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One Pear Tree Yields Owner Fifteen Bushels

CHRISTIAN VATER GETS \$30 FOR PEARS OFF ONE TREE

That Mason county is a good fruit growing country, as well as being ideal for the raising of almost any other crop imaginable, is substantiated by a statement recently made by Christian Vater. Mr. Vater states he received a yield of fifteen bushels of pears from a tree in his yard at his home on Post Hill this year and further said he found a ready sale for the fruit at \$2 per bushel. This makes him a net profit of \$30 from the one pear tree, besides he pulled many of the pears for his own use and to bring to town to exhibit.

Mason county soil is well adapted to growing fruit and no one who has ever planted an orchard here will contradict our statement. The drouth of a few years ago caused many orchards to die out, and our fruit crop has been small as a result, but a number of young orchards have been planted in the county and it will be only a short time when fruit will be more plentiful.

Mason county home-owners and farmers should give more attention to planting fruit trees. A good yield can always be looked forward to, only in exceptionally dry weather.

OLD PIONEER SURVIVED BY 121 DESCENDANTS IS LAID TO REST

Ransom Capps, Confederate Veteran and Resident of City for 71 Years, Often Told of Indian Attacks.

The above caption appear in the San Antonio Evening News last week over an article giving a brief history of the life of Mr. Ransom Capps. The article is herewith reproduced:

Survived by 121 descendants Ransom Capps, Confederate Veteran, who died Saturday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. R. F. Pipes, 251 Diaz Street, was among the last of the living pioneers of Texas whose deeds have immortalized in history and song. He was 91 years, 9 months and 2 days old. A native of Missouri, he came to Texas when a young man and settled near the head of the San Antonio River, about five miles north of town, which then consisted of an army garrison and a few stores. That was 72 years ago.

To his children, six of whom survive him, Mr. Capps has often related the stories of Indian attacks on the settlements near San Antonio.

At the beginning of the Civil War he enlisted in Company I, 3d Texas Infantry, and served under the late Capt. J. M. Trainer in Col. Luckett's brigade of Walker's Division in Louisiana and Arkansas through the entire period of the war.

His wife and children moved from their ranch north of town into San Antonio during his absence for protection against Indian attacks. The Apaches and Comanches were on a rampage, the former being especially treacherous at that time.

After the war, Capps, with his family moved to a point near the head of the Salado, about 12 miles from town, where he lived until the death of his wife about 20 years ago. Fifteen children were born to their union. Following the death of his wife, Capps lived at the homes of his children in San Antonio and in Mason and McCulloch Counties.

Besides his six children, he is survived by 36 grandchildren, 76 great-grandchildren and 11 great-great-grandchildren, most of whom live in Mason County.

Three daughters, Mrs. Pipes, Mrs. C. E. Jones and Mrs. E. H. Neal, live in San Antonio. Two of his sons, S. E. Capps and John Capps, live in Mason County, while the other one, J. P. Capps, lives in McCulloch County.

Interment was made Sunday at Coker Cemetery. The Rev. John W. Smith officiated. Funeral services were held from the residence of Mrs. Pipes.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Elley and children of Seguin, came in Tuesday for a visit in the home of Mrs. Elley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fischer, and to attend the Nagel-Fischer wedding.

Rev. Roy G. Rader Is Returned to Mason

SEVERAL CHANGES MADE IN THIS SECTION; MASON NOW IN KERRVILLE DISTRICT

The sixty-third annual meeting of the West Texas Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was held in San Antonio last week. Monday's San Antonio Express carried the announcements as to appointments made at the Conference.

One noticeable change which was made at the recent session, is that Mason was changed from the Lampasas District to the Kerrville District. A. E. Rector is presiding elder of the Kerrville District.

Below we give some of the appointments of pastors which we consider will be of interest to News readers:

Bastrop, J. T. Tracy; Corpus Christi, Thomas Gregory; Mathis, J. A. Boatman; Art, D. G. Hardt; Castell, Robert Moerner; Fredericksburg, R. Gammethaler; Grassyville, A. R. Vetter; Mason, Roy G. Rader; Willow City, C. H. Grote; Yancey, F. W. Radetzky; Editor Der Missionfreund, J. A. G. Rabe; business manager Der Missionfreund, P. H. Hensch; Llano, N. G. Ozmont; Brady, S. C. Dunn; Junction, L. L. McIntyre; Menard, J. R. Robinson; Mertzon, H. B. Owens; Hondo, G. G. Smith; Fredonia, J. D. Farmer; reappointed Conference Evangelist, G. C. Baumgardt; Big Wells, J. M. Lynn; Bracketville, L. D. Hardt; Laredo, Chas. Nixon; transferred out of West Texas Conference, E. A. Konken, S. X. Swimme, both to Texas Conference.

There seems to be several pastors who are well known locally that were not given in the list in the Express. We are informed that Rev. F. A. Banks has been sent to Kempner, Texas.

Stock Show Dates Are Close at Hand—Come

Next Friday and Saturday, November fourth and fifth are going to be two of the biggest days in this little city of Mason. We have ever come to pass in the history of the town. Plans have been going forth for the past seven weeks in making preparations for the event, and the committees have left nothing undone to make the Mason County Stock, Agricultural and Poultry Exhibit the biggest thing of its kind ever held. The committees have not been working alone, for the entire town and county has been talking the Show, and great success is assured for the two days.

A big feature of the first day of the Exhibit will be the auction sale on Friday afternoon of some of the finest registered hogs in Mason county, among which will be Duroc Jersey and Big Bone Poland China.

On Saturday, there will be an auction sale of forty head of Registered Hereford cattle. The pedigree of these cattle was printed in the catalog gotten out for the Exhibit, and if you are interested and have not secured one, be sure to call at the County Agent's office before the sale and secure one.

County Agent, W. I. Marschall states that he has the assurance of twenty-five or more schools over the county that they will enter community exhibits. This feature of the Exhibit is expected to create quite a bit of enthusiasm, as very liberal prizes are being offered in this department of the Show.

It is stated that the Mason Band will give a concert on one of the two days, and another attraction, will probably be a football game between the local High School and that of some neighboring town.

The first of next week will see the beginning of the erection of pens and stalls for the stock that will be brought in for exhibition on Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. D. T. Brieger returned home Monday from Orange Grove, where she spent a couple weeks visiting with relatives and friends.

M. F. H. Kothmann was here Tuesday from the Castell section. He informed us Mrs. Perry Bode was reported as much improved.

Typewriter ribbons, 80c. News Office.

MARY PICKFORD'S FIRST "BIG FOUR" PICTURE COMING

"Pollyanna," the Wonderful Glad Story to Be Shown at the Star Theatre

When the United Artists Corporation was formed, the aim of the four stars—Mary Pickford, Charlie Chaplin, Douglas Fairbanks and D. W. Griffith—was to establish a medium through which to convey bigger and finer photoplays to the motion picture public.

Under this plan three pictures have already been released—two by Douglas Fairbanks and one by D. W. Griffith. Now comes Mary Pickford with "Pollyanna," her first "Big Four" offering, and the fourth film to be handled by the United Artists since the organization's birth, which will be shown at the Star Theater, Thursday night, November 3rd.

Because this is her first production under the new arrangement of individual release, every effort has been put forth by Miss Pickford to make "Pollyanna" a bigger and better picture than anything she has ever done before.

Work was begun by the little star on September 15 and the production was not complete until the middle of December. Neither expense nor time was spared in the attempt to make "Pollyanna" one hundred per cent perfect.

In order that a real New England village might be photographed, Director Powell took the entire company two hundred miles from Los Angeles to Independence, a town a mile high in the Sierra Nevada Mountains and the only typically New England hamlet in the West which had never before "posed" for a movie camera.

When it was found impossible to locate a house that would answer for the home of Aunt Polly, Miss Pickford ordered one built. The set was completed at a cost of \$10,000 and consisted of a front, side and back, with half a roof. This is said to be the largest single dwelling ever built for a motion picture.

During the making of the County Fair scenes more than four hundred people appeared at one time before the camera. Only a few of these were professional players. Most of them were country folk who had come to Independence in response to an "ad" stating that the Pickford company would hold an old-time county fair. As a result "real" people were secured instead of actors, who at best could only pretend to be real.

Two cameras were used during the filming of "Pollyanna," and a trifle more than 100,000 feet of film were shot, which were cut to six reels, or approximately 6,000 feet.

However, "footage" and "sets" and "locations" have all been secondary matters with Miss Pickford so far as expense was concerned. Her great hope has been to give the public a picture with a soul, a picture that will not entertain for the moment only, but that will live in the hearts of the people always.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Alf Wootton, a girl, October 21st.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Hoerster, a girl, October 11th.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Sanders, a boy, October 14th.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Walker, a girl, October 12th.

Mr. and Mrs. Enell Stapp, a boy, October 21st.

Marriage License

Mr. Harold W. Mellington and Miss Clara Brockman, October 20th.

Mr. Edgar Leifeste and Miss Emma Shafer, October 20th.

Mr. Ernest Heinrich and Miss Lillie Starks, October 22nd.

Louis Nagel and family, of Fredericksburg, arrived in Mason Wednesday to attend the marriage of Miss Olga Fischer to Mr. Harry Nagel, which event was solemnized at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fischer on Wednesday afternoon at five o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Hays Winn and children of the London community, were in Mason shopping last Monday.

Pasture Owners Fail to Perfect Organization

IT IS AGREED TO PLACE BAN ON OUTSIDE OF COUNTY HUNTERS

At the meeting held at the court house last Saturday afternoon by the pasture owners of Mason County the Mason County Game Protective Association failed to become a perfected organization. It is said the failure to organize was brought about by a difference of opinion relative to fixing a charge on local residents for hunting.

