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LEO ZESCH DIED TUES. AFTER LONG ILLNESS

It is with much regret that the News chronicles the death of Mr. Leo Zesch, which occurred on Tuesday morning at ten o'clock at his home about two miles from this city.

The death of Mr. Zesch was not unexpected, for local physicians and also physicians of New Braunfels, Austin and Marlin had treated him on various occasions and had pronounced his case as being hopeless. For something like fourteen months he had suffered with Bright's disease and this was aggravated by occasional attacks of rheumatism. During the past eight months he had been almost bedfast.

Mr. and Mrs. Zesch spent a couple weeks in Marlin in hopes of benefitting his condition and they reached home Tuesday morning about five o'clock; only a few hours before death came as a relief to his long suffering. It is stated that he became unconscious on Friday night of last week and since that time was unable to recognize any one.

Deceased was born in Mason county sixty-one years and four months ago and had spent his entire life as a resident of this county with the exception of a few years that were spent in California. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lena Zesch, and also two daughters by a former marriage. One daughter resides in California and the other is a resident of Alaska. Surviving also, are two brothers, Will and Eugene, of this county, and three sisters, Mrs. Minnie Coreth, of New Braunfels; Mrs. Martha McDougall, of this city and Mrs. Agnes Momborg, of Caldwell, Idaho.

Funeral services were held at the family residence on Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock and were conducted in the German language by Rev. H. Imbrock, pastor of the Lutheran church. Following the religious services, the Sons of Herman Lodge, of which fraternity, Mr. Zesch had been a member for some time, took charge of the corpse.

A large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends accompanied the body to the Gooch cemetery where interment was made after last sad tributes had been paid to the deceased.

The large attendance at the funeral and the vast number of floral bouquets evidenced the high esteem with which Mr. Zesch was held in our community. The News extends sympathy and condolence to the bereaved wife and other relatives.

Mason Comm'cl Club Met Monday Evening

The regular monthly meeting of the Mason Commercial Club was held at the court house Monday night. The meeting was presided over by Dor. W. Brown, president.

No special business was brought before the club at this meeting, but several questions of importance were discussed during the evening.

Reports were received and accepted from several committees and the committeemen discharged. The committee on securing a camping ground for tourists was retained to make further investigation of prospective sites for the grounds.

W. H. Lawson was appointed as a committee of one to have the band stand in the court house yard repaired and painted.

A committee was appointed to wait upon the commissioners court next Monday to request that a pound pen be built in which local officers could place loose stock taken up around town.

The Club was extended an invitation by Mrs. W. H. Lawson, commercial manager of the local exchange of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, to visit the telephone office on Wednesday of each week and observe the work that is being carried on by the company.

Upon an invitation of County Judge, John T. Banks, the Club will hold its meetings during the coming months in the District court room of the court house. This step was taken because of

SCHOOL MAINTAINING A HIGH STANDARD

The present school attendance in Mason is exactly 400. Of this number, 76 are in the high school department. The total number of absences for the last scholastic month was three hundred and eighty and one-half days, leaving an attendance of ninety-five per cent for the month.

The sixth grade, with ninety-nine per cent attendance, or only four absences, showed the best record. It also showed a record of ninety per cent passing grades, while the grade showing the highest number of absences and the lowest per cent of attendance showed only seventy-nine per cent passing grades. This is but another illustration of the fact that a pupil cannot do twenty days' work in fifteen days.

At present, only four out of the total of almost forty boys playing baseball, are eligible because of low grades in plaver must make passing grades on at least three out of four subjects).

During the entire year only one boy regularly playing on some team has been suspended from school, none has been expelled, none has played truant, none has been corrected for any of the following: smoking on grounds, destroying school property, fighting causing quarrels or fights among smaller boys, disrespect to or ungentlemanly conduct among girls, and last and perhaps worst of all "spooning", or falling in love at school. Mason has a "bunch" of red-blooded gentlemen attending school, and she should be proud of them.

It might also be said that the girls on the various teams have a still more enviable record of which to boast.

Although there has been fourteen withdrawals from high school and still more in the grades, not a one of these was regularly playing on any team, except in the case where the pupil was moving away.

The second series of standardized tests are now being given the pupils in the third to the seventh grades inclusive. The medians for the reading in the fourth grade is the only results that have been tabulated so far. That shows comprehension 11 and rate 69, this being one less than the National Standard in each case. The National Standard was set up from the scores made by over 300,000 children in the fourth grade. In the first series of tests last fall the fourth grade fell to comprehension 3 1/2, rate 49. The gain shown by the tests just given, according to the best authorities, represents about one and one-half years of normal progress. If they do as well in other subjects as in reading they will have accomplished what is generally regarded as almost impossible.

The crowded conditions that have been brought on by the large attendance at the meetings of the past few months, and also because the District court room will be much cooler and more comfortable during the summer months.

Misses Sweet Oatman, Sarah Puckey, Genevieve King and Mrs. J. S. King spent Sunday in Llano with relatives and friends.

MAYHEW SHIPS LARGE NUMBER OF MASON COUNTY HENS, MON.

Frank Durst, manager of the local branch house of the Mayhew Produce Co., announces that he shipped something like 700 hens to Brady on Monday, where they were used to help fill out a carload shipment by the Mayhew Company. The price paid for these hens was 18 cents per pound, which amount makes an ordinary hen bring from 75 cents to a dollar and better apiece.

Mr. Durst is now busy buying hens for another carload shipment and has placed an advertisement in the News stating that he will be in the market until next Thursday, April 14th. He is advertising no special price, but he stated that the price is likely to remain around 18 cents, although, should it go higher or lower, it will be regulated accordingly.

Come to see us while at the Stock Show, McCollum Auto Company, 3-2

LIVESTOCK EXHIBIT PROMISES TO BE BIG EVENT IN MASON COUNTY HISTORY

ANNUAL LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY EXHIBIT TO BE HELD NEXT SATURDAY, APRIL 9TH—COMMITTEES REPORT MORE INTEREST BEING MANIFESTED

Announcements coming from the various committeemen at work preparing for the next annual Livestock and Poultry Show for Mason County, which is to be held on Saturday, April 9th, are very gratifying. It is stated that more interest is being shown by the livestock raisers than they have heretofore shown and the committeemen report a surprisingly large number of entries can be expected.

County Agent, Dor W. Brown, announces that he is now certain that W. T. McGee, animal husbandry expert of the Texas A. & M. College, will be in Mason on the above date to have charge of the judging of hogs, cattle, sheep and goats. Mr. Brown has advised that he has the assurance of Mr. F. F. Aschbacher, of Brady, a poultry expert of State reputation who has assisted in the poultry judging at the Dallas Fair on several occasions, that he will be here to take care of the poultry judging and Mr. Aschbacher is to have the assistance of Mrs. Frank Kidd, of Local Valley, who is well known in this section of the country as an expert with chickens. The securing of this splendid talent to judge the exhibits of livestock and poultry will be learned with much satisfaction by the residents of the county in general, and especially so by the parties who contemplate entering some of their fine breeds of stock. We are informed that the County Agent of McCulloch county, B. D. Black, and A. J. Cotton, County Agent of Llano county, will be present to assist our County Agent in handling the exhibits and in managing affairs in general.

Lectures to Be Given.

