

# Mason County News.

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MASON, TEXAS, THURSDAY MAY 13 1920.

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## MONEY TO LEND

On Farms and Ranches  
INTEREST PAYABLE AT ANY TIME OF YEAR

No Delays

Runge & Runge

## CHAS. BIERSCHWALE

REAL ESTATE  
ABSTRACTOR AND NOTARY  
IN BUSINESS SINCE 1885

MASON : : : TEXAS

## 15 YEARS AGO

From Mason News, May 12, 1905—

Mrs. Beck and Mrs. Chas. Bierschwale and children will leave in a few days for Corinth, Miss., to spend several weeks visiting relatives.

At the Lutheran church the following young people were confirmed last Sunday: Otto Hofmann, Otto Struchmeyer, Adolph Probst, Meta Loeffler, Rosa Eckert, Meta Arhelger, Tekla Eckert, Erna Reich enau, Hulda Leichberger, Bertha Gross, Lucy Zesch, Anna Hofmann. Wilson Hey reports himself and M. Moran having century plants just preparing to bloom. He says they are putting on a most phenomenal growth, growing 11 inches in a day.

J. G. Hodges reports his sheep about 40 head, having averaged

\$1.75 on the wool clip. At the examination last Friday and Saturday the following pupils of Mason High School passed and secured 2nd grade certificates: Lamar Thaxton, Harry Bogusch, Messes Ella Bierschwale, Tempie Mangham, Bertha Hofmann, Bernice Sheppard, Minnie McCollum, Gustav Martin and Hugo Erwin, young men of Germany, arrived at Hedwigs Hill last week to spend a few weeks visiting Mrs. Anna Martin and sons and their families.

Marriage License—Mr. Burley Livey and Miss Maggie Bell; Mr. Chas. Samuelson and Miss Willie Jefferies.

Mrs. Henry Dannheim of Plehweville contemplates on leaving in the near future for Germany to make that country her home.

Mrs. Chas Bierschwale returned last week after an absence of several weeks visiting in New York, Corinth, Miss., and in San Antonio

## DRESSES! DRESSES! DRESSES!

AT

New York Manufacturer's Cost

WE ARE OFFERING OUR ENTIRE STOCK OF LADIES SPRING AND SUMMER DRESSES AT COST.

THEY CONSIST OF SILK JERSEYS, PLAIN AND FANCY GEORGETTES, TAFFETAS, POPLINS AND ORGANDIE DRESSES. ALL THIS SPRING'S PURCHASE IN THE LATEST NEW YORK MODELS

COME IN, MAKE YOUR SELECTION, WHILE WE HAVE YOUR SIZE

YOURS FOR BETTER SERVICE

HOFMANN DRY GOODS CO.

## 25 YEARS AGO

From Mason News May 17, 1895—  
J. W. Butler recently received \$48 as one of the most successful agents of Ram's Horn, the great religious weekly.

A merry fishing party spent a few days on the Llano this week, enjoying an outing. Among the number were: Ernst Lemburg and wife, John and Miss Carrie Lemburg, John Geatweidt and wife, Mrs. Spiller and Miss May Holmes.

Marriage License—Mr. Isiah Turner and Miss Lucinda Eaton. A number of young people enjoyed a pleasant evening last Friday at the residence of H. C. Boyd. Those present were: Misses May and Ruth Hamilton, Bertha Todd, Clara Sands, Ada Garner, Lou Martin, Lillian Mebus, Bessie Smith, Alice Garner, Effie and Nellie Gamel, Sallie Hubbard, Sophie Leslie, Messrs. Will Garner, Max McAllister, Will Bridges, Frank Garner, Ervin and John Mayo, Wes Smith, Ike Martin, Otto Schmidt, Manks King, Chas. Bernhard, Howard Smith, Mack Hubbard, Wadie Burnham, Archie Crosby.

Little Miss Benellen Reynolds entertained a few little friends upon the occasion of her birthday Tuesday afternoon. The little tots present were: Ola and Milton Baird, Acie and Giles Loring, Mabel Grandstaff, Frank Bickenbach, Susie Bridges, Eddie Reynolds, Dick Gugenheim.

Misses Cora, Annie and Laura Ritter returned home from Brownwood last Sunday after a stay of several weeks.

Bernard Kassell is here this week to teach a class in penmanship, having been solicited by several friends to do so.

## ENTERTAIN HONORARY MEMBERS

The Woman's Missionary Society entertained their honorary members at the Star Opera House Thursday evening, May 6. A short program was rendered consisting of music, readings and a short play entitled, "His Methodist Foot." After the program refreshments of ice cream and cake were served to about 120 persons.

## FANCY COSTUME DANCE

The News is requested to announce that the American Legion of Junction will give a fancy costume dance at the Hankins-Riley Hall in Junction on Wednesday night, May 19. Benefit Tuberculosis Sanatorium for soldiers at Kerrville. Admission in fancy costume \$2.00. Those who do not wear fancy costumes, \$5.00.

## VULCANIZING—

I am prepared to do expert vulcanizing. Bring me your tubes and casings. Otto Schmidt.

Mrs. Ben Puenneke returned last week from a few days visit with friends in Llano.

## MISSIONARY SOCIETY HAIL SWEEPS

The Young People's Missionary Society met at the home of Mrs. John Banks Thursday April 30 at 4 o'clock.

The subject of the lesson was Life Service. Miss Pauline Mogford was leader.

Mrs. Banks told of the great need of the world today for the gospel of Jesus Christ and of the call for the young life of America to volunteer for this service.

Misses Averil Bellows and Lorena Kidd read touching stories of sacrificial gifts of children who had been told of the great need of missions.

Miss Lillie Eckert read of the number of young people available and the number necessary to carry on the work begun.

Misses Lillie Eckert and Pauline Mogford rendered two piano selections to the enjoyment of all.

After refreshments of ice cream and cake the society engaged in several interesting contests.

Those present were Misses Ida Mae Lemburg, Helen Jordan, Elsie Scheweers, Lorena Kidd, Averil Bellows, Pauline Mogford, Lillie Eckert, Jesse Doell, Mary Jane Puckey, Sarah Thaxton, Lucille Baker, Fawn Shearer, Mary Kettner and Mrs. Will Land.

## MASON HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT WEEK PROGRAM

1. Baccalaureate Sermon—May 16, 1920 at 11 a. m., at M. E. Church.  
2. Grammammar School Graduation—May 19, 1920 at 8:15 p. m., at Opera House.

a. Play, "Pattie Saves the Day."  
b. Song, "Old Glory" by 7th grade  
c. Salutatorian, Martha Peter  
d. Class Poet, Robert Kidd  
e. Valedictorian, Lucile Lange  
f. Presentation of Diplomas.  
Admission 35 & 25 cents.

3. Senior Play—"A Busy Liar" May 20, 1920, at 8:15 p. m., at Opera House.  
Admission 50 & 35 cents.

4. Commencement 8:15 p. m., May 21, 1920 at M. E. church, South.

a. Salutatory, Willie Gierisch  
b. Song, Seniors  
c. The Class Prophecy, Margaret Schmidt  
d. The Class Grumbler, Leonard Wood  
e. Song, Seniors  
f. Valedictory, Katie Ischar  
g. Address, Dr. Pittinger  
h. Presentation of Diplomas.

(NOTE)—Tickets will be on sale at the Vedder Drug Co. In each case the money will be used to pay the expenses of the play and the remainder will go into a library fund.

E. Lemburg returned home last week from a trip to Dallas where he spent several days on business. He reports his brothers, Jim and Arthur as doing well there.

Give me your next job of vulcanizing I guarantee my work. Otto Schmidt.

## KATEMICY SECTION

This section has been receiving frequent showers or rain since our last issue and in spots hail accompanied them and in places over the county we are told that they have not had either. Last Thursday night's hail did not cover so much territory but did a great damage where it did fall. It was real heavy in and around Mason and considerable damage was done to growing crops and gardens, but very little, if any, property damage has been reported.

The real hail of Thursday night fell in and around Katemicy section. The great damage done in that section to houses, crops and live stock is far greater than one can realize without making a trip out there. This section was completely stripped in places. Hogs and sheep were killed the houses in places have no roofs at all.

We are told that the stones that fell were as large and many of them larger than baseballs. The writer visited that section Sunday afternoon and from looks of the country where the hail was heaviest a person is compelled to accept any report of how the hail fell even though it might seem exaggerated for the appearance of things will convince you that it was a sure enough hail storm.