While no organization was perfected, we are informed it was agreed that all pasture owners would make every effort to keep hunters living out of Mason county from coming to this county and hunting this year. In almost every instance the pasture owners will post their pastures and require parties desiring to hunt to get permission, and non-residents will not be granted permission to hunt in some instances, according to information received by the writer.

Local parties fear a swamp of hunters from the effects of an article appearing in the daily papers last spring to the effect that deer were molesting crops in this county. This was a false report that went out and pasture owners here are wondering what will be the result. If the News is correctly informed, the result will be that many who have been planning on a hunt in this county on the strength of the article last spring, will find they can't get permission to hunt here and our prediction is, provided the pasture owners enforce the rules against outside hunters, that many fines for trespassing will be assessed here this year during hunting season.

To Perfect County Wolf Association on Saturday

The News is requested to announce that a meeting will be held at the court house next Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock for the purpose of perfecting the Mason County Wolf Association, elect directors, draw up bylaws and pass on rules, regulations, etc.

The announcement has been given out that the organization is well under way and enough parties have signed the petition to assure success for the organization.

It is being requested that all who have signed up to join the association pay in the respective amounts due at an early date, and if possible, before the meeting next Saturday. This is asked that the finance committee may be able to give a complete report at Saturday's meeting.

All parties interested in a wolf club for Mason county are requested to attend this meeting and if you have not already signed up for membership, you are urged to do so at once.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Martin, Miss Ruth Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Kurt Martin and children, left Monday for San Antonio to spend a few days among relatives and friends. They expect to return to Mason this week.

H. C. Pluenneke and son were here Tuesday from their ranch in the Hillja community.

CHILD'S FUNERAL HELD THURS.

The funeral of Little Alba Antrey Watkins was held last Thursday afternoon at the Gooch cemetery at three o'clock.

The child died Wednesday afternoon about four o'clock, following an illness of diphtheria and was aged five years, one month and thirteen days. Rev. M. Heinrich, of the local Lutheran church, conducted the services.

The bereaved parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Watkins, have the sympathy of a host of friends in their loss.

Mason County Teachers' Ass'n.

L. W. Dumas, president of the Mason County Teachers' Association, states that the association will meet at the school building in Mason on Saturday.

Mason County Will Ship Several Carloads Pecans

LOCAL BUYERS PAYING 12 TO 15 CENTS PER POUND FOR NUTS

Local pecan buyers have already purchased from Mason county pecan raisers more than 110,000 pounds of pecans and many of them have already been shipped.

We are informed that Wm. Hoffmann has purchased something like 80,000 pounds on the local market up to Tuesday afternoon and according to E. L. Durst of the Mayhew Produce Company's local branch house he has purchased something like 30,000 pounds up to the same time. The price being paid for pecans ranges from 12 to 15 cents per pound. Mr. Hoffmann has practically bought up three car loads of pecans and he states he will likely handle a total of four car loads this season.

It is hard to get an accurate line-up on the amount of pecans that Mason county will get on the market this year, as a number of other buyers in the county have been buying and we have no way of getting at the amounts they have purchased. Then too, there are several who have marketed their pecans outside of the county, many have sold to local consumers and one or two large pecan growers are pooling their pecans with the Texas Pecan Growers' Association. J. W. White has had a total of his pecans threshed and delivered at Mason at a cost of 5 cents per pound. It is estimated that he will have something like 2,000 pounds more to gather and up to Tuesday of this week he had a total of 12,500 pounds already gathered and being held in storage until they are shipped to San Antonio to be pooled for later sale. Wm. Hoffmann has also kept his crop off the local market and will pool them at San Antonio.

It is said A. L. Hamrick has also handled a good many pecans this year, and a good large bulk of those handled by him are not accounted for in the above figures. Buyers at Kately and Fredonia and also at London and Castell have probably handled a lot more of Mason county pecans, and an estimate at how many they have handled is guess work. The writer feels that a conservative estimate of the pecan crop of Mason county this year would be around 200,000 pounds. With the nuts bringing an average price of 13 cents a pound means that the pecan revenue will net the county somewhere between 25 and 30 thousand dollars. It is estimated the crop this year in Mason county is about a good crop.

We have been led to a few instances of interest in connection with the pecan and we pass them on to our readers.

On the Williams place near Fredonia some pecans have been raised that weighed out 62 nuts to the pound and tested 58 per cent meat. Adolph Kothmann, residing on Beaver Creek had a tree to bear something over 500 pounds and he sold the pecans for 15 cents per pound, making the one tree net him over \$75. Another tree yielded 650 pounds and the nuts netted him 12 1/2 cents a pound. We are informed some trees of the county bear as high as a thousand pounds in average years. Herbert Zesch has a very prolific pecan tree that bears extra large nuts and they are of a rich quality. It is said 45 of the nuts weigh a pound, and he usually finds a ready market for them at fancy prices. There are a number of Mason county people giving special interest to grafting and building their timber to improve the pecans, and their efforts are meeting with splendid success. Among the most popular varieties are the Oliver, Kincaid and Stribbling. The original Stribbling pecan comes from Llano county and won first prize at the St. Louis World's Fair. It is said the yield from that one tree is always sold in Llano each year to local consumers and never has it sold for less than 60 cents per pound.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Bode, of the Castell section, will sympathize with them in the loss of an infant child a few days ago. It is said Mrs. Bode's condition has been considered quite dangerous.

THE UNEXPECTED HAPPENS

WEINHEIMER & CO., of Fredericksburg, SUDDENLY DECIDE to QUIT BUSINESS.—F. J. MAIER MAKES THEM AN OFFER WHICH IS ACCEPTED.

A splendid stock of good, dependable Merchandise consisting of Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Hats, Overcoats, Dresses, Coat Suits, Sweaters, Rain Coats, Underwear, Blankets, Fancy Goods, Notions, Hardware, Glassware, Enameled Ware, Groceries, in fact all goods usually found in a first class General Merchandise Store.

\$25,000.00 Worth in the House—\$5,000.00 Worth More on the Road. bought at a price that will enable us to offer Merchandise at "prices not heard of since 1914". A force of clerks is now busy going through the entire stock, re-arranging and re-marking same.

Our first great sale will begin Saturday, October 29th at 9 a. m. and continue until the different lines are closed out. We contemplate putting in entirely new and different lines of Goods early in 1922, so everything must be sold within the next few weeks. Please remember the date of Opening of Sale, Saturday, October 29th. The Store is located directly across the street from the Bank of Fredericksburg. **COME EARLY—COME OFTEN.** Twenty or more clerks to wait on you.

F. J. MAIER
FREDERICKSBURG, TEXAS.

Friends of S. J. Thorne will be pleased to learn that he is again able to be out, following an illness of several days which confined him to his room.

They are awaiting your inspection— Those engraved Greeting Card Samples at the News Office.

J. H. Baxter and son, of Abilene, were in Mason last week on a prospecting tour. Mr. Baxter stated that he was on the lookout for some grass land which he might lease. We have failed to learn whether he secured any land in this county.

Typewriter ribbons, 80c. News Office.

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Smith and little Miss Velma and Mrs. Walter Lindsay left Tuesday morning for San Antonio to spend a few days on business and pleasure.

Walton Reynolds returned home Monday from Austin, where he has been for the past several weeks.

INCREASE PRODUCTIVITY OF LARGE PECAN TREES

Cut back your large pecan trees as you gather. Fruit is the product of surplus vitality or a drain on the life of a tree. If there is no surplus vitality your fruit is stunted. We have many old trees that have more wood than they can well support, are brash of wood and dangerous. Once I had a field of old, tall, slender pecan trees where a few years before was a heavy growth of other timber. Pecans could not bear the change. Their tops died, their fruit was largely at their base where new wood formed. I had them cut back and they became profitable within three years. The male, or pollen bearing wood is upon last year's growth. The female blossom is upon an extension of but a few days. Look at your pecans. They are at the extreme tips of your shoots. If the tree has no surplus vitality there are few extensions for pecans. Look at your widely extended old trees and note how much surplus wood they carry. They need new wood. How will we give it to them? Take off half of the old. Those big limbs 30 feet long bear only at their tips, and that a long way from their base of supply. The stub of that limb the second or third year would bear twice as many pecans and much better ones than those upon the tip of the long limb as it is.

You must cut intelligently. Your tree must have leaves to breathe in functioning in the making of new wood. Cut beyond the small limb, first notching upon the under side to prevent a split and unnecessary wound. Some advocate trimming one half of the tree the first year and the balance later. But the better plan is to trim for a symmetrical head at once, yet with full regard to a breathing shoot for a terminal. For the old limb will probably die back to the breathing shoot. When the new sprouts come, remember the lower limbs are the under side and are not to be trusted with your life, as they may split off with an additional weight as I shall always remember. You can trim any dormant plant. Your very large bearing pecans are thoroughly exhausted, therefore, are rarely dormant. So you may cut them back as you gather pecans. If your harvest crew will not trim those unsafe trees for his safety and convenience as he gathers the pecans throw in your pecan interest in such trees and perhaps he will. And you have gained the most profitable and convenient tree in your orchard, besides those old spreading derelicts are overshadowing your promising young trees.

I have not said a word about budding or grafting the new shoots upon the old trees or of the improved chance of developing the young trees that were overshadowed. For that is another topic. A man is never too old to learn, and when you have learned to change the nature of a tree to obey your will you have a satisfaction undreamed of. —B. R. Russell in San Saba News.

At the One Cent Sale you can buy \$1 articles for one cent.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin D. Loring moved to the Ellebracht place last week.

Tanlac has the largest sale of any medicine in the world. Over Twenty Million bottles have been sold in six years. No other medicine has ever approached it as a seller. Mason Drug Company.