The News is authorized to announce that Mr. McGee has accepted an invitation from Mr. Brown to deliver a lecture while in Mason, and we are advised that his subject will be that of hog raising, but he will not confine his lecture to the swine alone. Mr. McGee is an instructor of animal husbandry at the A. & M. College and is familiar with livestock of all kinds and with the various breeds of each. His lecture will, no doubt, prove quite instructive and interesting and it is to be hoped that no livestock raiser of Mason county will fail to take advantage of this

Bond Issue Carries in Prec't. No. 1—94 to 10

In the road bond election, which was held in Road District No. 1 of Mason County on last Tuesday, only ten votes were polled against the proposition. Nine of these dissenting votes were polled in the Mason voting box and the tenth opposing vote was recorded at the Katemey box. A total of 101 votes was polled in the election and a coincidence is evidenced in the fact that each of the two voting boxes recorded 52 votes. Since a bond election requires only a two-thirds majority, it goes without saying that the election was an overwhelming victory for good roads.

The carrying of this election means that \$20,000 worth of road bonds will be issued by Road District No. 1 of Mason county for the purpose of constructing and maintaining a first class road from the town of Mason to the McCulloch County line via Katemey. The Puget Sound to the Gulf Highway passes over this road, and as it is an established mail route there will be no trouble in getting State and Federal aid to finance the construction of a first class road.

The bonds to be issued will cover a period of thirty years and will bear 5 1/2 per cent interest, payable annually.

Just how soon actual work can be begun on this proposed road depends upon the rapidity of getting the bonds printed, disposed of and other preparatory details arranged, but it is to be supposed that no time will be wasted and precautions will be taken against

unnecessary delays.

It is now apparent that Mason will have two first class roads leading out to the north and we already have one of the best dirt roads in the State to the southern county line. Good roads are a fine asset for any county and it is to be hoped that the time is not far distant when the proper steps will be taken to secure first class roads thru Mason county running east and west.

Hereford Auction Sale at 2 p. m.

An event to be held in connection with the Livestock and Poultry Show is the public auction sale of Registered Hereford Cattle, which Mr. Elgin O. Kothmann is to hold on the public square at 2 p. m., and in all probability this will prove a big drawing card and will likely be as interesting as the Stock Show itself.

For this sale, Mr. Kothmann has secured the services of Col. Lufe Burger, of Wellington, Kansas, who will have charge of the auctioneering of the cattle.

Cars Parked South of Court House

Due to the many exhibits which are being expected and in view of the fact that our streets will be crowded on the day of the stock show it is being requested that parties coming in cars park them on the south side of the court house and thereby give all available space on the upper side of the square to the holding of the events of the day. This method will greatly facilitate traffic conditions. The News makes this remark so as to prevent any car owners from parking on the upper side of the square and then later having to move their car, for the officers have been instructed to have cars park on the south side and cars left on the north side will be moved. It will be better to park your auto yourself and not have to be bothered with the inconvenience of moving it or hunting it up after the officer in charge has taken it upon himself to move it for you.

Program of Events in This Issue

Readers of the News are directed to page four of this issue, where they will find an outline of the program to be carried out next Saturday. Go over this program carefully and you will be enabled to keep in mind the exact hour for holding the different events of the day.

CHAUTAUQUA OPENS IN MASON TUESDAY

TWO ENTERTAINMENTS DAILY FOR FIVE DAYS

The Cadmean Chautauqua, under the auspices of the Mason Commercial Club, will open its 1921 engagement in Mason on next Tuesday, April the 12. The afternoon programs will start each afternoon at three o'clock and the evening programs will start at 8:15 o'clock. There will be a total of ten programs.

Season tickets are now on sale at Mason Drug Co., First State Bank, Vedder Drug Co., and E. Lumburg & Bro. An advertisement appearing in this issue gives the prices charged for season tickets for adults and children. It also states the prices which will be charged for single admissions where a person has not a season ticket. An aggregate of the single admission prices will amount to more than \$6, while a \$2.00 ticket for an adult only costs \$1.30 and will entitle the holder to see all performances.

Don't fail to read over the program for the ten performances. This Chautauqua affords you an opportunity to see, at a minimum cost, some of the most talented and world renowned performers. Bringing the chautauqua to Mason is almost like bringing the grand opera to your door. People who are not in a position to get the benefit of grand opera season in the city, are given an opportunity to enjoy the Chautauqua, the next thing to grand opera, right here in our town and at a surprisingly low expense.

The town of Mason has supported the Chautauqua on two previous occasions and in both instances our people realized the value for their money in the high class entertainments, which the chautauqua performers furnished.

It is announced by the Chautauqua committee that the chairs from the Star Opera House have been leased for the occasion and these chairs will be placed in the large tent and arranged in reserved seat sections. This method will provide 160 reserved seats, which can be had for a small additional charge. When you purchase your season tickets, ask about the reserved seats.

See the advertisement elsewhere in the News for full particulars as to the program, admission and other desired information.

One New Member on Local School Board

The trustee election of last Saturday passed off very quietly, as usual. The News has been unable to get returns from all portions of the county and will therefore have to postpone the publication of full returns until our next issue.

In the Mason Independent District the following were elected as trustees: D. F. Lehmborg, C. D. McMillan, Roscoe Runge and Beck Gipson. Mr. Gipson is the only new member on the board, the other three elected, having served during the previous term. The vote for county trustees-at-large in this district resulted in 41 votes for S. A. Hoerster, 16 votes for W. H. Larrimore and a few scattered votes for various other parties.

SCHOOL NEWS.

The chapel program for Monday morning was in charge of the 7th grade. The following program was enjoyed by all the pupils, teachers and Mr. Banks.

Song—Smith Lewis.
Recitation—Ruth Bruce.
Piano Duet—Ella Mae Probst and Ette Marie Hofmann.
Play—"Mother Wins."

Miss Zella Wood was on the sick list last Monday and Mrs. Bennett taught for her.

The play ground equipment which was donated to the school by the Parent-Teachers' Association, consisting of a slide and four seesaws were put up this week. The tennis outfits and swings have been ordered, but have not been received.

COMING COMING COMING
AT THE STAR THEATER
"Huckle Berry Finn", April 29.
"Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come", May 13th.
"Madam X", May 27th.

TEXAS UNIVERSITY HAS BRIGHT OUTLOOK FOR FUTURE GROWTH

AUSTIN, Tex., April 7.—What is regarded as the most important step ever taken in the matter of providing for the future growth and expansion of the University of Texas was the signing by Governor Pat M. Neff on April 1 of the bill passed by the Legislature at its recent session, authorizing the purchase of 135 acres of additional land adjoining the present campus of the University. The measure carries an appropriation of \$1,350,000 to be used in buying the property. Options already have been obtained on most of the tracts and it is expected that the entire transaction will be closed without delay. With this additional land the campus of the University, including athletic grounds, will embrace 175 acres, all situated practically in the heart of Austin.

At the regular meeting of the Board of Regents of the University which is to be held April 26, plans for improving the property will be discussed. There are many homes located upon the different lots and tracts and these will be rented by the University, pending the carrying out of the building program. It is estimated that these rentals will bring an annual revenue of about \$100,000 a year.

Architects and landscape artists will first make a plan for improving and beautifying the grounds, including the laying out of athletic fields, stadium and locations for various buildings. The present enrollment of more than four thousand students makes the physical plant of the University very crowded. Every effort will be made to relieve this congested condition at the earliest possible time, it is stated.

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MCCULLOCH COUNTY WOOL GROWERS WILL POOL 61,000 POUNDS

BRADY, Tex., April 7.—Wool growers of McCulloch County signed up 61,000 pounds of wool with the Southwestern Farm Bureau Wool and Mohair Growers Co-operative Association. About 30,000 pounds of the wool was 1920 unsold clip and about 30,000 pounds more was odd clip of 1921. The meeting was addressed by George E. Rutan of the Texas Farm Bureau Federation's Marketing Organization Department. Wool growers, particularly the leaders of this section, were most enthusiastic about the State-wide wool pool of 2,000,000 pounds being formed. Mr. Rutan said that 16,000 pounds of wool and mohair was signed up with the association at a meeting at Lampasas, though farmers were so busy that there was a small attendance. The meeting almost unanimously favored the co-operative wool association.

UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC MEET WILL BE HELD MAY 6 & 7

AUSTIN, Tex., April 7.—Preparations are being made at the University of Texas for the annual meet of the Interscholastic League which is to be held here May 6 and 7. It is practically assured, according to Dr. E. D. Shurter, director of the League, that there will be a larger number of contestants than at any previous meet. Many schools have been added to the League since the last meet and these will be represented through their respective districts. Dr. Shurter says that the various competitions, which are conducted in rural communities, towns and cities of the State, have aroused greater interest and enthusiasm this year than ever before and that all this forebodes an increase of attendance at the coming annual meet. All of the visitors will be well taken care of during their stay in Austin, it is stated.

Why Mr. N. Windsor (R. I.) Put Up with Rats for Years
"Years ago I got some rat poison, which nearly killed our fine watch dog. We put up with rats until a friend told me about Rat-Snap. It surely kills rats, though house pets won't touch it." Rats dry up and leave no smell. Prices, 35c, 65c, \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by Larchmont & Co. Drug Co.

HUGE RATTLER IN BED

Julius Bauscheidt, a farmer of the Helote settlement, sixteen miles northwest of San Antonio, was driven from his bed by a monster diamond back rattler with 26 rattles, early Sunday night, according to reports brought into the city by relatives. The reptile reported the largest ever killed in that section, was dispatched with a shotgun.

Mr. Bauscheidt was retiring. His room was near the back porch of the home. He was seated on the edge of the bed and as he lifted the cover the warning of the rattles sounded. Bauscheidt leaped backward just in time to avoid being struck.

The rattler toppled to the floor as he missed the strike, instantly coiling again and defying Mr. Bauscheidt. Mr. Bauscheidt got his gun, and the rattler tried to escape thru an opening into the back yard. A load of birdshot shattered the reptile's head.—S. A. Light.

PUREBRED BULLS WORK WONDERS

Adds \$45 a Head to the Prices of His Offspring From Grade Cows.

A South Dakota stockman gives the following testimony as to the value of a purebred bull in his herd:

"Three years ago, my brother and I owned a bunch of good grade cows—just average range animals. We also had eight purebred cows and in order to breed them bought a big purebred bull of best quality. As we did not have full use for him we bred the range cows to him. We shipped some two-year-old steers and a few two-year-old heifers to market on the same train in which our neighbor shipped his steers. His animals were about the same as ours and he had a registered bull, but it was just a good average range type. Both lots of cattle were sold on the same day by the same commission firm. Our steers netted an average of \$144.80, and the heifers \$123.07; our neighbor's steers netted \$88. Our bull cost much more than his, but we considered ours cheaper in the end."—American Hereford Journal.

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Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Runge are occupying apartments in the Beyer home on Post Hill.

THE CADMEAN CHAUTAUQUA
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A glimpse of the program will convince you that the attractions are the very best and will be worth the price charged for admission.

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160 reserved seats will be on sale at a slight additional charge.

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Adults \$3.30
Children (over 12 years) \$1.80
Children (7 to 12 years) \$1.60

1st Day

2nd Day

3rd Day

4th Day

5th Day

AFTERNOON—
Chautauqua How-Do-You-Do.....Vernon Grimes Dramatic Duo
Admission 55 cents
EVENING—
A Red-Headed Program.....Vernon Grimes Dramatic Duo
Melange of Magic and Mystery.....Becker and Spike, the Dog
A mixture of mirth, mystery, shadowgraphy and spirit painting.
Admission 55 cents
AFTERNOON—
Artists' Recital of Gypsy Music.....Haseltine Gypsy Singers
Half Hour of Southern Stories.....Wood Briggs
Admission 55 cents
EVENING—
Operetta—"The Gypsy Maiden".....Haseltine Gypsy Singers
Oration—"Playing the Game".....Captain Wood Briggs
Beautiful costumed love story and a powerful address.
Admission 85 cents
AFTERNOON—
Six Bonnie Brae Lassies Entertaining.....Maids O' Dance
Admission 55 cents
EVENING—
Rollicking Full Evening Frolic.....Maids O' Dance
The Highland Fling will be danced on week nights.
Admission \$1.10
AFTERNOON—
Musical Oddities.....Hoyt Garrett and Company
Lecture—"Chips Off the Old Block".....W. H. Nation
Admission 55 cents
EVENING—
Musical Bottles and Ragtime Rhapsodies.....Hoyt Garrett & Co.
Feature Lecture—"What I think of Your Town".....W. H. Nation.
A fearless statement of how your community impresses outsiders.
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AFTERNOON—
Zither Music and Swiss Concert.....Swiss Yodeling Serenaders
Admission 55 cents
EVENING—
Alpine Songs, Stunts, and Yodeling.....Swiss Yodeling Serenaders
Picturesque native costumes from Switzerland.
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of April, 1921

(Seal) ROSCOE RUNGE,

Notary Public Mason County, Texas.

Every town needs a baseball team and we are wondering if the fans of Mason are not looking forward to some exciting ball games this summer. It is about time the ball players of our town were organized.

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Deceit, the most dreadful form of vice, cannot be compared to anything but the worst of wickedness, while love and purity are the greatest characteristics we can possess.—S. H. Rains.

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Last week's issue of the Llano News announced that Messrs. W. B. Collins and his son, Will, had purchased of Wilkes and McLean, the Llano News printing plant and would take charge

on the first of April. Mr. Collins is an experienced newspaper man, having edited several papers and recently conducted the News at Bonham, Texas. At one time, Mr. Collins was at the head of the Mechanical Department of the School of Journalism at the State University. We welcome Mr. Collins and his son back in our midst. The News failed to state what the intentions of Messrs. Wilkes and McLean are, but we trust they are not contemplating retiring from the newspaper fraternity.

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F. R. Jordan, the Kateney merchant and postmaster, was a pleasant caller at the News office on Monday. Mr. Jordan advised us that the voters of his section turned out fine for the recent trustee election. He said 49 votes were polled. The News is glad to see some of our wide awake communities set examples for other portions of the county. Every school district should record a full vote in a trustee election.

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You do not think of cutting down your supply of gasoline when you come to a hill. On the contrary you give your carburetor more gas to get over the top with ease. The fellow who does not do this, is stalled on the roadside, while you are over the top and have forgotten the ones passed far behind.

The same condition confronts business—you speed your engine to increase power—advertising accelerates business. The business that neglects advertising now, is in the same position as the motorist who fails to give his car more gas at a hill.

Merchandising plans for the future will direct more attention to the dynamic forces of the business building power of advertising. More than in the past, advertising will be the determining factor in creating sales.

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WE HOPE IT IS TRUE
A rumor reached Texas a few days ago that President Harding would probably put our former Representative in Congress, James L. Slayden, on the U. S. Shipping Board.

The Shipping Board is one of the three or four Commissions created by Congress which provides in the law for both Republicans and Democrats in membership and if Mr. Slayden is appointed it will be as one of the Democrats.

No better appointment could be made and Mr. Slayden would serve with credit to his party and the President if he should be chosen for such service.

His old friends in San Saba county whom he served faithfully for 22 years would be glad to have him recognized. The means adopted to defeat him were contemptible and based on falsehood, and it ought to be rebuked and such recognition as his nomination on the U. S. Tariff Commission, the Shipping Board or to any other important service, would be just and proper.—San Saba Star.

The Hon. James L. Slayden has many friends and admirers in Mason county who will be glad to learn of his probability of being chosen by the President as one of the members of the Shipping Board. We are of the opinion that Mr. Slayden is a competent man for the place and absolutely worthy of the position.