The section hit the hardest and suffering most from this storm is said to be in and around the Bethel church.

## JACK LEWIS DIES IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Dallas, Texas, May 9—Two persons were instantly killed and three injured, two probably fatally, when an automobile occupied by five crashed into the side of a concrete culvert at a sharp turn on Lemon Avenue here early today. Miss Edie Wilson, who was driving the car sustained slight injuries. The dead are: Mrs. Alma Hearnis, aged 27, of Sherman, Texas. Jack Lewis, 23, traveling shoe salesman of San Antonio. Probably fatally injured are: Miss Maud Thompson, Dallas, fractured skull and broken leg; Billy Skaggs, Dallas, fractured skull.

Miss Wilson, in a statement to the police, said the party was returning to the city from a place a few miles north of Dallas. She was driving the car at high speed, she said, when another automobile confronted her at the curve. Unable to avoid both the approaching machine and the culvert, she said, she chose the latter and crashed into it.

The bodies of Mrs. Fearis and Jack Lewis will be shipped to Sherman and San Antonio, respectively, for burial.—San Antonio Express.

Jack Lewis is well known in Mason, the Lewis family having resided here several years. He is a brother to Mrs. Callie Baze, formerly of Mason but now of San Antonio.

# DR. H. W. LINDLEY

Announces His Removal to New Quarters Over Broad Mercantile Co., Saturday, May 1st.

Where he is equipping one of the most complete, convenient and modern dental offices in this section of the State. Three chairs, ladies' rest room and every modern convenience for my patrons and friends.

TWO ASSISTANTS—PERSONAL ATTENTION GIVEN EVERY PATIENT—ALL WORK DONE IN OFFICE UNDER MY PERSONAL SUPERVISION.

NO OPERATION TOO SMALL FOR OUR ATTENTION — NOTHING TOO DIFFICULT FOR OUR ABILITY. I HAVE TAKEN SPECIAL COURSES IN TREATMENT FOR PYORRHEA, CROWN AND BRIDGE WORK IN NEW YORK CITY RECENTLY, AND HAVE HAD ACTUAL PRACTICE IN NEW YORK CITY FOR THREE AND A HALF YEARS.

Modern, Painless Methods used in All Operations.

Consultation Free.

All Work Guaranteed.

Lady in Attendance.

PHONE 81

SPECIAL ATTENTION TO OUT-OF-TOWN PATIENTS.

BRADY, TEXAS.

CEMETERY CLEAN UP DAY

The Cleaning day at the Gooch Cemetery last Monday did a great deal in bettering the appearance of things, but there is still more to be done before the work is completed. It is herefore expected to finish up the work next Monday. Everybody come back and urge others to come with you and join in this work. If you have an interest there, show it.

L. Schlaudt has resigned his position with the City Market and has accepted a position in Eckert's Garage. C. C. King has taken the place of Schlaudt in the market.

The case against James Callan, charged with killing a young man in Menard county last fall, was called to trial in Llano District Court this week on a change of venue. We are told that the case was called Tuesday and part of the jury had been selected before Tuesday night. This case is considered with much interest all over West Texas and many citizens of this county are attending the trial.

Take in the picture show at the Star Opera House each Friday and Saturday night. Shows start at 8:15 sharp.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

Major and Mrs. D. Doole left Tuesday for Arizona for a visit Mr. and Mrs. Dave Camp. It is the hope of Major's many friends that the trip will benefit his health.

We have just received a new lot Diamond casings. All sizes. 9-1 Star Garage.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

The Streeter school closes on Friday and Saturday will have a big basket picnic. Everybody is invited to come. The school will give a program.

DEMOCRATS! NOTICE

This is a notice for all members of the Democratic Executive Committee of Mason County calling for a meeting to be held at the court house Saturday afternoon, May 29th at 1 o'clock, for the purpose of filling vacancies and transacting such other business as may be brought before the committee.

A partial list of this committee: J. W. Wilson, Grit; Arthur Prater, Katemcy; L. F. Clark, Ranch Branch; Ed L. Nixon, Wagram; A. E. Keller, Loyal Valley; A. D. Kothmann, Hilda; R. O. Green, Capps.

H. O. Brockman, Co. Chm.

BANK STATEMENT

No. 1203  
Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the  
FIRST STATE BANK  
At Mason, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 4th day of May, 1920, published in the Mason News, a newspaper printed and published at Mason, State of Texas, on the 13th day of May, 1920.

Resources—  
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral ..... 114,833.31  
Overdrafts ..... 345.01  
Furniture and fixtures ..... 4,357.78  
Due from approved Reserve Agents, net ..... 23,660.92  
Cash Items ..... 9,224.36  
Currency ..... 6,090.00  
Specie ..... 1,368.61  
Interest and assessment  
Depositors' Guaranty Fund 750.00  
TOTAL ..... 160,109.99

Liabilities—  
Capital Stock paid in ..... 25,000.00  
Undivided profits, net ..... 956.64  
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net ..... 654.65  
Individual Deposits subject to check ..... 118,321.88  
Cashier's Checks ..... 176.82  
Bills Payable and Rediscounts ..... 1,500.00  
TOTAL ..... 160,109.99

STATE OF TEXAS  
County of Mason  
We, J. D. Eckert, as president, and W. E. Jordan, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

J. D. Eckert, President.  
W. E. Jordan, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of May, A. D. 1920.

(L. S.) Roscoe Runge  
Notary Public Mason County Texas  
Correct—Attest—  
Oscar Seaquist  
F. B. McCollum  
E. W. Kothmann  
Directors.

SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF ELECTION

The State of Texas,  
County of Mason:

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on the 5th day of June 1920, at the Hilda School House in common school district No. 8 of this County, as established by order of the Commissioners Court on the 22nd day of August 1913 which is of record in book designated, Record of Boundaries of Common School Districts on pages 43-44-45 to determine whether a majority of the legally qualified Tax paying voters of that district desire to tax themselves for the purpose of supplementing the State School fund apportioned to said district, and to determine whether the Commissioners Court of this County shall authorize, levy, assess and collect annually a tax of and at the rate of 10 cents on the one hundred dollars (\$100.00) valuation of taxable property in said district for said purpose.

Frank Loeffler has been appointed presiding officer for said election and he shall select two judges and two clerks to assist him in holding the same, and he shall within 5 days after said election thereof, to the Commissioners Court of this County as is required by law for holding a general election.

All persons who are legally qualified voters of this State and County and who are resident property tax payers in said district shall be entitled to vote at said election, and all who favor taxation for school purposes shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For School Tax" and those opposed to such taxation shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against

School Tax." Said election was ordered by the County Judge of this County by order made on the 27th day of April 1920, and this notice was given in pursuance of said order dated the 27th day of April 1920.  
G. H. Willis,  
Sheriff of Mason County, Tex.

Milk coolers, we make them to order. F. Lange.

The News is prepared to take care of all kinds of job printing and can handle the big jobs as well as the smaller ones in a manner which is unsurpassed.

Miss Ida Taylor, Missionary lady who is at home from China on a furlough, will be in Mason next Sunday. Further announcement is to be made as to her and when she will speak for the public. Miss Taylor is an intimate friend of Mrs. C. S. Vedder and will be her guest while in Mason.

The News \$1.50 per year, and is worth it.