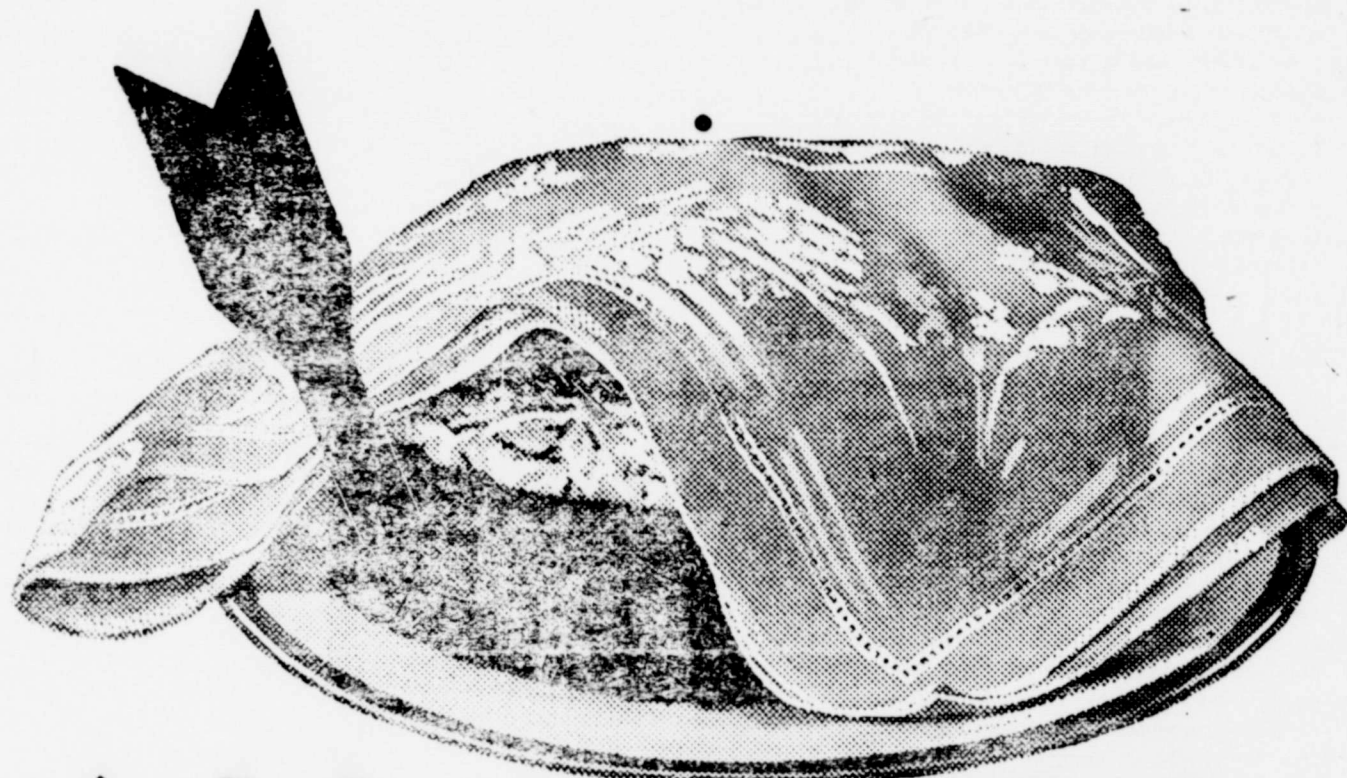
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MASON COUNTY NEWS.

Prof. F. C. Dendy and wife and baby were business visitors in Mason last Saturday, from the Fredonia community.

PRESCRIPTIONS Accurately compounded day and night at Mason Drug Co.



A Mystery Cake

Can you name it?

Here is another new Royal Cake, so delicious and appetizing that we have been unable to give it a name that does justice to its unusual qualities. It can be made just right only with Royal Baking Powder. Will you make it and name it?

\$500 for the Best Names

For the name selected as best, we will pay \$250. For the second, third, fourth, and fifth choice, we will pay \$100, \$75, \$50, and \$25 respectively.

Anyone may enter the contest, but only one name from each person will be considered.

All names must be received by December 15th, 1921. In case of ties, the full amount of the prize will be given to each tying contestant. Do not send your cake. Simply send the name you suggest, with your own name and address, to the

ROYAL BAKING POWDER COMPANY
149 William Street, New York

How to make it

Use level measurements for all materials

- 1/2 cup shortening
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- Grated rind of 1/2 orange
- 1 egg and 1 yolk
- 2 1/2 cups flour
- 4 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder
- 1 cup milk
- 1 1/2 squares (1 1/2 ozs.) of unsweetened chocolate (melted)
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

Cream shortening. Add sugar and grated orange rind. Add beaten egg yolks. Sift together flour, salt and Royal Baking Powder and add alternately with the milk; lastly fold in one beaten egg white. Divide batter into two parts. To one part add the chocolate. Put by tablespoonsfuls, alternating dark and light batter, into three greased layer cake pans. Bake in moderate oven 20 minutes.

FILLING AND ICING

- 3 tablespoons melted butter
- 2 tablespoons orange juice
- 3 cups confectioner's sugar
- 1 egg white
- (Powdered sugar may be used but does not make as smooth icing)
- 3 squares (3 ozs.) unsweetened chocolate
- Grated rind of 1/2 orange and pulp of 1 orange

Put butter, sugar, orange juice and rind into bowl. Cut pulp from orange, removing skin and seeds, and add. Beat all together until smooth. Fold in beaten egg white. Spread this icing on layer used for top of cake. While icing is soft, sprinkle with unsweetened chocolate shaved in fine pieces with sharp knife (use 1/2 square). To remaining icing add 2 1/2 squares unsweetened chocolate which has been melted. Spread this thickly between layers and on sides of cake.

Why Suffer?

Cardui "Did Wonders for Me," Declares This Lady.

"I suffered for a long time with womanly weakness," says Mrs. J. R. Simpson, of 57 Spruce St., Asheville, N. C. "I finally got to the place where it was an effort for me to go. I would have bearing-down pains in my side and back — especially severe across my back, and down in my side there was a great deal of soreness. I was nervous and easily upset.

TAKE

CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

"I heard of Cardui and decided to use it," continues Mrs. Simpson. "I saw shortly it was benefiting me, so I kept it up and it did wonders for me. And since then I have been glad to praise Cardui. It is the best woman's tonic made." Weak women need a tonic. Thousands and thousands, like Mrs. Simpson, have found Cardui of benefit to them. Try Cardui for your trouble.

ALL DRUGGISTS

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SUBSCRIPTION (always in advance one year) \$1.50

All ads placed in this paper, will be run until ordered out.

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For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul? Or what shall man give in exchange for his soul? For the Son of man shall come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and then He shall reward every man according to his work.—Matthew 16: 26-27.

WITTY AND WISE

Columbus' fame lies in the fact that he was the first man to grasp the advertising value in seeing America first.—Philadelphia North American.

It has been determined that an elephant lives 400 years. Aren't some people observing?—Detroit News.

The Bookman says America has no H. G. Wells. And England has no Ring Lardner, either.—Florida Metropolis (Jacksonville).

Sleeping outdoors is said to make one beautiful. A glance at the average hobo proves it.—St. Joseph News-Press

When the swords are beaten into plowshares, perhaps we can beat the Sam Browne belts into fan belts.—Baltimore Sun.

"Irish Conference opens With Talk."—Headline. Which is the way all well regulated conferences open, proceed and terminate.—Nashville Banner.

Senator Underwood says politics ends at the three-mile limit. We don't believe it. Politicians are too often at sea.—Arkansas Gazette.

Another thing we have yet the pleasure to see is a woman sweeping up cigar ashes from the rug, smiling like the lady in the vacuum cleaner ads.—Kansas City Star.

KENTUCKY LEADS IN NUMBER OF THOROUGHBRED HORSES

Washington.—Kentucky leads all states in the number of thoroughbred horses, according to figures from the bureau of the census, its number being 1,247. Texas reported but 183 animals of this class, but, of all recognized breeds the state has 1,793.

The classification in Texas shows 602 Percherons, being the greatest number of any given breed. The state of Oklahoma has 1,893 of this class, which predominates there, its total of all recognized breeds being 2,876. The Percheron appears as the favorite breed, numbering 33,000 for the country at large.

ESTIMATED WHEAT CROP FOR 1921 IS 328,000,000 BUSHELS

Washington.—Wheat on farms, excluding that required for use by the farmers, was estimated by the department of agriculture in figures made public today at \$328,000,000 bushels this year, compared with 447,000,000 bushels last year.

Wheat in country mills and elevators was estimated at 152,000,000 bushels, compared with 129,000,000 bushels last year, and commercial visible at 59,000,000 bushels, compared with 29,000,000 last year, making a total of 529,000,000 bushels this year, as against last year's total of 605,000,000 bushels.

Population of Texas Gaining.

Austin, Tex.—Estimate is made by State Health Officer Manton M. Carrick that the population of Texas is increasing annually about 35,000. This estimate is based on figures compiled by Dr. Carrick as to the birth and death rate. In 1920, 47,877 births were reported to the state health department, compared with 64,445 thus far in 1921. The total number of births to be reported this year is expected to be close to 75,000. In 1920 there were 29,826 deaths reported to the health department, while thus far this year 31,155 have been reported. At this rate the deaths for the year 1921 will be about 40,000, Dr. Carrick estimates.

British Minister Resigns.

London.—Sir Eric Geddes, minister of transportation in the British cabinet, has tendered his resignation from that office.

"Buffalo Bill's" Widow Dies.

Cody, Wyo.—Mrs. Louisa Frederic Cody, widow of the late Colonel William F. Cody, ("Buffalo Bill") died at her home Thursday. She was 78 years old.