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WITTY AND WISE
It is still lawful for the prune to get stewed.—Florida Times-Union (Jacksonville).

Why feel so blue? The worst has never happened and never will.—Ness City (Kans.) News.

Some men do what their wives tell them to do, and some men are not married.—Rochester (Minn.) Sentinel.

We are not worrying so much right now about the fool killer as we are the cool filler.—Florida Times-Union.

Some people cast their bread upon the waters and expect it to come back buttered.—Brookfield (Mo.) Budget.

Talking about epidemics, the most prevalent one in America today seems to be the hip disease.—Burlington News.

The skeleton rider of the pale gray horse appears to have a new steed—the white mule.—Arcola (Ill.) Arcolian.

The cheek-to-cheek dancers naturally have to have their weak heads propped up.—Flint (Mich.) Journal.

Henry Ford says that cows are superfluous and that a machine can take their place. It is a safe bet that his fliver has already weaned more boys from milking than any other modern invention.—Hot Sulphur Springs Colo. Times.

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We carry a full line of Storage Batteries for all makes of cars. L. F. Eckert Garage.

Proposed Railroad Ruoted via Dublin to Llano

LLANO, April 2.—A delegation of railroad officials, representing the interest of the Oklahoma & Texas Southwestern, chartered to run from Ardmore to San Antonio and the Gulf, via Llano and Fredericksburg, passed thru here inspecting the route, and have decided to change the route to run thru Blanco instead of Fredericksburg. Llano has donated this road the right-of-way through the county, \$40,000 cash, depot grounds and land for locations of shops and roundhouses. An early construction of this proposed road is anticipated.—Fort Worth Star Telegram.

Mason county should be in on this extension of the above named railroad, and it is probable that while the officials are undecided as to the exact route the road will be built, they could be induced to continue the line from Dublin to Brownwood, Brady, Mason, Fredericksburg and on to San Antonio. The co-operation of the towns along this route, would no doubt, have a material effect toward the changing of the route via Brady, Mason and Fredericksburg. Something should be done in regard to this prospect of securing a railroad for Mason.

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LAKE McLUKE SAYS
The girls were so little keeping warm all Winter that we do not see how they are going to take anything more off in order to keep cool this Summer.

Two men can admire the same shirt and remain friends. But it is different when they admire the same skirt.

Why do they say that a Bride is "led" to the Altar? Did you ever see a Bride pulling back?

The reason a man hates to stay at home during the day is because every time he gets comfortably settled in a chair his wife makes him move so she can sweep under the chair.

And what has become of the old fashioned thrifty man who could save a dollar and a half a day on a \$30 a month salary.

SEVENTY SECONDS OF SUNSHINE

(By Patton Farris)

IT'S DEAD CERTAIN—
That even though the sun is not shining on us today, it's bound to do so one of these days. No cloud is everlasting.

Why Do We Do It?

Success comes quite as much from the motives we follow as from the deeds we get done. Luck (for our "good angel") occasionally helps us out when we're done something for a foolish reason, or for no reason at all, and makes the deed turn out wonderfully well for us. But usually a poor motive produces a poor result. And even foolish or apparently futile actions result happily sometimes, simply because our motives are excellent. Probably this is because our deeds are only what we do, while our motives are what we are. And if what a man is is good, in the end what he does will turn out to be very good. Eventual success depends mightily on motives. As we begin each important action, it is wise to ask: "Why do I do it?"

More than one man thinks his pocket book is being badly hit, when it is only his conscience.

Coming

Some men do,
And some men don't—
Say, "I can't!"
When they mean, "I won't!"
Another chap says:
"Well, maybe I can!"
Now, which would you say
Is the coming man?

Just for the Week

Usually it does little good to "tell him what I think of him" and often it does great harm to the person who does the telling. Ability to be self-restrained, on the other hand, adds distinctly to one's capacity for careful performance of important work.

We find sometimes that there is one thing even more persuasive than an hour of ringing eloquence—

A second of simple silence.

J. C. Lemburg and family and Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Runge spent a very pleasant day at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. John Geistweidt, near Hilda, last Sunday.

FROM NEWS FILES OF 25 YEARS AGO

From Mason News, April 10, 1896:
A social dance of much pleasure to a large number of young people was given at Adolph Keller's Monday evening.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Rosenberg, a boy, on the 1st.

Prof. R. D. Fischer and wife, of Gillespie county, spent Sunday visiting E. F. Stengel and family.

Miss Andregg is at Jacob Schuessler's quite sick.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Otto Giersch a girl, on the 1st.

Thos. Ball was convicted of cattle theft at Junction and given two years in the pen. John Finney was given two years for burglary.

Mrs. Pate, living near Voca, died last Sunday afternoon.

Chas. Leslie returned last week from a several days' absence in Stonewall county.

Major Seth Mabry was here this week and sold 400 steers to Mr. Hume, of Austin, Price \$21.

A. L. Patton, of Fredericksburg, spent last week here assisting Harry Bierschwale in arranging their large consignment of furniture.

Wm. Redman and wife left Tuesday for Rusk to visit their daughter, Mrs. Dr. J. T. Wiggins.

The District Medical Board met at the office of Dr. Baze Wednesday and examined and allowed certificates to practice to J. T. Bynum, of London and J. J. Patterson, of Streeter.

It costs no more to raise good cattle than it does to raise scrub cattle. Don't be satisfied until you are raising the best. Premier Ranch Herefords cannot be beat. Come to the auction sale in Mason on Saturday afternoon, April 9th, and see for yourself what Premier Ranch registered Herefords are, and then figure what a few of them mixed with your cattle will do in the way of grading up your bunch. Sale starts promptly at two o'clock. Elgin O. Kothmann. 1-4c

Eugene Zesch left his annual dollar and a half with the News Monday while here from his ranch south of town. He informed us that his sister, Mrs. Wm. Momborg and little son were called home Monday evening upon receipt of a telegram from her husband stating that her elder son was seriously ill of diphtheria.

H. A. Jordan and Geo. Sorrells were in Mason Sunday morning from Peters Prairie to bring in the trustee election returns. They informed us that the citizens of their community took quite a bit of interest in the recent trustee election; there being something like 40 votes polled.

LUCKY STRIKE cigarette



15 Years Ago in Mason

From Mason News, April 6, 1906:

Dillon Bridges and Miss Edith Seara made a trip to Brady last Saturday. Mason now has an orchestra that makes splendid music, and they will play for a ball on Friday night at the Geistweidt Hall.

Allen Mogford left Saturday for Markham, where he has employment.

Clarence Williamson celebrated his birthday Saturday with a party.

Mrs. A. W. Kooch is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. G. Bogusch, in Llano.

The young folks enjoyed a party at the home of Mrs. John Lindsay, Friday night.

Reuben Willmann, of the Plehweville community fell from a tree Tuesday and broke his arm.

Littlefield & White sold to Corder & Russell, 1015 steers, 3 and 4 years old, which will be delivered to Brady.

Judge Gooch this week sold the balance of his farm, consisting of 193 acres to E. H. Bogusch for \$6,640.

J. M. Stewart has purchased the B. F. Gooch home, consisting of 28 acres, for \$2,500.

Miss Alta Smith returned some days since from Fife, where she has been assisting Miss Bernice Doole in her school.