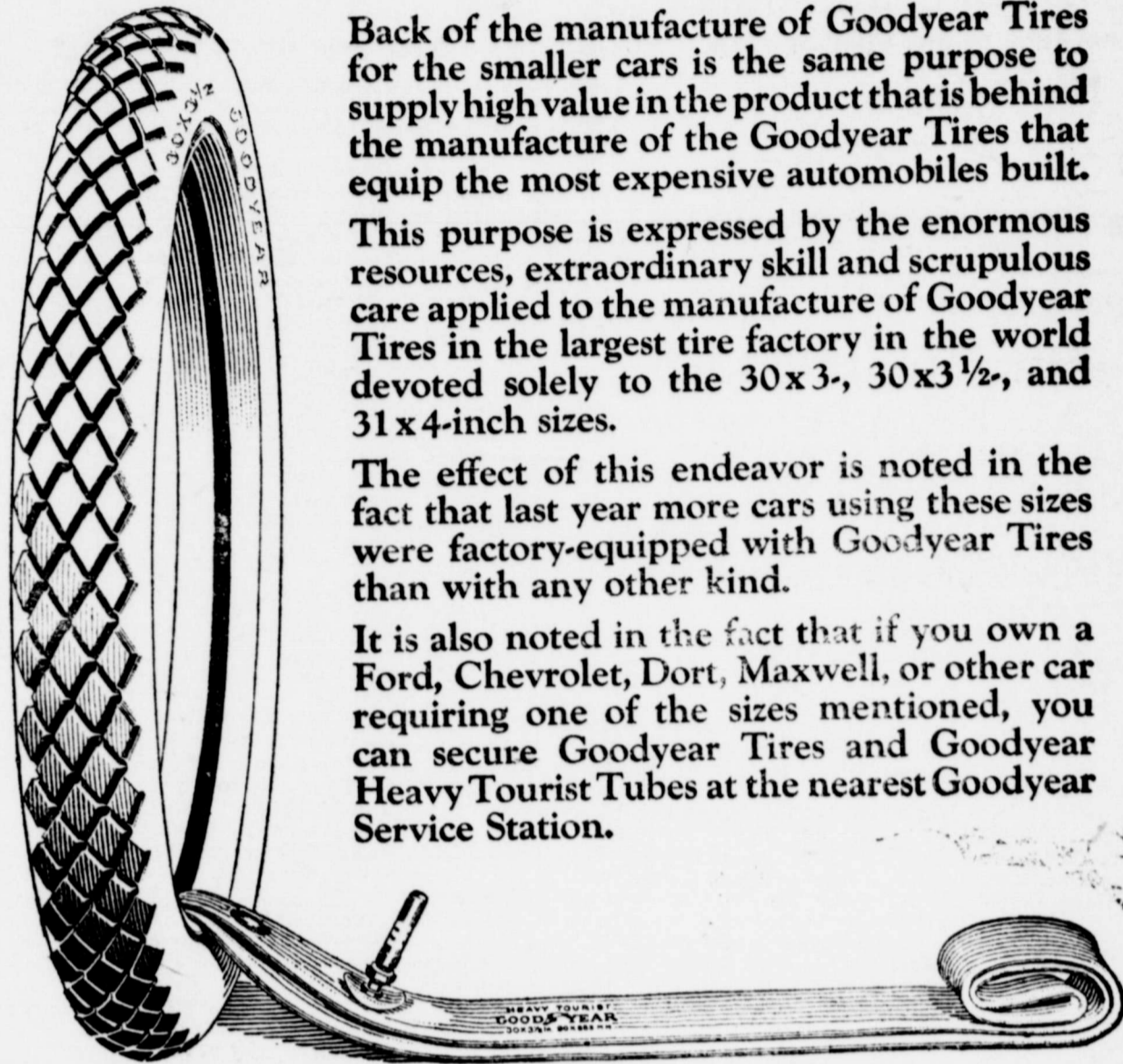
See me for garden hose and lawn sprinklers. F. Lange.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions, and in order to cure it you must take an internal remedy. Hall's Catarrh Medicine is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Hall's Catarrh Medicine was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years. It is composed of some of the best tonics known, combined with some of the best blood purifiers. The perfect combination of the ingredients in Hall's Catarrh Medicine is what produces such wonderful results in catarrhal conditions. Send for testimonials, free.  
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O.  
All Druggists, 75c.  
Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Big Value in Tires for The Smaller Cars



Back of the manufacture of Goodyear Tires for the smaller cars is the same purpose to supply high value in the product that is behind the manufacture of the Goodyear Tires that equip the most expensive automobiles built.

This purpose is expressed by the enormous resources, extraordinary skill and scrupulous care applied to the manufacture of Goodyear Tires in the largest tire factory in the world devoted solely to the 30x3-, 30x3 1/2-, and 31x4-inch sizes.

The effect of this endeavor is noted in the fact that last year more cars using these sizes were factory-equipped with Goodyear Tires than with any other kind.

It is also noted in the fact that if you own a Ford, Chevrolet, Dort, Maxwell, or other car requiring one of the sizes mentioned, you can secure Goodyear Tires and Goodyear Heavy Tourist Tubes at the nearest Goodyear Service Station.

30x 3 1/2 Goodyear Double-Cure Fabric, All-Weather Tread..... \$23.50  
30x 3 1/2 Goodyear Single-Cure Fabric, Anti-Skid Tread..... \$21.50

Goodyear Heavy Tourist Tubes are thick, strong tubes that reinforce casings properly. Why risk a good casing with a cheap tube? Goodyear Heavy Tourist Tubes cost little more than tubes of less merit. 30x 3 1/2 size in water-proof bag..... \$4.50



DEER DOES AERIAL ACT

Caposes High Trestle on Ties, Thrilling Watchers.

No circus ever staged a more thrilling animal performance than was witnessed on the trestle of the New England railway near Forest View cemetery, at Winsted, Conn., when a deer crossed the structure on the ties in view of many spectators, crossed South Main street and climbed a steep bank to the track. At the trestle, 28 feet above ground and 75 feet long, the animal hesitated, then started across. Once it missed its footing and seemed to be wedged between the ties, but struggled to its feet and finished the perilous journey, then disappeared in the direction of Highland Park.

A hound, which had evidently been chasing the deer, soon appeared and also crossed the railroad trestle.

How about your subscription to the News, have you advanced it for another year?

J. D. Eckert, Pres.  
E. O. Kothmann, V. P.  
W. E. Jordan, Cashier  
Kinney Eckert, Ass't C'r.  
NO. 1203  
**THE FIRST STATE BANK**  
A GUARANTY FUND BANK  
We can please you also. Ifay we?  
CAPITAL STOCK -- \$25,000.00  
DIRECTORS  
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### ADVERTISING RATES

Local readers and classified ads 5 cents per line per issue. Display rates made known on application.

Subscription (always in advance) one year. . . . . \$1.50

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

TERMS—Strictly Cash. Announcements will be inserted in the order in which fees are paid. 20 lines will be allowed each candidate, but he must compose his own announcement message. Any additional lines charged for at our regular advertising rates.

#### RATES

Congressional	\$15.00
District	10.00
County	8.00
Precinct	5.00

The News is authorized to make the following announcements subject to a majority vote of the Democratic Primary:

- For District Attorney 33rd Judicial District—  
GEORGE E. CHRISTIAN
- For District and County Clerk:—  
S. C. BROCKMAN  
ROBT. E. LEE
- For County Treasurer:—  
ALVA TINSLEY  
TOM STRONG
- For Sheriff & Tax Collector—  
HERMAN SCHUESSLER  
G. H. WILLIS  
CHAS. LESLIE  
OSCAR SHEARER
- For Tax Assessor:—  
WILLIE O. BODE  
RICHARD (Dick) ARHELGER
- For County Judge:—  
S. F. BETHEL  
C. H. GARRETT  
JOHN T. BANKS
- For Commissioner Precinct No. 1—  
HENRY DOELL
- For Commissioner Precinct No. 3—  
BEN BRANDENBERGER  
G. W. HERRING

### FOREIGN-BORN WOMEN LEARN AMERICAN WAYS

#### Government's Cooking Demonstrations Engender Good Feeling Toward Adopted Country.

Webster school in Duluth, Minn., is located in the middle of one of the Finnish districts of that city. There, in January, went the traveling kitchen for a week's visit. It was not new territory to the home demonstration agent in charge, for she had conducted a sewing class there in 1910 and had grown to know many of the Finnish people. From the start, the cooking demonstrations were a success. Each day showed an increase in attendance, and faces were expressive of appreciation at being shown American methods.

Quite as important as the methods taught is the help given the foreign-born women to learn a little more English. The greatest good of all is the better feeling engendered toward people of their adopted country. The friendly help given at the cooking and sewing classes counteracts much of the indifference to his welfare which the new citizen not infrequently meets in this country.

One of the women who attended every demonstration had been in this country only two months and was the first to say she was going to make a fireless cooker by the instructions given at the demonstration.

At the close the Finnish women asked the home demonstration agent if she thought it would be interesting to the Americans to have demonstrated the making of some Finnish dishes. She did, the invitations were sent out,

and the result was one of the finest Americanization meetings held in that city during the past year.

One woman made coffee bread and showed how to braid it, another made salad. These were later served with coffee to the guests.

