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MR. J. F. MONTGOMERY SUC- CUMBS TO SMALL POX

Mr. Wm. Hofmann received the sad intelligence of the death of his son-in-law, Mr. J. F. Montgomery, of Mt. Pleasant, which occurred on last Saturday. It is said Mr. Montgomery's death was caused by black small pox.

This sad news was received in Mason by many with a pang of sorrow, as deceased was well known in our midst, having served as superintendent of the local schools at one time and he had many warm and personal friends here.

He is survived by his grief stricken wife and two children, who have the deepest sympathy of a host of friends in their trouble.

W. J. GRIFFITH OUT FOR RE-ELECTION AS COMMISSIONER

In this week's News will be found the name of W. J. Griffith as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Commissioner from Precinct No. 2. Mr. Griffith states that he is confident of being able to serve his constituents to a better advantage in the future than in the past and asks that the voters of his precinct give his candidacy their careful consideration at the primary election of July 22nd.

FREDONIA PICNIC ON 23 and 24 WILL BE A BASKET PICNIC

The News was misinformed in making the announcement last week about the two days' celebration at Fredonia on the 23rd and 24th. We stated that a barbecued dinner would be held on the 24th and we have since been told that no barbecue could be had. The picnic will be a two days' affair, but there will not be a free barbecued dinner on either day.

ED FLEMING DIES FROM GUN SHOT WOUNDS AT TELEGRAPH

The News is informed that a shooting affray occurred in Kimble county on last Friday near Telegraph and as a result Buck Freeman suffered a wound in his right hand and Ed Fleming died the day following the shooting from wounds received in the body. It is said Fleming and Freeman had had previous trouble regarding a land corner, but the News has been unable to get any authoritative information regarding the incident.

LEE SMART HAS AN OLD COIN

Lee Smart is the possessor of one of the oldest pieces of money that we have had the occasion to see for some time. The coin is a dime and is dated 1836. It is a piece of United States money and although it is eighty-six years old, it does not look as though it has seen much service and all the reading on it is perfectly legible and looks better than the majority of dimes that are in circulation at this time. Mr. Smart says he recently found the dime in the pasture where he lives and when first picked up was quite black from rust and exposure, but upon having it cleaned up it has the appearance of money that was only recently minted.

Lee is hoping that some one will come along and make him an offer for the dime that will make him independent, should he accept it.

Miss Meta Loeffler, who taught the past term of school at Menard, left last week for Brownwood to be away several weeks, after having spent about a week with home folks in Mason.

It is said Mrs. Wm. Posey and children and Mr. and Mrs. Jess Posey are planning to leave within the near future for Oklahoma to reside.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Harris left Wednesday for their home in Dallas, after a stay of several days in Mason. Mr. and Mrs. Harris were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schmidt during their stay here. These good people have been visiting Mason each summer for an annual vacation for years, and Mr. Harris states he is exceptionally well pleased with this section of the country and with our people. He ordered the News before leaving and says he hopes to keep posted with matters pertaining to our citizens through the reading of it.

F. C. DENDY IS CANDIDATE FOR COUNTY JUDGE

The News directs its readers' attention to its announcement column this week in which will be found the name of F. C. Dendy as a candidate to the office of County Judge of Mason County at the coming primary election. Mr. Dendy has been a resident of this county for eight years, during which time he has taught school in the Pontotoc and Fredonia sections. He was superintendent of the Pontotoc school for five terms and for the past three terms has held the same position in the school at Fredonia. He is a man of ability and capable of filling the office to which he aspires and promises, if elected, to devote all efforts towards making a dutiful servant. Mr. Dendy says he expects to make a thorough canvass of the county within the next few weeks and endeavor to place his claims for the office before the voters of the county.

J. G. MURPHY DIES AT S. ANGELO

San Angelo, Texas, June 13.—John George Murphy, 64, owner and publisher of the San Angelo Standard from May 3, 1884, to the same date in 1920, and one of Texas' best known newspaper men, died at 6:45 o'clock Tuesday morning at his home here. Burial will be made at 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon in Fairmount Cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, a daughter, May Murphy, 17; one sister, Mrs. B. J. Doyle of Toronto, Canada, and one brother, Steve Murphy, of Sonora, lone survivor of the trio whose members' names are known in virtually every West Texas household by virtue of their publications. Mike Murphy, 54, proprietor-editor of the Devil's River News at Sonora, died here March 6. Steve Murphy now is the last representative of the family in West Texas, continuing the publication of the Sonora paper.

Born in Canada

J. G. Murphy was born in Toronto, Canada, but had long been a naturalized citizen of the United States. Coming to West Texas when it was still wild and woolly, notorious to some extent for its bad men and harassed occasionally by Indians, Mr. Murphy with W. A. Guthrie, founded the San Angelo Standard in what then was only a frontier village on the outskirts of old Fort Concho. From a modest weekly squeezed out on a hand press in an adobe building, it grew into a modern daily, with a perfecting press, covering over thirty counties. Mr. Guthrie shortly retired and the Standard and its owner during the thirty-six years became recognized as the most potent factor in the development of San Angelo and this section.

On May 3, 1920, on the thirty-sixth anniversary of its founding, the Standard was sold to Houston Hartie of Booneville, Mo. Though he intended to retire from business life, Mr. Murphy shortly afterward was elected unsolicited from Tom Green County Commissioner No. 1, including San Angelo, and was rounding out his first term when death intervened. Mr. Murphy had been in failing health since vacationing in California last summer, but his illness did not become serious until a month ago, when he was confined to his bed. Mr. Murphy was an early day Mayor of San Angelo, and served several terms as a member of the Tom Green County Democratic Executive Committee.

Career Unique

Mr. Murphy's career as a publisher was unique.

Rain is the one great hope and fear of West Texas, and Mr. Murphy adopted the red rooster as the emblem of plenty to crowd from the front page whenever moisture drenched the country. The rooster no longer occasions comment, except from newcomers, when it appears, and has become famous.

Mrs. J. P. Baze, of Brady, and her grandson, Herbert Lowrey, of Lubbock, spent several days visiting in the home of Dr. and Mrs. P. A. Baze, of this city, last week. Herbert Lowrey is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lowrey, formerly of this place, and while here he renewed many acquaintances of his childhood days.

MASON BASEBALL TEAM ADDS TWO VICTORIES TO LIST

Fredericksburg to Play Here Next Tuesday

The Mason baseball team now has credit for five victories out of a total of eight games played this season. Last Friday the locals took in the Fredonia team by a 11 to 5 score and on Sunday afternoon defeated the Llano team by a score of 6 to 5. The Fredonia team was an easy victim as the score would indicate, but Ed Holt, the Fredonia pitcher, proved to be the best pitcher the locals have faced this season. He secured 11 strikeouts and allowed but 8 hits. Pluenneke, who pitched for Mason, showed up well and secured 8 strikeouts and allowed only four hits, and but for 4 errors made by his teammates he would have registered a shut out.

