail, who was annoyed with Rev. Smith Boyd without quite knowing why. "You can't believe all you are compelled, as a minister, to say."

"That," returned Rev. Smith Boyd coldly, "is a matter of interpretation." He commended himself for his patience, as he proceeded to instruct this mistaken young person. She was a lovely girl, in spite of the many things he found in her of which to disapprove. "The eye of the needle through which the camel was supposed not to be able to pass, was in reality, a narrow city gate called the Needle's Eye."

Gail looked at him with that little smile at the corners of her red lips, eyelids down, curved lashes on her cheeks, and beneath the lashes a sparkle brighter than the moonlight on the snow crystals in the adjoining field.

"It seems to me there was something about wealth in that metaphor," she observed, her round eyes flashing open as she smiled up at him. "If it



Why Are You So Bitter Against the Church?

was so difficult even in those days for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven, how can a rich church hope to enter the spirit of the gospel?"

Rev. Smith Boyd hesitated, and almost roughly, drew her aside, as a long, low bobsled, accompanied by appropriate screams, came streaking down the hill, and passed them. They both turned and followed its progress down the narrowing white road, to where it curved away in a silver line far at the bottom of a hill. Hills and valleys, and fences and trees, and even a distant stream were covered with the fleecy mantle of winter, while high overhead in a sky of blue, hung a round, white moon, which flooded the

country-side with mellow light and strewn upon earth's fresh robe a wealth of countless sparkling gems.

"This is a wonderful sermon," mused Gail; then she turned to the rector. She softened toward him, as she saw that he, too, had partaken of the awe and majesty of this scene. He stood straight and tall, his splendidly poised 'saddle' thrown back, and his gaze resting far off where the hills cut against the sky in tree-clad scallops.

"It is an inspiration," he told her, with a tone in his vibrant voice which she had not heard before; and for that brief instant these two, between whom there had seemed some instinctive antagonism, were nearer in sympathy than either had thought it possible to be. Then Rev. Smith Boyd happened to remember something. "The morality or immorality of riches depends upon its use," he sonorously stated, as he stepped out into the road again, dragging his sled behind him, following the noisy, loitering crowd with the number two bobsled. "Market Square church, which is the one I suppose you meant in your comparison with the rich man, intends to devote all the means with which a kind Providence has blessed it, to the glory of God."

"And the glorification of the billionaire vestry," she added, still annoyed with Rev. Smith Boyd, though she did not know why.

Again Rev. Smith Boyd drew her out of the road, almost ungentle, and unnecessarily in advance of need, to permit a thick man to glide leisurely by on his stomach on a handsled. He slid majestically onward, with happy forgetfulness of the dignity belonging to the president of the Towando Valley railroad and a vestryman of Market Square church.

"That used to be lots of fun," remembered Gail, looking after her Uncle Jim in envy.

"Market Square church has dispersed millions in charity," the rector felt it his duty to inform her, as they started up the hill again.

"It's like our church at home it costs ninety cents to deliver a dime," she retorted, bristling anew with bygone aggravations. "So long as you can deliver baskets of provisions in person, it is all right, but the minute you let the money out of your sight it filters through too many paid hands. I found this out just before I resigned from our charity committee."

He looked at her in perplexity. She was so young and so pretty, so charming in the ermine which framed her pink face, so gentle of speech and movement, that her visible self and her incisive mind seemed to be two different creatures.

"Why are you so bitter against the church?" and his tone was troubled, not so much about what she had said, but about her.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

SHORTER FORM WELL CHOSEN

State Department's Use of the Word "Identical" Altogether Proper and Orthodox.

To not a few readers of the English and American "notes" the word "identical," which was used by both governments, must have seemed a novel and rather unpleasing substitute for, or shortening of, the familiar "identical."

The word has long been used, however, in diplomatic correspondence and documents, no doubt because of the influence exerted by the French, once the common language of international exchanges, and still familiar to more diplomats than any other one tongue. The French say and write "identique," and of that "identique" is a natural translation.

The shorter form, however, has a valid claim for preference, in that it says exactly what "identical" says, and does it without the pleonasm or redundancy which marks so many of our words ending in "ical." Why we persist in lengthening such sufficiently long words as "philosophic" and "geographic" with a wholly needless "al" it would be hard to explain—almost as hard as to explain the frequent appearance of such absurdities as "disembark," "disassociate," "coincidentally" and "superimpose."

One should not be too fussy about such things, however, for in language whatever is, is right, and enough usage makes any usage right.

Tribute to Trees.

The trees formed the first temples of the gods, and even at the present day the country people, preserving in all their simplicity their ancient rites, consecrate the finest of their trees to some divinity. Indeed, we feel ourselves inspired to adoration not less by the sacred groves, and their very stillness, than by the statues of the gods, resplendent as they are with gold and ivory. Each kind of tree remains immutably consecrated to some divinity: the beech to Jupiter, the laurel to Apollo, the olive to Minerva, the myrtle to Venus and the poplar to Hercules. In more recent times it was the trees that, by their juices, more soothing even than corn, first mollified the natural asperity of man.—Pliny.

Out to Kill.

Bacon—The quantity of cattle in this country has decreased in recent years, while the poultry flock has grown larger.

Egbert—Which would seem to prove that the poor-shot gunner is more dangerous than the automobile driver.

The Worshipers.

He—I didn't see you at church this morning.

She—No; I was late and went in while you were asleep.—Boston Transcript.

TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS

The infant of Jess Waggoner of Friendship, Johnson county, fell in the fire and was burned to death.

Deposits in the three banks at Dublin have reached \$297,878.55, a considerable increase over the last statement in November, 1915.

Denton postoffice receipts for December showed an increase of 29.87 per cent over December of last year. The receipts were \$2,530.48, as compared with \$2,093.45 for 1914.

Those members of the Texas delegation in congress who are against the president's program of preparedness see nothing in the Mexican situation justifying a modification of their positions.

The receipts of the Texarkana postoffice for the last quarter of 1915 totaled \$18,727.47, as against \$18,036.97 for the last quarter of 1914, an increase of \$690.50.

The nineteenth annual convention of the American National Live Stock association, which will be held in El Paso Jan. 25-27, will be, from many points of view, the most important meeting of live stock interests ever held within the confines of the United States.