Eagle Brand Typewriter Ribbons, 50¢ at News Office.

TWO FRUIT JARS FULL OF CORN WHISKEY TAKEN FROM FARMER

A mild sensation was created on the square Monday afternoon when sheriff Wall and deputy sheriff Hibdon removed two fruit jars filled with corn whiskey from a farmers wagon which was hitched to the rack at the court house fence. The "Corn Juice" was locked up in the vault in the sheriff's office and the officers waited until the return of the owner of the wagon, who when asked what he was doing with the booze stated that he had bought it from a Mexican and seemed to be surprised that he did not have a right to take it home.

The law in the case not being clear no complaint has been made in the case and the man was allowed to go home. The find was made by Mr. Hibdon, who while standing near the wagon smelled whiskey and upon investigation found the two fruit jars of booze wrapped in a wagon sheet in the wagon.—Prady Sentinel.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Smith and daughter, Miss Lucille, left Sunday for San Antonio to spend a short time among friends.

POSTED NOTICE

Hunting or trespassing of any kind is strictly forbidden on any of the lands owned or controlled by me. Parties desiring to hunt must get written permission or otherwise they will be prosecuted.

MAX MARTIN.

POSTED NOTICE

This is to notify the general public that all land owned by me is posted according to law against hunting, trapping and trespassing of any kind. Violators of this notice will be prosecuted.

LOUIS G. ECKERT.

POSTED

Hunting and trespassing of all kinds is strictly forbidden on all land owned and controlled by the undersigned. Parties violating this notice will be prosecuted.

NAT REEVES.

POSTED NOTICE

This is to notify the public that our pastures are posted against hunting, trapping or otherwise trespassing. Parties desiring to hunt must get permission.

CHRISTIAN LOEFFLER
FRANK LOEFFLER.
LEE LOEFFLER.

TRESPASS NOTICE

No hunting with gun or dogs, or trapping or otherwise trespassing will be allowed on the lands owned or controlled by the Loyal Valley Game Protective Association without a privilege card properly signed.

POSTED

All lands owned by us are posted against hunting, trapping or trespassing of any kind.

PAT AND JOHN ROGERS.

PLEASE NOTICE

Hunting and trapping in my pasture forbidden.

J. H. WEIDEMANN.

HUNTERS' NOTICE.

This is to warn the public against hunting in the pastures of the undersigned without written permission.

J. W. WHITE.
S. B. CAPPES.

POSTED NOTICE

The general public is hereby warned against hunting, trapping or trespassing in any way upon the land owned or controlled by the undersigned, as same is posted.

H. J. JORDAN.
E. M. BRATTON.
LOUIS WILLMANN.

FROM NEWS FILES OF 25 YEARS AGO

From Mason News, Oct. 30, 1896:

The engagement of Mr. Henry McDougall and Miss Martha Zesch has been made public.

Sunday afternoon about four o'clock, Miss Minnie Coats and Mr. Ben Mayo were united in marriage at the residence of Judge M. B. McKnight, that gentleman officiating.

Miss Bertie Payne, aged about 16 years, died last Monday morning about three o'clock. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Payne.

A pleasant card party was given Tuesday evening by Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Schaeg. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Todd, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Kooch, Misses Hettie Todd and Claire Wilson; Messrs. H. Zork and Frank Sykes.

Mrs. Chas. Bierschwale very pleasantly entertained a number of friends Thursday afternoon. Those present included Mrs. M. A. Hamilton, Mrs. R. J. Baze, Mrs. J. F. Schaeg, Mrs. J. W. White, Mrs. Geo. Todd, Mrs. E. M. Reynolds, Mrs. V. M. Loring, Mrs. A. W. Kooch, Mrs. M. Fulton, Mrs. J. W. Reeder.

Otto Plehwe has resigned as postmaster at Plehweville and will move to town. It is thought Ernest Danheim will take charge of the office.

15 Years Ago In Mason

From Mason News, Oct. 26, 1906:

Mason County will average a half bale of cotton to the acre this year.

Mrs. McReynolds is here, visiting her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Leslie.

Last Friday the child of Mr. and Mrs. John Pryor died from the effects of carbolic acid administered through mistaking it for other medicine. The little one was only a few weeks old.

Mrs. Laura Starks lost her barn and contents by fire last Friday evening. The loss is estimated at \$1,000.

Fritz Wartenbach has gone to Sonora looking for a location.

Miss Ella Lenburg and Mrs. Emma Lendermann, of St. Louis, arrived here last Thursday to visit relatives.

Dr. and Mrs. C. L. McCollum on last Sunday, celebrated their 14th wedding anniversary.

Yes

it's toasted, of course. To seal in the flavor—



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Mr. Willis Capps and Miss Bertha Kiser were married Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Kiser.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Murray entertained the following guests last Thursday at their pleasant ranch home: Rev. and Mrs. P. B. Summers, Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Lyle, Mrs. L. H. King, Mrs. M. F. Carter.

Save you money for the One Cent Sale.

Five Per Cent Discount—On all orders for Engraved Greeting Cards placed with the News prior to November 1st.

SPECIALS FOR NOV. 4th and 5th

During the two days' Fair and Exhibit to be held in Mason on November 4th and 5th, our store will make the following offers:

With cash sales amounting to as much as \$3, we will give the purchaser free of any one of the following four offers:

1. 25 cent package of TIGER Coffee
2. 25 cents worth of Swift's Naphtha Soap.
3. 25 cent can of DEL MONTE Peas.
4. 25 cent can of Golden Gate sliced peaches

With every cash sale amounting to \$20, we will give the purchaser his choice of any \$1.25 bucket of coffee in our store.

Special offer on Mazola Salad and Cooking Oil

We have a limited amount of Mazola Salad and Cooking Oil, which we offer at special prices on the above two days, as follows:

\$3.15 Gallon Cans, Special Price..... \$2.00
\$1.70 Half Gallon Cans, Special Price.. \$1.10

WE ARE HEADQUARTERS FOR FRESH AND WHOLESOME GROCERIES

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Watch This Space. It will be worth money to you during the Stock Show.

McCOLLUM AUTO COMPANY

Fashion Bargain Sale

At Weinheimer & Co's. Old Stand

Opposite The Bank Of Fredericksburg

BEGINS

Saturday, October 29. at 9 a.m.

And Will Continue Until All The Different Lines Are Sold Out.

\$30,000.00 Worth of Good, Clean, Dependable Merchandise, Bought At A Low Price, And Offered At Sacrifice Prices. In Order To Move The Big Stock Quickly, We Have Cut The Prices Regardless Of Cost Or Present Value:

Our Main Object Is To Sell Out The Entire Stock on hand and replace it with an entire different line of Goods: It is simply impossible to name each and every Bargain Lot, We have had a force of Clerks at work for over ten days preparing, arranging and remarking the enormous Stock and we can assure everyone that they will find a "Housefull of Old Fashioned Bargains. Here are just a few sample Bargains picked at random from The Big List

STAPLE DRY GOODS.

Bleached and Brown Domestic 10c, 12c and 15c
 Outing Fancy and Solid Colors 10c, 12c and 15c
 Cotton Flannel 5c, 8c, 10c and 15c
 Assorted Calico's, Special per Yard 8c
 Heavy Blue Cotton Spirting per Yard 12c
 Solid Blue "Blue Bell" Cheviot per Yard 15c
 Fast Color Gingham, Special per Yard 12c

Silks and Woolen Dress Goods!

Stacks and Stacks and Shelves full of them. Most of them reduced to less than one-half of Weinheimer's prices.

Ladies' and Misses Sweaters.

One solid Counter piled high at wonderful "Old Fashioned Bargain Prices"—One special lot of Ladies' Sweaters -- former values up to \$7.00 go on Sale at \$2.48

FREE—FREE—FREE!

On Saturday, October 29. Opening Day of Sale: We will give a nice pair of Silk Hose or a pair of Comfy's to the first 25 Ladies whose purchases amount to \$10.00 or over.

FREE FOR THE MEN

A bottle of Shoe Preserver Oil, value 65c with a Shoe Purchase. Only one bottle to a Customer Only on Saturday, October 29.

Men's and Boys Dress Shoes!

from \$2.90 to \$4.90 assorted lots—in bins—marked plainly—with price and sizes. Come and make your selection. **MEN'S RUBBER BOOTS** \$2.75

Men's Blue Work Shirts

One Lot at only 50c each

MEN'S WORK SHOES

The Celebrated "Huiskamp's Barn Yard Shoe" sold by Weinheimer & Co. for \$8.00—Our Sale price .. \$3.90
 Men's Elk Shoes \$3.50 value for \$2.25

Men's and Young Men's Dress Hats

sold by Weinheimer & Co. at \$7.00 to \$8.00. Our great Bargain Price \$3.85
 One Lot Men's Hats for \$1.75
 Men's and Boys' Caps greatly Reduced.

Ladies', Misses and Children's Shoes.

We have so many different Lots that it would take too much newspaper space to describe all. — The prices to which they have been reduced will make you forget the "1920" high prices! All priced so as to move them quickly.

Men's and Boys Suits!

We cut the price in half—All Wool Men's Suits: Weinheimer's price \$20.00—Our Sale price \$10.00
 Weinheimer's price \$25.00—Our Sale price \$12.50
 Weinheimer's price \$30.00—Our Sale price \$15.00
 Boys' Knee Suits W.'s price \$12.00—Our Sale price \$6.00
 Boys' Knee Suits W.'s price \$13.50—Our Sale price \$6.75
 Boys' Knee Pants at "1914" Prices

Ladies' and Children's Gingham

Dresses, Aprons, Middies, Sweaters, Hosiery, Kimonos, Fleeced Underwear, Gloves, Rain Coats, Shawls, Scarfs, Woolen Hoods, Toques Veils, Baby Caps, Handkerchiefs, Comfys, Ribbons, and thousands of Yards of Embroidery and Laces at "Sure Enough Old Fashioned Bargain Sale Prices."

