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Copper Mine 8 Miles Northwest of Mason Being Developed

COM. COURT MINUTES APRIL REGULAR TERM

Be it remembered that the honorable Commissioners' Court of Mason County, Texas, met in regular session at the court house of said county in the town of Mason on Monday, the 11th day of April, 1921.

Present and presiding, the Hon. John T. Banks, County Judge; Henry Doell, W. J. Griffith, G. W. Herring and H. Hoerster, Commissioners Precincts Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 respectively; R. E. Lee, Clerk and Chas. Leslie, Sheriff of Mason County, Texas.

The court canvassed the returns of the Trustee election held on April 2nd and also the returns of the road bond elections of Road Precincts Nos. 1 and 2.

It was ordered that Commissioner Doell direct the work of fencing in the jail lot and Judge Banks directed to order payment of costs upon presentation of sworn account.

The court directed the Sheriff to notify A. C. Dye to cease using public streets and alleys for places of chopping and storing wood.

The petition of L. H. Lavelle, et al., praying for the employ of a county auditor to audit the books of Mason County, was continued for consideration because of small representation of petitioners.

It was ordered that the Clerk advertise for sealed bids for furnishing paints for painting the court house and jail roofs; also to receive bids for doing the painting.

Sheriff Leslie was ordered to have sewer and water system of county jail repaired and put in good order.

The County Judge will, by order of this Court, make application to the Highway Department for one 5-ton Catapillar Tractor.

A petition of T. E. Harris and 33 others praying for a first class road from Katelymy west to the old Brady road near Henry place, is hereby granted. H. S. Wood, Otto Bogusch, J. H. Pike, Dan Jordan, Sr., and Emil Behrens appointed jury of review, and are instructed to make a report in the cause at the next regular meeting of the Court.

The petition of S. S. Fleming, et al., asking for a first class road leading from Katelymy to the Ranch Branch school house, was refused because said proposed road is not of sufficient public importance.

Accounts Allowed

Chas. Leslie, bill for stamps, \$8; Chas. Leslie, feeding prisoners, \$12.50; Louis Schmidt, road tools, \$7.60; Louis Schmidt, road supplies, \$51.95; S. W. B. Tele. Co., phones, \$5; E. Henrich, supplies for county, \$7.25; Hill Printing Co., supplies for Clerk, \$4; San Antonio Paper Co., supplies for court house, 14.65; Dorsey Co., supplies for Co. Clerk, \$13.40; Hill Printing Co., Treas. supplies, \$4; Chas. Heiler, washing court house bedding, \$2; A. B. Steinmann, work on tank, \$5; L. W. Walker, freight and express, \$1.46; Hill Printing Co., Treas. supplies, \$10; Hill Printing Co., Co. Judge supplies, \$30; Hill Printing Co., Treas. supplies, \$37.50; E. L. Steck Co., Clerk supplies, \$12.08; R. Grosse, material for road overseers, \$33.30; Aug. Metzger, work on concrete culvert, \$17.50; Ernest Reich, work on concrete culvert, \$4.50; John T. Banks, office salary, March, \$85; C. E. Leslie, office salary, March, \$41.66; H. A. Jordan, dragging road, \$16.75; G. W. Herring, 2 days inspecting roads, \$8; Chas. Burns, building concrete slab, \$337; Bauman & Smith, taxes erroneously assessed, \$148.80; E. J. Fostel, work on roads, \$14; E. J. Fostel, dragging roads, \$15; Henry Hoerster, 2 days road supervisor, \$8; W. J. Griffith, 4 days road supervisor, \$16; Commercial Bank, interest on court house bonds, \$1600; John T. Banks, commissioner 4 days, \$12; Henry Doell, com. 4 days, \$16; W. J. Griffith, Com. 4 days, \$16; G. W. Herring, Com. 4 days, \$16; H. Hoerster, Com. 4 days, \$16; E. J. Fostel, work on jail, \$13.50.

Mason H. S. Wins from Brady High—4 to 1

One of the most interesting games of baseball that the people of Mason have witnessed for some time, was played last Saturday afternoon on the local diamond. The game was a contest between the Brady and Mason high school teams and resulted in a 4 to 1 victory for the Mason boys.

For several innings the score was a 1 to 1 tie and it looked as though neither side was going to be able to get any more runs across. Both teams managed to get men on bases several times, but the side would go out before they could register for a tally. In the latter half of the game the Mason boys began to connect up with the Brady slabman's offerings and several extra base hits were recorded with the result that three more scores were added for Mason. Brady threatened to score on several occasions by getting men on the bases, but the batsmen's inability to get to Zesch, Mason's pitcher, for opportune hits, prevented any scoring.

The Mason High School has a splendid little ball team and they deserve the support of the town. The team will journey to Llano next Saturday to play the High School team of that place.

WILL VOTE \$4,000 BONDS TO BUILD SCHOOL BUILDING

Citizens of the Peters Prairie community have a petition ready to request the order of an election whereby they can vote \$4,000 worth of bonds with which to build a new school building in that section.

It is stated that the four thousand dollars will be expended in the greater part for material, and that the labor in constructing the building will be done by citizens of the community.

Information is to the effect that a three room concrete building will be erected, and will be so constructed, as to make it possible to add to the building should necessity ever demand such.

Telephone Co. Renovating Office

The management of the local exchange of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, is this week, having the walls of their offices plastered and repapered.

SCHOOL NEWS

The pupils assembled in the oig hall for chapel Monday morning, but the Chautauqua took up most of the children's time last week, so there was no program prepared. After several songs were sung, Supt. P. A. Bennett, gave a talk, after which Mr. Dumas talked about athletics and aroused a new enthusiasm of showing a greater spirit at the various games. "Yell Leaders" were appointed to help foster the spirit.

The High School girls are now playing indoor baseball out of doors.

The little Garner girl had the misfortune of breaking her arm on the school grounds Monday.

The school children will be given a holiday, April 21. Since it is the first holiday given them this year, most all the pupils and teachers are going to the river.

Miss Bertha Schreiber Resigns

Miss Bertha Schreiber who has been in the employ of the Mason National Bank for the past eighteen months, has resigned her position. Miss Schreiber will not state her intentions for the future, but the boys at the banks say they know what they are.

Gooch Cemetery Being Cleaned Up.

The Cemetery Association is having the Gooch cemetery cleaned of the many weeds and grass. "Shorty" Coats is doing the work, under the direction of E. J. Lemburg, Secretary of the Association. We are informed the work is progressing nicely and is rapidly nearing completion.

Dr. R. D. Byler is in London this week doing dental work.

ASSAY OF ORE BEING GOTTEN OUT IS GOOD; VALUED AT MORE THAN \$99 PER TON. INDICATION ARE ORE WILL IMPROVE IN RICHNESS AT GREATER DEPTH

M. E. CHURCH SOUTH TO ERECT PARSONAGE

COMMITTEE WILL MEET TO CONSIDER PLANS

Christian Vater is at work drilling a well on the property belonging to the M. E. Church, South, which is located just south of the church building and which was recently purchased of Chas. Bierschwale at a consideration of \$1,000. The property will be used for erecting a parsonage thereon.

We are informed by C. D. McMillan, Secretary of the parsonage committee, that no contract has yet been let for erecting the parsonage, and in fact, the plans and specifications of the parsonage have not been definitely decided upon, but the committee will hold a meeting next week at which time these details will be worked out. It is intimated that the building will be a frame structure and will have all the conveniences of a modern home.

For some time it has been a desire of the Methodist congregation to erect a parsonage and the Church has been hard at work soliciting and raising funds with which to carry out their plans. When the old parsonage was sold, \$1,750 was realized and since that time, donations amounting to approximately \$2500 have been received. The Woman's Missionary Society of the Church has had much to do with the success of the parsonage undertaking, and the Society is due much credit for the efforts they have put forth.

It is likely the actual work of constructing the parsonage will be hurried on and within a short time the building can be ready for occupation. The location which has been secured is an ideal one and with what money the committee has in view, together with additional funds to be raised hereafter, they are assured of being able to erect quite an attractive and serviceable parsonage, which, when completed, will be quite an addition to the appearance of that portion of the town.

Parent-Teachers Club

Met Mon. Afternoon

The Parent-Teachers' Association met in regular monthly session Monday afternoon, April 19th. The meeting opened with roll call answered by quotations. The minutes were read and adopted. Motions were made and carried to pay bills for play ground apparatus which has recently been bought and placed on the school campus.

Mr. Bennett gave a talk on the proposed school building in which he stated that a good architect would be in Mason at an early date to draw up plans for a new school. He pointed out that the chief duty of the Parent-Teachers' Club is to see that every one votes at the coming election. A committee consisting of Mrs. Rose R. R. R. R., chairman, Mrs. R. E. Lee, Mrs. Chas. Bierschwale, Mrs. Ed Smith and Mr. P. A. Bennett was appointed to carry on a publicity campaign for the election of school bonds.

No other business coming before the meeting the club adjourned.

W. O. Bode, Tax Assessor of Mason County, states he is almost through with the work of assessing and will soon have all he can do in making up the tax rolls.