In the social hour which followed both Americans and Finns came to a better understanding of each other, although conversation was limited as many of the Finnish people spoke little English. They could however, smile, and make motions.

### TO USE IOWA AS TARGET

#### Naval Experts Will Bombard Ancient Battleship With Big Guns.

A moving target for modern dreadnaughts is to be the fate of the old battleship Iowa, once pride of the American fleet and flagship of the late "Fighting Bob" Evans.

The Iowa, which is about thirty years old, is no longer of use as a fighting ship, and the bombardment of the ancient craft therefore will be a slight loss to the navy. By sending the Iowa out to sea under wireless control and maneuvering the vessel as if she were in battle with more modern ships, valuable data will be accumulated for future naval use.

Most targets of this kind in the past have been fixed. Others towed by other ships at the end of long cables. The Iowa will move around as if she were under her own steam with a full crew, if the plans of experts do not fail. The wireless apparatus to be employed to maneuver the old vessel is that of John Hays Hammond, Jr., for the wireless control of torpedoes from land, with some modifications.

### DOG FISH LEATHER PLANNED

#### Big Manufacturing Plant to Be Established in Maine.

Making leather from the skin of a dogfish is an industry to be established at East Boothbay, Me. A plant will be erected on the west shore of the Damariscotta river, one mile from East Boothbay village. The plans are so arranged and the equipment has been purchased with the idea of having the plant ready for operation in June. Skins will be taken only from the largest fish, and what are not tanned directly will be carried in a partly finished state for handling during the winter. This will make the operations of the company practically continuous throughout the year.

### WILL BUILD OWN HOTEL

#### Number of Wealthy Kansas City Men to Erect Ten-Story Structure.

A five-acre site in Kansas City has been purchased for the construction of a co-operative family hotel, ten stories high, built in the form of a triangle, with every room exposed to the sun. It is expected to cost \$1,500,000.

The financing of the project is being handled through a corporation with \$600,000 paid up capital, the stockholders being a number of wealthy Kansas City men who agree to live in the 300-room hotel.

### Ex-Kaiser Abandons Woodsawing.

The strenuous exercise of woodsawing has been abandoned by former Kaiser Wilhelm for walking since the Kapp coup failed, according to reports from his home in Holland.

### Elder Hange "K. O." on Thieves.

Two corn thieves, caught stealing grain from a neighbor's farm, were knocked out by Samuel Hunsicker of McGuffey, O., an elder in the Christian Science church.

### British Raising Vessels Sunk in War.

British concerns have raised sunken treasure worth \$250,000,000 around the British Isles since the war began.

### EQUALIZATION BOARD

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners Court of Mason County will sit as a board of equalization on Monday, May 17th. S. C. Brockman, Co. Clerk. Mason County, Texas.

### CHILD VICTIMS OF SLAVERY ARE FOUND

#### Probers Discover Minors Are Traded Like Live Stock in Southland.

Slavery in which children are made to work for nothing and are "swapped" like live stock—has been discovered in Tennessee.

Scores of prominent men are involved in the expose and investigators are preparing a mass of evidence to show that for years men of influence have bartered children, obtaining what Judge J. E. Richards calls "actual slaves" from the country industrial school.

Boys sent to the school for short sentences have been "given" to planters and others and kept until they were twenty-one years old. They were not paid for their labor and received no schooling whatever.

It is impossible, investigators say, to determine how extensive the slavery has been, since the records were often destroyed by school authorities.

The whole system came to light when Circuit Judge Pittman granted a habeas corpus writ to release Alvin Lee Crawford, fourteen-year-old negro, who was working at the home of Magistrate T. T. McDonald.

The boy was tried in the juvenile court two years ago for using a horse without the owner's consent. He was sentenced to 30 days at the farm. He was held a year and then Magistrate McDonald "got him in a trade."

McDonald had previously visited the school and had a number of negro lads lined up before him.

"I picked out a likely lad," says the magistrate. "Later he became unruly and I swapped him for this fellow."

The boy had not been to school since his farming out, although he had attended prior to that time. McDonald did not supply him with underwear in the winter time, and he worked from five o'clock each morning until evening, it is charged.

McDonald said he didn't know he had to send him to school.

School trustees said they knew of the system, but "didn't know it was so bad."

Both white and colored boys have been involved.

### HOW THEY GET NEWS IN FAR OFF SERBIA



The town crier of Monastir, Serbia, photographed while announcing to the population information concerning the distribution of Red Cross supplies and clothing. Serbia has a high percentage of illiteracy, so in most cities the authorities adhere to the oral method of announcing the news. The chap goes from corner to corner beating his drum until a crowd gathers, then he announces in a sonorous voice the latest edicts of the government and the news of the day.

You'll enjoy the pictures at the Star Opera House. Shows every Friday and Saturday night. Don't forget it starts at 8:15 o'clock.

Tell the News the news

# SHOES

JUST RECEIVED A SHIPMENT OF WEYENBERG ALL-LEATHER WORK SHOES. IN ALL SIZES AND DIFFERENT LASTS. CALL AND SEE ME FOR BEST WORK SHOES.

HERBERT HOFMANN

Wear Diamond tires on your auto. They last longer and are moderately priced. Star Garage

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge The News \$1.50 per year, and is worth it.

**BRUNSWICK TIRES**

The Brunswick Tire is here to stay!

**Mark that down!**

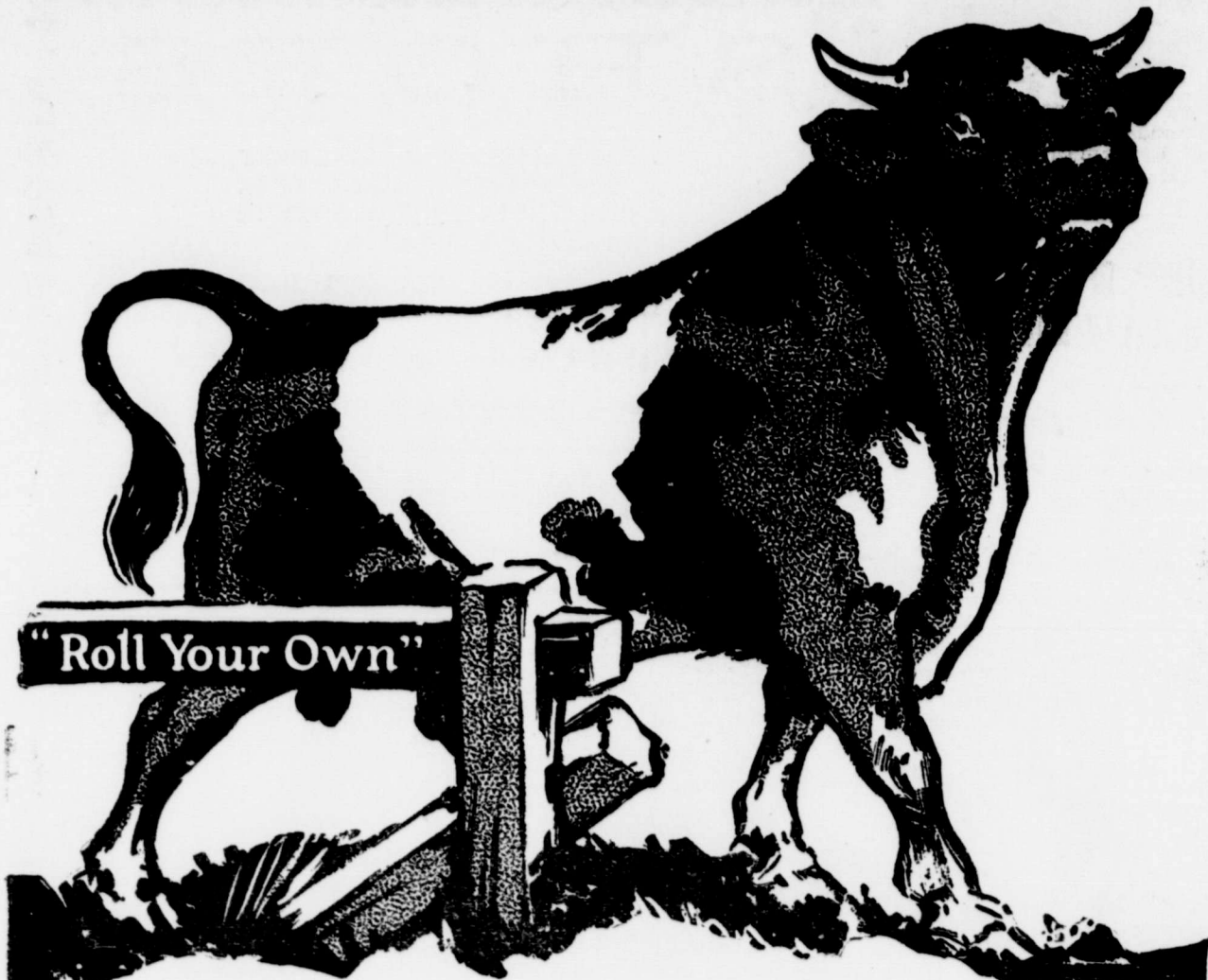
And the quality will remain constant and high—just as has been the case with every Brunswick product since 1845.