GROCERIES:

Here are just a few of our hundreds of Grocery Bargains
 15 pounds Mexican Beans for \$1.00
 3 pound Bucket Big Chief Coffee 75c
 Granulated Sugar 14 pounds for \$1.00
 Good 5 String Brooms 50c and 60c
 Assortment 10 pound Syrup and Molasses, regular
 90c and \$1.00 value for 60c
 Same in 5 pound Cans only 30c
 String Beans, can 12c
 Chewing Tobacco, pound 75c
 Smoking Tobacco, can 75c
 8 ounce Cans 38c
 Ammunition, Cartridges and Shot Shells greatly reduced for the Sale.
 8 Bars Yellow Soap for 25c
 4 Bars Good White Soap for 25c
 Comet Rice per Package 8c
 A fine Roast Coffee 6 pounds for \$1.00
 Large Size Sauer's Extracts, all flavors 25c

Sale Starts Saturday October 29, 9. a. m

We have arranged the Stock so as to make buying a great pleasure for you.—Come!

Hardware, Crockery, Glassware

Aluminumware, Cutlery, Tinware, all marked at "quick moving" Sale Prices!

Ladies' Coats and Coat Suits!

A great many new samples have been sent us by New York and Chicago Factories. In order to avoid return Express Charges same will be sold away below regular values. One special Lot—a beautiful Blue French Serge—all sizes from 36 to 44—at \$19.48
 \$37.50 values in different Shades and Materials at \$24.48
 Beautiful Silk Flush Coats. The Catalog price on this same style is \$15.98—Our Sale price \$14.48

Ladies' Dresses, Skirts and Waists

We are showing one of the prettiest assortments of Ladies' Dresses, Skirts, and Waists that we have seen this year.—They are "bran new" direct from a New York Factory—come and look them over.—The prices are less than you may think!

Men's Heavy Blue Overalls

One Lot extra Special, a pair 98c
 Boys' Overalls at "1914" prices!

Men's Ribbed and Fleeced Underwear.

"1920" price was \$1.50—Our Sale price 63c

Men's and Boys Dress Shirts

One Lot Special at 75c
 One Lot Special at 98c
 Lots of them at just one-half of Weinheimer's prices.
 One Lot "Sport Shirts" with short sleeves values up to \$2.00 now going at only 25c

MEN'S DRESS PANTS

You'll be agreeably surprised at the way we have been cutting the price in two—lots of them at less than half.

MEN'S LACE BOOTS

Good Ones—W.'s price \$15.00—Our Sale price \$6.90

COW BOY BOOTS

were sold at \$25.00 last year—Our Old Fashioned Bargain Sale price \$10.00. In Black and Tan.

F. J. MAIER, At Weinheimer & Co's Store.

THE ONE CENT SALE

Nov. 3, 4 and 5

A Great Event

Rexall Store

SOCIAL EVENTS

NAGEL-FISCHER

Mr. Harry Nagel, of Fredericksburg and Miss Olga Fischer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fischer, of this city, were united in marriage Wednesday afternoon at five o'clock at the home of the bride's parents. Rev. G. W. F. Schreiber, pastor of the local German Methodist church, officiated. Further mention will appear in our next issue.

CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Mrs. M. J. Rogers celebrated her 79th birthday last Sunday at the home of her son, Pat Rogers, in this city.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lang of Castell; Paschal Rogers, Jr., Marvin Hunter, editor Bandera New Era; Rachel Hunter, Marvin Hunter, Jr., of Bandera; Mr. and Mrs. Pat Rogers and son, Martin Rogers.

A sumptuous feast was served at the noon hour.

Mrs. Rogers came to Mason County in the early 90's, and reared a large family of boys and girls, who today occupy places of usefulness in the affairs of life. A great family reunion is already being planned in celebration of Mrs. Rogers' 80th birthday, when all of her children, nine in number, with their families will be present.

Mrs. B. Gross, of the Grossville community, celebrated her birthday anniversary on Tuesday afternoon of last week. It is said a large gathering of relatives and friends were her guests on the occasion and the event was much enjoyed by all. We are informed Mrs. Gross was sixty-four years of age, and the News wishes her many more anniversaries to come.

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The grand One Cent Sale comes next.

ATO PARTY HAS ACCIDENT

Marble Falls, Tex., Oct. 24.—While on route from their home at Spicewood to Abilene early this morning, the automobile occupied by Mrs. H. B. Wade and her four children fell fifteen feet from the approach of a flood-wrecked bridge.

One little girl was pinned under a wheel in the sand and for a while was thought to be dead, but recovered from a deep swoon without injury. The other children were unhurt, but Mrs. Wade was painfully bruised and also sustained a cut on the neck which required several stitches.

The car was badly damaged, and the family returned to their home—San Antonio Express.

Mrs. Wade was formerly Miss Vick McGinnis and is well known in Mason. She is a sister to Mrs. O. H. Melus, of this city.

Walter Pape of Seguin was here for the Nagel-Fischer marriage, which was solemnized at five o'clock yesterday afternoon.

CHICKENS

If you have chickens to sell, don't fail to get my prices.

J. J. JOHNSON 31-1f

Acetylene Gas Light Plants

I am prepared to furnish data and information on acetylene gas lights. Let me figure with you if you contemplate installing a plant.

F. LANGE. 31-1f

WILL SERVE DINNER

The Woman's Missionary Society will serve dinner in the Bridges building on Saturday, November 5th, beginning at 11 o'clock. Admission, 35 cents for children under 12 years, and 50 cents for adults. 32

Reduction on Shorts and Bran at Mayhew Produce Company. Bran \$1.50 and Shorts \$2 a sack. 32

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NEW CORPORATION PROPOSE TO ESTABLISH MOTOR TRANSFER

Last Monday a gentleman by the name of Owens was in Mason and met with the Mason Commercial Club's Board of Censors, and laid before them a contemplated plan for a motor bus transfer line between San Angelo and San Antonio, with headquarters at Mason.

It is the plan to organize a stock company and capitalize the organization for approximately \$50,000. Mr. Owens expects to sell shares until the capital stock is raised and should he succeed, the company will operate eight large motor busses; four on each end of the line, and have two cars a day leaving Mason for San Angelo and two from here to San Antonio and also have two from each of those cities to Mason each day.

His idea of bringing the proposition before the Commercial Club was to learn what our local citizens think of such a transfer line. He stated he had received encouragement from San Angelo and San Antonio and other towns along the proposed route and stated he believed he could readily dispose of sufficient stock to perfect the organization and capitalize it for a sum amounting to at least \$30,000.

The board of censors representing the local commercial club is composed of Chas. Bierschwale, C. S. Vedder, F. B. McCollum, Carl Runge and M. D. Loring and this committee heard the facts concerning the organization as presented by Mr. Owens. The board was unanimous in the opinion that Mr. Owens was offering a good, clean proposition and told him such a transfer line would be of much benefit to our county, should it become a reality, but they expressed a fear for it from a financial standpoint.

Just what will be the outcome of the undertaking, no one is able to say. No doubt, we all would like to have this line, but we would like to know it can be made permanent if one is undertaken.

At the One Cent Sale you can buy 25 cent articles for one cent.

They are awaiting your inspection—Those engraved Greeting Card Samples at the News Office.

MICKIE SAYS

THAT OLD LINE O' GUFF ABOUT "HELPING OUT THE PAPER" AIN'T BEIN' PULLED MUCH ANY MORE! FOLKS TAKE THIS PAPER BECUZ THEY LIKE IT 'N BIZNESS MEN ADVERTISE IN IT BECUZ IT PAYS THEM, NOT JEST TO BE GOOD FELLERS!



Opens Avenue for American Claims

Washington, D. C.—Ratification of the peace treaty with Germany opens the way for settlement of the claims of American citizens against that country which total more than \$250,000,000.

The state department, it is learned, is now engaged in discussions with Germany on the subject. The problem is a complicated one, involving as it does the disposition of \$500,000,000 worth of sequestered alien property, and the adjudication of hundreds of claims which for more than three years have been on file in the state department.

The peace treaty provides for the retention of the alien property until all claims are satisfied, but there is agitation and prospects for its return to the 50,000 persons from whom it was seized.

The treaty of commerce which the government is now negotiating with Germany will set up machinery for settling the claims. They arise chiefly from the sinking of ships in the unrestricted submarine warfare, including the Lusitania.

Plot to Kill Three U. S. Envoys Found

Paris.—European anarchists who damaged the residence of Ambassador Myron T. Herrick with a bomb Wednesday, wounding the ambassador's valet, who opened the package, are engaged in a plot to assassinate the American ambassadors in Rome and London as well, in revenge for the conviction of two Italian anarchists in Braintree, Mass., of murder in connection with a holdup. This was established Wednesday.

The French secret service was cognizant of the plot before the delivery of the bomb which wrecked a room in the ambassador's residence.

In fact, Mr. Herrick was warned that in spite of the vigilance of the secret service a bomb might be delivered. The socialist party organ, L'Humanite, has been exploiting the last week the conviction of Nicolo Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti, who killed Frederick A. Parmenter in the Massachusetts city.

The information gained by the French police has been passed along to the secret services of Italy and Great Britain, in order that steps may be taken to thwart attempts on the lives of Ambassador Harvey in London and Ambassador Child in Rome.

Typewriter ribbons, 80c. News Office.

Heavy Flow of Wet Gas.

Mineral Wells, Tex.—A million and a half feet of wet gas was struck in the Beddo well in the southern part of the county at a depth of 3,600 feet.