DON'T FORGET

"Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come", May 13th.
"Madam X", May 27th.
AT THE STAR THEATER

PROSPECTORS PLEASSED WITH OUTLOOK

Present indications are very favorable at the Lindsay Copper Mine, which is being prospected by Chas. Schuessler, Sr. and others. Mr. Schuessler is being assisted by two sons and Otto Schuessler and son. The work now being carried on is largely prospective; however, several assays, of the ore have been heard from and there is no doubt that Mason County has some very valuable copper ore. It is the intentions of the men at work to fully determine as to the amount of ore available before giving out any startling information. The question of the value of the ore is practically settled in their minds and the most vital point with them now is, is it there in paying quantities. Mr. Schuessler thinks it is there and in abundant quantities. Their work is not being confined to any certain locality, as they have dug several holes in the Lindsay pasture and but two of the holes are close together. The copper deposit in these two holes is good and it appears that the ore has gotten richer as the depth has been increased and the vein also appears to get wider. In the past week the men at work have begun prospecting in various places and at quite a distance apart. The ore has been found at places from one-half to three-quarters of a mile apart. Mr. Schuessler was in Mason Monday and was showing some ore which he considered much better than any heretofore taken from the mine, and he stated that this vein had just been struck.

The location of the mine is about seven and a half miles northwest of Mason and is on the property of A. J. Lindsay, who has entered a contract with Mr. Schuessler; the latter is to receive one-half of the returns derived from the mine. Mr. Schuessler has had quite a bit of experience at mining; having spent four years in the mines of Arizona and has also worked in the old Spiller mine, which has been worked on various occasions. His wide experience enables him to work the project without becoming over enthusiastic and consequently he has been quite conservative about giving out reports and information regarding the outlook.

Latest Assay \$100 Per Ton

The assays which have been made of the ore taken from the mine, show deposits of gold, silver and copper, but the copper is by far the most prevalent. A late assay showed better than \$100 worth of copper to the ton.

Mr. Paul Sheridan, who is managing the copper mine that is now being operated in Burnet county on a paying basis, was in Mason on two visits and was a visitor at the Lindsay mine last Thursday. We are informed he stated the mine looked very good to him and looked to be better ore at a shallow depth than did the Burnet county mine at a similar depth. What is to be found deeper down remains to be seen, but according to Mr. Schuessler, the ore appears richer and in greater quantity as they go down.

Mr. Schuessler states that he expects to find the best ore at a depth between 35 and 50 feet. Mr. Hardin, of Llano, was also a recent visitor at the mine and his prediction was that a large belt of the ore runs through that section of the county and Mr. Hardin's belief can be substantiated by the fact that five different holes have been started and in every instance the ore has been found.

Mr. Schuessler states he will continue to prospect before going to the expense of having a geologist come here to look over the mine, but he intends to keep having assays made as he progresses and will make the greatest development where the ore proves to be richest.

Chautauqua Uncertain For Mason Next Year

The Cadmean Chautauqua ended its five day program in Mason last Saturday evening. From a financial standpoint the Chautauqua was not the success this year it was last year, but we are informed the committee did not suffer but very little deficit in funds; however, all expenses have not been settled and the exact financial outcome has not been ascertained.

The News has heard some very favorable remarks regarding this year's program of the Chautauqua and on the other hand has heard some criticisms offered, but it is only natural for variations of opinion to exist.

An effort last Saturday night to secure the signatures of twenty business men of the town and county to contract for the Chautauqua again next year, failed. However, some sixteen men signed up and the Chautauqua Company left the contract in the hands of E. J. Lemburg that he might get additional signatures to make up the required twenty and the contract be forwarded to them. Should there be some who would like to add their names to the list, they will find the list with Mr. Lemburg.

MRS. CLYDE POYNER, OF FREDONIA, DIED AT TEMPLE

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Poyner will greatly sympathize with Mr. Poyner in the death of Mrs. Poyner, which sad event occurred last week at Temple, where she had been for some time in hopes of recovering from a severe surgical operation.

These good people were residents of the Lone Grove community, near Fredonia, and have a host of friends and acquaintances over the county who will greatly regret to learn of Mrs. Poyner's death. She was a daughter of Rev. Ben Taylor.

The corpse was brought up from Temple last Friday and interred in the Pointot cemetery. The husband and an eleven-year-old son survive.

Mrs. B. Ischar Seriously Ill

The News regrets to report Mrs. B. Ischar seriously ill. It is stated Dr. Herff, of San Antonio, was here last week to consult with local physicians regarding her condition.

Ford and Automobile Collide

Frank Willmann smashed his Ford roadster into the Studebaker car belonging to the McCollum Auto Co., last Monday morning, and both cars were damaged to some extent. Frank was coming down the street just as Leonard Wood was turning around in the Studebaker in front of the McCollum Auto Co., and the sun blinded Frank to such a degree he was unable to see the car in front of him and avert the collision.

MR. GEORGE AKE DIED NEAR WAGRAM LAST WEDNESDAY

Mr. George Ake died near Wagram last Wednesday at the age of 70 years. The cause of his death is attributed to Bright's disease. He is survived by his wife and a large family of children, all of whom have the sympathy of a host of friends.

The body was taken to London for interment last Friday.

U. S. Victory Medals.

World War Victory Medals are being presented to all men who served during the late war by the U. S. Army Medal Office, Old Federal Building, Houston, Texas.

This office is making every effort to present these Medals to every man who served in the army during the war period.

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FARM BOYS WILL HAVE PLACE IN SUMMER SESSION

Course Will Last Four Weeks and Will Meet the Particular Needs of Texas Boys.

The authorities of the A. and M. College have added to the Summer Session a division especially planned to meet the needs of Texas farm boys. The work will cover a period of four weeks, beginning July 5 and ending July 30.

The object of this course is to offer to boys not under fourteen or over eighteen years of age, elementary, but practical courses in subjects relating to farm life.

For several years there has been growing, throughout the State, a feeling that our farm boys should be given better opportunities for securing special training in agricultural and farm life subjects. A majority of these boys have not had access to schools of sufficient grade to enable them to enter

college courses, and it is to meet their needs for practical instruction in agriculture that the Farm Boys' Division has been added to the work of the Summer Session.

Courses will be given covering the important Divisions of agriculture as follows:

Agricultural Engineering. This work will consist of practical demonstrations relative to the use of farm tractors, gasoline engines, farm machinery, the construction of farm terraces, belt lacing, and rope tying.

Agronomy. This course includes practical demonstrations and lectures covering the important methods of tillage, use of fertilizers and manures, crop rotation and seed selection.

Animal Husbandry. A general course briefly covering various phases of beef cattle, horses, hogs, and sheep production, including judging, feeding, and management.

Dairy Husbandry. This course will be devoted to the judging, feeding, breeding, care and management of

dairy cattle, and the care and handling of dairy products.

Horticulture. The theory of this course will be devoted to discussions of the fundamental principles underlying:

1. The propagation of plants by seeds, cuttings, budding, and grafting.
2. Orcharding, including laying out of orchard lands and the planting and care of the orchard.

3. Vegetable gardening, including preparation of the land, construction of cold frames and hot-beds, fertilizers, and preparing vegetables for market.

The practice will be devoted to practical work in making cuttings, budding and grafting; in laying out orchards, pruning and spraying; in mixing and applying fertilizers.

Poultry Husbandry. The work in poultry husbandry will include a study of the important phases of the industry as it applies to conditions on the farms of the State. Considerable time will be devoted to breeding, feeding, housing, sanitation, incubation, brooding, judging, and marketing.

The practice work will consist of the study of breeds and types, candling and grading eggs, gilling, dressing and marketing poultry.

Mr. Herman Gieseke and son and Mr. Heidenheimer, of Ballinger, Texas, were business visitors in Mason the first part of this week.

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Fresh cement at R. Groose's.

O. H. Mebus returned home last week from Austin, where he had been with his wife, who is recovering from a recent operation at the P. & S. Hospital. We have since been informed that Mrs. Mebus is getting along sufficiently well as to be able to leave the hospital this week. She will spend a short time with friends in Austin before attempting to make the trip home.

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DECISION MADE BY U. S. LABOR BOARD

Railroad Labor Board Orders Abrogation of National Agreements.

Chicago, Ill.—National agreements defining working conditions for employes on all American railroads for merely under the federal railroad administration were Thursday ordered abrogated, effective July 1, 1921, by the United States railroad labor board.

The board called upon the officers and system organizations of employes of each road to select representatives "to confer and to decide" as much of the rules controversy as possible. "Such conferences shall begin at the earliest possible date," the decision said.

While the decision did not specifically say so, members of the board said that all disputes as to rules and working conditions automatically were referred back to individual conferences between each individual road and its employes. This method of procedure had been sought by railroads, whereas the labor side favored a national conference between representatives of all roads and all unions.

The decision affected all railroad employes except those on train service who are under separate agreements between individual railroads and the four big brotherhoods.

In connection with the conference negotiations, the board laid down a set of sixteen principles which are to serve as a foundation for any rules which may be agreed to in the conference. The present general rules hearing before the labor board, which has been in progress since January 10, will continue until both sides have completed their testimony, following which the board "will promulgate such rules as it determines just and reasonable as soon after July 1, 1921, as is reasonably possible, and will make them effective as of July 1, 1921."

The sixteen principles outlined by the board were drawn up by Henry T. Hunt of the public group and upheld the right of employes to organize for lawful purposes, the right of employes to negotiate, through representatives of their own choosing, the right of seniority and the principles of the eight-hour day. It was specified that "eight hours' work must be given for eight hours' pay." Espionage should not be practiced by either side, the decision said, and employes' representatives should have the right to make an agreement applying to all employes in the craft or class of the representatives.