The engineer in charge of the work of repairing and constructing Erath county roads, says that to date about \$12,000 has been expended in precincts 1, 3 and 4. About 18 miles of grading has been completed and 23 steel bridges erected. The contract or \$140,000 worth of work was recently let by the commissioner's court.

The annual convention of the American National Live Stock association will be held in El Paso Jan. 25, 26 and 27, and the officers and members of the executive committee of that organization are looking for the largest attendance in the history of annual conventions of the big national live stock association.

The Rev. J. M. Binkley, almost 83 years of age, died suddenly while sitting in a chair at his home in Sherman. Physicians pronounced death due to heart failure. The Rev. Mr. Binkley was one of the best known ministers of the north Texas conference of the Southern Methodist church.

What is considered the most far-reaching and important campaign the Baptists of Texas have ever conducted along any line in the Texas Baptist education forward campaign, which was started in Dallas Saturday to raise \$1,000,000 for their schools in Texas. The undertaking is to last four years and this year's apportionment of \$250,000 is to be raised by March 19.

The acquisition of a monster steel plant with a capitalization of \$2,500,000 is the latest industrial triumph of Beaumont. It will mean the establishment in that place of a steel plant employing several hundred men, the mining of a vast tract of land in Cass county and the shipping of iron ore and pig iron to northern and eastern markets through the deep water channel.

The state fire insurance commission has ordered the key rate of Dallas reduced from 1% to 17% by installing water meters to more than 75 per cent of service connections, additional motor-driven fire apparatus and adoption of the national electrical code. The key rate of Oak Cliff was reduced from 22c to 21c for the installation of an additional piece of motor-driven fire apparatus and the adoption of national electrical code.

The Reagan county commissioners have appropriated \$2,000 for building a good road between Big Lake and Stiles. Work will be started immediately.

Twelve persons, including Victoriano Huerta, former provisional president of Mexico, were indicted by the federal grand jury at San Antonio Wednesday on the charge of conspiring to set on foot from the United States a military expedition against Mexico.

Martial law was declared in El Paso Thursday by Gen. Joseph J. Pershing, commanding at Fort Bliss. Four companies of the Sixteenth infantry were ordered to take charge in the downtown district after it was apparent the police were powerless to check the crowds. Resentment over the massacre in Western Chihuahua Monday by Mexican bandits of 18 foreigners, mostly Americans, flared up in El Paso when numerous street fights between soldiers and Mexicans broke out.

Former Gov. T. M. Campbell of Texas, has set at rest all doubts as to his plans politically by announcing for the United States senate, the nomination to be determined at the primaries in 1916.

San Angelo now has a prospect of a canning factory. A prominent canner of Michigan is delighted with what he has seen of West Texas and will establish a canning factory if farmers can be found who will agree to raise tomatoes and corn.

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For Tax Assessor:
H. M. Anderson
S. E. Fitzgerald
For County Treasurer:
Dan Kivlehen

J. L. Pope who has been connected with the Santa Fe Agricultural department some time, and has many friends in Miami, has recently become editor of the Amarillo Daily News. Mr. Pope is an old newspaper man in experience, yet a young man in years, and a decided improvement has come over the News since his connection began with the paper. We are truly glad to have Mr. Pope back in the Newspaper field.

American people have a perfect right to travel where they wish on the high seas, but it looks to us like very poor judgement in some who are trying it in the Mediterranean sea.

The trouble with a great many things is understanding them. A great question before the American people to day is preparedness. Several writers favor preparedness, but oppose militarism. Now if everyone understood these two, it would be quite different. There is a vast difference in the two and we would be very glad to go into details and tell our readers all about them, only we just don't know.

The Lockney Beacon says that the service they are getting from the plant at Plainview is very punk. They can never tell when they will have juice. Fair enough, we guess that is what you would call 'Mail Ordering' electricity. Lockney is a pretty little town and should have a plant of their own.

A decided improvement can be seen in the Panhandle Herald of late under the efficient management of editor Shatterwhite. Panhandle people have been needing a good newspaper man for some time and Mr. Shatterwhite is delivering the goods. He is getting out a splendid newspaper.

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There are now five candidates for Congress in the thirteenth congressional district. When authorized, the News will give their names and pedigrees at the rate of \$15. per head—Chillicothe News.

The Chillicothe brethren have it on us to the extent of one candidate. (We didn't know there were but four); however we won't back down on account of the increase and hereby express our willingness to do as the above contemporary suggests, and have reserved enough white space for 'immediate delivery'—Clarendon News.

A million and half dollars were spent in Amarillo for automobiles last year. There were 1896 cars sold at an average price of \$700. per car with \$132000 spent freight on them. Then who says the automobile is not expensive.

Floods have been playing havoc lately in some of the far eastern states. The Panhandle is a little dry, and we would rather be that way a little while than to be washed away as cold as the water would be now.

Rent homes are not only so scarce in Miami, but in every other town in the Panhandle. The Panhandle is receiving a large number of new citizens and it must build places for them to live.

If we have a Presidential Primary this year, each county must take from their general fund enough money to pay the expenses. This seems to us a very poor way of doing the political stunt. Whether a tax payer believes in primaries or not, his money will be used to pay the expenses.

If actions speak louder than words, there are some people in their home town who will never be heard—Wheeler County Texan.

Right you are Bro. Hillburn. There is a class who will neither talk nor do, and some do a lot of talking, but when it comes to brass tacks, they are busy.

Our sympathy goes out this week to Editor Jameson's wife of the Canadian Record, who received the sad news of the death of her father, N. A. McDonald of New Concord, Ohio.

If we just knew as much about this navy business and preparedness as we would like too, we would take pleasure in telling the bosses just what to do. Information received is so unsatisfactory and so often false that we will just have to keep on reading and studying the situation out and see developments come.

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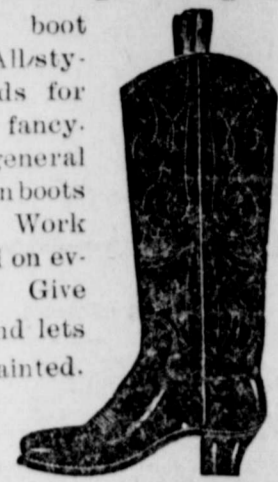
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Miss Ruth Hale was shopping in the city Tuesday.