The Llano game was a harder tussel, both sides using two pitchers. Linsey, who started for the visitors, was replaced by Duncan in the fourth with one man out. He pitched effective ball with the aid of Kyzar on second who played the entire field and was credited with 8 put outs unassisted. Duncan was hit for three safeties in the 8th inning and this paved the way for his downfall. Saunders started for Mason and allowed only 5 hits in seven innings. The visitors bunched their hits, getting 2 in the 3rd and 3 in the 7th. Zesch, who relieved Saunders the last two innings had six batters to face him and struck out four of them, one grounded to short and the other flew out to Breazeale. Linsey got 2 strikeouts, Duncan 6, Saunders 5 and Zesch 4. Hits off Linsey, 5; Duncan, 4; Saunders, 5; Zesch, 0.

The Box Scores				
	AB	R	H	E
Mason	5	1	0	1
Wartenbach, ss.	5	1	0	1
Breazeale, 2b.	5	2	1	1
Keller, 1b.	5	1	2	1
O. Shearer, c.	4	2	1	0
Dannheim, lf.	5	2	1	0
Beyer, rf.	4	0	0	0
Zesch, cf.	5	0	2	0
Willmann, 3b.	4	1	1	1
Pluenneke, p.	4	2	0	0
TOTALS	39	11	8	4

Fredonia				
	AB	R	H	E
Holloway, 2b.	5	0	0	1
L. Miller, rf.	5	1	1	0
H. Miller, 3b.	3	1	0	2
G. Miller, c.	4	1	1	1
T. Simon, lf.	3	1	1	0
Ed Cate, ss.	4	1	1	2
Sudberry, 1b.	3	0	0	3
Ellison, cf.	4	0	0	1
E. Holt, p.	4	0	0	0
TOTALS	35	5	4	10

Llano				
	AB	R	H	E
McClellan, 1b.	5	1	1	0
Duncan, ss. p.	5	2	2	0
R. Linsey, 3b.	5	2	2	4
Kyzar, 2b.	4	0	0	0
Low, c.	4	0	0	0
Leveret, cf.	4	0	0	2
Chapman, lf., ss.	4	0	0	0
Brame, rf.	4	0	0	0
E. Linsey, p.	2	0	0	0
Barton, lf.	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	39	6	9	5

Fredericksburg				
	AB	R	H	E
McClellan, 1b.	5	1	1	0
Duncan, ss. p.	5	2	2	0
R. Linsey, 3b.	5	2	2	4
Kyzar, 2b.	4	0	0	0
Low, c.	4	0	0	0
Leveret, cf.	4	0	0	2
Chapman, lf., ss.	4	0	0	0
Brame, rf.	4	0	0	0
E. Linsey, p.	2	0	0	0
Barton, lf.	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	39	5	5	6

Fredericksburg Tuesday

The locals' next game will be on Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock on the Mason diamond. The game will be between Mason and the Fredericksburg Giants. Mason's team is going good and indications are Tuesday's game will be a good one, as the Giants have been playing some good ball. It is to be hoped a big crowd will attend Tuesday's game. The team is deserving of liberal support and the only way to maintain a good ball team is for the town to support it. Encourage the boys and at the same time give them financial support by attending the game.

MISS MANGHAM SPEAKS TO LARGE AUDIENCE SUNDAY

Miss Myrtle Mangham, former Mason girl, and recently returned Missionary from India, arrived in Mason last Wednesday for a visit with Miss Carrie Schuessler. Sunday evening Miss Mangham spoke to one of the largest crowds that ever gathered in the M. E. Church, South. Her talk was along missionary topics and she gave many interesting facts regarding her work in the foreign field and conditions as they actually exist in India. Miss Mangham visited Katey and made a talk at that place last Monday night and it is stated she has accepted an invitation to speak to the people of Art at the church at that place tonight.

In speaking of future plans she stated she would probably go from Mason to Junction for a stay of a few days.

Miss Mangham stated her father, J. D. Mangham, now resides in Idaho and her two brothers, Luke and Russell, are living at Ardmore, Oklahoma. A sister, Mrs. Hill, resides in San Antonio.

FROM COMMISSIONERS' COURT DOCKET FOR JUNE TERM

Accounts Allowed
C. S. Vedder, \$4; Dan Jordan, Sr., \$4; W. M. Nichols, \$4; W. H. Larimore, \$4; Emil Behrens, \$4; Mason Co. News, \$20.32; Banis Sorrells, \$27; Leonard Wood, \$21.50; E. L. Steek, \$7.08; Alamo Iron Works, \$33.03; R. Grosse, \$32.30; Max T. Metzger, \$4; Henry Raines, \$9.35; Stover Pub. Co., \$10; S. A. Hoerster, et. al. county school trustees, each \$3; S. J. Thorne, \$5; Lansing Co., \$3.78; J. D. Adams & Co., \$13; Sw. Bell Telephone Co., \$5; C. E. Leslie, \$3.90; B. F. Mayo, \$52.50; Mrs. Ed Cavness, \$1.20; J. B. Westfall, \$6; F. Lange, \$25; Geo. D. Barnard, \$7.10; Smith Bros. & White, \$314.75; Max Martin, \$523.75.

MYSTERIOUS TEXAS CASTLE

Some seven miles from Paint Rock, Texas, a town which derives its arresting name from the Indian hieroglyphics which are found on the rocks near it, stands a magnificent mansion which is called "The Mystery." In size and appearance it is a veritable castle, and it was built more than thirty years ago by a man named Ostrander, who migrated with his family from Syracuse, New York, and settled in this section.

Having built his house, he established a magnificent estate and lived in almost feudal grandeur with his family and a large retinue of servants. His grounds were so arranged that no one could enter the gates without their presence being known to the inmates of the mansion. A system of telephone wires over the fences communicated this intelligence. This is still a common means of communication on Western ranches.

Ostrander dwelt here fore some time without causing any unusual comment. Then one day a passer-by stopped, and when he reached the house he discovered that the entire family and their servants had vanished overnight. Break fast was on the table untouched, beds were unmade, and night clothes were tossed across the backs of chairs. No sign of life was visible anywhere. The entire family, consisting of a husband, wife, and three children and a number of servants, had vanished without leaving a single clue to explain their disappearance. Neither then nor afterward were any traces found.

Until recently visitors could view the decaying grandeur of the beautiful furnishings, sad memorials of what had once been the happy home of this vanished family.

(Editor's note)—The above is taken from the Western Story Magazine of May 20, 1922 and was handed to us by an old timer of this place, who at one time resided near Paint Rock and says he knows much about the older settlers of that place and of the history of Paint Rock. He says this story is something new to him. The party handing us the article is wondering if there are any people living around here who have heard this story before and if there are any facts upon which it could possibly be founded.

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ALBERT SIMON IS ARRESTED TUESDAY; WANTED AT LLANO

Tuesday afternoon, Sheriff Allen Johnson, of Llano County, was in Mason and with Sheriff Leslie, went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Simon and arrested Albert Simon upon a warrant charging him with having engaged in the selling of intoxicating liquor at Llano recently. He was brought to town and an effort was made here to secure bondsmen in the sum of \$1500, but we are told that he was unable to secure signers and he was taken to Llano that evening, where he will be placed in the Llano jail to await trial.

CLUB BOYS AND GIRLS ENJOYING ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT THIS WK.

The Mason County Club boys and girls annual encampment is now in full swing and County Agent, W. I. Marschall, together with several specialists of the Extension Department of the A. & M. College, are in charge of the merry crowd, which is camping on the Llano river at the mouth of Comanche creek for two days. Wednesday was the first day and today will be the final day of the encampment. A splendid program was arranged for the two days and no doubt, but the occasion will be one of much enjoyment for those enjoying the outing, as well as being an affair that will benefit all the boys and girls in attendance in that they will be told and showed many things about stock and poultry judging and the canning of fruits and vegetables.