Mrs. Crandan (Iowa) Tells How She Stopped Chicken Losses

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CARELESSLY THROWN ROCK STRUCK MRS. FRED E. KEY

On Wednesday afternoon of last week while at work in her garden, Mrs. Fred Key was struck on the head by a rock, and the blow was sufficiently hard to knock her down and render her unconscious for a short time. When she regained consciousness she found herself lying in the garden hardly able to know what had happened. Dr. McCollum was immediately summoned and dressed the wound; a gash about one and one-half inches long and which cut deep into the scalp.

We are pleased to learn that she is getting along nicely and that no ill effect is expected to develop from the injury.

In all probability the rock which struck Mrs. Key, was thrown from the sling of some boy and more than likely the boy did not know he came very close to inflicting a death blow, but a sling is a bad weapon for boys to be using and parents should caution their boys against carrying them.

Cotton Planting Being Continued.

Washington.—Cotton planting was being continued in Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi, according to the weekly crop bulletin issued Wednesday by the weather bureau.

State Sowing Oysters.

Matagorda, Tex.—The state is having oysters planted on Tiger Island, one of the best reefs in Matagorda Bay, under the supervision of George Raymond, deputy fish and oyster commissioner.

Rice Loses Track Events.

Houston, Tex.—The Louisiana Tigers defeated the Rice Institute track team on Rice field Saturday by a score of 68 1-6 to 48 5-6.

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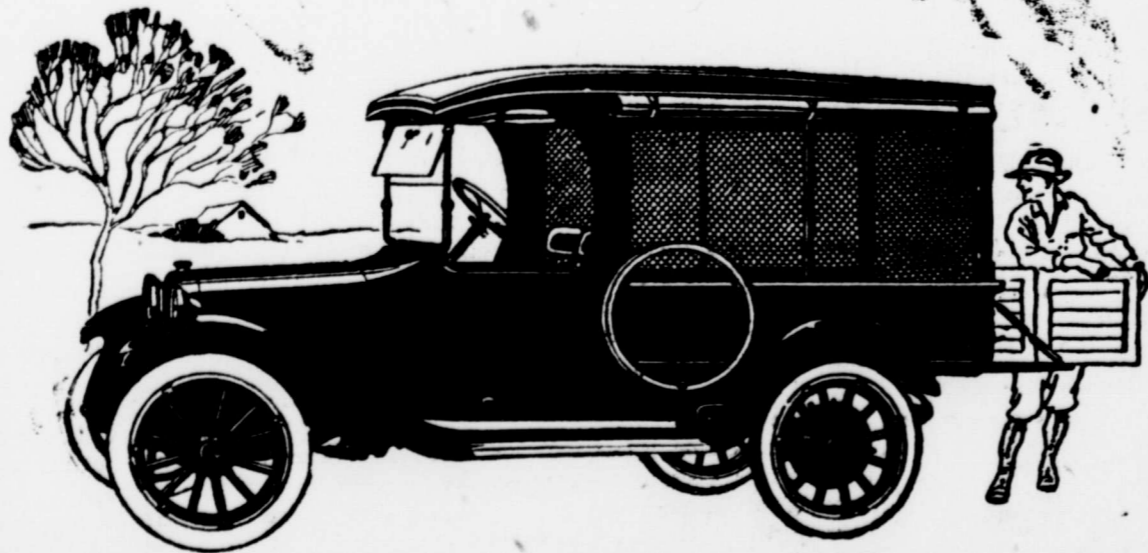
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The News is issued on Wednesday this week, a day earlier than ordinarily, that ye editors may observe April 21st as a holiday. The News office will be closed tomorrow.

M*C*N
Let it be remembered that every dollar spent in patronizing a home enterprise adds to the prosperity of our little city and with the growth of our city's prosperity comes the increase in value of real estate.

M*C*N
"Kiss Me as I Fall Asleep," is the title of a new song. It might work all right with some men, but it would wake us up right away.

M*C*N
The parcels post will do most anything but darn socks and rock the baby.

M*C*N
Who remembers the old-fashioned swain who considered himself going some when he held a girl's hand?

M*C*N
Does life consist in man making his pile merely that it may serve as a funeral pyre?

M*C*N
As a rule he that plays at life and loses is like a maladroit player who dominos himself.

M*C*N
It seems almost necessary to have some people get drunk to prove that even bibulous exhilaration leaves them still stupid.

M*C*N
No matter if you have graduated magna cum laude, if you shirk the school of experience, your degree is but dust.

M*C*N
Those who believe that life is lived only in supreme moments are either hypocritical four flushers pretending soul superiority or unfortunate cusses who have been denied the comforting everyday felicities of domesticity.

M*C*N
He went to sleep over the sermon Sunday but he stayed up till midnight Monday arguing the merits of Ty Cobb over Sisler.

M*C*N
We loan you a battery while recharging your own. L. F. Eckert Garage.

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

Get your soap tallow at Zesch's Meat Market. Five cents per pound. 5-1f

SEVENTY SECONDS OF SUNSHINE

(By Patton Faris)
IT'S DEAD CERTAIN—

—That even the most inconvenient rain brings good to some one—it even gives the hired man a chance to rest!

A Question of Extremes

Two classes of persons need courage—those who dislike to act differently from other people, and those who enjoy doing so. A man in one group is afraid of other folks, a person in the second class ought to fear his own self. The latter needs courage to fight his tendency to be peculiar for the mere sake of showing himself "his own man." The eccentric is hardly more to be admired. After all, it is a world's blessing that a host of human beings keep to the middle of the road.

A sure way of displeasing others is to seem quite pleased with oneself.

When the Worst Is Over

It's a long, long way to riches
And a long, long way to fame—
And your faith is mighty feeble?
And your courage is the same?
Then hear a bit of wisdom
That may bolster up your heart:
"You'll be far along the pathway
Once you've really made a start!"

Just for the Week

A promise is in the real sense a vow. And a vow has two inflexible rules accompanying it: It must not be spoken without full consideration; and, once uttered, it must be kept at all costs. But there is one exception—when the vow is morally wrong.

You can't very well live up to a good reputation unless this is backed up by a good character. But with such a backing you can achieve wonders—

You can live down a bad reputation.

MASON COUNTY'S STOCK SHOW

Almost two weeks have elapsed since the Mason County Live Stock and Poultry Exhibit was held at Mason, on April 9th, but this period of several days has not brought about the feeling that the Exhibit is over and passed, but has only afforded an opportunity for expressions of approval and praise of the well bred stock that Mason County possesses. Exhibitors who brought stock or poultry to the Show are being highly complimented upon the high grade of exhibits.

The Mason County Live Stock and Poultry Exhibit is growing in number of exhibits, is growing in interest, and more than that, it is growing in quality. These features are enough to show that the Exhibit has established itself as a permanent annual event for Mason County. It is to be regretted that the Exhibit this year was entirely too large for one day's time, and it will be absolutely necessary for the Show to cover two days next year. There are many stock raisers in the county who have fine stock that they would like to exhibit, but they have stated that they live too far from town to bring them in for only one day.

Stock raising is practically the chief industry of Mason County and will be for many years to come; therefore, for the benefit of the young boys and girls growing up, these exhibits must be held annually to encourage our future citizenship of Mason County to raise better stock and eventually become more prosperous and more progressive citizens for our communities and for our County.

The expense of the recent Exhibit is not yet known, but it will run into the hundreds of dollars which were incurred by the building of pens and sheds for the exhibits. As the Mason County Live Stock and Poultry Show is to be an annual feature for Mason County, it would be well to consider such an exhibit from a financial standpoint. The business firms of Mason are the source of financing these exhibits as they are now held, and it appears to us that it would be a profitable investment for a permanent show grounds to be properly equipped where the Exhibit can be held each year and eliminate a large part of expense which goes for rental on lumber and for labor.

There are many progressive farmers in Mason County who do not have any high grade live stock to exhibit each year, but who do have some fine specimens of farm products that they would like to show; therefore, it is hoped that an Agricultural Exhibit can be added to the "Big Day" for Mason County next year.

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FROM NEWS FILES OF 25 YEARS AGO

From Mason News, April 24, 1896: J. K. Patterson died at Waxahachie last Saturday. He was owner of considerable mining property in this county.

Mrs. Wilson Hey, Mrs. Schweening, Mrs. Wm. Hofmann and Miss Carrie Hey attended the San Antonio flower festivities on Tuesday.

Mrs. D. S. Daniel and daughter, Miss Lora, were over from Katemey Tuesday.

The San Antonio Brewery will locate an ice house here this summer. M. S. Gordon, of Weatherford, is here, arranging to put 4,000 head of cattle in the Wheeler pasture, which he has leased.

The post tract of land has been surveyed and divided for its owners. They are M. Fulton, M. B. McKnight, Col. R. A. Howard, Gen. Longstreet and the Merrill estate. Chas. Bierschwale represented the latter three.

The following enjoyed a dance at the home of G. W. Bird Monday evening: Misses Cora and Emma Leslie, Cora Christopher, Kate Hey, Minnie Coats, Clara Wilson, Zora Jones, Em Lindsay, Bell and Loin Bird; Messrs. Adolph Henrich, Bell and Jim Garner, Chas. and Frank Leslie, Jeff McSwain, Nic Brockman, Will and Chas. Worlie, Will Sands, Felix Garner, Joe Hightower, C. A. Bell and wife, Mrs. W. D. Walker, Alvin Donop and Miss Hasse will be married on the 30th.