Lucky for Anna!

Salesman (lately promoted to antique department)—"This chair, madam, was originally made for the duke of Buckingham, who gave it to Anne of Austria. We're selling quite a lot of them."—London Bystander.

CHURCH NOTICES

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.

I am always in the market for fat hogs and chickens. Get my prices. J. J. Johnson. 31-1f.

Reduction on Shorts and Bran at Mayhew Produce Company. Bran \$1.50 and Shorts \$2 a sack. 32

The grand One Cent Sale comes next.

SUBSCRIPTIONS PAID

The following have made subscription payments to this great weekly since our last report.

Willie Mae Bickenbach	1.50
Emil Fostel	1.50
Walter Lindsay	1.50
Ben W. Eckert	1.50
P. G. Rogers	1.50
A. O. Schuessler	1.50
M. F. H. Kothmann	1.50
Miss Esther Martin	.60
Frank Clark	1.50
Mrs. J. J. Scanlon	.75
Mrs. Bill Harper	.25
Mrs. August Pluenneke	1.50
J. L. Bruce	1.50

We thank you Who's next?

HEATERS

When you buy, get a high grade, scientifically constructed heater; one that is unequalled for heating, economy of fuel and cost of operation. Our showing includes heaters for every room. Standard, reliable heaters priced from \$3 up to \$27.50.

LARIMORE & GROTE. 32-1f

TURKEYS! TURKEYS!!

We pay the highest price. WILLIAMS PRODUCE CO. BRADY, TEXAS. 31-1f

Underwood and Remington ribbons at News Office for 80 cents.

Fresh cement at R. Gross's.

MATINEE

FRIDAY and SATURDAY, Nov. 4th and 5th

at the

Star Theater

Show will start at 2:30 o'clock each afternoon

Program for Friday Afternoon:
"TO PLEASE ONE WOMAN"
A Super-Special

Program for Saturday Afternoon:
"THE PENALTY"
Featuring Gouverneur Morris

ADMISSION PRICE WILL BE 10c AND 20c

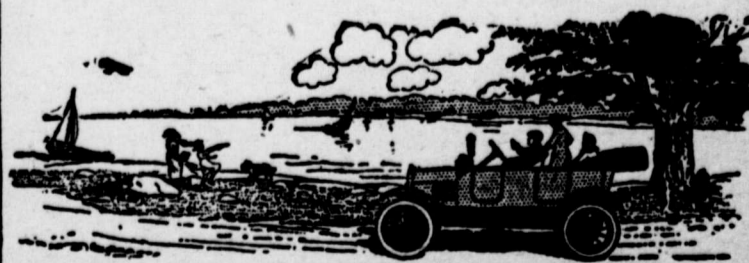
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FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION
SOUTHERN GERMAN CONFERENCE

November 2 to 6, 1921

Bishop Ernest L. Waldorf, D. D., L. L. D.,

Presiding

Mason, Texas

Rev. G. W. F. Schreiber, Pastor.

PROGRAM

Wednesday Afternoon 2:30 O'clock

Meeting of the Conference Minister's Aid Society.

Wednesday Night 7:30 O'clock

Annual Conference Sermon—Rev. J. A. Traeger.

THURSDAY, 9 A. M., OPENING SESSION

Bishop Ernest L. Waldorf, D. D., L. L. D., President.

Devotions and Administration of the Lord's Supper.

Welcome Address by Sam Hoerster and John T. Banks.

(The Bishop will conduct the Devotions each morning.)

Thursday, 4 p. m., Inspirational Hour.

Dr. H. E. Wolfe, Area Staff.

Thursday Night, 7:30 O'clock.

Anniversary of the Board of Home Missions.

Speakers:

Bishop John L. Nuelsen, D. D., L. L. D., Zurich.

Rev. F. W. Mueller, D. D., Philadelphia.

Friday, 9 a. m.

Conference Session.

Friday, 4 p. m., Inspirational Hour.

Epworth League Rally—Dr. A. E. Peterson, Area Staff.

Friday Night, 7:30 O'clock.

Anniversary of the Board of Education.

Speakers—President J. L. Neu, Brenham, representative of the Board.

Saturday, 9 a. m.

Conference Session.

Saturday, 4 p. m., Inspirational Hour

Dr. Wm. T. Ward, Area Staff.

Saturday Night, 7:30 O'clock.

Address—Rev. W. H. Neil, D. D., Chicago, representing the Committee on Conservation and Advance.

Sunday, November 6th.

9:00 a. m.—Conference Love Feast, Rev. W. A. Moors, leader.

10:30 a. m.—Morning Worship and Sermon by Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf, D. D., L. L. D.

2:30 p. m.—Anniversary of the American Bible Society, Rev. J. J. Morgan, D. D., speaker.

Address and Reading of the Appointments by Bishop Waldorf.

7:30 p. m.—Anniversary of the Board of Conference Claimants, Rev. Joseph W. Van Cleve, D. D., Chicago, speaker.

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is? Five Per Cent Discount—On all orders for Engraved Greeting Cards placed with the News prior to November 1st.

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While you are reading someone else's let someone be reading yours.

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STAR OPERA HOUSE

FRIDAY NIGHT

"TWINKLE, TWINKLE LITTLE STAR"

Featuring Zoë Rae and Dorphia Brown

Also one reel Tony Sarg's Almanac: "THE FIRST CIRCUS"

SATURDAY NIGHT

"THE CRADLE OF COURAGE"

Featuring Wm. S. Hart

SHOW STARTS AT 7:15 O'CLOCK

Admission: 15 & 25 Cents

Texas Items

Pecans are plentiful in Washington County, solid carload already having been shipped to Chicago.

The attorney general's department this week approved the record in an issue of \$40,000 of bonds of the El Paso County common school district No. 2.

The attorney general's department has approved an issue of \$1,000,000 of Eastland County special road bonds, which are to mature serially and bear 6 per cent interest.

In an election it was decided by a 2-to-1 vote to increase the tax rate for maintenance purposes of the Lubbock independent school district to not exceed 60c on the \$100 valuation.

Fort Crockett, Galveston, has been designated by the war department as the saluting station to return the salute of foreign vessels of war visiting the ports in which the post is situated.

The general laws passed by the first and second called sessions of the thirty-seventh legislature have been received by the secretary of state from the public printer. The book contains sixty-seven general laws.

With more than half the cotton yet to be picked and with the largest number of buyers of years, the Pecos Valley farmer has had a prosperous cotton year and has sold practically all that has been picked up to date.

The work of constructing three basins, each with a capacity of 25,000,000 gallons, to serve both as pressure breakers and storage for Abilene's water supply, is under way. The basins are located seven miles southwest of town, 10 miles this side of Lake Abilene.

The railroad commission Friday granted the application of the railroads to apply a rate of 34c per 100 pounds on cement in carloads from Manchester, Houston, Harris and Eagle Ford to Eagle Pass and intermediate points between Spofford and Eagle Pass.

Warning was issued this week by David H. Morris, federal prohibition director for Texas, that in the future the management of hotels in Texas will be held strictly accountable for violations of the national prohibition law, which prohibits hotels from keeping or selling any intoxicating liquors on their premises.

has contracted for reconstruction of the bridge over San Gabriel River at San Gabriel, the bridge over Alligator Creek, the bridge over Cluy Creek, the Little Bear Creek bridge, the Rogers place bridge, the bridge near Add Hill, known as Tenneck bridge, and the bridge at Cummings crossing road. All of these bridges were destroyed by the September flood.

The state highway department will appropriate \$50,000 toward the completion of the Waco-Mexia road in the event a similar amount is pledged by Waco, according to information received at Waco from State Highway Engineer R. J. Windrow. A campaign to secure the \$50,000 is now nearing completion, and the \$100,000 will be spent in building the present Springfield road to the Limestone County line.

The attorney general's department has approved the following bond issues: City of Center waterworks, \$60,000 and \$30,000 sewer, 6 per cent serially; city of Edinburg, electric light \$30,000, waterworks \$30,000, 6 per cent serially; Graham, sewer \$40,000 and waterworks \$40,000, 6 per cent serially; Tahoka waterworks \$14,000 and \$18,000 electric light, 6 per cent serially; Sanger independent school district, Denton County, \$9,000, 5 per cent, maturing in 20 years.

The Texas farmer has always known the Texas rabbit. Two varieties introduced themselves to the Spaniards and Frenchmen way back in the days before farming had superseded Indian-killing as the chief occupation of a Texan. These varieties, the cotton tail and the jack rabbit, Texas always has had and, likely always will. The cotton tail rabbit has cost the farmer more money than Carter had oats. And the jack rabbit, while not so numerous in the coast country, has been equally as disastrous in his plunderings.

Terry Rangers Reunion.

Austin, Tex.—Terry's Texas Rangers concluded their fiftieth annual reunion Wednesday and selected Austin as the place for next year's reunion. Officers were elected as follows: George T. McGehee, San Marcos, president; T. M. Rector, Minor, first vice president; J. P. Blackburn, Lynnville, Tenn., second vice president; T. H. Davis, Austin, secretary; Shirley Gregg, Austin, treasurer; Rev. W. R. Minter, Austin, chaplain.

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Famous Paramount Star in "Striking New Part in 'The Cradle of Courage'"

In "The Cradle of Courage" which comes to the Star Theater Saturday night, October 29th, William S. Hart, the famous Paramount star appears as a policeman—one of the most striking roles he has had in many months. It is a complete departure from his recent western dramas, but none the less effective, for it gives him a characterization that places heavy demand upon his versatility and dramatic power. As a result he is certain to elicit new praise from the thousands who have admired his splendid portrayals for seasons past and who will welcome his new productions with open arms. This is the third of his personal productions for Paramount and is regarded as fully up to the high standard set by "The Toll Gate" and "Sand!" the two preceding pictures.