This 75 year old habit of "making the best" means much to motorists as applied to Brunswick Tires.

One is enough to convince you.

It's up to you to say when.

STAR GARAGE  
MASON -- TEXAS



### THERE HE STANDS!

GRAND old "Bull" Durham. He belongs in this country's Hall of Fame. Can you think of a more familiar figure? For over half a century Bull has been part of the landscape; the tobacco he represents has made millions and millions of friends.

You can roll fifty-thirty cigarettes from one bag.

## GENUINE "BULL" DURHAM TOBACCO



#### CHILD LOST

A little Mexican girl about six years old strolled away from her home in the Loyal Valley section on Wednesday evening of last week and became lost. It was not until Sunday morning that the child was found and then it happened to go to the home of Otto Loeffler. Considerable excitement was caused and people of the country had gone to help hunt the little child.

E. L. Horton is local representative of the Stroud Motor Manufacturing Ass'n. Parties interested in buying stock in this Ass'n will find Mr. Horton willing at all times to explain and give full information.

O. C. Wisemann was in Saturday from his farm north of town and said he had failed to get rain up to that time.

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### USE ADOBE TO BUILD HOMES

Back to Materials Employed by Spanish Missions.

#### CHEAP MATERIAL IS SOUGHT

Concerted Effort to Reduce High Cost of Building Small Homes is Being Made in Many Places—Adobe Scheduled for Picturesque Recrudescence—Cool in Summer and Warm in Winter.

Concerted effort to reduce the high cost of building small homes, so as to place them within reach of families of modest incomes, is being made in many places. Analytical chemists are finding their services in demand testing the various qualities of clay which it is hoped will furnish the durability shown in the adobe houses built by the early Spanish settlers in New Mexico, Arizona and California, more than a century since. Many of these buildings still extant are as solid, if not more so, than they were when plastered together by their crude designers and constructors, long before the Louisiana territory became an integral part of the United States of America.

In an article published in the Post-Dispatch, prepared by Thomas Crane Young, prominent St. Louis architect, attention was called to his plan to make a series of experiments with the clays in the vicinity of St. Louis, to see if small homes could not be provided with a sun-dried mixture of earth and straw, serving as a substitute for walls of standard brick or hollow tiles. These experiments, the St. Louis Post-Dispatch announces, are still under way and are being watched closely by those who hope for some satisfactory adjustment of the housing problem, which has reached an acute stage in St. Louis and most of the other large cities.

Adobe Bricks the Thing. With building costs persistently advancing and rents keeping pace with this upward trend, a cheap material that would serve the purposes of lumber, brick, stone, tile or concrete would go a very long way in removing an admittedly serious menace. That the adobe is scheduled for a picturesque recrudescence is no longer a matter of speculation, as it has already been taken up on an intensive scale in southern California, where some of the mission buildings constructed of earth still stand as a memorial to the constructive genius of the earliest settlers, who came chiefly from Spain.

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Like the Indians and others who happened along first, they decided that homes were essential. Having no architects, builders or skilled mechanics, they took advantage of the materials that nature supplied and molded their walls of mud, with sufficient straw or grass to make the binding force necessary to hold the mass together. Even where there was no timber available, they made supports of the same plastic material after subjecting it to a drying process in the hottest focus of the sun's rays. These pioneers molded the clay into blocks much larger than the standard bricks

of the present day and used the soft clay instead of the lime or cement mortar used in modern construction. Simple Process of Building.

While the construction of the adobe house is a slow process, it is yet simple and requires no large working force such as is needed in the building of a home with brick, tiles or lumber. Out in California, where the adobe is coming back strongly, women and girls have turned builders and have reared some attractive-looking bungalows. They follow closely the style of the mission builders and work with a genuine zest once they get their houses under way. In the Huntington Park district, near Los Angeles, young women are giving time and study to their plans and are getting some artistic effects when it comes to the stucco work on the exterior of the walls. When the little homes are completed, it is planned to train vines that will spread all over the structures and add greatly to their picturesque beauty.

Though the Spaniards are credited with the development of the adobe, excavations made in ancient Assyria, Babylon and Egypt have disclosed the fact that the same material, mixed with straw and grass, was generally used for home building by these early races. They followed the same general process of molding the bricks or blocks to a uniform size and then drying them in the sun, before setting them in the walls. Where a stout building was desired a very thick wall was constructed, but most of the houses had but one thickness of the hand-molded forms.

Indians Were Pioneers.

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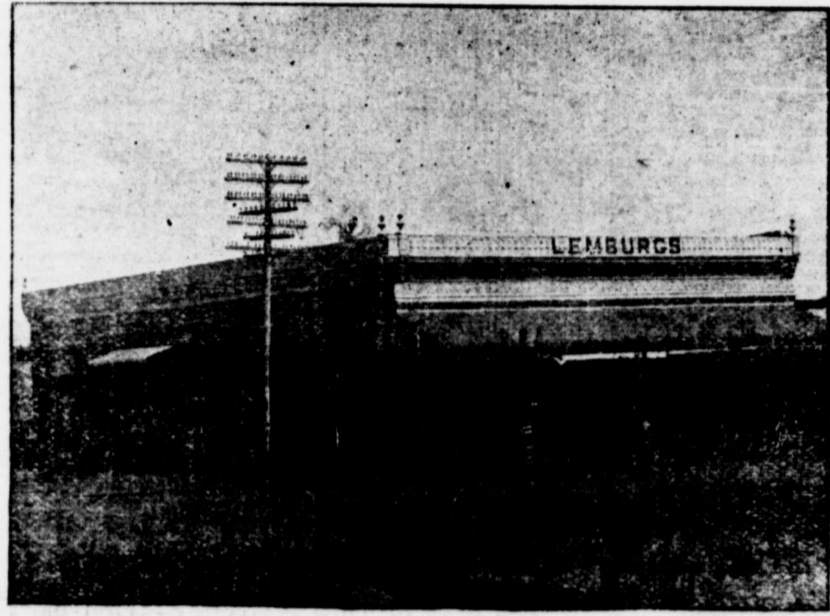
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The adobe of southern California and Arizona in its crudest state has always been a delight to the artist. Part of the soil, not altogether lovely, but yet harmonious, they present a front of solidity and unobtrusive dignity that deeply impresses one at once. The first adobes built by the Indians, who had little inclination for architectural beautification, were walls of mud heaped up in mass, with a piece of wood or a bunch of grass stuck here and there to give the mixture holding qualities.

The early Spanish came along and studied the arts and crafts of the Indians with profit. They found many of the adobe houses in good condition and as other materials were not easily obtained, they began improvements on the original plan. They found that most of the soil of the country was well adapted for such uses and they gathered their workers together and proceeded to build their missions. They shaped the pliable clay into bricks 4 by 12 by 16 inches, and added a liberal measure of grass to impart strength and prevent disintegration. These were piled up in the form of parallelogram, the soft earth, well watered, being placed in the interstices and over the points. As timbers and shingles could not be obtained, they molded substitutes of the same mud composition and installed them in place. After the great earthquake of 1812, the Spaniards abandoned the practice of providing roofs of this material, as it was in that disastrous happening that the top of the mission church of San Juan Capistrano collapsed while the place was filled with frightened members of the colony. Many of the worshippers were killed by the falling blocks.

Cool in Summer, Warm in Winter.