Leo Paris has purchased Sullinger confectionery and took charge Tuesday and will continue the business.

Thos. Thompson purchased a new Chevrolet car this week.

The Missionary Society met in its regular session at the Methodist church Wednesday afternoon with 20 members and one visitor present. A very interesting study was read by Mrs. Severson.

A wife buyer purchased a car of makes here through Christopher Ross, yesterday.

E. E. McDaniels of Aixa, Okla. is visiting Clarence Lyons this week.

J. J. Petty, Gen. Mgr. for Panhandle Lbr. Co. was here yesterday looking over the local yard.

J. A. Newman and wife made the road trip to Pampa yesterday.

The Mesdames Turners, Minnie Jones and Mr. McKay and wife of the south plains were city shoppers Tuesday.

The Boys High School Basketball team went to Canadian Saturday and took a defeat of 19 to 13. They will play Pampa here Saturday, weather permitting.

Clara Powell and wife, Ed Day and wife and Misses Ruth Worthington, Maggie Lawson, and Dossie Moore visited at the J. W. Everly home last week.

The Womens Study Club met at the home of Mrs. W. R. Ewing on last Friday afternoon in regular study. After the lesson lovely refreshments were served, the club guests were Mesdames Wire and Giblette.

Rev. C. E. Pitts of Mt. Vernon preached at the Presbyterian church Sunday. He has been called to this pastorage by the local congregation. He will give them an answer as to acceptance the last of this week.

M. M. Craig, Jr. made the round trip to Pampa Sunday.

L. C. Pennington renewed for the Chief this week.

Little Dona Locke has been on the sick list this week.

Miss Ariana McAfee spent the weeks end with Miss Texas Heare, at the F. G. Gordon home.

Mrs. Bob Edkins is visiting the parental R. H. Edkins home near Pampa this week.

Dread Lee and family of Mobeetie Sundayed at the Waggoner home.

Misses Kate and Annie Dodson of Wellington visited with Mrs. N. S. Locke this week. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. John Dodson home for a visit.

El Blair a prosperous citizen of near Mobeetie sold his farm last week and is now trying to locate in Miami. If he can get a house here, he says he is coming. We trust that Mr. Blair is able to locate here for there are no better citizens than himself and family and we need them.

W. B. Jackson came in this week from Alamogordo, N.M. and will be here a few days on business. He says that his wife's health is much improved and that he likes the new location.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dodson visited their many friends in Miami this week. They are returning from a trip to Wellington and Dodsonville where Mr. Dodson went to celebrate his mothers 80th birthday. They say they are getting along fine on their Moore county ranch and that their stock has stood the winter fine. We could not get Mr. Dodson to say that they were about ready to come back to Miami though.

Mrs. Hattie Plemons of Canadian spent Saturday in Miami visiting relatives.

John Arrington was over this week hauling out lumber for some farm buildings. While here he ordered some nice stationery printed from the Chief Printery.

R. D. Dunnivan, H. L. Gunter and another party left Saturday night with a shipment of cattle for Kansas City.

Judge T. M. Cunningham and wife, Charlie Kivlehen and Edd Fisher left last week by auto for Mineral Wells. Mrs. Cunningham and Charlie will spend the winter there and Judge will return soon.

The Miami High School gave a box supper Friday night of last week, to which there was a nice crowd and receipts were very pleasing. The funds will go toward getting out a splendid High School annual for them. It will be very fine and they need all the encouragement they can get.

Miss Lazelle Marlow of Pampa visited with Mrs. Waggoner Monday. She is a sister of Dr. Coles wife of Pampa and will return to her home in Arkansas this week.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for their kindness and assistance during the sickness and death of our mother Mrs. D. F. Kivlehen.

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Visits School

J. E. McDonald, State High School Supervisor and Inspector for the grading and classification of Public high schools made our school a visit yesterday and a short talk to the teachers and a few patrons yesterday afternoon.

Mr. McDonald was well pleased with our building, our teachers, methods and all. Our school ranks among the first class now, but the standard for First Class is being raised this year, and to hold our position it will be necessary for the school to have about \$1500 worth more laboratory and library books. Mr. McDonald also strongly recommended the addition of another teacher in the elementary grades.

The teachers of our school have decided to begin work at once to raise the necessary fund to hold our school in the first class column.

Thanks For The Five

W. L. Gillis never does things by halves, neither does he pay his subscription that way. Mr. Gillis visited the Chief office Saturday and finding his subscription a little arrears just handed us a check for five dollars which sticks him up in advance pretty well, and promised also a prompt renewal when his time was out.

M. Gillis is one of our good farmer friends who reads and enjoys the Chief. Thanks Mr. Gillis, we are always glad to have a call from you.

Toggery Moves

The Toggers, J. E. Martins up-to-date cleaning parlor is moving this week to the new Smith brick building where they will have a fine glass front and a large room. Mr. Martin has secured the efficient service of A. J. O'Byrne to help in the cleaning department and will use his time in rustling business. He is adding several new lines to his business and will be prepared to fit men out in anything in the wearing apparel line.

A Hustler

Walter Cook, our hustling, prosperous Jeweler and Music man sold 34 pianos and player pianos in 1915. He sold during the same time 31 victrolas, 26 sewing machines and 27 Royal Typewriters. Mr. Cook attributes his success to the prices coupled with the excellent quality of the goods handled. No business in the Panhandle has grown faster than Mr. Cooks. You will always find him talking his business. Besides the music business Mr. Cook is an expert optician, having fitted over 200 pair of glasses during 1915. He also keeps a first class watchmaker and engraver. Mr. Ball is very pleasant and accomodating and is competent to do any kind of high grade work. We are justly proud of Mr. Cooks business he is a clean man and could run only a clean business. Nothing but high class jewelry, watches, and silverware is found in his jewelry department. 25 different brands of pianos from \$150. up.



OUR OLD HOME SINGERS.

Third Number Lyceum Course on Friday Night, Feb. 4th
This one number is costing \$125. The highest price talent we have ever had.

Keep your friends posted on Roberts county happenings by sending them the Miami Chief
\$1.00 for 12 months

YOUR AUTO

Will need mud chains this winter, we have them at \$2.65 and up per pair. Also guaranteed tires and tubss, the best on the market.