Messrs. Lang and Hasper are running the Kocksville mill.

W. D. Walker and Will Cavaness are receiving cattle south of town this week for Chas. Schreiner.

15 Years Ago in Mason

From Mason News, April 20, 1906: San Francisco had a big earth quake on Wednesday morning, doing millions of dollars worth of property damage and killing thousands of people.

The Mason High School will hold commencement exercises on May 4th. There will be two graduates, Miss Ella Bierschwale and Harry Bogusch.

Mrs. L. Gugenheim will attend the commencement exercises of the A. & M. College in June, where her son, Louis, will graduate.

Miss Katie Doole is at home from Llano County, where she has been teaching school.

While peeling posts, Friday, Felix Eckert struck himself in the leg with an ax, cutting a severe wound.

A. D. McCollum was stricken Friday night with paralysis, at the home of his son, R. C., at London.

Wednesday, while hauling rock, C. C. Wood slipped through the bed of the wagon and one wheel passed over him. The wagon was empty at the time and ran over his breast; bruising, but not seriously injuring him.

The Odd Fellows will have a basket picnic on the 26th, at the mouth of Comanche Creek, on the Llano River.

Dick Gugenheim entertained a few friends Friday evening at flinch and dominoes.

LIST OF LETTERS REMAINING

- Uncalled for in this office for the week ending April 16, 1921:
- Colbath, Mrs. M. L. (2).
- Davis, Mrs. Mamie.
- Friess, Mrs. Willie.
- Fite, Miss Emma.
- Gozenbach, Mr. and Mrs. G. L.
- Hamilton, J. A.
- Herryberry, Miss Allen.
- Long, Miss Loise.
- Murray, Frazier.
- Nemkey, Mrs. Otto.
- Smith, Clarence.
- Smith, Mrs. Kate.

These letters will be sent to the dead letter office May 2, 1921 if not delivered before. In calling for the above, please say "Advertised," giving date of list.

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ON THE WINGS OF THE MORNING

Prosperity is coming to this country on the wings of the morning. You will want to take advantage of it. Prosperity comes to the man, woman, or child who has money in Bank. It passes by the house of the spendthrift—the shiftless—the ne'er-do-well. Start your account here. Be ready for Prosperity and Prosperity will be ready for you. The man who has an account here has a grubstake in Prosperity.

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Cupid's hunting grounds, "Bachelor Apartments," Star Theater, April 23.

ANNUAL STATE MEET AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

AUSTIN, Tex., April 20.—Active preparations are being made for the big annual state meet of the University of Texas Interscholastic League, to be held at Austin on May 5, 6 and 7. It is announced by Dr. E. D. Shurter, chairman of the Executive Committee, that a reduction in railroad rates has been secured for delegates, putting in force a round trip rate of a fare and a half for all authorized delegates, and one faculty representative from each school participating in the State meet.

The executive committee has announced that this year the number of track contestants will be limited to the winners of the district meets, i. e. the winning team and the individual winners of first, second and third places. Hitherto, all schools desiring to do so might enter a track team of eight men, but on account of the increasing numbers of schools in the League, it has become necessary to limit entries.

Even with this limitation it is stated there will be a total of 864 official recognized delegates eligible for this State meet, as a result of the district elimination contests now being held. Included in this number will be 128 debaters and 250 contestants in the various divisions of declamation. There will be, also, 128 boys' and girls' tennis teams and 352 entrants in track. With the addition of about 250 teachers, representing as many schools, who are also included in the lists of official delegates, there will be more than eleven hundred delegates. Including parents, relatives and other unofficial delegates more than 2,000 people from outside of Austin are expected for the meet.

Lodging will be provided by the committee for all delegates, beginning on Thursday, May 5. Preliminaries in tennis will be held on Thursday afternoon, but no other preliminaries until Friday morning, so that no provision has been made for registration or lodging earlier than Thursday.

This will be the eleventh annual Interscholastic State Meet at the University, and promises to be the largest and most hotly contested ever held.

Schools holding full membership in the League now number 4,300 representing a fifteen per cent increase over last year.

PRESCRIPTIONS

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One who has to die to be appreciated is not a good advertiser.—Reinbeck, (In.) Courier.

You become a good conversationalist the moment you halt your own tale of woe and start listening closely to the other fellow's.—St. Joseph Gazette.

Lots of men will open a \$50 pot on a pair of jacks and kick up an awful rumpus the next morning if their wives want to open a \$1 bank account for the baby.—Au Sable Forks (N. Y.) Adirondack Record.

STUDENTS FOR SUMMER SCHOOL TO BE GIVEN RAILROAD RATES

AUSTIN, Tex., April 20.—Students from over the State who come to Austin to attend the summer sessions of the University of Texas will be given the benefit of a railroad rate of one and one-half fare for the round-trip, according to information just received by E. J. Mathews, registrar of the University. The application of Mr. Mathews for reduced rates was favorably acted upon at the recent conference of general passenger agents of the Texas railroads. This reduced fare is upon the certificate plan, which means that purchasers of tickets must obtain receipts for same when the purchase is made in order that the reduction of fare may be applied to the return part of the ticket. As many as 250 students must comply with this receipt or certificate rule in order for any of them to obtain the benefit of the reduced fare.

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Romance and James

By DORA MOLLAN

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James Manning was in love with two girls at the same time. If you can imagine a worse predicament for a young man who is both shy and conscientious—I can't. James belonged to the serious, good-looking type. He was dark almost to swarthinness. Back of him, undoubtedly, was an Italian ancestor, but very well plastered over with New England's reserve. Stick your finger down through the crust of Puritan constraint and there was a bubbling well of romance in James.

First, there was Miss Merritt in the office—and right here we must own up that there was a flaw in the dark eyes of our hero—he was a trifle near-sighted and would not wear glasses. Still it was not entirely due to that unfortunate fact that Miss Merritt had worked within ten feet of James for a month before he discovered what a really nice girl she was.

She was so negative in appearance that one missed her fine points at first. The highest paid writer on "Advice to business women" could but have approved of her dress. Spectacles, yellow tinged, gave her eyes a greenish tint. Her light brown hair was severely coiffured and cheeks were guiltless of color, either natural or naturalized.

First accidentally, and then intentionally, James formed the habit of walking with Miss Merritt to the corner, where, after business hours, she took her car. It followed as a matter of course that he called. Then he came regularly twice a week. Sitting in the dim gas light of the stiff boarding house parlor, their conversation ranged from the latest increase in trol-



It Began by His Passing the Salt.

ley fares to the League of Nations. James decided that Miss Merritt was a most sensible young woman and all his sober judgment could wish for.

But there were evenings when sober judgment and James had nothing to do with each other, when the desire for romance bubbled up through the cracks of his reserve like the luscious juice of a huckleberry pie is apt to do even when concocted by the most careful of cooks. But of these evenings he spoke not at all to Miss Merritt.

Then James would lie himself to a Bohemian tea room much frequented by fashionably gowned young women. Over the supper he would revel in the life and gaiety of his surroundings without ever joining in, though the wax was made easy for him as it al-

ways is for lone young men of interesting appearance. Then a picture featuring some beautiful star would lure him. Afterward James would return to his room with a deep-drawn sigh that he was but a spectator at the romance of life.

That is, he did until the night he met Pauline. Colorful Pauline! Pauline of the big blue eyes and wonderful marcelled hair, softly pink as to cheeks, vividly red as to lips, with a kippy little close-fitting hat and beguiling veil. With skirt (James decided with a blush that the plural of that word could not be used in describing Pauline's apparel) not too far below the knees, and filmy blouse, generous in the matter of revealing her fine white skin, covered by the luxuriant fur wrap which fastened up to the spot where in the memory of old-fashioned men, girls used to wear their ears, Pauline had floated into the tea-room, and after a leisurely glance around, had calmly seated herself opposite to James.

It began by his passing her the salt and ended by his taking her to see his favorite film star. Somewhere early in the evening James had ventured to mention his name, and Pauline had murmured softly but without the least hesitation, "shall I call you Jimmie?" "And I—you?" questioned James eagerly.

"Call me Pauline," she answered. "Pauline," echoed James. Unbidden there came the mental picture of another girl—a girl who wore shell-rimmed spectacles and severely plain clothes, who never used his given name, though they had been friends for months. Miss Merritt's first name was Pauline, too.

It passed, that evening, like a rapturous dream. They parted in front of the theater, Pauline insisting that "Jimmie" leave her there, hinting mysteriously at reasons why. Yes, she would try to slip away on the same evening of the following week. And she did.

So it went on for a month. Pauline grew more and more beguiling, and lost nothing of the air of mystery which concealed her identity as completely as the fur-trimmed wrap concealed her figure, and meanwhile Miss Merritt grew more interesting and companionable.

Came a Sunday when the temperature fell into the icy arms of the arctic winds, and that part of James' Italian ancestor within him crawled down into the depths of his nature and fell fast asleep. But his Puritan principles were right in their element. They decided that never, no never, would James be happy with anyone as frivolous as Pauline. It was in this frame of mind that James went to call on Miss Merritt that evening.

That seventh sense, which warns all women when a man is about to propose, was on the job, and Miss Merritt's reply was prompt.