The walls of the early houses varied a good deal, some having a thickness of three and four feet, and the floors were made of the same composition. The adobes served the double purpose of keeping the occupants cool in the extremely hot weather and warm when a wintry blast happened along. Where it was available, the early builders, especially the Indians, combined the soil with "tulie," a sort of reed found in the swamps. This added material strength to the walls. Many of these cabins, reared more than a hundred years ago, are still occupied by the descendants of their designers. Among the foothills of Palomar are several villages of the Temecula Indians, whose huts, built of this formula, are still providing home and shelter. Where the mud bricks were placed in the walls without first being dried out thoroughly and mixed with some sort of a binder, they soon succumbed to the weather and disintegrated in time. Thus the original building of the San Gabriel mission was reduced in time to a mere mound. This furnished an object lesson to the builders, who constructed the other mission groups of stancher compositions.

For many years one of the show-places of Santa Barbara was the adobe mansion erected by Don Aguirre, and known as "La Cassa de Aguirre."

Don Aguirre was a rich Spaniard, who did not believe in practicing economy when it came to providing a home for himself and his descendants. He used adobe for his walls because that was the popular material of the time, but he made them as thick as an ordinary fortress; its windows deep as the ports for guns and protected from without with very heavy shutters. The shingles came from Honolulu and the furniture and

tapestries from Spain. It contained a store, magazine, warehouse and court and in effect was a village within itself. The residence was 19 large rooms and its drawing room was known to the grandees from San Diego to Monterey for its receptions and parties, at which the Senora Aguirre presided with all the grandeur of a queen. The patio was 40 by 40 feet, the arches of adobe being supported by columns of artistic molding. The porch was fully 15 feet in width, extending the entire length of the court. This famous creation of adobe stood solidly, defying the ravages of time and weather extremes, until about twenty-five years ago, when a cloudburst in the mountains sent a cataract down on the place, tearing out the supports and starting the disintegration that caused its eventual ruin.

The adobe builders of 1920, while seeking some of the decorative schemes of the Spanish builders, are more intent on providing small homes rather than forts, and are not making their walls as thick as Don Aguirre deemed necessary. Durability and permanency can be insured without resorting to such massive walls, and as lumber and shingles can be secured for the roofs and supports, it is not necessary to invite mishaps such as occurred in the 1812 earthquake.

Has Proved a Success. The saving in brick and tiles, the principal items in home construction, is a very important factor in the cost of providing the small home, and the workers out in California and other western states will find many others following their example in combating the high cost of building. That the women have found it pleasant employment mixing the mud and molding the blocks to go into the walls is also regarded as a promising augury that there will be many converts to the adobe plan.

Of course, all clays are not as well adapted as those in the far West for adobe walls, but most cities have a variety of soils and tests should be made before the bricks are molded. In the vicinity of St. Louis some of the best brick, terra cotta and fire-clay-products in the country are produced, which means that there is a bountiful supply of material waiting to be taken out of the bosom of Mother Earth for those who wish to experiment and build. The tests now being made by Architect Young and his associates are being awaited with inter-

est by many persons who have lots, but lack the means to provide houses at the present record-breaking prices of materials of common usage. If the earth and its straw or other binder can be hammered and treated into shape to supply the walls, St. Louis will not be long in catching up with the California men and women who are achieving results.

## Strong Women

BY DR. VALENTINE MOTT.



Women and men too—are just as strong and healthy as their blood. Vigor and health come with good

blood. Without good red blood a woman has a weak heart and poor nerves.

In the spring is the best time to take stock of one's condition. If the blood is thin and watery, face pale or pimply, if one is tired and listless, generally weak, a Spring Tonic should be taken. An old-fashioned herbal remedy that was used by nearly everybody 50 years ago is still safe and sane because it contains no alcohol or narcotic. It is made of roots and herbs and called Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. If druggists do not keep it in tablet form, send 60 cents for a vial to Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel in Buffalo, N. Y.

School Graduating class are: Willie Gierisch, Elmo Barber, Leonard Wood Clint Breazeale, Clarence Kathmann, Margaret Schmidt, Estella Hofmann, Katie Ischar.

## GIRL MADE MEMBER OF BRICKMASON'S UNION



Miss Kathryn Stark of Brighton, Mass., and a student of the College of Secretarial Science, Boston university, was presented a union card recently when she laid the cornerstone for the new building. The presentation was made by Thomas S. Pickett, at right, while Master Mason George W. Downs, center, smiled his approval of admitting the girl to membership in the Boston Benevolent and Protective Union No. 3 of the Brickmasons' union.

## DIPHTHERIA KILLS SIX

Father, Unbalanced Mentally by Shock, Tried to Burn Home.

Black diphtheria caused the death of the six children of Ross Beck, a farmer of Gardner Hill, Pa., in as many days and this is thought to have unbalanced him mentally, with the result that he tried to burn his own home, where his wife is critically ill of influenza.

On account of the contagious character of the disease Beck was unable to obtain help, and as each child died he constructed a casket of rough boards and buried the bodies in graves dug on the hillside overlooking his home. The oldest child was nineteen years old and the youngest four days old.

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## BALDHEADS ARE PROUD

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The Baldhead Head Club of America is going to stay bald. Its founder, John Rodemeyer of Greenwich, Conn., absolutely declined to furnish a list of names of the hairless wonders who make up the club to any of the numerous inventors and manufacturers of hair restorers who have applied for such a list.

Doctor Rodemeyer based his refusal on ethical grounds. Moreover, he declared it was held to be an honor to belong to the club, and no member would lightly trade the honor of membership for a new head of hair.

Believed Dead Two Years; Lives. Although Edward Lamond is very much alive and at present living in California, Felix Lamond, of Marlboro, Mass., his father, has just been informed by the war department that he died on October 15, 1918, from wounds received in France.

## STOMACH TROUBLE

Mr. Marion Holcomb, of Nancy, Ky., says: "For quite a long while I suffered with stomach trouble. I would have pains and a heavy feeling after my meals, a most disagreeable taste in my mouth. If I ate anything with butter, oil or grease, I would spit it up. I began to have regular sick headache. I had used pills and tablets, but after a course of these, I would be constipated. It just seemed to tear my stomach all up. I found they were no go at all for my trouble. I heard

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## STRANGE LEAP YEAR CUSTOMS

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### WHAT SHE SAYS SETTLES IT

**Forcibly and Simply States Her Proposition to Victim's Mother Without Any Encouragement From Him—Customs in Other Countries—In North Transylvania Peasant Woman Shows Her Swain That She Can Work.**

"Once again with 1920 women have a chance to take the initial step toward providing themselves with an introduction to the heavenly kingdom, a boon which marriage brings to them, according to Mormon philosophy. The return of a year which leaps forward a day, bringing to them a privilege monopolized by man three years out of four, has no significance for women of many lands, since they enjoy that liberty all the time," says a bulletin from the National Geographic society.

#### What She Says Goes.

"The women of no race possess more freedom in this matter than the Hopi Indians of Arizona," the bulletin continues. "A maiden does not woo the man of her choice, but simply and forcibly states her proposition to his mother without any encouragement on his part. Her only preliminary proceeding is to do her hair in two gigantic whorls, one over each ear. This is her announcement that she is going a-courting. These peculiar knots are intended to represent the blossoms of a squash vine, symbol of virginity, but to those untutored in their meaning they resemble huge door knobs set at a rather violent angle. When some debutantes thus announce that they are 'out on the carpet,' it is said that as many as six or eight of the eligible young men of the tribe literally take to the woods.

After this aggressive young lady has selected her victim and his mother has agreed that he shall be sacrificed, she serves in the house of her future mother-in-law grinding meal, very much after the fashion that Jacob of old served 14 years for Rachel. The poor youth in the meanwhile does not sit idly by, but weaves her wedding garments.

The Dusky Maidens.

"Among the Batus of the Uganda protectorate of Africa, if a girl is not fortunate enough to be asked in marriage in her home town, she goes to another village and offers herself to some man there. Though not honored in her own country, she at least receives consideration in that of her neighbor, for a woman is an excellent agricultural laborer, and a man is not likely to refuse such a business asset.

"The Galla woman of the eastern coast of Africa has the rare privilege among savage and half-civilized people of refusing to marry a man who is undesirable to her.