E. W. Schroeder left Thursday for Junction to tend bar for Harrison & Baker.

J. S. Thompson has purchased from Hugo Kooch the Rube Burt place of 100 acres for \$1700.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION

State of Texas, County of Mason.
 Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on the 30th day of April, 1921, at the school house in Common School District No. 12 of this county as established by order of the County Board of Trustees of date the 21st day of June, 1915, which is recorded in Book No. 1, of the minutes of said board on pages 7 and 8, to determine whether a majority of the legally qualified property tax-paying voters of that district desire to increase the local tax heretofore voted in said district for the purpose of supplementing the State School Fund apportioned to said district, from 10 cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district to not exceed 100 cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district, and whether the Commissioners' Court of this county shall be authorized to levy, assess and collect annually a tax of and at the rate of not exceeding 100 cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district for said purpose.

Chas. Guentert 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 shall within five days after said election has been held make due return 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 taxpayers in said district shall be entitled to vote at said election; and all voters who favor increasing the local tax heretofore voted in said district from 10 cents on the \$100 valuation taxable property to not exceeding 100 cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district, shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"For increase of school tax."
 And those opposing such increase shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"Against increase of school tax."
 Said election was ordered by the County Judge of this County by order made on the 29th day of March, 1921, and this notice is given in pursuance of said order.

Dated the 29th day of March, 1921.
 CHAS. GUNTERT,
 331 Sheriff Mason County, Texas.

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**PROGRAM OF EVENTS
 MASON COUNTY LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY SHOW**

Mason, Texas April 9th, 1921

- 9:00 o'clock—Poultry Judging by Mrs. Frank Kidd and F. F. Aschbacher.
- 9:00 o'clock—Judging of Dairy Cattle by A. J. Cotton.
- 9:00 o'clock—Hog judging by W. T. Magee.
- 11:00 o'clock—Judging of Beef Cattle by W. T. Magee.
- 11:00 o'clock—In the District Court Room; lectures on poultry by Mrs. Frank Kidd and F. F. Aschbacher.
- 1:00 o'clock—Judging of sheep and goats—W. T. Magee
- 1:30 o'clock—Judging of Horses, Mules and Jacks by W. T. Magee.
- 2:00 o'clock—Auction Sale.
- 3:30 o'clock—Saddle horse exhibit—try out on street from Commercial Bank to Vedder Drug Company.
- 4:00 o'clock—Lectures in District Court Room by W. T. Magee and A. J. Cotton on Hogs and Dairy Cattle. (These last mentioned lectures will be omitted if the Auction Sale and Saddle Horse contest are not completed by this time.)

Now, Just One More Time, Don't Forget
 We want more good "B's." on every farm—Better Bulls: Boars, Bucks, Billies and Better Boys.
 Don't pass up the good stock with a passing glance. Stop, look them over carefully. See who owns the better blooded stock, and at least try to purchase pure bred sires. Good stock will help you pay for your home, educate your children, and really live; while scrubs

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- At M. E. Church, South, April 10th at 7:45 p. m.
1. Music.
 2. Entrance of girls (to soft music)
 3. Hand sign of Fire and singing of "Wohelo for Aye".
 4. Candle ceremony.
 5. Song (Ancient Spiritual Folk Song).
 6. Lines of Fire.
 7. Desires of wood-gatherers.
 8. Funct.
 9. Bible readings to illustrate the laws.
 - A. Girl service, Matt. 16:24-28.
 - B. Be trustworthy, Matt. 25:14-29.
 - C. Glorify Work, Prov. 3:10-31.
 - D. Pursue Knowledge, Prov. 3:13-22.
 - E. Hold onto Health, Cor. 3:16-17.
 - F. Be Happy, Jno. 15:9-17.
 - Luke 1:46-55.
 10. Motion Song.
 11. Duets.
 12. Address about China.
 13. Song, Rose, Rose, Rose.
 14. Prayer and Benediction.
 15. Song—"Now Our Camp Fire's Burning Low."

You will miss something if you are not in Mason on Saturday, April 9th, to attend the Public Auction Sale of 15 head of Registered Hereford cattle, Elgin O. Kothmann. 1-4c

Clarence Kothmann, who has been attending business college at Austin, came home last week for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Kothmann.

NEED GLASSES?

Dr. Jones, the Eye Man from Brownwood, in Dr. McCollum's office, Wednesday, April 20th, one day only. Eyes examined, glasses fitted, headache and eye strain relieved. 4-2c

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INTE-SCHOLASTIC LEAGUE REPORT OF GIRLS' ATHLETICS

The following girls were winners in the county meet held at Mason, Saturday, March 26:

Basket Ball Throw—Awalt, Mason, 1st; Custer, Katemey, 2nd; Haines, Peters Prairie, 3rd.

Base Ball Throw—Awalt, Mason, 1st; Haines, Peters Prairie, 2nd; Awalt, Mason, 3rd.

Potato Shuttle Relay—Bratton, Bishop, Haines and Curren, Peters Prairie, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, by default.

Pass and Goal Ball—Nix, Curren, Haines and Bishop, Peters Prairie, 1st; Groese, Wood, Awalt and Wartenbach, Mason 2nd.

All Up Relay—Bishop, Bratton and Haines, Peters Prairie, 1st; Awalt, Thaxton and Awalt, Mason, 2nd.

Junior Events.

50 Yard Dash—Rader, Mason, 1st; Green, Mason, 2nd; Nobles, Peters Prairie, 3rd.

Basket Ball Throw—Bishop, Peters Prairie, 1st; Nobles, Peters Prairie 2nd; Green, Mason, 3rd.

Potato Shuttle Relay—Nobles, Bishop, Harris and Holcomb, Peters Prairie, 1st.

Base Ball Throw—Nobles, Peters Prairie, 1st; Posey, Mason, 2nd; Haines, Peters Prairie, 3rd.

Pass and Goal Ball—Holcomb, Bishop, Haines and Nobles, Peters Prairie, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd by default.

SADIE WESTBROOK.

FREDONIA ITEMS

(By Green Leaf)

Last Saturday afternoon, the basket ball girls of Katemey were defeated by the first basket ball team of Fredonia, by a score of 20 to 5.

Quite a number of people of Fredonia, attended the play at Lost Creek Saturday night.

Luke Miller returned home this week from Buren, Arkansas.

Mr. T. P. Wood and family attended the picture show at Mason Friday night.

Miss Mary McKnight, of Carlbad, is here, visiting this week.

J. W. Hibdon, of Brady, was here a short time last week to visit his brother, Alf, and family.

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TO THE CITIZENS OF MASON COUNTY:

Owing to the numerous requests from the citizens of Mason County, especially the farmers and mechanics, as to how soon we will be ready to connect up the country lines, what our charges for switching these lines will be, what will be the extent of the service over the county, and if it is going to be necessary for every country subscriber to change his telephone box, if his line is connected to our switchboard, we desire to make this announcement:

The installation of our new switchboard, which is one of the most modern in the United States, and one that a city ten times the size of Mason would be proud of, is completed, and ready for business, and to which switchboard we now have connected our toll lines, reaching to all points, the lines to Fredonia, Voca, and points in that section, our Casteland Loyal Valley lines, and several new type city telephones in various business houses in Mason.

We have not made any great effort to solicit business as yet, for the simple reason, we were not quite ready, although we are now giving day and night service, and are in a position to connect all business houses of Mason and all the country lines, and give the service; our lines to the residences of Mason are not as yet complete, and will not be for at least three weeks yet, therefore we are not making any rash promises that we cannot live up to, nor are we soliciting any business that will not be profitable or pleasant to both the subscriber and the Company.

Our policy will be one of square dealing to all, as we expect to be with you for a great many years to come.

The charges for switching country lines on our switchboard will be \$.25 per month for each subscriber. This service will give the right to all Mason County, in addition to Voca and Castell. It will not be necessary for any of the farmer lines to change their boxes of lines in any way whatever, the only change will be from one switchboard to the other, which will be done at the city limits by connecting to our lines. It is our intention to install telephones in all parts of the city of Mason.