We also have some extra good pliers that will fit your car.

Number pads in stock

J. A. NEWMAN & CO.
Hardware, Implements, etc.

K. HICKMAN
DEALER IN

Wad Mills, Pipes, Casing
Hardware, Stoves,
and Tinware.

"CANTON CLIPPER" FARM
IMPLEMENTS & MACHINERY.

Galvanized Tanks, Troughs, Metal Well Curbing, etc. Made to Order
FIN SHOP IN CONNECTION. MIAMI - TEXAS

THE CENTRAL DRUG STORE,
DRUGS and MEDICINES, Toilet articles, Etc
—C. S. SEIBER, Prop—
JEWELRY, KODAKS AND SUPPLIES
Miami, Texas.

Your Clothes

Should receive as much attention as your eating. You can keep well dressed if you will let us do your cleaning and pressing. We positively guarantee good work on ladies and gentlemen's clothes.

Our new samples of
Tailor Made Suits
are here and we can give you the best values for less money. Let us take your measure for a new suit.

We keep in stock, everything in gents furnishings and the prices are marked down right.

The Toggery
J. E. Martin, Prop.

W H O

WANTS TO DIE?

Not you, of course. Then it behooves you to keep that erratic stomach in better working order. Talk it over with us the next time you pass our store, and most likely we have a life preserver for you.

Most people live to a ripe old age in this community, and we sell most of them life preservers too. We have many makes, all good, and you can take your pick. The cost wont break you and the remedy may make you.

We are still giving ten percent discount for cash and will continue to give same during January. Better make your purchases now.

Miami Mercantile Co.
Fighting Prices Down

SOAP IS STRONGLY ALKALINE and constant use will burn out the scalp. Cleanse the scalp by shampooing with "La Creole" Hair Dressing, and darken, in the natural way, those ugly, grizzly hairs. Price, \$1.00.—Adv.

So He Is.
"What is a dietitian, pa?"
"A dietitian, my son, is a doctor who tells you never to eat anything except the things you don't like."

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR.
To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and 4 oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any drug-gist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and remove dandruff. It is excellent for falling hair and will make harsh hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.—Adv.

His Specialty.
"Jimson doesn't cut any ice as a skater, does he?"
"No, but he breaks a lot of it."

Use Marine after Exposure in Cold. Cutting Winds and Dust. It Restores, Refreshes and Promotes Eye Health. Good for all Eyes that Need Care. Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago. Sends Eye Book on request.

The man who is too poor to lend money to his friends will never have many enemies.

Beautiful, clear white clothes delight the laundress who uses Red Cross Ball Blue. All grocers. Adv.

The tensile strength of a paper fly-wheel is far greater than one made of iron.

WOMAN AVOIDS OPERATION

Medicine Which Made Surgeon's Work Unnecessary.

Astoria, N. Y.—"For two years I was feeling ill and took all kinds of tonics. I was getting worse every day. I had chills, my head would ache, I was always tired. I could not walk straight because of the pain in my back and I had pains in my stomach. I went to a doctor and he said I must go under an operation, but I did not go. I read in the paper about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and told my husband about it. I said 'I know nothing will help me but I will try this.' I found myself improving from the very first bottle, and in two weeks time I was able to sit down and eat a hearty breakfast with my husband, which I had not done for two years. I am now in the best of health and do not have the operation."—Mrs. JOHN A. KOENIG, 502 Flushing Avenue, Astoria, N. Y.



Every one dreads the surgeon's knife and the operating table. Sometimes nothing else will do, but many times doctors say they are necessary when they are not. Letter after letter comes to the Pinkham Laboratory, telling how operations were advised and were not performed; or, if performed, did no good, but Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was used and good health followed.

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The Wretchedness of Constipation

Can quickly be overcome by **CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.** Purely vegetable—act surely and gently on the liver. Cure Biliaryness, Head-ache, Dizziness, and Indigestion. They do their duty. **SMALL PILL. SMALL DOSE. SMALL PRICE.** Genuine must bear Signature.

THOUSANDS HAVE KIDNEY TROUBLE AND DON'T KNOW IT

Weak and unhealthy kidneys cause so much sickness and suffering and when through neglect or other causes, kidney trouble is permitted to continue, serious results may be expected.

Your other organs may need attention—but your kidneys should have attention first because their work is most important.

If you feel that your kidneys are the cause of your sickness or run down condition commence taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy, because it proves to be the remedy you need and your kidneys begin to improve they will help all the other organs to health.

Prevalency of Kidney Disease. Most people do not realize the alarming increase and remarkable prevalence of kidney disease. While kidney disorders are among the most common diseases that prevail, they are almost the last recognized by patients, who usually content themselves with doctoring the effects, while the original disease constantly undermines the system.

SPECIAL NOTE—You may obtain a sample size bottle of Swamp-Root by enclosing ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. This gives you the opportunity to prove the remarkable merit of this medicine. They will also send you a book of valuable information, containing many of the thousands of grateful letters received from men and women who say they found Swamp-Root to be just the remedy needed in kidney, liver and bladder troubles. The value and success of Swamp-Root are so well known that our readers are advised to send for a sample size bottle. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing be sure and mention this paper.

What Does Catarrh Mean?

It means inflammation of a mucous membrane somewhere in the head, throat, bronchial tubes, stomach, biliary ducts or bowels. It always means stagnant blood—the blood that is full of impurities. Left alone, it extends until it is followed by indigestion, colds, congestion or fever. It weakens the system generally and spreads its operations until systemic catarrh or an acute illness is the result.

Peruna

Is the nation's reliable remedy for this condition. It restores appetite, aids digestion, checks and removes inflammation, and thus enables the membranes, through which we breathe and through which our food is absorbed, to do their work properly. Forty-four years of success, with thousands of testimonials, have established it as the home remedy—Ever-Ready-to-Take. Its record of success holds a promise for you.

THE PERUNA COMPANY COLUMBUS, OHIO
You can obtain Peruna in tablet form for convenience.

The world is full of illusions. Dr. Pierce's Pellets are best for liver, bowels and stomach. One little Pellet for a laxative—three for a cathartic.—Adv.

Deliver us from the man who looses up only when tight.