Today a big barbecued dinner will be an important feature of the program and quite a number of business men and other citizens of the town and county are in attendance.

AMERICAN LEGION APPOINTS COMMITTEES ON CELEBRATION

At a meeting of the Fort Mason Post of American Legion last Monday night that organization disposed of a number of matters pertaining to arrangements for the two days' picnic and barbecue event that they are to hold on the 19th and 20th of July at the Reunion Grounds.

The News has not been furnished with full details of the meeting and is unable to give, at this time, the various committees that were appointed, but we are authoritatively informed all committees were appointed at Monday night's meeting and that they have been instructed to get busy at once and hurry preparations for the occasion to as early completion as practical. It is stated that a full report will be given the News for an early issue.


TOURISTS CAMP GROUND IS BEING USED NOW

The Tourists' Camp Grounds of this place are certainly creating much favorable comment locally and in a number of instances by tourists who pass through here and have had occasion to make use of the convenience. Due to the lateness of the season at which time preparations were started to get the grounds in readiness caused a number of early tourists not to reap the benefit of the beautiful and comfortable grounds that the citizens of this place are offering, but those that pass this way now get full benefit.

The grounds are ideal, with large shady pecan trees scattered about them and the Bermuda grass makes them quite inviting. Water has been piped to the center of the tract of land from the Lee Eckert residence and all unsightly underbrush and weeds have been removed, and it is stated that within the next few days electric lights will adorn the property and this will add much to the convenience of campers as well as giving the grounds a splendid appearance to the passerby after dark.

MASONS ELECT OFFICERS

Last Saturday night, McCulloch Lodge No. 273 A. F. & A. M., elected officers to serve for the ensuing year. In each case those serving the past year were elected. They are as follows: Carl Runge, W. M.; Hugh Shearer, S. W.; Albert Lee, J. W.; Alex Grosse, Treasurer; Oscar Senquist, S. D.; K. M. Eckert, J. D.; R. E. Lee, Secretary.



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FIRST BALE NEW CROP OF COTTON SOLD AT HOUSTON

Houston, June 2.—The first bale of the 1922 Texas cotton crop reached Houston this morning and was sold at auction on the floor of the cotton exchange for \$1,200 to H. W. Garrow and Company.

The bale was raised by Mack Mize on his farm near Rio Hondo in the Rio Grande Valley. Last year's first bale reached this market on May 26 and sold for \$1,300.

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MEERS STRIKES GAS AND OIL ON TRACT NORTHWEST BRADY

Jeff Meers was in the city Monday from San Angelo on his way out to look over the progress of the drilling crew of the Texas-Meers Oil Co., a few miles northwest of Lohn. Mr. Meers stated that Zelle No. 3 is making a good showing of gas, supplying sufficient gas for lights and fuel 24 hours each day. The well has been drilled to a depth of 395 feet and only a few inches in the sand. Mr. Meers stated as soon as piping could be gotten out to the location and the water shut off the well would be drilled in. The well is located on J. P. Sheridan survey No. 2 and is 1000 feet southwest of Meers No. 2, which has tested out a five barrel production although being drilled only four or five inches in the sand. Mr. Meers thinks this last well will be good for 25 barrels per day.—Brady Sentinel

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MAYO'S GARAGE

THE NEW FORD CAR HAS MANY REFINEMENTS

The Ford Motor Company, Detroit, has just made public a list of recent improvements in the mechanical feature of Ford cars.

Asserting that Ford cars are better today than they have ever been before, the statement adds that fuel consumption is lower; the engine is even more efficient than formerly; improvements in the springs and steering apparatus insure easier riding and driving qualities; a new headlamp lens, which complies with all state laws, improves the road light; and that many other minor betterments have been made.

Ford pistons and connecting rods have been re-designed and are matched for weight before assembling into motors. This reduces vibration and gives the motor a quicker pick-up. The new pistons weigh three-quarters of a pound less than those formerly used. A highly polished crank shaft bearing surface also reduces wear and, added to the piston and connecting rod improvements, insures a smoother-running and better balanced motor. The material used in the Ford crank-shaft and the care and precision in its manufacture make it second to none.

The new Ford carburetor gives increased acceleration. Though not radically different from the carburetor previously used, the new construction improves the all-around performance of the motor, giving it a quicker pick up and a greater flexibility of action.

The wiring system has been completely re-designed and while it costs more to install than the old system, is more efficient, proof of which is evidenced by the fact that it affords a fire insurance rate as low as the higher priced cars on the market.

Many other changes have been made. A 16-inch steering wheel is now standard equipment; Timken roller bearings are used in the front wheels; one-piece pressed steel running-board brackets insure body rigidity and eliminate vibration and body noises; a dash weather trough prevents rain from reaching coil terminals or dash wiring; the steel mechanism has also been improved; and the tools supplied to purchaser of Ford cars have also been improved in quality. Another important improvement in the truck chassis is the adoption of cord tires as standard equipment on the rear wheels.

The change made some time ago in the seating arrangement of the touring car has met with widespread approval. By lowering the seats and altering the seat backs, greater comfort was added.

It is pointed out that retail sales of a million cars and trucks yearly, and the consumption of raw and finished products at a cost of approximately one million dollars a day makes it possible to sell Fords at their present low prices and at the same time to produce a car of exceptional high quality.

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Mrs. E. J. Lemburg and son, Ernest, and little Miss Juanita left last week for San Antonio for a visit among relatives of that city.

Mr. Chas. Bierschwale and daughter, Miss Curlee, left Tuesday for San Antonio and will probably be away about a week.

CHICKENS

If you have chickens to sell, don't fail to get my prices. 31-1f J. J. JOHNSON.

Ben Evans left Monday for Fort Worth and will be joined there by Prof. L. W. Dumas. These two young men will go on to Fort Collins, Colorado, where they will spend about six weeks, taking a course in the Agricultural College of that place.

Mrs. Dan Martin recently had a painful experience when she, by accident, used some carbolic acid to rub one of her limbs, thinking she had a bottle of liniment. The acid took the skin off and burned quite deep into the flesh.

E. J. Lemburg and daughter, Miss Mary, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Fuller, of Brady, and Roy Doell spent last Sunday in Fredericksburg, attending the baseball game between Fredericksburg and Brady.

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SOME FOUR HUNDRED AND FIFTY DEGREES CONFERRED

Austin, Texas, June 15.—Concluding exercises of the thirty-ninth annual commencement of the University of Texas took place this week. Some 450 degrees were conferred by President Robert E. Vinson at the graduating exercises on Monday evening, following an address by Samuel T. Bledsoe of Chicago, an alumnus of the University of the class of 1892, now general counsel of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad. A large audience was in attendance; many relatives and friends of the graduates were in Austin for the occasion.

Of the degrees conferred at this commencement about 235 were bachelor of arts, 45 bachelor of business administration, 2 bachelor of journalism, 12 bachelor of science in home economics, one master of science in architecture, one master of science in chemical engineering, one in electrical engineering, one master of science in mechanical engineering, 7 bachelor of science in architecture, 9 bachelor of science in chemical engineering, 9 bachelor of science in electrical engineering, 10 bachelor of science in mechanical engineering, about 78 bachelor of laws, 2 master of journalism, 2 master of business administration, and about 22 master of arts.