Our success is assured, for the reason that we are building the best, and no effort will be spared to make service the best to be had.

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SOCIAL EVENTS

HOERSTER-LEIFESTE

A pretty church wedding was performed at the German Methodist Church at Art, Texas, Sunday evening at 8 o'clock when Mr. Carl Hoerster and Miss Bertha Leifeste were united in marriage. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. W. F. Schreiber. The bride is the charming and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Leifeste of the Art community and enjoys the admiration of a number of friends.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hoerster, of Art, and is one of Mason County's most successful mechanics.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoerster will have their home at Art.

The contracting parties have a number of friends who will join them in extending congratulations and wishes.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY ENJOYED PARTY

On last Friday evening, Mesdames Mr. W. Brown and Carl Runge and Miss Edith Bellows were hostesses to a party at the pretty new home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Runge.

Various parlor games and contests furnished the amusement for the evening. A large box of candy was awarded to Henry McDougall and Miss Wilma Mae Doell as a first prize in the contest.

The hostesses served punch and cake to the following guests, Mesdames Ruby Helen Jordan, Genevieve King, Willie Mae Kidd, Elsie Schweers, Ida Leimborg, Willie Mae Doell, Thelma Wood and Masters Walter Jordan, Henry McDougall, Crayford Leimborg, Robert Splittgerber, Henry Hoerster, May Kyger.

PROGRAM FOR Y. P. M. S. SUNDAY APRIL 11TH.

Leader—Willie Mae Doell.

Song—"Work for the Night Is Coming."

"A Night at the Girls Co-operative Home."—Thelma Wood.

Interesting Facts About the City of San Antonio.—Genevieve King.

Special Song—Helen Jordan, Lillie Mae Kidd, Murray Kyger and Henry McDougall.

Bible Lesson—Matt. 8, 28-34 by leader.

A Talk—"A Day at the San Antonio Wesley House."—Mary Wood.

"The Church of the Alps"—Averil Bellows.

Prayer for Mexican People.

Business.

LADIES' AID WITH MRS. KING, FRIDAY, APRIL THE EIGHTH

The News is requested to announce that the Ladies' Aid of the Christian Church will meet with Mrs. J. S. King on Friday afternoon, April the eighth.

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HENS! HENS! HENS!

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B. R. HOLLAND DEAD

The News is informed by Ernest Hofmann that word was received Sunday night announcing Mr. B. R. Holland died on Sunday afternoon at 6:10 o'clock at Lake Victor, Texas. The message stated the funeral would be held at that place on Monday afternoon.

Mr. Holland was an aged citizen of this county and was taken ill while on a visit with relatives in Burnet county and never recovered to return home, which, we are told, was his desire.

Data on the life of Mr. Holland is not available for this issue of the News, but Mr. Hofmann states that he has written to relatives in Burnet county for such information as they can furnish.

"Grandpa" Schaffer, who is now almost 81 years old, was here Saturday from near Art, and says he walked to town that morning, making the 7 mile journey in a little less than three hours. He started out thinking a vehicle of some kind would overtake him and give him a ride, but it was not until he had reached the Wm. Willmann place that a wagon caught up with him and he rode on into town.



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AUSTIN, March 22.—True advertising is now the law of Texas. If a person should find the assertion or representation in an advertisement untrue, false, misleading or deceptive he now has recourse through the law.

The measure was introduced in the legislature by Senator Hertzberg of Bexar and was sponsored by the Advertising Clubs of Texas. When Governor Neff signed it on March 21 it became a law. The governor signed the bill with three pens, using each one to affix part of his name.

The bill merely provides that any person, corporation or other establishment advertising merchandise, securities, service or any commodity in which an increase in distribution is the object of such advertisement, must not misrepresent or mislead the public in the advertisement. The law applies to all classes of advertising from news papers to street car signs. For any misrepresentation, false assertion or deception of the public in such advertisements the advertiser shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and be fined not less than \$10 and not more than \$200 for each offense. However, the owner, publisher, agent or employee of any advertising medium who, in good faith and without the knowledge of falsity of such advertising, caused it to be published or take part in its publication is not liable to the terms of the law.

Public Auction Sale of Premier Ranch Registered Hereford Cattle to be held in Mason, Saturday afternoon, April 9th. Col. Lefe Burger, an experienced auctioneer of Wellington, Kansas will have charge of the auction, which will start promptly at two o'clock. Elgin O. Kothmann. 1-4tc

Subscribe for the News today.

A large white pelican, which was mounted by Chas. Eckert, Jr., is on display at the First State Bank. The bird was killed by Chas. Ritter on the Llano River last fall and he gave it to Mrs. H. L. Simon, who had it mounted.

WILLIAM DAWSON

William Dawson was left a small fortune. He began to live magnificently. He had no idea until he came into his fortune how many friends he had. In a few years time he had spent his fortune and had accumulated considerable debts. He and his friends had literally eaten up his fortune. He had no idea how few friends he had until he had spent his fortune. If you have a small fortune keep it at this Bank and as long as you do so the world will go well with you and you will have a host of friends.

Every time you yield to the temptation to spend a dollar you weaken your will to bank a dollar.
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Mrs. Max Martin and Misses Ruth and Esther left last Saturday for New York, where they will take a steamer for Europe. They expect to be absent some six months.

How To Dye Hats

That beautiful hat of your friend's is probably an old one dyed and made new. You can easily dye your old straw hat in any color you want and give it a beautiful new glossy finish with Fidelity Straw Hat Dye, which unlike many dyes will not stiffen the hat. Sold and recommended by all druggists, and in Mason by Mason Drug Company, and in Fredonia, by W. J. Ellison.

Walton Reynolds came in last week from Chicago and will remain with his mother a few weeks. Walton is recuperating after spending a couple months in a Chicago hospital, suffering with severe pains in his neck. While in the service during the World War, he was a victim of meningitis and ever since he has been subject to occasional attacks on the spinal column. We sincerely trust a rest of a few weeks will permanently benefit his condition.

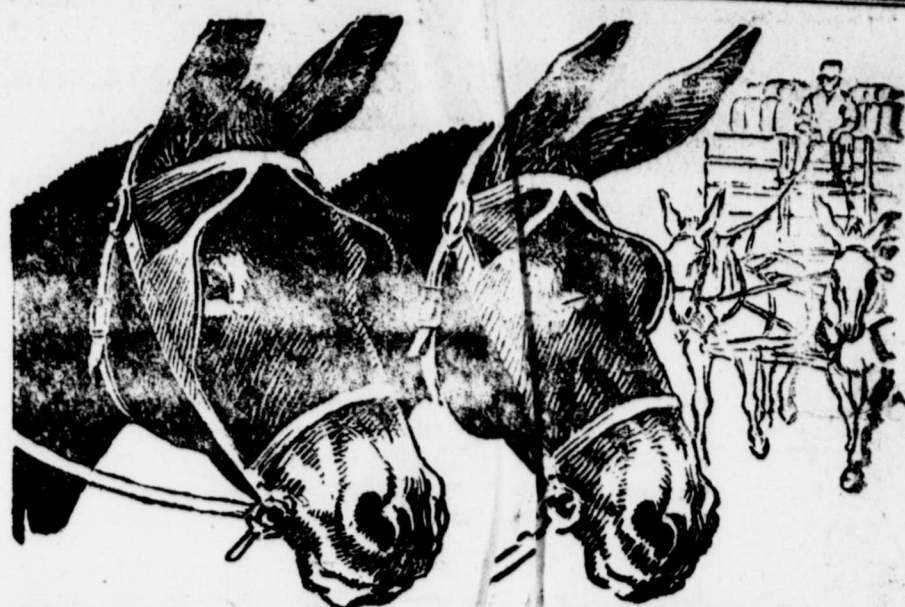
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Wes Lefeste had two teeth knocked loose and received a bad bruise on the lower lip last Saturday morning when a cow which he was holding down for another party to dehorn, jerked her foot loose and swatted him in the mouth.