IMITATION IS SINCEREST FLATTERY but like counterfeit money the imitation has not the worth of the original. Insist on "La Creole" Hair Dressing—it's the original. Darkens your hair in the natural way, but contains no dye. Price \$1.00.—Adv.

Love is a disease that most girls catch as often as they are exposed.

PREPAREDNESS!

To Fortify the System Against Grip when Grip is prevalent **LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE** should be taken as this combination of Quinine with other ingredients, destroys germs, acts as a Tonic and Laxative and thus keeps the system in condition to withstand Colds, Grip and Influenza. There is only one "BROMO QUININE." E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 25c.

Members of the New York fire department are given a military training.

THICK, GLOSSY HAIR FREE FROM DANDRUFF

Girls! Fluffy Your Hair! Make it Soft, Fluffy and Luxuriant—Try the Moist Cloth.

Try as you will, after an application of Danderine, you cannot find a single trace of dandruff or falling hair and your scalp will not itch, but what will please you most, will be after a few weeks' use, when you see new hair, fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair—growing all over the scalp.

A little Danderine immediately doubles the beauty of your hair. No difference how dull, faded, brittle and scraggy, just moisten a cloth with Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. The effect is immediate and amazing—your hair will be light, fluffy and wavy, and have an appearance of abundance; an incomparable luster, softness and luxuriance, the beauty and shimmer of true hair health.

Get a 25 cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any store and prove that your hair is as pretty and soft as any—that it has been neglected or injured by careless treatment—that's all. Adv.

Other people's troubles bore us more than our own.

APPROVED TYPE OF HOGHOUSE

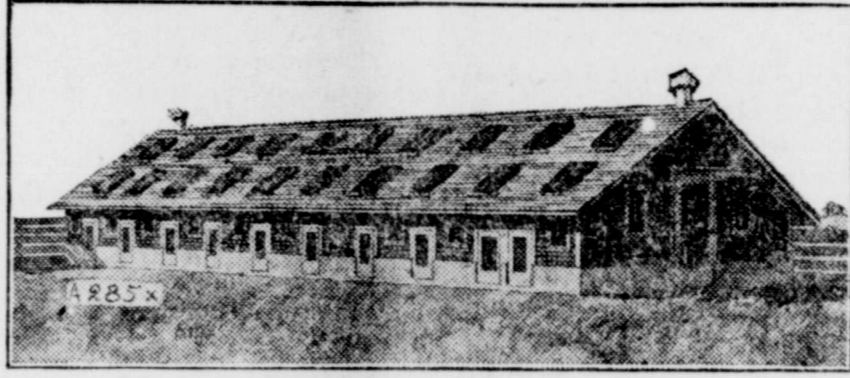
Designed Mainly for Proper Care of Animals During Cold Weather.

IDEAL FOR BREEDING STOCK

Building Such as This Means Increased Balance on the Right Side of the Ledger at the End of the Year—Its Construction Explained.

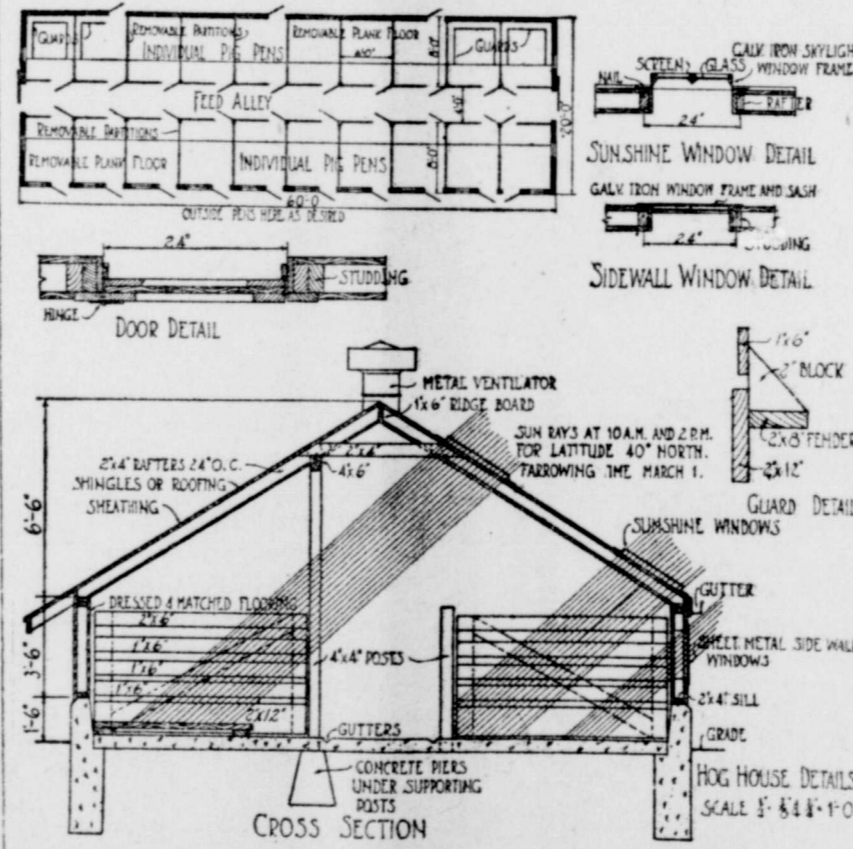
By **WILLIAM A. RADFORD.**
Mr. William A. Radford will answer questions and give advice FREE OF COST on all subjects pertaining to the subject of building work on the farm, for the readers of this paper. On account of his wide experience as Editor, Author and Manufacturer, he is, without doubt, the highest authority on all these subjects. Address all inquiries to William A. Radford, No. 1827 Prairie Avenue, Chicago, Ill., and only inclose two-cent stamp for reply.

The hoghouse shown here is designed to take care of quite a number of hogs through the cold months. It provides a place where the hogs can be fattened for the market and also where the breeding stock can be kept. In the fall many of the hogs that were intended for the market are not fat enough so that a good profit can be realized, and if a building such as this is available they can be held over till spring. The breeding stock require warm quarters where they can



develop plenty of vitality on a fairly small amount of feed so that they can have strong, healthy litters of pigs.