The baccalaureate sermon was delivered on Sunday by Rev. Samuel J. Porter, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Oklahoma City, and formerly a well known pastor of San Antonio. Special music was furnished by the Longhorn Band, which was a feature of this commencement, and a University chorus of 200 voices. Another of the distinct features of this year's final exercises was the reception

given by the President to the graduating classes of the University.

Many ex-students were back for the annual reunion on the campus, and class dinners and ex-students affairs were a part of the program.

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Pass "Careful Crossing" Law.

El Campo, Tex.—In line with the "careful crossing campaign" of the American Railway Association, the city council at the last meeting passed a "careful crossing ordinance."

Water Mains Being Extended.

Shiner, Tex.—Ground was broken Friday for extending the water mains in the city. About 14,000 feet of water mains will be added. The material is on the ground and the large machine was set in motion digging the trenches.

We cordially invite you to get our prices. E. Lemburg & Bro.

Turpentine the Pine.

Successive seasons of turpentine cause no lowering in strength or resin content of pine trees, states the forest products laboratory of Wisconsin. The crude turpentine, says the Scientific American, is the result of wound stimulus, and comes only from living cells in the sap wood region of the tap bore. The heart wood, which consists of dead cells, contains no sap.

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One Spring Morning

By SARAH C. CAREY

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After a winter's illness I was recuperating among the hills of Vermont. It was the month of April. My friend, Nettie Perkins, and I were out watching an ice jam on the Connecticut, wandering down the river bank as far as the railroad bridge. Here the huge jam had piled about the piers until there was only a narrow channel left through which the swollen current swirled and seethed in a manner that fascinated while it appalled.

As I stood there spellbound by the scene before me—all other sound deadened by the crash and boom of the great cakes as they packed and settled—Nettie shouted in my ear: "Let's cross to the other side and call on Miss Martha Race."

"And who may Miss Martha Race be?" I asked half-heartedly, for I was loath to go calling on a glorious spring morning, with so much attraction out of doors.

"Oh, she is a dear old soul who had a romance in her youth and has lived alone in the old home ever since. She amuses herself by indulging in fads. Painting portraits is her latest one. See, that is her house, the last of those three," indicating with a wave of her hand three large colonial houses on the opposite side of the river.

Of course Miss Perkins had her way, and after consulting the watchman of the bridge concerning trains, we crossed and climbed the bank to the "House of Martha." We entered the old-fashioned garden at the rear and picked our way over little patches of snow through which dead stalks of hollyhock and dahlias appeared in a tangled mass.

"All this belongs to the Race estate," Miss Perkins explained, as we followed the uneven brick walk round to the front door. "The other two houses are occupied by strangers now, as Miss



Miss Martha Entered.

Martha is the only one left of the old family. That plateau on the other side of the road is called 'David Race's plain,' and the church at the far end of it was built and supported by Races for nearly a century." At this point in Race history Miss Perkins lifted the heavy brass knocker. We were ushered in by a maid, whose appearance was strangely in keeping with a bygone age, to Miss Martha's presence. She was a quaint little

lady whose transparent beauty and eighty years reminded one of a delicate piece of old china. Her soft gray eyes lighted for a moment as she bade us welcome, then settled again to an expression of quiet resignation.

At Nettie's suggestion I remained to rest while she accompanied Miss Martha to the studio to see some of her latest paintings, an arrangement which suited me perfectly, as I was a bit weary after my long walk and its attendant excitement, and—yes, I must admit it—I wanted to study my quaint surroundings.

The morning sunlight flooded the big square room. From the deep-set window I had an unobstructed view of David Race's plain and the low white church gleaming in the distance. Applewood logs smoldering in the wide fireplace gave out a pleasant, aromatic odor. The floor was covered with braided rugs, the gay coloring of which suggested the depletion of colonial wardrobes. Among the oil portraits of dead and gone Races I noticed here and there a face whose grotesque lines suggested a pathetic attempt at family resemblance. I judged these to be the work of Miss Martha. Over the mantel was a likeness of a young man whose keen brown eyes seemed to look out on a world of hope toward the fulfillment of years. I speculated upon his relationship, if any, to Miss Martha, and wondered why he was given this place of prominence among his elders.

I drew a chair in front of the fire and, sinking into its luxurious depths, gave myself up to the spell of my surroundings. A big yellow cat uncurled itself from the hassock at my feet and took possession of my lap, purring loudly in response to my gentle stroking.

"What a haven of rest and peace!" I thought. No noise of a turbulent river, no booming of ice jams penetrated here. Here was only the soft glow of the spring morning, the sizzling of the applewood logs, and the somnolent tick-tock of the tall clock on the stair landing throbbing through the pungent fragrance.

A rustle of soft silk and murmur of young voices mingled with laughter comes out of the stillness. The rooms are thronging with a gay party. Livered servants stand at attention in the halls and doorways. Low carriages drawn by glossy-coated steeds are taking the guests to the white church at the far end of the plain. I search the moving throng for a familiar face, or someone to tell me the meaning of it all. Six young girls, all dressed alike, laughingly trip down the stairs and are ushered to the waiting carriages.

At last the mystery is solved! It is a wedding, and "here comes the bride." 'Tis Martha Race, her mist-like veil floating about her. The bloom of youth is on her cheeks. The light of love is shining in her soft gray eyes. Awaiting her in the hall below is the bridegroom, the original of the picture over the mantel.

The scene changes. I am in the church. A fluttering among the guests tells me the bridal party is arriving. The wedding march is sounding and the bridesmaids are advancing. But how slowly! Will the bride ever reach the chancel! And where is the bridegroom, who should be awaiting her? Suddenly the labored march ceases—

The yellow cat had bounded to the floor and Nettie was calling from the doorway: "Miss Martha, look here!" I roused myself, chagrined at being caught literally napping.

"Nettie," I said, "tell me, who is this?" indicating the portrait over the mantel.

She cast a quick glance over her shoulder before whispering: "That was Miss Martha's fiance. He was stricken on the morning of their wedding, and died before reaching the church."

A light step sounded behind her, and Miss Martha entered—Miss Martha of the ethereal beauty and the eighty years.

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R. W. WHITE
O. H. HOLLOWAY

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THOMAS H. STRONG
ANDREW M. WIER
J. H. EHL WILLMANN

For Tax Assessor:

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HENRY DOELL

For Commissioner, Prec't. No. 2:

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If you know of some news item 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.

BEST GEES FOR BHEEDERS

Usually Waste of Time to Try to Dispose of Old Fowls—Keep Them for Breeding.

Old geese do not sell well in market, and it is usually a waste of time and money to attempt to so dispose of them. Keep the old ones for breeding purposes, as they will be serviceable for from ten to twenty years, and when sell the young ones at market.

New United States Hospitals.

Before the year ended the United States public health service had added three more hospitals to the fourteen it had opened since January 1 last. It is also preparing nine other hospitals, four of which will probably be opened by May 1 and the others a little later. All of these hospitals have either been leased from private owners or taken over from the army or the navy, the new construction authorized by congress at the extra session not yet being well under way.