The "Barbary Coast" in San Francisco, the haunt of the submerged tenth, the underworld habitues, crooks and others, is the scene of the story which shows the transformation of a man in the vortex of great events, how he wins honor and love after youth spent in the lowest circles of society.

It was adapted by Lambert Hillier and also directed by him. Joe August, A. S. C., was the photographer. Ann Little is leading woman and Thomas Santschi has the heavy role. Gertrude Claire also has a strong character role.

If you know of some news items that would interest News readers, phone it in. If you don't know the details, give us an idea and we will do our best to get the particulars.

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MASON HIGH LOST HARD FOUGHT GAME TO LLANO—SCORE 18 TO 6

The strong football eleven of Llano High School came to Mason last Friday and defeated the local High School team on the local gridiron by a score of 18 to 6. In spite of the fact that the visiting team outweighed the locals by several pounds, the home boys held the visitors for down at various times.

The home team is to be commended for the class of football they played against Llano here last Friday. It is easily to be seen that the team is much stronger than it was at the first of the season, and as Llano was the strongest team on the season's schedule, it is believed that the next team that the Mason High meets will go down in defeat.

The game here Friday was not of the class that the real football fan would appreciate, for there were many misunderstandings which led to squabbles at different points of the game.

Llano has a strong team, and it was experience worth while for the locals to play them, and even though our boys were defeated, they were greatly benefited by the games. Llano will play Austin High School at Llano next Saturday afternoon.

Coach Dumas, of the local team is now endeavoring to match a game with Richland Springs, but up to date, there has been no definite decision made.

New Type Faces

The News has recently added some new faces of job type to its splendid equipment for turning out neat and attractive job printing. We will be pleased to show you some samples of our work and quote prices and estimates or any and all kinds of work from a calling card to a catalog.

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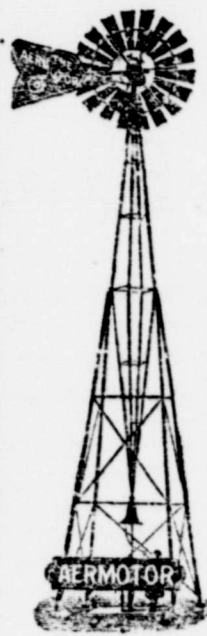
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LIST OF LETTERS REMAINING

Uncalled for in this office for the week ending October 22, 1921:
 1. Canton, Miss Mary.
 2. Leifeste, Earnest C.
 3. Linden, Miss Agnes.

These letters will be sent to the dead letter office November 7, 1921 if not delivered before. In calling for the above, please say "Advertised," giving date of list.

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It is reported by a few of our townsmen who have occasion to be on the streets of our city in the early hours of the morning, that a large black skunk is often seen promading the sidewalk shortly before good daylight.

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MEMBERS OF FARM BUREAU RECEIVE \$15 IN ADVANCE

Dallas, Tex., Oct. 27.—The Texas Farm Bureau Cotton Association announced that beginning, October it would advance \$40 a bale on ungraded cotton of its members. Prior to this time an advance of \$25 a bale had been made.

President J. T. Orr announced that the cash business fund of the organization is now \$950,000.

When the Association started in business it had \$150,000 to work with. This revolving fund is in addition to a total credit of \$19,000,000 obtained from the War Finance and leading Texas banks as well as in New York.

The \$40 a bale advance now being sent out to members of the Association is supplied by Texas banks and the raising of the sum from \$25 to \$40 is credited to the good work of Sloan Simpson, Treasurer of the Association and trustee for the banks, Secretary, D. G. Hill, Jr. of the Association and Walter L. Trout, Sales Manager.

To date the organization has advanced more than \$700,000 to its members and has sold nearly 15,000 bales of cotton at prices from two to three cents a pound above what is paid to growers outside of the Association by local buyers.

NEED GLASSES?
 Dr. Jones, The Eye Man, in Dr. McCollum's office, Wednesday, November 9th—only one day. Eyes examined. Glasses Fitted. Headaches and Eye Strain relieved. 33-2t

SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED IN UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

Austin, Tex., Oct. 27.—Announcement has just been made of the following scholarship awards in the University of Texas:

Miss Mary Larkin of San Antonio has been selected as the beneficiary of the D. A. R. scholarship. This scholarship yields an annual income of \$300, and in addition the recipient is given the use of a beautifully furnished room in the Woman's Building. Health, interest in student activities, and the general scholarship of the beneficiary are considered in making the award. The D. A. R. scholarship in the University was established by the Andrew Carothers chapter of that organization.

The James A. Edmund scholarship has been awarded to Clarence P. Denman of Fort Worth. This scholarship was established by Miss Belle Edmund of Waco in memory of her nephew, "Pete" Edmund, a former student and athlete of the University, who lost his life in the Argonne Forest. The annual interest from this fund is awarded to a deserving student specializing in social science.

During the past summer Mrs. Helen Marr Kirby, dean of women in the University, established the Gertrude Swearingen scholarship. Miss Marie Dunann of Llano is the first recipient of this scholarship, which is a memorial to Mrs. Kirby's sister, Miss Gertrude Swearingen. Fatherless girls entering college for the first time, and without sufficient means to attend school, are given preference in the awarding of this scholarship.

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 You'll have plenty Eggs if you feed "Martin's Egg Producer". More eggs or your money back, guaranteed. "Martin's Roup Remedy" cures and prevents Roup. Satisfaction guaranteed by Mason Drug Company. 31-15t

On Nov. 3, 4, 5, Mason will have the first One Cent Sale in her history.

Ben King was here Saturday from the London community and stated his intentions are to remove his family to Mason in the near future to reside.

At the One Cent Sale you can buy 25 cent articles for One Cent.

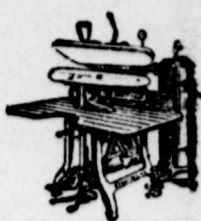
Give me your next job of vulcanizing. I guarantee my work.
 Otto Schmidt.

Max Martin, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Lawson, made a round trip to Fredericksburg last Friday.

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.
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Taylor Vandever was here Saturday from his ranch near Mason Mountain. Mr. Vandever stated his latest word from his son, Henry, was to the effect that the young man is getting along nicely and continues to improve under the treatment for his eyes.

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F. H. Willmann and family arrived in Mason county a couple weeks ago from Terry, Montana, where they have been residing for several months. He reports that section too cool to suit him and stated he would probably decide to relocate in Mason County.

Five Per Cent Discount—On all orders for Engraved Greeting Cards placed with the News prior to November 1st.

Mrs. J. W. White returned home Sunday from Austin, where she spent a few days last week with her daughter, Miss Lula Mildred, who is undergoing treatment by Dr. Shipp. We are pleased to learn the young lady is improving and expects to be able to come home in a short time.

TO OUR PATRONS:

I have appointed S. J. Thorne local agent for Waxahachie Nursery Co. Those needing trees and plants will please see Mr. Thorne.

33-6t **ROSS R. WOLFE.**

Mrs. Anna Martin, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Bertha Todd and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schmidt, motored to Llano last Sunday morning and spent the day with relatives and friends, returning home Sunday afternoon. Sunday was the anniversary of Walter Todd's birthday and the Mason parties went down to help him celebrate. It is stated Walter has recently purchased a home in Llano and Geo. Todd, of this place, is now in Llano doing some painting and carpentering work on the building.

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(Advertisement)

N. Z. Bethel, former commissioner of Mason County, but now a resident of Lometa, was in Mason for a short time the past week. Mr. Bethel stated he is now in the employ of the Sw. Bell Telephone Company at Lometa, but informed us his intentions are to return to Mason county in the near future to reside.

TO RURAL PHONE SUBSCRIBERS

New Telephone Directories for the local exchange are now ready for distribution and we ask that rural and out-of-town subscribers call at our office and get a new one at your earliest opportunity.

Sw. Bell Telephone Company.
33-1tc. Mrs. Eloise H. Lawson, Mgr.

H. J. Jordan, a prominent young stockman and farmer of the Fredonia section, was a business visitor in the county capitol last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben W. Eckert and children were here Saturday from their ranch in the Hedwigs Hill section. Mr. Eckert is advertising a couple of young bulls for sale.

Tanlac, the celebrated medicine, is now sold by Mason Drug Company.

Eagle Brand Typewriter Ribbons, 80c at News Office.

Mr. and Mrs. K. B. Hoppe, of Hico, and J. L. Thrower, of Brady, are here, prospecting. They are at present located at Streeter, but state they intend to move to Mason as soon as a dwelling can be secured.

F. B. McCollum spent a couple days in San Antonio last week, returning home Friday evening.

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(Kerrville Mt. Sun.)

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There is a reason for this, and it is not far to seek. The Schreiner Wool & Mohair Commission Company secures the best prices offered in the Eastern markets on wool and mohair and they can carry the clips until there is a suitable market, while their service is prompt and reliable.

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Some time ago, the Schreiner Wool & Mohair Commission Co. notified their customers that the indication was that the kid clip of mohair would bring a good price and the 41 cents per pound received for that recently shows their prediction to have been a correct one. It is such thoughtfulness as this that is holding the exceptionally large patronage for this firm in the wool and mohair trade. And their experience in the business coupled with their high rating in the wholesale markets of the country enables them to secure the best offers being made. It is a great benefit to Kerrville and surrounding territory.

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to have such a firm to handle this volume of business in the principal products of this section.

Tanlac, that celebrated medicine, makes you eat better, feel better, sleep better and work better. Sold by Mason Drug Company.

Ben Hey, who is in the real estate business in Junction, was in Mason the past week-end, visiting with relatives and friends.