"Mr. Manning," she said calmly, "are you sure you would rather marry me than any other woman in the world? I will leave you for 20 minutes, then I shall return and ask you the same question again."

James Manning gazed at the door through which Miss Merritt had passed until the sound of her footsteps ceased. He hid his face in his hands. How did she know? Then deep within him something stirred and there came a great longing for Pauline—Pauline who, soft and fragrant and elusive in her luxurious garments, typified all that Miss Merritt lacked. He would find her. He would take her in his arms and tell her how he loved her. James raised his head, stood up, stretched out his arms involuntarily to the vision—and some one entered the room and walked straight into them!

"Would you rather marry me than any other woman in the world, Jimmie?" The voice came with muffled sweetness from James' shoulder. Utterly confused, supremely happy, while at the same time loathing himself for his vacillation, James answered, "Yes, dear."

Pauline drew away from James' embrace. She removed the kippy little hat, and the beguiling veil, slid out of

the enveloping wrap and from somewhere produced a pair of shell-rimmed spectacles. Putting them on she looked at the bewildered-to-the-point-of-speechlessness James. His eyes roved helplessly back and forth from the girl to the discarded garments.

Pauline Merritt laughed merrily. "It's as simple as this, Jimmie James. A wealthy cousin of mine was married last month. She sent me all her old clothes. And as for these"—touching the shell-rimmed glasses—"why, they are a penalty for having gone without too long."

"But I loved you both!" James seemed to be demanding of himself the answer to the puzzle, but Pauline gave it.

"Why put it in the past tense, Jimmie James? Most men are bigamists at heart," she said.

CAVES OF WONDROUS BEAUTY

Those Known as "Marble Halls," in Josephine County, Oregon, Are Marvelous Formations.

Four limestone caves in various parts of the country have been set aside as national monuments, the most beautiful of all being the Oregon caves, known as "Marble Halls," in Josephine county, Oregon.

Imagine an underground chamber of the most beautifully chiseled limestone formations with a ceiling 200 feet in height! An entire mountain 6,000 feet high seems entirely honeycombed with these beautiful galleries.

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Hundreds of passageways lead in all directions which have never been explored. Streams of water are found at all elevations, and in places larger streams can be heard plunging into bottomless pits. Currents of wind are found in certain passages that will immediately extinguish an open light, no doubt caused by the rush of water.

It is impossible to describe the contrasting beauty of the formations.—Chicago Journal.

Wood in Bowling.

Wood supplies the principal apparatus for playing a number of games where rolling balls have a part to perform, says the American Forestry Magazine of Washington. The bowling alley is well known. The specially made floor of the alley is generally of maple or of longleaf pine. Lignum-vitae is regarded as the best wood for bowling balls. It possesses the requisite weight and is exceedingly hard and tough. The pins are generally of maple. This is sufficiently hard to stand much pounding, and no other of equal cost is so satisfactory.

Classifying It.

"I hear they penalize bachelors in France."
"How do they classify the impost?"
"Luxury tax."—Louisville Courier Journal.

How To Dye Hats

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TEXAS GOVERNOR APPROVES BILLS

Signs University Expansion Measure Carrying \$1,350,000 Appropriation.

Austin, Tex.—Governor Neff Friday approved the university expansion bill, carrying \$1,350,000 appropriation; approved bill appropriating \$3,000,000 to supplement available school fund; approved anti-Japanese bill; approved bill appropriating \$30,000 for soldiers' monument, and approved bill appropriating \$3,500 for Indian massacre monument in Limestone County. He vetoed bill appropriating \$4,000,000 for aid of rural schools and vetoed bill to establish West Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College.

In disposing of the four major bills, the governor addressed the following communication to the secretary of state, giving his reasons for his action:

"The legislature of this state, which adjourned on the 12th day of March of this year, passed and handed to me for consideration, and finally for my approval or disapproval, among many other bills, four very insignificantly important educational measures, namely:

"1. A bill carrying an appropriation of \$1,350,000 to purchase additional lands for the University of Texas.

"2. A bill appropriating \$3,000,000 to supplement the available school fund for the fiscal year ending Aug. 31, 1922.

"3. A bill making an appropriation of \$4,000,000 for the aid of rural schools for the biennium beginning Sept. 1, 1921, and ending Aug. 31, 1923.

"4. A bill appropriating \$50,000 with which to establish an agricultural and mechanical college in West Texas.

"As a private citizen and as governor of this state, I am for the cause for the promotion of which all four of these bills speak. They deal with the problem of education. They look to the making of a better citizenship. I am for education in all forms, at all times, and everywhere. The best use a government can possibly make of its money is to invest it in the boys and girls of the country. I am for more efficient teachers, better schoolhouses and greater educational advantages. Happy am I always to assist in carrying out an enlarged educational program.

Valuing of Lives Stands.

Washington.—Decisions in Texas courts valuing the life of a locomotive fireman at \$40,000 and a switchman at \$22,500, stand as the result of the refusal of the supreme court to review them. Heirs of Bufford McCoy, a Santa Fe switchman, won the smaller verdict; heirs of H. C. Mills won the larger.

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*** CHURCH NOTICES ***

BAPTIST CHURCH

"Praise Ye the Lord, Praise O Ye Servants of the Lord."
The Baptist Church at Mason has moved to full time.
Come and go up with us next Sunday morning and evening to the house of the Lord with a prayer from our hearts and a song upon our lips, praising Him for His wonderful works among the children of men.
W. H. GAGE, Pastor.

METHODIST CHURCH

Quarterly Conference at Loyal Valley, Saturday at 3 p. m. Preaching at night. Preaching and Communion Sunday at 11 a. m. Dinner on the ground. Institute from 2 to 4 p. m. Bro. Johnston will preach at Mason at 7:30 p. m.

GERMAN M. E. CHURCH

First Sunday—English Sun. School 10 a. m. to 11 a. m.

Preaching by Rev. G. W. Schreiber from 11 a. m. to 12 m. and from 7 p. m. to 8 p. m.

Second Sunday—English Sunday School 10 to 11 a. m. Preaching by Rev. Robt. Moerner 11 a. m. to 12 m. Preaching by Rev. G. W. Schreiber, 7 p. m. to 8 p. m.

Third Sunday—English Sun. School from 10 to 11 a. m. Preaching by Rev. G. W. Schreiber from 11 a. m. to 12 m., and from 7 p. m. to 8 p. m.

Fourth Sunday—English Sunday School from 10 to 11 a. m. Preaching by Rev. G. W. Schreiber 7 p. m. to 8 p. m.

Fifth Sunday—English Sun. School from 10 to 11 a. m. Preaching by Rev. G. W. Schreiber 11 a. m. to 12 m., and from 7 p. m. to 8 p. m.

Prayer meeting every Tuesday night at 7:30.

Everybody cordially invited.
Committee.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Bauer, a boy, April 16th.

Marriage Licenses

Mr. George Massey and Miss Sallie Thompson, April 9th.
Herley James Baugh and Miss Loma Massey, April 16th.

What would you do if you rented an apartment and the owner forgot he had leased it and came back in the middle of the night? See "Bachelor Apartments" at Star Opera House, April 23.

R. O. Green was here Saturday from his farm in the Behrens settlement. He was having some of his heavy harness repaired.

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JUST PALS
By RITA SULLIVAN.
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"Oh, no, Trudy dear!" Nita Seymour's face had a faint tinge of amusement, mixed with indignation. "I am not in love with Ralph. We are just pals!"

"All right, dearie, never mind. I was just wondering. Be sure you call me early, because Ralph and I are going for a long fishing trip."

The next day fully justified the promise made by the stars the night before. Not a cloud marred the perfect blue of the sky.

Attired in a short plaid sport skirt and a flaming crimson sweater, her short, dark hair already blowing itself into little curls around her pretty face, Nita was enough to make anyone's heart glad.

"Well, the early bird is certainly catching worms this morning!" Ralph Roland's merry voice aroused her from her occupation. Nita looked up with a smile as she surveyed his tall, slim figure, which showed up to a great advantage in spotless outing clothes.

"And the bird has been very fortunate!" She proudly displayed her writhing collection.

"I'll say it has. I guess that will be about all we'll need, Nita. Come on,

the old boat is ready!"

"Ralph, let's go over to Toto Island today. It will seem like old times, won't it?"

Nita looked up full into his face as he bent over the boat. For a moment their eyes met, and Nita felt a queer, happy thrill unexpectedly startling. But the next minute the tension had passed, and Ralph entered into her plan with the same zest that he had shown when Nita had first become his chum three years ago.

"We can fish on the way, and cook on the island like we used to do, Nita. That is a corking idea. Here goes."

As the boat slipped easily through the water, Nita watched the clear still water ahead break into sparkling ripples. As she watched she thrilled again at the look which she had surprised in Ralph's eyes. The thought of her last night's conversation again came into her mind. "I don't know—I don't know—" Suddenly the motor ceased and the boat came slowly to a stop. Nita looked up in surprise, suddenly conscious that her face was burning.

"What is the matter?"

"Why Nita, we are going to fish now. Were your thoughts as gully as that? Come, now, what are you blushing about?"

"Nothing, nothing, Ralph, only you startled me so!"

Quiet reigned supreme for a long time, except for occasional low exclamations of pleasure—or otherwise as the case may have been—when suddenly Nita's keen ears caught a low,

ominous sound. Intently she listened, and again she heard it, this time a long, faint rumble.