Hospitals planned to be opened for 1922 include the tuberculosis hospitals at beautiful Dawson Springs, Ky.; Excelsior Springs, Mo., and Rutland, Mass., with a total of 920 beds; the general hospitals at Fort Walla Walla, Wash., and at Norfolk, Va., with a total of 1,240 beds, and the neuropsychiatric hospital in the Bronx, New York city, with 1,000 beds.

Cold Reception.

"I have some lines addressed to D'Annunzio," said the timorous visitor. "Well, he isn't here," snapped the hard-hearted editor. "The last time I heard of 'Gabe' he was getting his mail at Fiume, but I understand he is going to leave and I don't know where he wants it forwarded."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

New York Turns to Concrete.

A reinforced concrete building sixteen stories high is to be built in the leather district of New York city; just below the Brooklyn bridge. This is a record height for such a structure on Manhattan island, where concrete has been used sparingly and only for lofts and factories.

Galvanized roofing at R. Grosse's.

Garment Germs May Cause Disease

Our scientific method of pressing clothes kills all germ life, restores life and luster to the clothes and positively produces in every garment



The Natural Body Shape
CLEANING ALTERING REPAIRING

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Ancient Fable That is Probably the Most Interesting to Be Found in Classic History.

Pretty Home Gifts



Anyone who knows how to handle a paint brush and oil colors or understands the new art of painting with colored sealing wax can make the book for telephone numbers pictured here. It is merely a piece of black oilcloth folded over leaves of white paper. Small holes punched through at each end allow a black silk cord to bind the book and provide for hanging it up at the same time.

A powder box and a rouge box shown below it are covered with black lacquer and decorated with colored sealing wax that stimulates ribbon and flowers.

She Got Them.

Patience—Wonder if Peggy is out yet?

Patrice—Why, yes! Has she been sick?

Patience—No, but she said she couldn't go out until she got her new shoes.

Patrice—Well, I saw her limp by today.

Had Figured It Out.

The Lawyer—You're asking pretty stiff alimony merely because your husband neglected you for his business. Think he can dig it up?

The Client—Of course he can. By attending to business he's made money and by neglecting me he's saved it.

He Was the "Goat."

One day last spring I attended a circus, and while looking for my seat prior to the start of the show, I chanced to walk through the arena. A young "blonde" lady came to me and asked me where the animals were on exhibition. As I pointed the correct directions she fell in a faint, right into my arms. I was badly confused and started to carry her to one of the platforms in the center of the immense coliseum. Then I heard roars of loud laughter. I dropped her and started to fan her with my hat, when, with all eyes on me, I realized that the young "lady" was a clown who had been amusing the audience before the start of the regular show and I was the "goat."—Exchange.

Paris, the son of King Priam of Troy, was appointed judge to determine who should receive the apple. The three goddesses interviewed him privately, each offering a bribe; Juno promised a kingdom, Minerva military glory, but Venus won him to her side by promising that the most beautiful woman in the world should be his wife. He gave the prize to Venus. Unfortunately, the fairest living lady was Helen, already married to King Menelaus of Sparta, but Venus instructed Paris to "go and get her." He did so, and the indignation following this abduction caused the Greeks to coalesce and attack Troy, bringing on the ten years' Trojan war.

Do Animals Reason?

My old-timer up in Alaska, prospecting, also makes me happy once in a while with some first-hand natural history, according to the writer of "Out of Doors" in the Saturday Evening Post. He says: "I have seen an article about animals—say, dogs and bears—having reasoning power. That is nothing new to me, for I have had plenty of time to study dogs, and if they can't reason they ought to be killed, for they are worthless. I have two sledge dogs, half-wolf, and it is wonderful what they will do. I have seen my leader locate a trail with six feet of snow drifted over it, and do many other things that would make an ordinary man guess. I have traveled 2,800 miles over my trap lines in the last winter and have never seen them pass a trap or a snare yet. They always know where the next set is—and find it, although it would be lost if they would go a few feet farther down the trail. As to bears, they will find the weakest place in the cache quicker than a man would—they always find the easiest place to break in. I find it also very interesting to watch my foxes."

Dr. P. A. Baze is the owner of a new Overland-4 car which was delivered to him on Wednesday.

Typewriter ribbons, 80c. News Office.

HUPMOBILE DEALER WANTED IN THIS TOWN

We advertised for dealers in fifteen papers last month. We made nine new Hupmobile contracts. Our Dealer Organization sold more Hupmobiles last month than have ever been sold in any one month in Western Texas.

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SOCIAL EVENTS

Miss Elizabeth White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. White, of Mason, has been prominent in the social activities which attended the closing days of school at Ward-Belmont, Nashville, Tenn. On Wednesday evening she attended the traditional all club dinner as a member of the Tri K Club. In mid May, Miss White participated in the May Day festivities which were celebrated according to the old English custom and which were witnessed by more than two thousand spectators. Last Friday evening Miss White took part in the Fashion Show which was given by the students of the Domestic Arts and Science Department.—Ward-Belmont School Notes.

Miss Calvert's Marriage Announced
Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Calvert announce the marriage of their daughter Ruth to Dr. Robert Wheelless on Saturday the third day of June Nineteen hundred and twenty-two Dallas, Texas.

At Home
Dallas, Texas.
The bride is one of Brownwood's most attractive and most accomplished young women and a member of one of Brownwood's most estimable families. For the past two years she has held a position in the Dallas public schools. The groom is a prominent dentist of Dallas.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Mrs. O. H. Ritcheardson arrived in Mason Wednesday for an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Carter, and other relatives and friends.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Births
Mr. and Mrs. Otto Hofmann, a girl, June 9th.
Mr. and Mrs. Herman Leifeste, a boy, June 6th.
Mr. and Mrs. Hol Nobles, a girl, June 11th.
Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Reichenau, a boy, June 13th.
Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Tracy, a girl, June 13th.

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Votes of British Parliament Chiefs.
The difference between the speaker of the English house of commons and the lord chancellor, who occupies a similar position in the house of lords, is that while the speaker cannot take part in debates and can vote only when there is a tie, the lord chancellor is entitled to speak and vote on all occasions.

COOPER'S DIP—KILL TICK D. DIP

Make out your want list and bring it to us. We have a complete line of Drugs, Sundries and Toilet Articles. Prescriptions Carefully and Accurately Compounded. Stop at our new fountain the next time in town. Our drinks are cool, refreshing and pure. They Satisfy. A CALL WILL BE APPRECIATED.

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Flowers Belong Together.
Sweet peas and mignonette should always grow together. Even the down-trodden everlasting pea (as Gerard calls it) with its large frank blossoms, has this year won its way to favor. That plant is in itself an epitome of all the sermons of the year with courage and constancy for their text! It is as good as a meditation by Jeremy Taylor. We were very grave about it last year, only a very little was permitted; it was denounced as too encroaching; and a quantity of it was ruthlessly cut away. We believed its humiliation to be secure. Not a bit of it! Never did it spread and flourish and flower more abundantly than it has done this summer. It ran round the corner of the house and made a blooming bower of itself in the shade under the east porch. It gave a rich, deep background for the white irises and blush roses to the south; it actually climbed up and looked in at the dining room windows, and nodded to us as we sat at breakfast. "J'y suis, et j'y reste!" it said, as plain as words; and after all I had to confess its conquering beauty.—E. V. B. In "A Garden of Pleasure."