Outside pens are not shown in the design but they may be provided in any way that will be suitable for the owner. Very often they are made as rather long pens extending out from the individual pens in the house. The floor of these pens is often made of concrete so that it can easily be kept clean. The concrete for these pens does not have to be of very good material and is often made of a lean mixture with the aggregate of bank-run gravel. It is so easily repaired that it is more economical to make the floor in this way than to make it of high-grade concrete. The pens provide a yard where the pigs can get exercise during the warmer days in win-



Perspective View, Floor Plan and Construction Details of Winter Hog House.

ter. It is very essential to provide for giving the hogs all the exercise possible, as no animals are at their best when they are getting no exercise.

Sunshine is provided in all parts of the house by the windows on the roof. This side of the roof is faced toward the south, and the sunshine is admitted to both the front and the back of the pens by the two rows of windows. The windows along the side also help in bringing plenty of sunshine into the house.

All the windows are made in the same way. They have a galvanized iron frame and the sash is also made of the same material. This makes a strong, substantial window that can withstand the ravages of the elements. This is especially necessary in the windows placed on the roof. A wooden window in this place would be likely to retain the water after a rain so that it would swell and warp out of place.

The foundation and the floor of the building is made of concrete so that it can be readily cleaned. In each of the pens is placed a movable floor that is made of planks. A concrete floor

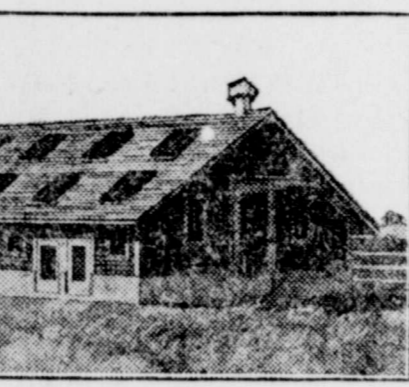
is too cold for hogs to sleep on it. The planks can be readily taken out of the way when the floor is to be cleaned. The plank floor is held up from the concrete by another plank along the ends.

The walls of the building are made double so that there will be no difficulty in keeping the house warm. There should be plenty of hogs in the hoghouse in cold weather so that they can keep warm, as the heating is taken care of by their body heat. The pens are 8 feet by 6 feet, which is large enough to take care of a sow and her litter. This size pen is also large enough so that four or five shoats can be kept in them for fattening during the winter. These shoats should be nearly the same size or they may pile up and smother the smaller ones. If more than four or five are placed in a pen, the same thing may happen, even if the shoats are almost of the same size.

The feeding and litter alley runs through the center of the house lengthwise between the two rows of pens. Very often a litter carrier is installed, though it is not as necessary as in a dairy barn. Along each row of pens is a gutter, and the concrete floors of the pens are sloped slightly so that they can be easily washed out. It is not absolutely necessary to have the floors on a slant, as the pens are swept out very often, anyway.

The partitions between the pens is almost always made of tight boards so that each pen will be easier to keep warm. If hog wire is used it is necessary to have the house full in order to keep it warm.

Drafts must be prevented in hoghouses, as they are very dangerous to hogs of all kinds. It is also essential that ventilation be provided. One of the side windows can be left slightly open at the top and the foul



air will be drawn off by the ventilator on the roof.

As the most likely place to develop drafts is along the sills, they are made very carefully. They are imbedded in fresh cement mortar and the mortar is troweled against them on both the inside and the outside. The concrete foundation walls are carried up 18 inches above grade so that no drafts will be caused along the ground.

Wellington's Salooniki. The allies' decision to hold Salooniki has prompted memories of the famous "lines of Torres Vedras," which Wellington, when compelled to retreat before the overwhelming forces of Massena, threw up in the autumn of 1810 to protect Lisbon and secure a hold on Portuguese soil for future operations.

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If some people knew how little they knew they would probably talk less.

WHY SUFFER SKIN TROUBLES

When a Postcard Will Bring Free Samples of Cuticura?

Which give quick relief for all itching, burning, disfiguring skin troubles. Bathe with the Cuticura Soap and hot water. Dry and apply Cuticura Ointment to the affected part. They stop itching instantly and point to speedy healing often when all else fails.

Free sample each by mail with Book. Address postcard, Cuticura, Dept. L, Boston. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

The genuine woman never buttons anything that she can pin.

Important to Mothers. Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Watson*. In Use for Over 30 Years.

Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria.

A word to the unwise is wasted.

THE NEWEST REMEDY FOR BACKACHE, RHEUMATISM AND DROPSY

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During digestion uric acid is absorbed into the system from meat Hamburg has an experimental plant that obtains power from the ebb and flow of North sea tides.

"CASCARETS" FOR LIVER, BOWELS

For sick headache, bad breath, Sour Stomach and constipation.

Get a 10-cent box now.

No odds how bad your liver, stomach or bowels; how much your head aches, how miserable and uncomfortable you are from constipation, indigestion, biliousness and sluggish bowels—you always get the desired results with Cascarets.

Don't let your stomach, liver and bowels make you miserable. Take Cascarets to-night; put an end to the headache, biliousness, dizziness, nervousness, sick, sour, gassy stomach, backache and all other distress; cleanse your inside organs of all the bile, gases and constipated matter which is producing the misery.

A 10-cent box means health, happiness and a clear head for months. No more days of gloom and distress if you will take a Cascaret now and then. All stores sell Cascarets. Don't forget the children—their little insides need a cleansing, too. Adv.

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Your First Duty

is to your Stomach, as this important organ controls your health, your strength and general happiness. For any Stomach or Bowel weakness try

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To Cleanse and Heal Deep Cuts



HANFORD'S Balsam of Myrrh ALINMENT

For Cuts, Burns, Bruises, Sprains, Strains, Stiff Neck, Chilblains, Lame Back, Old Sores, Open Wounds, and all External Injuries. Made Since 1846. Ask Anybody About It. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00.

All Dealers G. C. Hanford Mfg. Co. SYRACUSE, N. Y.



Stop scratching! Resinol relieves itching instantly

That itching, burning skin-trouble which keeps you scratching and digging, is a source of disgust to others, as well as of torment to you. Why don't you get rid of it by using Resinol Ointment? Physicians have prescribed it for over 20 years. In most cases, it stops itching instantly and heals eruptions promptly. It is very easy and economical to use.