"Do I hear thunder, or is it the lumber mill?" Nita's voice broke the stillness sharply.

"I guess it is the lumber mill, Nita. I didn't hear anything, and besides, see how bright the sun is!" Thus reassured, Nita subsided, and silence was again the rule. Then, without further warning, a loud crackling peal sounded as though above their heads, and at the same time a dark cloud blotted out the smiling sun. Without a word, Ralph flung down his rod and started for the motor.

In a few moments they were again cutting through the water in the direction of the island which was the nearest shelter. Then began the race with the storm. Suddenly there came a blinding flash of lightning over the dark water. Then a heavy crash as though the heavens were opening, and the cloudburst broke full upon them.

Head bent to the driving rain—drenched and dripping, Ralph was striving toward the mainland of the little island, when with a sickening crash, he felt the impact of some heavy, unseen object.

"The rock! I'd forgotten."

With a hoarse sound that was almost a sob, he tried to get the boat again in hand, but the shock had torn the wheel from his hands, and the speed of the boat carried it full up on the rock with a tearing sound.

"Nita!" Ralph turned in time to see a heavy wave wash over the lower end of the boat, and at the same time he felt it slowly sinking.

"I'm right here, Ralph!" The low, tense voice was directly at his elbow, for Nita was already in the water. "Come on, we can make the island!"

Some time later, through a drowsy dimness, an indefinite feeling finally reached Nita's numbed senses. A feeling that made her want to stay just as she was forever! Without opening her eyes she knew that she was safe and secure. A low roar and crackle told her that she was lying by a fire. Then low, close, murmuring sounds reached her, which, much to her dim surprise, formed themselves into words with meanings.

"Nita! Sweetheart! Come back to me, dear!" With a slight start she moved her head and opened her eyes. With the action, two arms tightened around her, and for the second time that day she looked into Ralph's eyes. This time he did not try to hide what was there, for with a little sigh, Nita snuggled closer into his arm, and lifted her head to meet the lips which sought hers so lovingly.

Then Nita realized that she had lost her best pal, but before she sank into another deep, dreamless oblivion, she knew that she had found a sweetheart.

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SOCIAL EVENTS

Entertained at Mason.

Misses Eulalia Gavit, Zenda Aschbacher and Mabel Strickland who attended the fair at Mason Saturday, were royally entertained by Miss Genevieve King, and friends. They enjoyed a wonderful banquet and the afternoon was spent car riding. The young ladies say if Brady is ever wiped out, they will go to Mason right away.—Brady Standard.

Business Meeting of Y. P. M. S.

The Y. P. M. S. will hold its business meeting, April 27. All members are urged to be present, as there is some very important business matters to be discussed. Each officer is requested to bring a written report.

Clarence Kothmann left Monday to resume his studies at the Nixon-Clay Business College at Austin, after having spent a short time here, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Kothmann.

JUNIOR MISSIONARY SOCIETY PROGRAM

Leader—Rita King.
Lesson Title—"The City of the 'Alamo.'"

Opening Song—Jesus Bids Us Shine.
Bible Lesson—"The Reasons for Missions" (P. S. XCVII: 1-5, CXVI, 9)
Memory Verse—Declare His Glory Among the Heathen, His Wonders Among All People.

Song by Benelland Land, Virginia Banks, Ida Mae Pryor.

Recitation by Dorothy Brown.
Story by Lizzie Loeffler.

Duet by Virginia Eckert and Evelyn Willmann.

Recitation by three girls.
Letters by several members.

Closing song—As A Volunteer.

Mrs. John Ingram and children were business visitors in the county capital last Saturday from their farm near Fredonia.

Chas. Kothmann, one of the county's foremost ranchmen, was in Mason last Saturday transacting business and shaking hands with friends.

For laughing purposes only, see "Bachelor Apartments" at Star April 23.

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4

A Joint Resolution of the Legislature of the State of Texas amending Sections of the Constitution of the State of Texas as follows: Sections 5 and 21 and 22 and 23 of Article 4, relating to the compensation of executive officers; and Section 24, Article 3, relating to mileage and per diem of Members of the Legislature; of said State.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. Sections 5 and 21 and 22 and 23 of Article 4, and Section 24 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas shall be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 5. He shall, at stated times, receive as compensation for his services an annual salary not to exceed Eight Thousand (\$8,000.00) Dollars and no more, and shall have the use and occupation of the Governor's Mansion, fixtures and furniture.

Section 21. There shall be a Secretary of State, who shall be appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and who shall continue in office during the term of service of the Governor. He shall authenticate the publication of the laws and keep a fair register of all official acts and proceedings of the Governor, and shall, when required, lay the same, and all papers, minutes and vouchers relative thereto, before the Legislature, or either House thereof, and shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by law. He shall receive for his services an annual salary of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars, and no more.

Section 22. The Attorney General shall hold his office for two years and until his successor is duly qualified. He shall represent the State in all suits and pleas in the Supreme Court of the State in which the State may be a party, and shall especially inquire into the charter rights of all private corporations, and, from time to time, in the name of the State, take such action in the courts as may be proper and necessary to prevent any private corporation from exercising any power, or demanding or collecting any species of taxes, toll, freight, or wharfage, not authorized by law. He shall, whenever sufficient cause exists, seek a judicial forfeiture of all such charters, unless otherwise expressly directed by law, and give legal advice in writing to the Governor or other executive officers, when requested by them, and perform such other duties as may be required by law. He shall receive for his services an annual salary not to exceed Seven Thousand Five Hundred (\$7,500.00) Dollars, and no more.

Section 23. The Comptroller of Public Accounts, the Treasurer, and the Commissioner of the General Land Office, shall each hold office for the term of two years, and until his successor is qualified: receive an annual salary not to exceed Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars, and no more; reside at the Capitol of the State during his continuance in office; and perform such other duties as are or may be required of him by law. They and the Secretary of State shall not receive to their own use, any fees, costs or prerequisites of office. All fees that may be payable by law for any service performed by any officer specified in this Section, or in his office, shall be paid, when received, into the State Treasury.

Section 24. Mileage and per diem: the Members of the Legislature shall

receive from the public treasury such compensation for their services as may from time to time, be provided by law, not exceeding Ten (\$10.00) Dollars per day for each regular session of one hundred and twenty days; and not exceeding Five (\$5.00) Dollars per day for the remainder of such session; and provided, further, that Members of the Legislature shall receive not to exceed Ten (\$10.00) Dollars per day for each special session of the Legislature that may be called from time to time by the Governor. In addition to the compensation above provided for, the Members of each House shall be entitled to mileage in going to and returning from the seat of Government which mileage shall be ten cents per mile, the distance to be computed by the nearest and most direct travel by land regardless of railways and water routes; and the Comptroller of the State shall prepare and preserve a table of distances to each county seat, now or hereafter to be established, and by such table the mileage of each Member shall be paid; but no member shall be entitled to mileage for any extra session that may be called within one day after the adjournment of a regular or called session.

Sec. 2. The Governor is hereby directed to cause to be issued his necessary proclamation for an election to be held on the fourth Saturday in July, 1921, at which election these amendments shall be submitted to the qualified electors of this State for adoption or rejection and shall make the publication required by the Constitution and laws of the State. Said election shall be held under and in accordance with the general election laws of the State, and the ballots for said election shall have printed or written thereon in plain letters the following words: "Official Ballot." "For the amendment to Sections 5 and 21 and 22 and 23 of Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Texas providing for compensation of executive officers."

"Against the amendment to Sections 5 and 21 and 22 and 23 of Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for compensation of executive officers." "Those voters who favor such amendments shall erase by marking a line through the words 'against the amendment to Sections 5 and 21 and 22 and 23 of Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Texas providing for compensation of executive officers.'" "Against the amendment to Section 24 of Article 3 of the Constitution relating to mileage and per diem of Members of the Legislature of the State of Texas."

Those voters who favor such amendments shall erase by marking a line through the words "for the amendment to Sections 5 and 21 and 22 and 23 of Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for compensation of executive officers." And the result of the election shall be published and declared according to the majority of the votes cast in such election; and

Those voters who favor such amendment relating to mileage and per diem of members of the Legislature shall erase by marking through the words "Against the amendment to Section 24 of Article 3 of the Constitution relating to mileage and per diem of the members of the Legislature of the State of Texas." Those who oppose such amendment relating to mileage and per diem of members of the Legislature shall erase by marking through

the words "for the amendment to Section 24 of Article 3 of the Constitution relating to mileage and per diem of the members of the Legislature of the State of Texas." And the result of the election shall be published and declared according to the majority of the votes cast at such election.

Sec. 3. If a majority of the votes cast in the election herein provided for should be in favor of the amendments proposed, the maximum sum named herein shall become effective and be the compensation thereafter to be received by the officials named therein on and after the first day of January, 1923, and so remain until otherwise provided by law, and the compensation so allowed shall be paid out of any money in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Sec. 4. The sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses of the proclamation and publication of these amendments and the election to be held hereunder.