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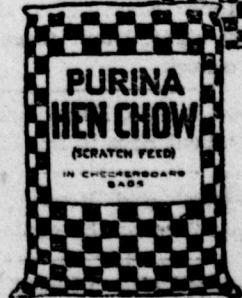
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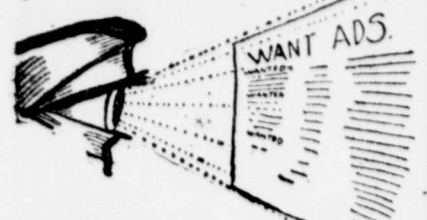
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FOR SALE—Some fine registered, Big Bone Poland China pigs. If interested, see or phone Milton Jordan, Art. Texas. Phone 922-F-11 32-2tp.

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FOR SALE—Prettiest little home in Mason; has five rooms, 2 porches, hall, nice bath, 3 large built-in clothes closets, one nice china closet, large pantry, hot water tank and connections windmill and abundance of water. Has to be seen to be appreciated. F. B. McCollum. 30-1f

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31-1f J. J. JOHNSON.

If your windmill or piping needs repairing, call Louis Brockman, phone 908-F-13. 22tf

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At the One Cent Sale you can buy 50 articles for one cent.

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41tf TOM MILLSAP.

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Underwood and Remington ribbons at News Office for 80 cents.

TURKEYS! TURKEYS!!

We pay the highest price.
WILLIAMS PRODUCE CO.
34-1f BRADY, TEXAS.

RAILROADS PLAN TO GET RATES DOWN

Propose to Reduce Wages and Return All the Saving by Reduction in Charges.

FULL TEXT OF PROPOSAL

Statement by Thomas DeWitt Cuyler, Chairman of the Association of Railway Executives, on the Situation.

Following a meeting in Chicago, October 14, 1921, of the presidents of nearly all the leading railroads in the country, Mr. Thomas DeWitt Cuyler, chairman of the Association of Railway Executives, made the following statement:

At a meeting of the Association of Railway Executives today, it was determined by the railroads of the United States, to seek to bring about a reduction in rates, and as a means to that end to seek a reduction in present railroad wages which have compelled maintenance of the present rates.

An application will be made immediately to the United States railroad labor board for a reduction in wages of train service employees sufficient to remain the remainder of the increases made by the labor board's decision of July 20, 1920 (which would involve a further reduction of approximately ten per cent), and for a reduction in the wages of all other classes of railroad labor to the going rate for such labor in several territories where the carriers operate.

To Reduce Rates as Wages Go Down.

The foregoing action is upon the understanding that concurrently with such reduction in wages the benefit of the reduction thus obtained shall, with the concurrence of the Interstate Commerce Commission, be passed on to the public in the reduction of existing railroad rates, except in so far as this reduction shall have been made in the meantime.

The management have decided upon this course in view of their realization of the fact that the wheels of industrial activity have been closed down to a point which brings depression and distress to the entire public, and that something must be done to start them again in operation.

The situation which confronts the railroads is extremely critical. The railroads in 1920 realized a net railway operating income of about \$62,000,000 upon a property investment of over \$19,000,000,000 and even this amount of \$62,000,000 included back pay for prior years received from the government of approximately \$64,000,000, thus showing, when the operations of that year alone are considered, an actual deficit before making any allowance for either interest or dividends.

The year ended in serious depression in all branches of industry, and in marked reduction of the market demand for and the prices of basic commodities, resulting in a very serious falling off in the volume of traffic.

Roads Forced to Defer Maintenance.

In this situation, a policy of the most rigid economy and of postponing and cutting to the bone up-keep of the properties was adopted by the railroads. This was at the price of neglecting and for the time deferring work, which must hereafter and in the near future be done and paid for. This is illustrated by the fact that, as of September 15, 1921, over 16 per cent, or 374,431 in number, of the freight cars of the carriers were in bad order and needing repairs as against a normal of bad order cars of not more than 160,000, as is further illustrated by the deferred and inadequate maintenance of other equipment and of roadway and structures.

Even under those conditions, and with this large bill charged up against the future, which must soon be provided for and paid, if the carriers are to perform successfully their transportation duties. The result of operations for the first eight months of this year, the latest available figures, has been at a rate of net railway operating income, before providing for interest or dividends, amounting to only 2.6 per cent per annum on the valuation of the carrier properties, made by the Interstate Commerce Commission in the recent rate case, an amount not sufficient to pay the interest on their outstanding bonds.

Roads Earning Far Below Reasonable Returns.

It is manifest, from this showing, that the rate of return of 5 1/2 or 6 per cent for the first two years after

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March 1, 1920, fixed in the transportation act as a minimum reasonable return upon railroad investment, has not been even approximated, much less reached; and that the present high rates accordingly are not due to any statutory guarantee of earnings, for there is no such guarantee.

In analyzing the expenses which have largely brought about this situation, it becomes evident that by far the largest contributing cause is the labor cost. Today the railroads pay out to labor approximately sixty cents on the dollar they receive for transportation services, whereas in 1916 forty cents on the dollar went to labor. On the 1st day of January, 1917, when the government took charge of wages through the Adamson Act the labor cost of the railroads had not exceeded the sum of about \$1,468,000,000 annually. In 1920, when governmental authority made the last wage increase, the labor cost of the railroads was about \$3,698,000,000 annually, or if continued throughout the year instead of for the eight months during which the wage increases were in effect, the labor cost on an annual basis would have been largely in excess of \$3,900,000,000.

An increase since the government took charge of railroad wages in the Adamson Act, of approximately \$2,450,000,000 annually.

In the light of these figures, it is manifest that the recent reduction of wages authorized by the labor board, estimated at from 10 to 12 per cent in no sense meets or solves the problem of labor costs and in no way makes it possible for the railroads to avoid a reduction in their revenues.

Thousands of Rates Already Reduced.

Indeed, during the past year, there have been between four and five thousand individual reductions in freight rates. On some railroads the reductions in rates have amounted to more than the reductions in wages, and allowed no net return on operations, but merely provided against the further accumulation of a deficit.

The point is often made that agriculture and other industries are also suffering the same immediate difficulties as the railroads. Why, therefore, do not the railroads take their medicine like anybody else? The answer lies in several facts:

1. The railroads were not permitted, as were other industries, to make charges during the years of prosperity, making possible the accumulation of a surplus to tide them over the present extreme adversity. According to the reports of the Interstate Commerce Commission, the rate of return in property investment of the railroads of the United States, for the past several years has been as follows:

RATE OF RETURN EARNED BY RAILROADS OF THE UNITED STATES ON THEIR PROPERTY INVESTMENT.

1912	4.84%
1913	5.15%
1914	4.17%
1915	4.20%
1916 (Fiscal year)	5.90%
1916 (Calendar year)	6.16%
1917	4.26%
1918	3.51%
1919	2.46%
1920	0.32%

It will thus be noted that during the years when other industries were making very large profits when the price of farm products and the wages of labor were soaring to unheard of prices the earnings upon railroad investment in the United States were held within very narrow limits and that they have during the past four years progressively declined.

Roads Handicapped More Than Other Industries.

2. The railroads are responsible to the public for providing adequate transportation. Their charges are limited by public authority and they are in very large respects (notably for labor) compelled to spend money on a basis fixed by the public authority. The margin in which they are permitted to earn a return upon their investment or to offer inducement to at least new capital for extensions and betterments is extremely limited. However, much the railroads might desire, therefore, to reduce their charges, in times of depression, it will be perceived that the limitations surrounding their action do not permit them to give effect to broad and elastic policies, which might very properly govern other lines of business not thus restricted. It has been urged upon the railroads that a reduction in rates will stimulate traffic and that increased tariff will protect the carriers from the loss incident to a reduction in rates. The railroad managements can not disguise from themselves that this suggestion is merely conjectural and that an adverse result of the experiment would be disastrous not only to the railroads, but to the public, whose supreme need is adequate transportation.

Consequently the railroad managements can not feel justified in placing these instrumentalities so essential to the public welfare at the hazard of such an experiment, based solely upon such a conjecture.

Farmers Especially Need Lower Rates.

It is evident, however, that existing transportation charges bear in many cases a disproportionate relationship to the prices at which commodities can be sold in the market and that existing labor and other costs of transportation thus imposed upon industry and agriculture generally a burden greater than they should

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bear. This is especially true of agriculture. The railroad managements are feeling sensitive to and sympathetic with the distressing situation and desire to do everything to assist in relieving it that is compatible with their duty to furnish the transportation which the public must have.

At the moment railroads in many cases are paying 40 cents an hour for unskilled labor when similar labor is working alongside the railroads and can easily be obtained by them at 20 cents an hour. The railroads of the country paid in 1920, a total of considerably over \$1,300,000 to unskilled labor alone. However desirable it may be to pay this or that schedule of wages, it is obvious that it can not be paid out of railroad earnings unless the industries which use the railroads are capable of meeting such charges.

The railroads, and through them, people generally, are also hampered in their efforts to economize by a schedule of working rules and conditions now in force as a heritage from the period of federal control and upheld by the railroad labor board. These conditions are expensive, uneconomical and unnecessary from the point of view of railroad operation and extremely burdensome upon the public which pays the bill. This schedule of wages and of working conditions prevents the railroads from dealing equitably with their labor costs in accordance with rapidly changing conditions and the great variety of local considerations which ought to control wages in different parts of the country. The railroads are seeking to have these rules and working conditions abrogated.

The railroads will seek a reduction in wages now proposed by first requesting the sanction of the railroad labor board. The railroads will proceed with all possible dispatch, and as soon as the railroad labor board shall have given its assent to the reduction of rates the general reduction in rates will be put into effect.

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