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Walker White, who is a student District Judge McLean passed through Terrell School of Dallas, was at Mason last Saturday en route to Abilene, the past week, visiting his parents to hold district court.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. White. We are pleased to learn that Mrs. White had as his guest, James Strouwen, Hofmann is reported improving so a student of Terrell School, from a recent illness.

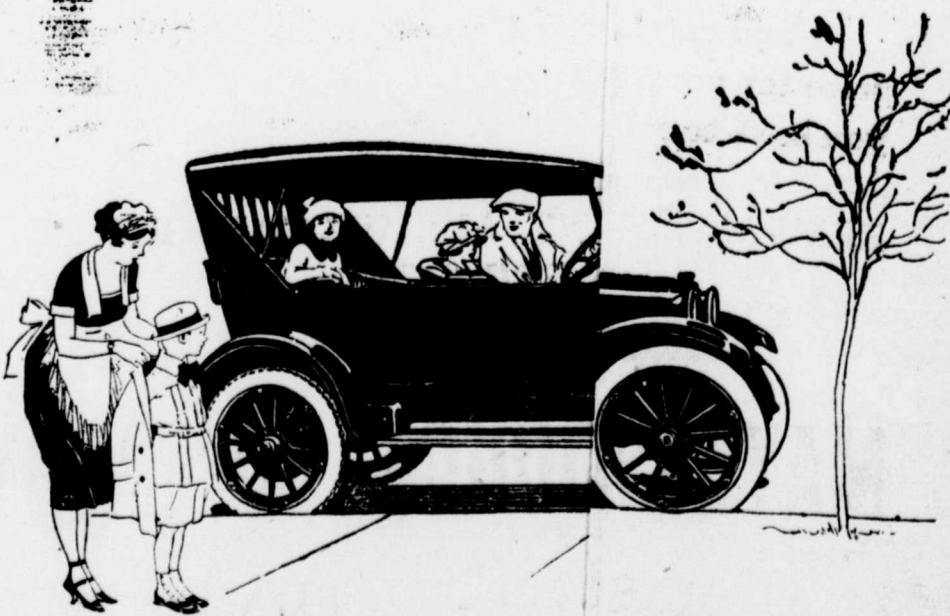
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"For years we have used Black-Draught in our family, and I have never found any medicine that could take its place," writes Mr. H. A. Stacy, of Bradyville, Tenn. Mr. Stacy, who is a Rutherford County farmer, recommends Black-Draught as a medicine that should be kept in every household for use in the prompt treatment of many little ills to prevent them from developing into serious troubles.

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"It touches the liver and does the work," Mr. Stacy declared. "It is one of the best medicines I ever saw for a cold and headache. I don't know what we would do in our family if it wasn't for Black-Draught. It has saved us many dollars . . . I don't see how any family can hardly go without it. I know it is a reliable and splendid medicine to keep in the house. I recommend Black-Draught highly and am never without it."

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Carrick. "The next highest number of deaths was among people between the ages of 20 and 30. Three negro women died at the ages of 99, 100, and 115."

"Tuberculosis still leads with 331 deaths," continued Dr. Carrick. "Pneumonia is next with 276 victims. We have a record of one woman who died of pneumonia after having 396 gall stones removed. There were 2 cases of sleeping sickness in the State during this month, and 3 cases of infantile paralysis. Automobile accidents caused 18 deaths. There were 9 deaths by drowning, 63 homicides, and 24 suicides. These last named were all among white people."

We are pleased to learn that Mrs. O. H. Mebus is recovering after a severe surgical operation which she underwent in Austin last week. Mr. Mebus and daughters, Mesdames Mike J. Jennings and Walter L. Clark, have been in Austin with Mrs. Mebus during her illness.

Second hand car bargains. Come and look them over. L. F. Eckert, Garage.

Miss Ella Durst, who for some time has been in Dallas, has returned to her home at Pontotoc.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Medicine, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts thru the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Medicine fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. F. J. CHENEY & CO. Toledo Ohio. Sold by Druggists.

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NEW MEXICO STOCKMAN DIES.
ALAMOGORDO, N. M., March 29.—James A. Baird, stockman and politician, died Monday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, at the home of his son, Eugene Baird, at Tularosa.
Mr. Baird will be remembered by a number of old settlers of Mason county as an early resident of Mason.

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Will Not Stiffen The Hat.
When you want to dye your old straw hat and make a new one of it, use a dye which will not stiffen the hat. It is a simple matter to dye an old hat and make it look like new, but it is necessary to get the correct dye. Identity Straw Hat Dye will not stiffen the hat. It can be had in all standard colors, and is sold and recommended by all druggists and in Mason, by Mason Drug Company, and in Redonia, by W. C. Ellison.

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EYE, EAR, NOSE AND THROAT
Diseases of women and children a specialty
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FOUR SETS OF TWINS BORN IN TEXAS FOR FEB.
AUSTIN, Tex., April 2.—The report of the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the State Board of Health shows that 44 sets of twins were born in Texas during the month of February, 1921, according to Dr. Manton M. Carrick, State Health Officer. There were 81 white twins and only 4 negro twins, all the latter being females. But one set of triplets was born, and these were negroes, being one boy and two girls. There were 165 still births reported: 37 among whites, and 28 among negroes. The whites also outranked the blacks in the number of illegitimate children, there being 72 white and 24 negro illegitimates. The male illegitimates number 50, and the females 46, both black and white. "An interesting and pathetic fact noted," stated Dr. Carrick, "was that the mothers of 4 of these illegitimates were under 15 years of age."

DR. C. L. MCCOLL
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A total of 3,104 deaths were reported; 2,686 of these were among whites, and 418 among negroes. "The largest number of deaths occurred among babies under one year of age as usual, 49 little lives being lost," said Dr.

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Titan Tractor

Back to the Old Rock-Bottom Price

We have reduced the price of the Titan 10-20 Tractor to its former low figure. This is the same Titan tractor which 75,000 farmers have put into remarkably successful service—the same standard power, plus 1921 improvements and additions.

A full set of removable extension angle lugs sold as extra equipment under the former low price is now included without extra cost. Fenders, Platform, Angle Lugs, Throttle Governor, Friction Clutch Pulley, Wide Range Adjustable Drawbar, Water Air Cleaner—all are included without any extra charge.

INTERNATIONAL 8 16 and 15 30 TRACTORS ALSO REDUCED IN PRICE

Farmers who want a lighter tractor, built like a high-grade automobile but with the same sturdiness and reliability of the Titan, can now get the International 8-16 also at a much lower figure. We have long restricted the sale of this model to a limited territory, but increased production enables us to re-

lease it to all sections of the United States.

The International 15-30 tractor has been reduced along with the others. Bear in mind that we give unequalled service, made possible through 92 branch houses and thousands of local dealers, to every International tractor owner, no matter where located.

PRICES OF OTHER LINES REDUCED

Prices have also been reduced on chilled plows, tractor plows, cream separators, kerosene engines, seeding machines, International threshers, harvester-threshers, wagons, hay presses, and a number of other lines on which your dealer can give you full information.

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LOWER PRICES FOR CASH

Since announcing, by circular, our intention of conducting our business on a cash basis, we are listing a few items of importance, on which we have lowered the price.