S. L. STAPLES,
Secretary of State.

(A True Copy)

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11

Proposing an amendment to Section 51 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas to provide that the Legislature may grant pensions to Confederate soldiers, sailors and their widows, who have been citizens of Texas since prior to January 1, 1910, providing that all soldiers, sailors and their widows eligible under the provisions hereof shall be entitled to be placed upon the rolls and participate in the pension fund created hereunder; levying a tax of seven (\$4.07) cents on the \$100 valuation of property in this State for the payment of such pension, providing that the Legislature may reduce the rate of pension for such purpose, fixing a time for the election to be held on such amendment, and making an appropriation to pay the expenses thereof.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. Section 51 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas shall be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 51: The Legislature shall have no power to make any grant or authorize the making of any grant of public money to any individual, association of individuals, municipal or other corporations whatsoever, provided, however, the Legislature may grant aid to indigent or disabled Confederate soldiers and sailors, who came to Texas prior to January 1, 1910, and to their widows, in indigent circumstances and who have been bona fide residents of this State since January 1, 1910, and who were married to such soldiers or sailors prior to January 1, 1910, and to indigent and disabled soldiers who under special laws of the State of Texas during the war between the states served in organization for the protection of the frontier against Indian raiders or Mexican marauders and to indigent and disabled soldiers of the militia of the State of Texas who were in active service during the war between the states and to the widows of such soldiers who are in indigent circumstances and who were married to such soldiers prior to January 1, 1910, provided that the word "widow" in the preceding lines of this Section shall not apply to women born since the year 1861, and all soldiers and sailors and widows of soldiers and sailors eligible under the above condition shall be entitled to be placed upon the pension rolls and participate in the distribution of the pension fund of this State under any existing law or laws hereafter passed by the Legislature, and also to grant aid for the establishment and maintenance of a home for said soldiers and sailors, their wives and widows and women who aided in the Confederacy under such regulations and limitations as may be provided by law, provided the Legislature may provide for husband and wife to remain together in the home. There is hereby levied in addition to all other taxes heretofore permitted by the Constitution of Texas a State ad valorem tax on property of seven (\$0.07) cents on the \$100.00 valuation for the purpose of creating a special fund for the payment of pensions for services in the Confederate army and navy, frontier organizations and the militia of the State of Texas, and for the widows of such soldiers serving in said armies, navies, organizations or militia; provided that the Legislature may reduce the tax rate herein levied, and provided further that the provisions of this Section shall not be construed so as to prevent the grant of aid in cases of public calamity.

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified voters of this State at an election to be held on the fourth Saturday in July, 1921, at which all voters shall have printed or written on their ballots: "For amendment to Section 51 of Article 3 of the Constitution authorizing the Legislature to grant aid to Confederate soldiers, sailors and their widows who have been a resident of this State since January 1, 1910," and "Against amendment to Section 51 of Article 3, of the Constitution, authorizing the Legislature to grant aid to Confederate soldiers and their widows."

Sec. 3. The Governor is hereby directed to issue the proclamation for said election and have same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State, and the sum of five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars or so



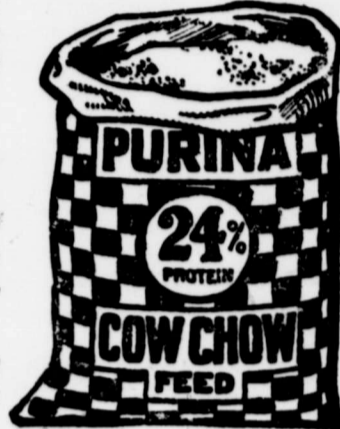
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S. L. STAPLES,
Secretary of State.

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1

Proposing an amendment to Section 2, Article 6 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by providing that only native born or naturalized citizens of the United States shall be qualified electors in this State, and permitting either the husband or the wife to pay the poll tax of the other and receive the receipt therefor, and permitting the Legislature to authorize absentee voting.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 2 of Article 6 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended as hereafter to read as follows:

Section 2. Every person subject to none of the foregoing disqualifications, who shall have attained the age of twenty-one years and who shall be a citizen of the United States and who shall have resided in this State one year next preceding an election and the last six months within the district or county in which such person offers to vote, shall be deemed a qualified elector; provided, that electors living in any unorganized county may vote at any election precinct in the county to which such county is attached for judicial purposes; and provided further, that any voter who is subject to pay a poll tax under the laws of the State of Texas shall have paid said tax before offering to vote at any election in this State and hold a receipt showing that said poll tax was paid before the first day of February next preceding such election. Or if said voter shall have lost or misplaced said tax receipt, he or she, as the case may be, shall be entitled to vote upon making affidavit before any officer authorized to administer oaths that such tax receipt has been lost. Such affidavit shall be made in writing and left with the judge of the election. The husband may pay the poll tax of his wife and receive the receipt therefor. In like manner the wife may pay the poll tax of her husband and receive the receipt therefor. The Legislature may authorize absentee voting. And this provision of the Constitution shall be self-enacting without the necessity of further legislation.

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State at an election to be held throughout the State on the fourth Saturday in July, 1921, at which all voters favoring said proposed amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words: "For the amendment to Section 2 of Article 6 of the Constitution of the State of Texas providing that only native born or naturalized citizens of the United States shall be qualified electors in this State, and providing that either the husband or wife may pay the poll tax of the other and receive the receipt therefor, and permitting the Legislature to authorize absentee voting." And all those opposed to said amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots, "Against the amendment to Section 2 of Article 6 of the Constitution of the State of Texas providing that only native born or naturalized citizens of the United States shall be qualified electors in this State, and providing that either the husband or wife may pay

the poll tax of the other and receive the receipt therefor, and permitting the Legislature to authorize absentee voting."

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and have the same published as required by the Constitution, and existing laws of the State.

Sec. 4. That the sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury of the State of Texas not otherwise appropriated to pay the expenses of such publication and election.

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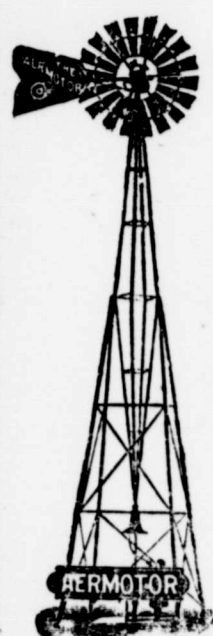
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LUMBERMEN BRING CONVENTION TO END

Fort Worth Unanimously Selected as the Next Convention City.

Houston, Tex.—The selection of Ft. Worth as the next convention city and the election of officers Friday closed the business sessions of the thirty-fifth annual convention of the Lumbermen's Association of Texas. All the officers were re-elected and a new office of third vice president was created, to which Walter B. Sloan of Fort Worth was elected. The officers re-elected are: E. P. Hunter, president; W. S. Howell, first vice president; J. C. Dionne, secretary, and Thomas W. Blake, treasurer.

In selecting the convention city only two bids were received, Fort Worth and Dallas. Telegrams from Fort Worth asking for the convention were read from the chamber of commerce, the mayor, the merchants of the city and the press. A motion made that Fort Worth be the next meeting place passed without opposition.

Resolutions drawn up and offered by the resolutions committee were adopted as a whole. The association asks the repeal of all wartime acts which regulate private business and also the repeal of the Adamson act. It urges the strictest governmental economy and elimination of all unnecessary departments. The repeal of the excess profits tax is asked and in its place an increase in the normal income tax. The government is asked that all tariff enactments be made as soon as possible. Equal taxes in all parts of the state are asked. A proposed tariff on Canadian lumber is opposed as being impracticable. It is said that Texas needs a new port to accommodate the lumber exports and the government will be asked to make appropriations for the development of Corpus Christi.

DECISION GIVEN IN RED RIVER CASE

Washington.—Texas lost its first brush with Oklahoma in the Red River boundary litigation when Justice Pitney in the supreme court Monday delivered an opinion holding that the south bank of the stream was the dividing line between the states, thereby reaffirming the decree of the United States supreme court in the Greer County case. The next issue in the litigation to be determined is where the south bank of the stream was at the time of the treaty of 1819.

In this case Texas has contended that it is some distance south, or against what is known as "the bluffs" in Texas, that being the place, Oklahoma's petition avers, where the channel of the stream existed at the time of the treaty referred to. The contention of Oklahoma also is the contention of the federal government, which intervened in the litigation, claiming at the same time that the property involved belongs to neither of the states, but is public domain.

On the issue determined by the court Monday the Texas assertion was that the dividing line between the

states is the center of the stream. Oklahoma, relying upon the Greer County case and the historical evidence, declared that the south bank, wherever the bed of the stream might be, is the true line between the states.

An argument was made in the case by former United States Senator Joseph W. Bailey, whose position was that the Greer County case did not control, since that case was one of ferks and not of banks.

The court Monday, however, very clearly fixed the Greer County case as one controlling the issue, and that the south bank, as declared in that decree, was the line of division. The interested parties were given thirty days by the court to prepare the form of the decree.

More Than 500,000 Head Dipped.

Fort Worth, Tex.—More than 500,000 head of cattle were dipped or inspected for fever ticks in Texas during March, according to the monthly report of the United States bureau of animal industry on the work of it and the Texas live stock sanitary commission. The actual number of cattle reported dipped or inspected in both systematic and preliminary counties in the entire state was 550,507 in a total of 42,221 herds.

Rain Hits Melon Crop.

Hempstead, Tex.—Excessive rain and cold weather have ruined water-melon prospects in the Hempstead section and the crop will have to be replanted.

Fire Destroys Airplanes.

Arkansas City, Kan.—Seven airplanes, valued at \$25,000, were destroyed by a fire Sunday which burned the hangar of a local airplane company.