"Little is known of the marriage customs of the ancient Egyptians, but we can easily believe that women had at least the privilege of expressing a preference, if they did not actually do the proposing, for, if we trust the historian, Diodorus, a man promised his wife to grant her complete control over him and to offer no objection to her commands. Some survival of this liberty of Egyptian women must have permeated other portions of Africa, for princesses on the west coast of that continent whose children may become future rulers choose their own husbands. Nor is a princess limited in her choice to unmarried men. She may just as easily decide upon one who has already entered the marriage state, and the poor fellow has to put away his other wives and become her slave. Moreover, she has the power of life and death over him. He sometimes has only one consolation—he inherits all her property if he is fortunate enough to be spared until her death.

"In the Tyrol a girl may express her preference for a man by presenting him with a bottle of spirits. If she is afraid that her procedure has not the indorsement of her parents, she may contrive to lower the precious fluid at night from her chamber window.

#### Shows Him She Can Work.

"In North Transylvania a young peasant woman may give a particular swain a tip that he is the 'apple of her eye' by going with him in his cart at the time of the harvesting of the oats to help him carry in his crop. It is said that at this season one sometimes sees a procession of gayly decorated carts going afield, a willing maid seated in each.

"One of the obligations of a father in Roumania and Bosnia is to provide so well for his marriageable daughter that when she is presented with a list informing her of the means and qualifications of the eligible young men in the vicinity she will not be hampered by a lack of worldly goods on her own part in making her choice.

"In bygone days in India women were sometimes allowed to choose their own husbands. One of their old fairy tales tells of a fair princess who after a tournament placed a garland around the neck of a knight who had won her heart.

"Among the Eskimos of the east coast of Greenland a man captures the girl he wants, but from that time on the usual order of things is reversed.

He has to exercise the greatest vigilance to prevent her from eloping with any other man whom she may prefer, as this seems to be her privilege. In the northern New Hebrides a bride who is unhappy seeks the earliest opportunity of running away from her husband and seeking a home with some man she likes better. If her parents cannot induce her to return to the injured husband, they usually send him a pig to soothe his wounded feelings."

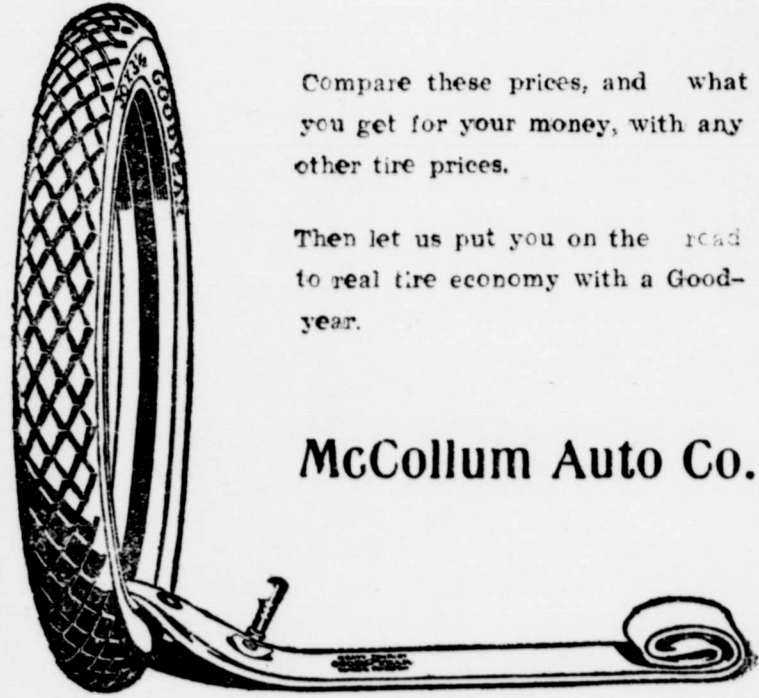
### RUSSIAN PRINCESS WEDS ENGLISHMAN



A recent photo of Princess Lydia Barlatinsky, whose marriage to John Pollock, well-known author and playwright was announced. The princess is a daughter of the late General Boris de Hubbenet, and descends from a noble French family, known as far back as the crusades as Rubinez de la Mothe Rouvray. The ceremony was quiet, the bride having suffered recent family bereavements owing to bolshe-

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viki activities. The bride is well known in theatrical circles as Lydia Yavorska, the famous actress. John Pollock is the only son of the Rt. Hon. Frederick Pollock, Bart, P. O., who resides in Hyde Park.

### HAD EASY WINTER

**Parts of Alaska Did Not Experience Any "Below Zero" Weather.**

At Juneau, the capital of Alaska, the coldest weather experienced during the present winter, according to climatological data kept by the United States weather bureau, was 8 degrees above zero, nor has "below zero" been recorded at any point in southeastern Alaska. In the Cook Inlet country the coldest reported was 18 degrees below zero and in the interior—Tanana and Yukon valleys—50 below zero is the coldest for this winter, where from 60 to 65 below is usually recorded at least two or three times during an ordinary winter. In southeastern Alaska there has been more sunshine and less rain thus far

during the winter months, and all indications point to an early spring.

### GERMAN WARSHIPS IN U. S.

**Battleship, Cruiser and Three Destroyers Become Property of America.**  
A former German battleship, a cruiser and three destroyers, allocated to the United States under the armistice terms, will be brought to this country soon.

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The ships will be exhibited at Atlantic seaports and, in addition, a careful technical study of them will be made by naval experts.

Under the terms of the supreme council agreement they will be sold at sea within a year after their arrival in the United States.

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Herein Fail Not, But have you before said Court on the said first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 3rd day of My. A. D. 1920.

S. C. Brockman,  
Clk. Co. Crt., Mason Co. Texas.  
by J. H. King, Deputy.

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Dr. W. H. Lindley of Brady, Texas, is having the suite of rooms over the Broad Mercantile Co. equipped for one of the most modern dental offices in the State, which he will occupy on May the first. All operating rooms will be furnished in white, which makes it very sanitary. In connection with his large reception room he will have a ladies rest room. Everything will be furnished for the convenience of his patients.

Mr. Mikesell, with the State Department of Education was here last week to inspect the local school. He was favorably impressed with conditions here with the exception with our school building and grounds, which he stated are very poor. A report of his inspection will appear in the News at a later date.

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To the Sheriff or any Constable of Mason County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published, for at least ten days exclusive of the day of publication and before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in Mason County, Texas, a copy of the following notice:

The State of Texas: To all persons interested in the welfare of Flossie Dan and Ella Willmann, minors; Dan Willmann was appointed temporary guardian of said minors on the 3rd day of April, 1920, and was so appointed guardian of both the personal and Estate of said minors. Said appointment will be made permanent at the next regular term of the County Court of Mason to be held at Mason commencing the 24th day of May, 1920, if such appointment is not contested, and all persons interested in the welfare of said minors are hereby cited to appear at said term of Court and contest such appointment if they so desire.

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The State of Texas: To all persons interested in the Estate of Gemma Ann Hibdon, deceased, Wesley Hibdon has filed an application in the County Court of Mason County on the 3rd day of May, 1920, for the probate of the last Will and Testament of Gemma Ann Hibdon, deceased, and

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156 acres rich land, 100 acres in cultivation, 46 acres additional tillable land, good fence, splendid living house 4 rooms and galleries, good barns, sheds, car house, well, splendid water, 2500 gallon rock tank with cement tank all around tank, this farm is located in the town of Hext, right at good school, post office and stores. This farm can be bought worth the money, owner leaving and must sell. For particulars see or write Lewis K. Smith or Felix Schneider, Fredericksburg, Texas or see owner B. O. McDonald, Hext, Texas. 9-4t

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LOST—4 old ewes, one with bell on; also 4 lambs with long tails. Notify H. Grote at Castell.

TAKEN UP—An old bay horse, about 15½ hands high and branded 8 on left jaw. Owner will communicate with G. C. Hubbard, Mason, Texas. 8-3t

HOLSTEIN FREISIAN Milk Cows For Sale—5 good heifers ready to calve all high grade and bred to registered bulls, all of them bid fair to make 6 to 8 gallon cows. These heifers are the tops from 37 head and are all from heavy milkers; why not get you a good milk cow in the place of a scrub? Come at once if you want one of these heifers. 7t  
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PIANO—For sale. Apply to Mrs. Wilson Hey. 6-4t

FARM IMPLEMENTS FOR SALE—Inquire of Calvin Thaxton, Mason, Texas. 5t

KODAK FINISHING  
We have the best equipped Kodak Studio in this section and can give you the best work. Send us your films for development.  
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C. H. and W. R. Bratton, Rochelle, Texas.