Feeling.
The teacher was giving a few general questions to test the intelligence of his pupils.
"How many races are there?" he asked.
"Two," replied a small boy, who had been feeling the cane some time previously.
"Two! Well, what are they?"
"Please, sir, teachers and pupils."
"What do you mean, my lad, by saying teachers and pupils?" queried the teacher.
"Please, sir," was the reply, "the teachers are the 'canine' race, and the pupils are the 'feline' race."

Samples and Samples.
"Did you here that Blank was arrested?"
"That is news to me. I am astonished. For what was he arrested?"
"It is charged that he took home samples of the goods he was handling."
"Ah, so. Where was he working?"
"In a bank."

Endless Task.
"Why did you leave that Scotch regiment?"
"Couldn't get used to kilts."
"Heh?"
"I kept trying to pull the blamed things down."

Finder of the Yellowstone.
John Colter, discoverer of Yellowstone National park, guided his steps to the Teton peaks in Wyoming in 1807, and the Astoria expedition hailed the peaks with relief while floundering through the wilderness in 1811.

No Variety.
"Ah!" sighed the incubator egg as it looked about at the level sea of other ovals about it, "from one layer to another!"—Retail Ledger, Philadelphia.

Airplanes to Fight Fire.
Paris, stirred by a 40,000,000-franc fire that consumed a big department store, is considering the equipment of airplanes with fire extinguishing bombs. These would be filled with a gas that chokes out the flames without being injurious to the neighboring population. Aviators proposing the plan claim one airplane could carry enough bombs to extinguish a large fire well under way. Experiments are to be conducted in the suburbs to determine the feasibility of the scheme.—Scientific American.

PA'S UMBRELLA

By MARJORIE GATES

"Now, pa, don't you lose that umbrella, whatever you do!" quoth Ma Hanley, with a touch of aggressiveness as she gave the tie under her better half's ear a twitch around to plumb and ascertained that a handkerchief lay in his back pocket. "Don't forget an' leave it anywheres, 'cause umbrellas is dreadful expensive this year an', besides, we've got the back of the barn to shingle this spring and we might jest as well be a-savin' of umbrellas as anything else!"
Pa submitted meekly to a resounding kiss on his chin and departed with the importance of the rain-shedder firmly implanted in his mind and the actuality lightly crooked over the elbow of his left arm.

Ma was generally right, and pa knew it, but he was nevertheless aware that there was something wrong—vaguely amiss—with that umbrella.
"I believe I'll jest drop into Abe Finley's on my way downtown," he thought, "Perhaps I can put this pesky petticoat behind his door or leave it on his yellow plazy or somewheres."
Pa shuddered at the thought of a pea-green umbrella on a yellow veranda. "Sakes alive! Folks 'ud think the circus was a-comin to town! Nope! I jest can't do that. I'll have to leave it behind his kitchen door."

But luck wasn't with him. His guardian angel had joined the union, and never worked overtime. Abe Finley was not at home.

"Oh, I know! I'll go in here and see Mis' Smith a minute," he decided, as he neared a very neat white house under the rise of the next hill. "I'll jest stop around an' see how 'Bijah is this mornin' an' inquire after 'Tildy's husband. But, land alive, she's neater than wax, an' she'll see this here annoyance afore ever I get out of sight over the hill."

Quite so! No sooner had pa survived Almeda Smith's tale of troublous times and departed minus umbrella and worry, than Almeda spied the cause of his shame and, grabbing it in a determined hand, rushed to the front door.

"Urah!" she shrieked. "Urah Hanley! Here's your umbrella!" Pa's back was non-committal, and he feigned temporary deafness. Again came the shrill cry: "Urah! U-r-i-a-h Hanley! You left your umbrell-a!"

With a resigned sigh pa turned and went back! Almeda was smiling from ear to ear. "Land! But Mis' Hanley 'ud be mad if you lost that umbrella," she said. "It's dretful handsome an' you can't buy silk like that is now-a-days."

"Thanks," said pa. "Yes, yes," and went on. Could he never dispose of that awful green umbrella! Would he always have to carry it! Aha! Just then he spied a barrel resting near Joe Snow's barn, and promptly acting upon impulse, he thrust the umbrella in and well out of sight. Then care free and light-hearted, he set out at a much brisker pace for town. If his conscience troubled him at all, nobody knew it and all the loafers at the "Grocery and Provisions Store" declared, with cracker barrels for firm foundation, that "Old man Hanley is a-gittin' younger every year."

On the homeward journey, laden down with his recent purchases and lost in thoughts of cedar shingles and staging, pa had little time to notice the darkling skies and leaden clouds. Only when a fair-sized hailstone bounced off his nose did he realize the state of the weather. He began to hurry as fast as his tired old feet would take him toward Joe Snow's barrel and the despised umbrella. Horror of horrors! The barrel was gone. And there upon the ground lay the remnant of a violent green umbrella, the yellowish ivory handle showing the unmistakable marks of a puppy's teeth, the ribs pointing lither and thither and tatters of green silk flying toward the four winds of heaven!

Abstractedly pa raised the wreck over his head and walked the mile and a half more home.

And then there was an unmistakable, if slight, twinkle in his eye as he entered his wife's kitchen—the corpse of the pride of her soul still raised above his head and dripping streams of water through its countless rents. "Well, ma, me and the umbrella be home."

Ma Hanley looked at him a moment and then sank wearily into a chair. "My land!" quoth she—and that was all.

Sam told that on his next trip to town pa bought two rather strange articles that were commented on by the grocery store loafers. One was a very quiet black umbrella with a plain handle and the other was a collar for little Sammy Snow's pup.

The Truth, Anyway.
It was a foreign class composed of Slavs and one Italian. This unbal-

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anced race distribution resulted in the little Italian boy being at the mercy of the others, and they were certainly aware of it. The teacher was examining this group in the use of words. After a few more or less successful answers she came to the word "dis-guise," and also to the little Italian's turn. "Now," she said, "I want to know the meaning of disguise. Tony, you give me a sentence with disguise in it." Tony gazed at the grinning faces of his classmates, who not so very long before had been teasing him, and replied with vehemence: "I hate dese guys."

Daily Thought.
There are occasions when it is undoubtedly better to incur loss than to make gain.—Plautus.

Galley Ships.
The galley ships were invented by the Corinthians 700 B. C.

FARM FACTS
(Farm and Ranch)
An acre of land contains 43,590 square feet.

A plot of ground 12 rods, 10 feet and 8 1-2 inches square is an acre. For ordinary purposes it will answer to take a plat 12 2-3 rods square. The exact area is 160 2-3 square rods. An acre contains 160 square rods.

Fresh meat will keep for a week or longer in buttermilk if placed in a cool place such as a cellar. When ready to cook, rinse well.

A ton of hay in the mow contains 512 cubic feet when it settles down.

It has been estimated that a bushel of corn will produce 10 1-2 pounds of pork, gross. Then when corn is worth 25 cents a bushel pork should be worth 3 cents a pound gross; corn 35 cents a bushel, pork 4 cents a pound; corn 42 cents a bushel, pork 5 cents a pound; corn 50 cents a bushel, pork 6 cents a pound.