BLACK LEG

Losses Surely Prevented by Cutler's Blacking Pills. Laxative, fresh, reliable, prepared by Western chemists, because they protect where other vacuous folk write for bouquets and testimonials. 10-cent pills. Blacking Pills 10c. Write for booklet and get your 10-cent pills. Cutler's Pills are the only Blacking Pills that Cutler's Pills. The superiority of Cutler's products is due to over 30 years of specializing in medicines and second only to the Cutler Laboratory, Berkeley, Cal., or Chicago, Ill.

PARKER'S HAIR BALM

A toilet preparation of merit. Helps to eradicate dandruff. Restores Color and Beauty to Gray or Faded Hair. Cleanses and Softens Scalp.

Simplicity Incubators

The Free simplicity incubator with 100 eggs. It is made of galvanized iron and is easy to clean. It has a modern design and elegant, big, high quality. All your dealers or write to Simplicity Incubator Co., Indianapolis, Ind. Unit B. Street 80.

Wanted: Big and Packing Stock Butter (Chicago) and Creameries to write us. Supplying of great importance. 1486 Broadway, N. Y. City, N. Y.

W. N. U., WICHITA, NO. 5-1916.

Get the Habit of Drinking Hot Water Before Breakfast

Says we can't look or feel right with the system full of poisons.

Millions of folks bathe internally instead of loading their system with drugs. "What's an inside bath?" you say. Well, it is guaranteed to perform miracles if you could believe those hot water enthusiasts.

There are vast numbers of men and women who, immediately upon arising in the morning, drink a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it. This is a very excellent health measure.

People who feel good one day and bad the next, but who simply can't get feeling right are urged to obtain a quarter pound of limestone phosphate from any druggist or storekeeper.

Old-Fashioned. "She's an old-fashioned girl, isn't she?" "Dear me, yes! She had on a frock at least six months old.—Life.

GAS, DYSPEPSIA AND INDIGESTION

"Pape's Diapepsin" settles sour, gassy stomachs in five minutes—Time it!

You don't want a slow remedy when your stomach is bad—or an uncertain one—a harmful one—your stomach is too valuable; you mustn't injure it.

Keep this perfect stomach doctor in your home—keep it handy—get a large 50-cent case from any dealer and then if anyone should eat something which doesn't agree with them; if what they eat lays like lead, ferments and causes gas, causes headache, dizziness and nausea; eructation of acid and undigested food—remember as soon as Pape's Diapepsin comes in contact with the stomach all such distress vanishes.

Something New. "I hear Brown has bought a house. Is it a new one?" "No, but it has a brand new mortgage on it."

MOTHER! LOOK AT CHILD'S TONGUE

If cross, feverish, constipated, give "California Syrup of Figs."

A laxative today saves a sick child tomorrow. Children simply will not take the time from play to empty their bowels, which become clogged up with waste, liver gets sluggish; stomach sour.

Look at the tongue, mother! If coated, or your child is listless, cross, feverish, breath bad, restless, doesn't eat heartily, full of cold or has sore throat or any other children's ailment, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," then don't worry, because it is perfectly harmless, and in a few hours all this constipation poison, sour bile and fermenting waste will gently move out of the bowels, and you have a well-placed child again.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask at the store for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Adv.

Japan is proud of her emperor because he is a zealous soldier and a true son of the people.

MARTIAL LAW IN FORCE AT EL PASO

RESENTMENT AT MURDER OF AMERICANS IN MEXICO LEADS TO LAWLESS CONDUCT.

VILLISTAS DRIVEN FROM CITY

Carranza Orders Punishment of Bandits—Consul Edwards' Recall Demanded by El Pasosans.

El Paso, Texas.—Martial law was declared in El Paso Thursday by Gen. Joseph J. Pershing, commanding at Fort Bliss. Four companies of the Sixteenth Infantry were ordered to take charge in the downtown district after it was apparent the police were powerless to check the crowds.

The crowds thinned out when orders were issued that no one appear on the streets without a permit signed by the provost marshal.

Resentment over the massacre in Western Chihuahua Monday by Mexican bandits of 15 foreigners, mostly Americans, flared up in El Paso when numerous street fights between soldiers and Mexicans broke out.

Shortly after midnight the police reserves were called out and ordered to keep the crowds moving. Ambulances raced through the streets and physicians were called to various quarters.

Early in the evening four soldiers "cleaned out" a large saloon in their search for Villa adherents. Later a squad of 50 soldiers started through El Paso street, one of the main streets, "looking for Mexicans."

Police at the hotels sought out Mexicans and advised them for their own protection to leave. Meanwhile a number of former Villa officers and other Mexicans rounded up during the day and night were deported.

Among them were Miguel Diaz Lombardo, former foreign minister in the Villa cabinet; Gen. Manuel Banda, Gen. Juan Prieto, two brothers of Gen. Manuel Medina Villa, Villa's former chief of staff, and 26 others. They left for California.

Carranza Orders Bandits Punished. Washington.—Eliseo Arredondo, ambassador designate of the de facto government of Mexico, called at the state department and personally assured Secretary Lansing that Carranza troops had been dispatched to Western Chihuahua with orders to kill or capture all the bandits concerned in the slaying of American citizens.

In a statement later Mr. Arredondo declared that the men who lost their lives had attempted to reach their place of business before complete control of the region had been accomplished by the Carranza forces. He said they had been given permission at their own request to pass through the Carranza lines, though Americans had been warned to keep out of territory in which guerrilla warfare was in progress.

Demand Recall of Consul Edwards. El Paso, Texas.—Thomas D. Edwards, American consul at Juarez, was received with shouts of criticism when he appeared in the lobby of a local hotel filled with mining men.

The criticism that greeted Consul Edwards' appearance in the hotel reached a climax in a lengthy petition to President Wilson to remove him at once.

Statement of Savings Banks. Austin, Texas.—The condensed statement of the condition of savings departments of the 30 state banks maintaining such departments at the close of business on Dec. 31, 1915, shows a total of savings deposits of \$3,414,119, actual cash on hand \$598,086, required cash \$403,823, excess of legal requirement \$104,263.

Margaret Wilson Operated On. Philadelphia, Pa.—Miss Margaret Wilson has been operated on at a local hospital here, adenoids and enlarged tonsils being removed. The operation was pronounced highly successful.