TURKISH ATTACK IS BROKEN BY GREEKS

Athens.—Thirty thousand Turkish troops directed by Mustapha Kemal Pasha, the Turkish nationalist leader, and supported by strong detachments of cavalry and artillery, attacked the Greeks in the Aflum-Kharahisar and Touloubanar sections, with the intention of cutting them off from their base at Aflum-Kharahisar, according to semi-official reports from Smyrna Saturday on the fighting in Asia Minor.

The attack broke down completely before the Greek counter-attacks.

Before the Greek counter-attacks the Turks withdrawing, the Greeks took 6000 prisoners, including fifteen officers, and captured five guns and twelve machine guns, the reports state.

Places Wreath on Roosevelt's Grave.

New York.—The grave of Theodore Roosevelt at Oyster Bay was visited Thursday by Rene Viviani, special envoy from France, in company with Ambassador and Madame Jules Jusserand and Stephane Lauzanne, editor of Le Matin. The party stood with bowed heads while M. Viviani placed a large floral wreath on the grave. Then Mme. Jusserand knelt and the visitors offered a silent prayer.

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More Raw Cotton Consumed.

Washington.—Cotton manufacturers utilized more raw cotton during March than in any month since last September, a total of 437,933 bales having been consumed, according to the monthly report Friday of the census bureau. This was 20,325 more bales than in February.

Soft Beds in Ancient Days.

According to Athenaeus, effeminate gentlemen in ancient Greece sometimes slept on beds of sponge. Fashionable people in Athens slept under coverlets of dressed peacock skins, with the feathers on. Clearchus, the author of a treatise on sleep, described the bed of a Paphian prince in such a way that it is difficult to keep awake while reading it. "Over the soft mattresses," he writes "was flung an expensive short-grained Sardinian carpet. A coverlet of down texture succeeded, and upon this was cast a costly counterpane of Amorginian purple. Cushtious variegated with the richest purple supported his head, while two soft Dorian pillows of pale pink gently raised his feet."

Democratic Cigar Names.

The nomenclature of the cigar trade is one of the very interesting phases of democracy, says the Philadelphia Public Ledger. No agent intent upon building up a market for a 10 cent cigar ever named it for a statesman. He complimented, instead, an actor, a philanthropist, a race horse, a hypothetical Indian maiden or a supposititious Spanish grandee. To have named a 10 cent cigar for a statesman would have been to "queer" both the cigar and its involuntary patron. The people would not have stood for that sort of thing. It would have presumed a certain superiority which they would have rebuked both at the cigar stand and at the polls.

Cure for Flat Feet.

Are you flat-footed? If you don't know, the next time you take a bath, observe the impressions that your wet feet make. If your feet are normal, there will be a narrow line from heel to toe on the outside; if they are flat, the entire bottom of the foot will show.

How can you cure flat-footedness? Buy a handful of marbles, place them in two rows, and start picking them up with your toes. To do this you must curl up your toes; as a result the muscles of the feet will be exercised and thereby strengthened.—Popular Science Monthly.

Time to Go.

"She said 'No'?"
"Yes," said the dejected suitor.
"Cheer up. A woman's 'No' sometimes means 'Yes.'"
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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 30.

Relating to the amending of Article 17, Section 58, of the Constitution of the State of Texas; abolishing the Board of Prison Commissioners; providing for the supervision and management of the Prison System, under such laws as may be provided for by the Legislature.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article 17, Section 58, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 58. The Legislature shall have full power and authority to provide by law for the management and control of the Prison System of Texas; and to this end shall have power and authority to place the prison system under the supervision, management and control of such officer or officers as the Legislature may from time to time provide for by law.

Sec. 2. The above constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at a general election to be held on the fourth Saturday in July, 1921, at which election all voters favoring said proposed amendment shall write or have printed on their ballot the words: "For the amendment of Article 17, Section 58, of the Constitution, abolishing the Board of Prison Commissioners." And all those opposing said amendment shall write or have printed on their ballot the words: "Against the Amendment of Article 17, Section 58, of the Constitution, abolishing the Board of Prison Commissioners."

Sec. 3. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and have the same published as required by law.

Sec. 4. The sum of \$5,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of the funds in the Treasury of the State not otherwise appropriated to pay the expenses of such publication and election.

S. L. STAPLES,
Secretary of State.

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BULLS—A few yearling Hereford bulls for sale at reasonable price. See write or phone Christian Jordan, Art. Texas. 5-1f

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

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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

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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. 5-1f

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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 Ovy Garner. 4-5f

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

Bill Pike and Mrs. A. C. Finch will leave for Hays County, Wednesday morning where Mrs. Finch will spend the summer. From all accounts there must be some attraction for Billie. They will be accompanied by Mrs. Alfred Otte and Mrs. Earl Waller.

LIFE SKETCH OF B. R. HOLLAND

The News is in receipt of a life sketch of the late B. R. Holland, whose death occurred at Lake Victor, Burnet County, on April the third, and we herewith reproduce the article:

Mr. B. R. Holland was born in Burnet county, Texas, on September 19, 1854. He was a resident of Burnet county until 1877, when at the age of 23 years he moved to Llano county. He resided in Llano county two years and it was during his residence there that he met and became attached to Miss Elizabeth Kelly; they being married on September 15, 1878.

In 1879, Mr. and Mrs. Holland moved to Mason county and took up their residence in the Big Bluff section. A few years later they moved to the Double Knobbs community, where they resided until 1911. At this time Mr. Holland purchased a home near town, at Kocksville, to which place they moved. On the 16th of August, 1920, Mrs. Holland died. Following Mrs. Holland's death the aged gentleman broke up house-keeping and went to the home of W. J. Wilson, near Grit, to make his abode. In March, Mr. Holland was called to Burnet county to the bedside of his aged mother, who died at the age of 96 years and 9 months. Before returning to Mason he was stricken with an illness from which he never recovered, causing his death on April 3, 1921.

He is survived by a brother, Richmond Holland, of New Mexico, and a sister, Mrs. W. R. McCoy, of Lake Victor.

GRAND CELEBRATION

Of the 75th anniversary of the founding of Fredericksburg on Monday and Tuesday, May 9th and 10th., 1921. Speeches, Military Bands, Athletic Events, Historical Parade, Dances, etc. Information Bureau on the Market Square. Come and bring your friends. The people of Fredericksburg and Gillespie County extend a hearty welcome to everybody. 5-4tc

Rev. Roy G. Rader left Tuesday for Austin to be away until the latter part of the week on business.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

Mrs. R. D. Byler and Mrs. Martin D. Loring and children are spending a week in San Antonio visiting relatives.

Glenn Murray came in last Friday from Wichita Falls for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Murray, and with other relatives and friends.

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. Fidelity 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 Fredonia, by W. C. Ellison.

H. C. Rawlins and wife, of Breckenridge, Texas, are in Mason this week, and are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Kiser. Mr. Rawlins is a newspaper man and only recently sold his plant at Breckenridge. He and Mrs. Rawlins have been enjoying a visit to Corpus Christi, but he says the weather of the past few weeks was not very suitable for an outing on the coast. Mr. Rawlins was a pleasant fraternal visitor at the News Office on Tuesday morning.

L. C. Brown and daughter, Lillian, and Miss Irene Breuzale, of Llano, were in Mason last Saturday.

W. H. Neill, of San Antonio, was in Mason a short time the first of the week. Mr. Neill was here to get a number of old cars he had in storage at this place.

The Commissioners' Court was in session Monday, going over the books of Sheriff and Tax Collector, Chas. Leslie.

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Some FACTS About



Here are authentic figures from the Ford factory at Detroit. They show you just how many Ford cars and trucks have been built each month since January 1, 1921 and how many have been sold to retail customers, in the United States.

JANUARY	29,883	57,203
FEBRUARY	35,305	63,603
MARCH	61,886	87,221

Total Production 127,074 Retail Sales 208,032 showing that actual sales for the first three months of 1921 exceeded production by 80,958 Ford cars and trucks

April requisitions already specify 107,719 additional cars and trucks and the estimated April output of the factory and assembly plants combined call for only 90,000

These facts clearly show that the demand for Ford products is growing much faster than manufacturing facilities to produce and were it not for the dealers' limited stocks, which are now being rapidly depleted, many more customers would have been compelled to wait for their cars. It will be only a matter of weeks, therefore, until a big surplus of orders will prevent anything like prompt deliveries.

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Mrs. C. Francis, and sister-in-law, Miss Francis, of Houston, are guests this week of Clyde Leslie and family and other relatives. Mrs. Francis will be remembered as Miss Cora Leslie.

Mrs. M. F. Carter returned home last Friday from Austin, where she has been for several weeks, visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Ritchardson.

Mrs. Wes Smith and little daughter, Velma, and son, C. C., and Leonard

Wood were week-end guests of relatives and friends in Junction last week.

Mrs. H. C. Drawe, who for the past several weeks has been the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Leifeste, of the Art section, left last Sunday for her home at Mercedes, Texas.

Mrs. Jim Milligan, of Kocksville, has been quite sick during the past week, but it is stated she is improving.

A. J. Lindsay shipped two cars of steers to the Fort Worth market this week. John Lindsay accompanied them.

Chas. Guentert, one of our good stockman and farmers of the Capitola section, was a business visitor in Mason last Saturday.

Rev. G. W. F. Schreiber is in Monthalia, Texas, this week, attending Bible Conference.

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