To measure a pile of wheat, in round heap or pile: Multiply the diameter in feet by itself, that is, square the diameter. Then multiply this by the height in feet and divide by 4. The answer will be the number of bushels, approximately.

To estimate hay in the mow: Multiply the length in feet by the height in feet and this by the width in feet. Divide by 500 and the result will be approximately the number of tons.

A serviceable whitewash for outside woodwork may be made as follows: In a tight box slack one-half bushel of lime with hot water, keeping it stirred while covered with four or five inches of boiling water. Add two pounds of sulphate of zinc dissolved in water. Add water enough to bring to the consistency of thick whitewash.

Corn in the ear, when of good quality, after having been in the crib for a few months, will measure at or weigh out at 2 1-4 cubic feet to the bushel. Inferior corn may take 2 3-8 to 2 1-2 cubic feet for a bushel. Hence, to find the number of bushels of ear corn in a crib, multiply length by breadth by the height to find the number of cubic feet in the crib, then divide this by 2 1-4 or 2 1-2, according to the quality of the corn. This will give the number of bushels of corn.

CHURCH NOTICES

CALENDAR—M. E. CHURCH SOUTH

Sunday School every Sunday at 10 a. m.
Preaching, 1st Sunday, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. by Roy G. Rader.
Preaching, 2nd Sunday, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. by D. G. Hardt.
Preaching, 3rd Sunday, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. by Roy G. Rader.
Preaching, 4th Sunday, 11 a. m. and 3 p. m. by D. G. Hardt.
Preaching at Loyal Valley, 2nd Sunday at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m.
Preaching at Grit, 3rd Sunday at 3 p. m.

Preaching at Bethel, 4th Sunday at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m.
Preaching at Long Mountain, 4th Sunday at 7 p. m.

ROY G. RADER,
D. G. HARDT,
Pastors.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Regular services next Sunday, both morning and evening. Everybody invited.

W. H. GAGE, Pastor.

DOUBLE KNOBBS MEETING

The News has been requested to announce a Christian meeting will begin at Double Knobbs on Saturday night, July 1st, and will continue through Sunday night, July 8th. Rev. Sidney Smith will do the preaching. Everybody is extended an invitation to attend these services.

Brady Lost Game to Fredericksburg

In a matched game of baseball played at Fredericksburg last Sunday afternoon between Brady and the Fredericksburg Giants, the Brady team came out at the "little end of the horn". The final score being 8 to 7 in favor of the Giants.

A deal was closed Wednesday whereby Roscoe Runge purchased the Priest home in the east end of town. Mr. and Mrs. Runge will take immediate possession and will probably move to their new home this week.

SUBSCRIPTIONS PAID

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

Meta Loeffler	1.50
Miss Fay Hey	1.50
Miss Ida Kothmann	3.00
H. A. Jordan	1.50
Aug. Metzger	1.50
Frank J. Keyser	3.00
W. J. Griffith	1.50
W. S. Brandenberger	1.50
W. T. Harriss	1.50

We thank you Who's next?

County Clerk, B. E. Lee, will leave the last of the week for Italy, to join his wife for a visit with her parents. Mrs. Lee will accompany him home.

Attorney Carl Runge returned Friday from a business trip to Oklahoma.

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SUBSTANTIAL GAIN IN NET REVENUE

Texas Railroads Show Increase of \$1,540,426 for Three Months.

Austin, Tex.—Texas railroads showed a substantial gain in net revenue from operation for the first three months of this year as compared with the same three months of 1921, while operating expenses decreased in a large percentage.

Auditor J. R. Moore of the Texas railroad commission Friday completed his first summary of the current year and it covers the most of January, February and March, which show decreases in operating revenues, but more so in operating expenses.

During the three months indicated the operating revenues were \$44,295,878, a decrease under the same three months of last year of \$11,183,823, or 25.16 per cent.

Operating expenses were \$38,494,324, a decrease of \$12,724,249, or 24.84 per cent.

Net income from operation was \$5,771,554, an increase of \$1,540,426, or 35.41 per cent.

The ratio of operating revenue to operating expense was 86.96 for the three months of this year, as against 99.37 for the three months of last year.

Items of operating revenue, com-

pared with the same three months of last year, are as follows:

Freight revenue, \$82,897,565; decrease, \$7,910,949, or 15.48 per cent.

Passenger revenue, \$8,493,611; decrease, \$3,340,859, or 25.06 per cent.

Mail revenue, \$361,030; decrease, \$148,409, or 14.65 per cent.

Express revenue, \$993,884; increase, \$917,914, or 87.98 per cent.

Other revenue, \$1,219,498; decrease, \$564,650, or 32.37 per cent.

Operating expense items for the three months compared with those of the same three months last year are as follows:

Maintenance of ways and structures, \$8,175,159; decrease, \$2,906,252, or 26.23 per cent.

Maintenance of equipment, \$9,316,495; decrease, \$2,379,879, or 20.29 per cent.

Traffic, \$998,361; decrease, \$85,264, or 7.87 per cent.

Transportation, \$17,913,232; decrease, \$7,082,061, or 28.33 per cent.

Miscellaneous operations, \$186,986; decrease, \$57,744, or 23.59 per cent.

General expense, \$2,014,882; decrease, \$145,487, or 6.74 per cent.

Transportation for investment, credit, \$110,201; increase, \$75,462, or 217.23 per cent.

Penal Population Is Now Greatest in Texas History

Austin, Tex.—The population of the state penal institutions is, at the present time, the greatest in the history of the state. There are now either in solitary confinement, in the asylum

and on the state farms 3545 prisoners. According to the report received at the governor's office the distribution of forces is as follows: Huntsville, 370; asylums, 21; Harlem farm, 396; Eastham farm, 328; Imperial farm, 383; Ramsey farm, 418; Wynne farm, 111; Goree farm, 72; Shaw farm, 170; Clemens farm, 388; Ferguson farm, 153; Retrieve farm, 125; Darrington farm, 189; Blue Ridge farm, 198; Senior farm, 105, and Blakely farm, 118.

There are at the present time hundreds of cases pending in the court of criminal appeals where penitentiary sentences have been meted out by the various courts of the state. It has been said that if all persons now at liberty on bonds or who are in jail awaiting the ruling of the court of criminal appeals had their cases affirmed at the same time the penitentiary would not be large enough to take care of them.

Will Men Accept Slash in Wages

Chicago, Ill.—With the announcement by the United States railroad labor board of a wage cut approximating \$60,000,000 for 400,000 railroad shop employees and carmen, strike ballots, held in readiness by union leaders, were put into the mails last week. By an earlier cut 350,000 were affected. The strike ballots, to be returned June 20, ask the men to vote on three questions, as follows: Whether the wage cuts shall be accepted; whether working rules revisions shall be accepted; whether it is the opinion of the men that the railroads have any intention of obeying the contract labor decisions of the labor board.

Treaty is Signed.

Washington.—Announcement was made this week by the Czecho-Slovakia press bureau at Washington that the provisional treaty between Czecho-Slovakia and Russia was signed at Prague by representatives of both governments. The provisions of the pact were not disclosed.

Port Arthur, Tex.—Port Arthur has an election set for July 1 to issue \$475,700 bonds for the Port Arthur independent school district.