Old Price	Present Cash Price
Gasoline, per gal. 28c	Gasoline, per gal. 25c
Lube, med., per gal. 90c	Lube, med., per gal. 85c
Lube, heavy, gallon 1.10	Lube, heavy, gallon 1.00
Cold Patch, box 75c	Cold Patch, box 65c
Tire Talcum, box 15c	Tire Talc, box 10c

Tires and Tubes—War Tax Off
 LOWEST PRICES—QUALITY GOODS

McCollum Auto Company

SANITARIUM CHANGES HANDS

Dr. P. A. Baze and Mrs. Jim Hey closed a trade last week in which the former assumes the ownership and control of the Mason Sanitarium, and Mrs. Hey comes into possession of the Baze residence in the southeastern portion of the city. Dr. Baze paid Mrs. Hey a cash difference in the trade. Each of the parties took possession of their new holdings on Monday of this week. Dr. Baze expects to maintain his residence and also his office in the sanitarium.

Get our price on Ford top covers. Something extra for the price. McCollum Auto Company. 3tf

WILL SERVE LUNCH

The Ladies Aid and the Queen Esther societies of the German Methodist church will serve lunch in the Hoerster building, Saturday, April 9, at 11 o'clock. The ladies extend you an invitation to patronize them on this occasion. Admission 35 and 50 cents. 49-7t

Mrs. J. D. Eckert, of the Art community, celebrated her birthday anniversary last Tuesday. A number of relatives gave her a very pleasant surprise on Tuesday evening by paying an unexpected visit to the Eckert ranch. Several cakes were baked and taken by the ladies. Ice cream was made and a general feast was enjoyed. Those attending from Mason included Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Lehberg, Mr. and Mrs. Will Jordan, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenn Eckert.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Births
 Mr. and Mrs. M. E. McGuffin, a girl, March 29th.
 Mr. and Mrs. Oran Tinsley, a girl, March 28th.
 Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Henry, a girl, March 12th.
 Mr. and Mrs. Jess Mobley, a boy, March 18th.

Marriage License.
 Mr.aleb Hoerster and Miss Bertha Leifeste April 2nd.

Mrs. Anna Martin, Bertha Todd, Walter Martin and little Miss Margaret Martin left Tuesday for Marlin, Texas, to be away a few weeks. We are informed they will be joined there by Mrs. Jennie Hamilton, of Okemaha, Okla., and Mrs. Hamilton will accompany the party to Mason when they return. Kurt Martin drove Mrs. Martin's car through and will return by train.

Take in the picture show at the Starera House each Friday and Saturday night. Show starts at eight o'clock.

Jack, the little son of Jim Brown, getting along nicely, after a siege unexpected visit to the Eckert ranch with diphtheria.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Smith, accompanied by Misses Hintz and Tips, went to San Antonio last week to attend the Grand Opera.

ALL STAR CAST IN NEW COMEDY

"Bachelor Apartments" which comes to the Star Theater on Saturday, April 3, has an excellent cast supporting the star, Georgia Hopkins. Among them is Joseph Donohue who is one of the leading comedians of the screen having appeared opposite Larry Semon of the Vitagraph Company for two years. He also scored a distinct hit as Veteran in support of Alice Joyce in "With a Charter to Incorporate" in the Law.

CLEAN TOWN CLUB NOTICE

The News is requested to announce that the Clean Town Club has designated next Thursday, April 14th, as "cleaning day" in Mason and it is urged that a general spring cleaning be done in all sections of the town. Friday last Tuesday morning, Mrs. Callahan will make its regular rounds to haul off the rubbish. Parties will please cooperate with the Club in this matter by placing their rubbish and trash in a convenient place for the wagon driver.

If you want a good bull for a herd, get a Premier Ranch Registered Hereford Bull. They are accredited being free from tuberculosis and guaranteed against death from leg. A good bull is half your herd. Bulls and five cows, two of which are calves, from the Premier Ranch will be sold at public auction in Mason on Saturday afternoon, April 9th.

The next regular meeting of the Clean Town Club will be held at the court house in Mason on Monday afternoon, May 2nd, at four o'clock.

You'll enjoy the pictures at the Starpera House. Shows every Friday and Saturday night. Don't forget, it starts at 8 o'clock.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO INCORPORATE

Notice is hereby given that the Per Telephone Company, having its principal places of business at Fredonia and Voca, Texas, will after proper notice of intention to incorporate, apply to the Secretary of the State of Texas for a charter to incorporate said Company under the name of the Per Telephone Company.

J. R. PERRY, SR.
 J. R. PERRY, JR.
 G. C. PERRY.


Dr. P. A. Baze, assisted by Drs. Collum and W. W. Beach, performed an abdominal operation upon Robert Cavanaugh at the local sanitarium last Tuesday morning. Mrs. Callahan will make its regular rounds to haul off the rubbish. Parties will please cooperate with the Club in this matter by placing their rubbish and trash in a convenient place for the wagon driver.

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WANT COLUMNS

WAGE WORKER—I am a wage worker and solicit all kinds of work, single handed or with team. Reasonable wages. W. J. Tart, phone 916-F-5. 4-3tc.

HIDES Dressed—I am now dressing hides. Leave them at Louis Probst's store and I will call for them. Albert L. Simon. 4-3tc

WANTED—Salesman for 6,000 mile guaranteed tires. Salary \$100 weekly with extra commissions. Cowan Tire & Rubber Co., Box 784, Chicago, Ill. 1t.

LOST—Gold open face watch; between M. E. Eastman's and the Behrens School House. Finder, please return to Joe Eastman. 1tp.

EGGS FOR SALE—Brown Leghorn eggs for sale at \$1 per setting of 15. Phone or write Mrs. A. R. Latham. 4tf.

FOR SALE—1068 acres at Ranch Branch, known as the Charley Jenkins place. Good house, good well with mill; also dirt tank, 85 or 90 acres in cultivation, more can be put in. Can be had for \$21 per acre. Also 640 acres of good

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 "HOUSE OF TOLLING BELLS"
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pasture land near Fredonia known as part of the Judge McKnight place for \$18 per acre. If interested, see or write L. F. Jordan, Grit, Texas. 3-1f.

FOR SALE—New Ford Touring car with starter. Cheap for cash, or one half cash and balance in trade for good cows. Notify L. F. Jordan, Grit, Texas, or Otto Donop, Mason, Texas. 3-1f.

WHIPERWILL PEAS for sale at 4c per pound. Arthur Baxter, Katyney. 2-2tp.

WANTED
 I would like to buy all of the Whipperwill pens Mason County farmers raised the past year. Will pay highest market price for them.
 A. L. HAMRICK. 2tf.

FOR SALE—My store and postoffice and 1-2 acre lot; also 8 acres with good house and barn on it. Howard Allen. Write G. L. Allen, Streeter, Texas. 2tf.

I WANT your plumbing and windmill work. Satisfaction guaranteed at reduced prices. Phone 149-J, A. B.

Sweet Potato Plants
 Porto Rico East Texas yam and forked leaf yam, \$3.50 per thousand, prepaid. R. W. Staunland, Valley Springs, Texas. 52-8tc

EGGS for Hatching—I have eggs to sell; any of the following kinds: Golden Wyandotts, Brown Leghorns, R. I. Reds, \$1.50 for setting of 15 eggs. Frank Willmann. 51tf.

FOR SALE—Hereford Bulls, good size, good flesh; one year old; 13 per cent pure bred. \$75 per head. F. M. RICHARDS, Brady, Texas. 49-10tp

FOR SALE—Hand sheep shearing machine; about twenty knives and combs newly sharpened. Price \$15. Can be seen at Larimore & Grote's. 49tf.

HOTEL FOR RENT—The Southern Hotel in Mason is for rent. It is furnished and we prefer to sell furniture to parties leasing the building. Inquire of Oxy Garner. 45tf.

Fresh cement at R. Grosse's.

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