Premium of \$9,245 for Bonds. Dallas, Texas.—A premium of \$9,245 was offered the city of Dallas on \$250,000 sewage disposal serial bonds bearing 4 1/2 per cent interest by William Saloman & Co. of New York and Roy T. H. Barnes company of Hartford, Conn., joint bidders.

GEN. HUERTAS DIES IN EL PASO

Former Provisional President of Mexico Surrounded by Family When End Comes.

El Paso, Texas.—Gen. Victoriano Huerta, former provisional president of Mexico, died at his home here Thursday night.

General Huerta, who succeeded Gen. Francisco I. Madero in executive power in Mexico City and later left Mexico, died of sclerosis of the liver. He was surrounded by his family when the end came.

A Professional Soldier. General Huerta was a professional soldier, and as such he had, up to the overthrow of President Francisco Madero, been known for his loyal support of the existing governments.

Huerta devoted himself to the military career at a very early age. Born at Chihuahua in 1854, he entered the military academy of Chapultepec at the age of 17 and passed through the full course to graduation in 1875, when he was commissioned second lieutenant of engineers.

Huerta and 11 Others Indicted. San Antonio, Texas.—Twelve persons, including Victoriano Huerta, former provisional president of Mexico, were indicted by the federal grand jury here Wednesday on the charge of conspiring to set on foot from the United States a military expedition against Mexico.

Hundreds View Huerta's Body. El Paso, Texas.—Guarded by former military and civil officers of the former Huerta government of Mexico, the body of Gen. Victoriano Huerta lay in unofficial state at the Huerta home. Hundreds of exiles of his party, some who came from long distances in the hope of bidding him farewell before his death, viewed the body.

Cut Dallas and Oak Cliff Key Rates. Austin, Texas.—The state fire insurance commission, after a careful inspection and consideration of reports made on the cities of Dallas and Oak Cliff, has ordered the key rates reduced as follows: The key rate of Dallas reduced from 15c to 17c by installing water meters to more than 75 per cent of service connections.

Award Texas Industrial Prizes. Dallas, Texas.—At the annual convention of the Texas industrial congress the prizes for the best field crops, livestock and gardens were awarded. The capital prize of \$500 was adjudged to Alvin Tixoff of Wilbarger county.

National Produce Exchange Proposed. Washington.—A bill providing for the creation of a produce exchange and clearing house of information in the department of agriculture has been introduced by Representative Hutton W. Summers of Dallas, the chief purpose of which is to enable the department and other departments of the federal government and the agricultural departments of the states to organize into a practical machine through which the field of production can be brought into trade relations with the markets.

May Put Submission on July Tickets. Waco, Texas.—In the event the Anti-saloon league force decide to have a state-wide election on the prohibition question in 1917 it is presumed that they will apply to the state Democratic executive committee to have submission placed on the ticket.

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When your kidneys feel like lumps of lead; your back hurts or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment or you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night; if you suffer with sick headache or dizzy, nervous spells, acid stomach, or you have rheumatism when the weather is bad, get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine.

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Timid Rastus. "What? Yo' calls Rastus Johnsing a brave man whats afraid of nuthin' nor nobody?" "Dat's de kind of a pusson I always took Rastus to be."

At Least He Was Honest. He was an honest little one, but due to a lack of sanitary precaution his honesty was without benefit to the good woman who succored him.

Suppose They Drown in Meantime. In southern California where there is rarely rain, the houses are built accordingly. Roofs that leak are common, even in the best houses, to the amazement of easterners.

Plenty of Material. "Do you think that society belle will make much noise when she goes on the stage?" "She ought to; she'll have a lot of clappers."

Why He Quit. "What did he have to say for himself?" "Nothing. His wife was with him."—Judge.

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Hog Cholera Danger

The following letter from the office of extension work, of the Department of Agriculture at Amarillo, will possibly be of interest to our hog growers. Put it away for future reference.

Several car loads of hogs bearing hog cholera germs have been shipped into the Panhandle country. Until quite recently cholera has been confined to widely separated herds. Within the past 15 days 40 outbreaks have occurred which are traceable to earlier shipments. In at least two communities cholera exists in almost every herd of hogs and is spreading.

To Keep Hog Cholera From reaching Your Herd

Locate hog lots and pastures away from streams and public highways, and do not allow hogs to run free range.

Do not buy or exchange hogs unless you know that cholera does not exist in the herd of the one with whom you exchange, and even that it is safer to keep exchanges quarantined from your herd for at least 2 weeks.

Do not visit your neighbor or allow him to visit you if either of you have hog cholera on your premises.

Do not loan or borrow farm wagons, implements or animals of your neighbor, if either of you have cholera.

Do not drive into hog lots after returning from market or driving on public highways.

Do not use hog lots for yard-

ing wagons or farm implements.

Burn to ashes or cover with quick lime and bury under four feet of earth all dead animals and the viscera removed from them at butchering time, because they attract the attention of all birds, dogs, etc. which are liable to carry hog cholera infection.

Confine your dogs and do not keep pigeons unless you confine them.

If Hog Cholera Appears in Your Herd

Treat your hogs immediately with anti-hog cholera serum, after which they should be kept on a light diet and pure drinking water, and confined to limited quarters they may be cleaned daily and sprayed three times a week with one part of compound cresol solution to 90 parts of water, until the disease has abated in the herd. To obtain the best results the serum must be administered before the disease has progressed in the herd.

Notify your neighbors that your herd is infected, that they may take the necessary precautions to keep hog cholera from reaching their herds.

To Rid Premises of Infection

Remove all manure and saturate with quick lime.

Burn all litter, rubbish, and old hog troughs.

After the premises are thoroughly cleaned, spray the walls, floors and other surfaces with disinfectant, (one part compound cresol solution to 30 parts of water). Where hog houses are small turn them over, exposing interior to sunlight.

Wallow holes and cess pools should be filled in, drained or fenced off.

All runs underneath buildings should be cleaned and disinfected and then boarded up.

Destroy hogs that do not fully recover, as they may be carriers of cholera infection.

Don't trust your own knowledge of hog cholera. If your hogs get sick, consult a veterinarian or your County Demonstration Agent.

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