FOR SALE—10 h. p. Krueger-Atlas engine and silo cutter. Reasonable price. If interested see D. H. Bickenenbach. 119

Mesdames Ed Smith and Lamar Thaxton left Monday for San Antonio to attend the State Convention of the Woman's Missionary Society as delegates from here.

How about your subscription to the News, have you advanced it for another year?  
Use your phone and tell the News the news. Phone 57.

# To the "Magic Valley" of the Rio Grande

IRRIGATED FARMING DOWN ON THE RIO GRANDE AFFORDS THE GREATEST OPPORTUNITY THAT TEXAS HAS IN STORE FOR YOU. LAND SEEKERS EXCURSION MAY 19th. SPECIAL RATE OF \$25.00 FROM CAIN CITY, GILLESPIE CO. FOR RAILROAD FARE, BIRCHES MEALS AND 200 MILE AU-TO TRIP THROUGH THE VALLEY.

When a Northerner comes down here and sees the wonderful opportunities in this great State of Texas and the vast resources of wealth lying dormant, it makes him stop and ponder over what is the matter with our Southern brother.

For years and years it has been a Westward movement, but now the tide has turned and out of the great North are trainloads of people and capital South bound. The W. E. Stewart Land Company is operating two trains a week, or 64 trains a year, into the Rio Grande Valley, each train carrying from 200 to 300 investors and homeseekers, and from 20,000 to 30,000 people a year. \$21,000,000 invested in the Rio Grande Valley by your Northern brother last year. The month of January, this year, \$2,400,000; February, March and April ran over \$6,000,000 and you can see the Northerner knows a good thing when he sees it. In 1904 there were five white families living in the Rio Grande Valley, Outside of Brownsville today it boasts of a population of 250,000, and 90 percent of them came from the North.

Farmers in the Rio Grande Valley are making up to \$1,000 an acre from cabbage.

Farmers in the Rio Grande Valley are making up to \$1,000 an acre from onions.

Farmers in the Rio Grande Valley are making up to \$1,000 an acre from all other vegetable crops.

Farmers in the Rio Grande Valley are making fortunes out of summer crops, such as corn, cotton broom corn, sorghum, milo, maize, Egyptian wheat, etc.

Farmers in the Rio Grande Valley are making fortunes out of hogs.

Farmers in the Rio Grande Valley are making fortunes out of their citrus groves.

Farmers in the Rio Grande Valley cut alfalfa eight to ten times a year.

Farmers in the Rio Grande Valley cut Rhodes grass five to seven times a year.

Farmers in the Rio Grande Valley are making fortunes when all the land from San Antonio to the North Pole is lying idle.

Farmers in the Rio Grande Valley are Country Gentlemen, Mexicans do the work.

Farmers in the Rio Grande Valley have a nice climate to live in 365 days a year.

Farmers in the Rio Grande Valley have the best soil in the world to produce their crops.

Farmers in the Rio Grande Valley have the best water for irrigation in the United States.

Farmers in the Rio Grande Valley do not know what their land is worth. Twenty-four and one-half acres near Donna was recently sold for \$50,000. We know we are selling our land very cheap, but wait until the new railroad is built through the Valley to Point Isabel, then we won't offer it at the low prices of \$300 to \$500 an acre.

Farmers and others who purchase land from the Stewart Land Company do business with the largest land operators in the world.

Farmers and others who make the excursion with us travel in the largest Landseekers' Train ever operated in America.

We will be pleased to have you with us and we have no desire to place you under any obligation to buy land. At the same time we are a Land Company in the land business, and if we did not sell a large acreage of land each trip we could not continue to operate, for it is very expensive. We want to know that you are financially able to buy land, if you like it and want to buy after you see it. We want to know that you are in a position to close a contract to buy land while you are on the trip and if it is necessary for your wife to see the land, or any other member of your family to see it before you can make a contract to buy, then, by all means take that member of the family along with you. In other words, you are welcome and we invite you if you qualify as a prospect, but if it is impossible for you to buy land under any condition or circumstances, then it is not quite fair for you to accept any offered cut rate.

NEXT EXCURSION MAY 19. PHONE FOR RESERVATIONS BY TUESDAY NOON AND FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PHONE OR WRITE THE

CAIN CITY REALTY CO. CAIN CITY, TEXAS. GILLESPIE COUNTY.

SEE MR. T. O. SCHMIDT AT LANGE HOTEL, MASON, SATURDAY MAY 15TH.

## TWO ARRESTED FOR THEFT OF AUTOMOBILE

Two young men giving their names as Elmer Grenier and Earl Parent, and stating that they were members of Troop H, 16th Cavalry, stationed at Fort Sam Houston, were arrested and placed in the county jail last Friday morning by Sheriff Willis. The two, comparatively young boys, had stolen a Hudson super-six auto in San Antonio, after knocking the owner in the head and robbing him on the night before. Willis received word by phone from officials at San Antonio early Friday morning telling him of the robbery and advising him to be on the lookout for the

stolen car and the Cavalrymen. Mrs. Hugh Shearer, night operator in the local phone office, heard the conversation between the officers and Friday morning about six o'clock when she saw a Hudson car pass up the street her suspicions were aroused. She watched which way the car went and then wasted no time in phoning the clue to Mr. Willis, who with several others soon got on their trail. The arrest was made at the Wagram cemetery the boys having abandoned the car and took to the brush. They made no attempt to resist arrest. They had two army pistols and about 150 rounds of ammunition, which they surrendered to the officers. The owner of the car and the deputy sheriff of San Antonio reached here Saturday and took

the car and prisoners back with them.

The boys said that they had become disgusted with their lot in the service and they gave that as their reason of the robbery and stealing. The youngest one, Grenier, claimed to have joined the service last December and said his people reside in Boston. Parent claimed his people are in New York and says that he was a member of the 32nd division and saw service in France.

If you owe us you know it and we need it. Walker Bros. 9th.

The pretty country home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Behrens was the scene of much merriment Monday night when Mr. and Mrs. Behrens entertained with a party.

I have purchased a registered Jack from Max Michaelis and will stand him at my place. Terms: \$15.00 insurance; \$2.50 cash, balance when foal arrives. 7-4

Positively no Sunday service Ernest A. Probst, Katemey, Texas.

We are told that recent word to relatives here from Mrs. R. E. Crawford of El Paso, advises that Mr. Crawford is not improving as fast as was expected since a recent operation and it is thought he will have to undergo another operation if he can gain sufficient strength to stand it.

You'll enjoy the pictures at the Star Opera House. Shows every Friday and Saturday night. Don't forget it starts at 8:15 o'clock. 8

T. A. Rolston was here Saturday from his ranch in the Erna section and says they have had none of the recent rains.

## DO YOU READ?

The News is prepared to take subscriptions for any magazine or newspaper published. Magazines and newspapers are often sent as gifts. If you should want to subscribe for any periodical for yourself, a relative or friend, we will be pleased to take your order at publisher's prices. Martin D. Loring, Publisher.

Mrs. Fritz Wartenbach was on the sick list a few days this week.

Ran Capps was here last Saturday and reported having had a good deal of hail at his place.

## DISSOLUTION NOTICE

The Corporation known as the Hofmann Mercantile Co. at Fredonia, Texas, was dissolved on the 29th of April 1920, according to the laws of the State of Texas. Mr. T. P. Wood has acquired the entire business. All debts due the firm will be paid to him and all of the old firm's indebtedness will be paid by him. 8-4t.

The young man who spends his money only for necessities grows into the middle aged who can spend for luxuries. THE COMMERCIAL BANK (Unincorporated)

Jim Brandenberger, one of our stockmen of the Hilda section informs us that they had about an inch of rain last Friday.


## HOLSTEIN FRIESIAN BULL NO. 256345

Palo Verde Starie De Kol, a registered Holstein Friesian bull to be kept at my place; the entire season, calves insured at \$5.00 bull and \$10.00 heifer calf.

His breeding is the best and official records on the dam's side run from 12 to 12.8 gallons of milk and from 4.4 to 5.3 lbs. of butter per day.

Why won't a calf from a 3 gallon Jersey and a 12 gallon Holstein give you a strain of milk stock, with a medium between the two? If a bull half the difference in the size of the calf will more than pay the difference in the breeding. Breed to the best and get you a milk cow worth feeding.


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