POULTRY CACKLES

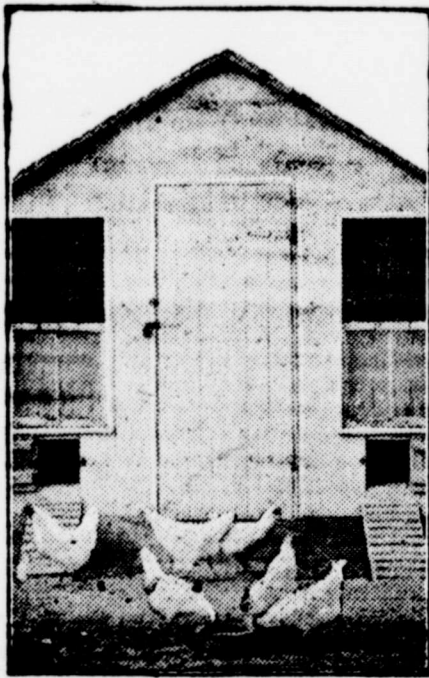
BUILDING HOUSE FOR FOWLS

Structure Should Be as Low as Possible Without Danger of Attendants Bumping Heads.

A poultry house should not be so wide that the sun cannot reach the back of the house, say poultry specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture, or it will be damp. Eighteen feet is a convenient width for a large house if there are no alleyways.

The house should be built as low as possible without danger of the attendants bumping their heads against the ceiling. A low house is more easily warmed than a high one.

For the greatest amount of floor space for the least cost, a building



Don't Build Poultry House Too Wide or Too High.

should be square, for, other things being equal, the nearer square a house is the less lumber it will take.

The size of the building required will depend largely on the number of fowls to be kept and on the size of the flocks. From 25 to 100 seems to be about as many as is safe and economical to keep together. With flocks of this size, about four square feet of floor space should be allotted to each bird, which will suffice in most cases where careful attention is given to cleanliness and ventilation. Three to three and one-half square feet is



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enough for Leghorns in large flocks. If the fowls are kept in smaller flocks a little more floor space per bird will be needed. Where the climate is so mild that it is unnecessary to keep the fowls confined, except for a few days at a time, and especially if the fowls are kept in small colony houses, less space per bird will be sufficient. The smaller breeds, being more active and restless, require about as much room as the larger breeds.

TIME TO DOCTOR FOWL

The time to doctor a fowl is before it gets sick, and the way to do this is to keep it free from lice, feed judiciously, keep the quarters clean and well ventilated, supply good, clean water and plenty of sharp grit or gravel; avoid drafts and use only the most vigorous and healthy birds in the breeding pens.

FOWLS FOR EGG PRODUCTION

Old Hens May Return Profit, but Younger Ones Will Give More—Pullets Preferred.

Some folks have the right kind of fowls, house and feed them properly, and still don't get eggs early in the winter because their hens are too old. It seldom pays to keep hens for laying after they are two and one-half years old. They may give a profit, but younger fowls will give more. Many poultrymen who make a specialty of winter-egg production keep only pullets, disposing of even the yearling hens, before it is time to put them in winter quarters.

Early hatched pullets, if properly grown, ought to begin laying in October or early November, and continue to lay right through the winter. Yearling hens seldom begin laying

much before January 1, and older hens not until later. It is the November and December eggs that bring the high prices. The laying breeds should begin laying when from five to six months old, general-purpose breeds at six to seven, and the meat breeds at seven or eight months.

BUYING OF PULLETS IN FALL

Practice is Preferable to Hatching Chicks in Spring on Account of Small Space.

The buying of pullets in the fall is preferable in most cases to buying day-old chicks or to hatching chicks in the spring, says the United States Department of Agriculture. Usually little space is available for raising chicks, and, moreover, few city dwellers have had experience enough to warrant the undertaking. Hatching and raising chicks requires broody hens, or the buying of incubators and brooders, and such an investment is too large for the average small flock.

CHICKENS

If you have chickens to sell, don't fail to get my prices. 31-1f J. J. JOHNSON.

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

Spalding Baseball Goods at Mason Drug Company.

Take in the picture show at the Star Opera House each Friday and Saturday night. Show starts at 8:15 o'clock.

ATTENTION, STOCKMEN

It is economy to vaccinate against Blackleg early—Purity and Globe Aggressins sold here—always in stock. MASON DRUG COMPANY.

THE "OLD RELIABLE" THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT

White Haired Alabama Lady Says She Has Seen Medicines Come and Go But The "Old Reliable" Thedford's Black-Draught Came and Stayed.

Dutton, Ala.—In recommending Thedford's Black-Draught to her friends and neighbors here, Mrs. T. F. Parks, a well-known Jackson County lady, said: "I am getting up in years; my head is pretty white. I have seen medicines and remedies come and go but the old reliable came and stayed. I am talking of Black-Draught, a liver medicine we have used for years—one that can be depended upon and one that will do the work."

"Black-Draught will relieve indigestion and constipation if taken right, and I know for I tried it. It is the best thing I have ever found for the full, uncomfortable

feeling after meals. Sour stomach and sick headache can be relieved by taking Black-Draught. It aids digestion, also assists the liver in throwing off impurities. I am glad to recommend Black-Draught, and do, to my friends and neighbors."

Thedford's Black-Draught is a standard household remedy with a record of over seventy years of successful use. Every one occasionally needs something to help cleanse the system of impurities. Try Black-Draught. Insist upon Thedford's, the genuine.

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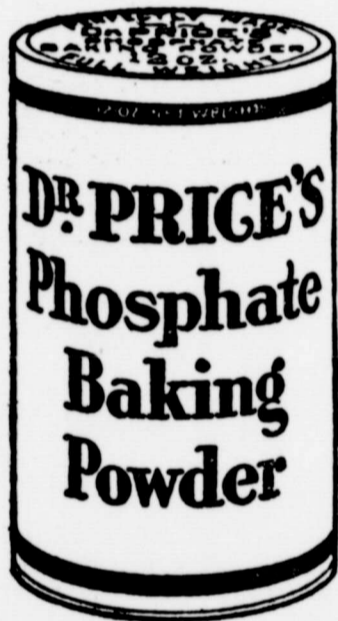
IF there were no other reason for using Dr. Price's Phosphate Baking Powder, its well-known high quality would be sufficient. But in addition to this, think of these other advantages!

Dr. Price's is sold at the low price of 25c for a large can of 12 ounces. It is pure and wholesome and imparts a fine, appetizing flavor to the food.

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Large can, 12 ounces, only 25c



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IN the New Dr. Price Cook Book there are 300 delightful recipes for all kinds of cooking and baking—some of them the most famous recipes in use today. Every housekeeper will value a copy of this book which can be had free by addressing—Price Baking Powder Factory, 1003 Independence Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois.

SPECIAL!

Some grocers may have a few cans left of Dr. Price's bearing the label with the special advertising offer recently announced for a limited period. A big value at its regular price, Dr. Price's is an unparalleled bargain at this special sale price. Don't fail to see if your grocer has some left!

BIG SUM IS PAID BY BROTHERHOOD

Convention Held at Houston Cost More Than Six Hundred Thousand Dollars.

Houston, Tex.—Six hundred thousand dollars in hard cash was paid out at Houston to the 900 delegates attending the triennial convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, which adjourned Friday.

Each delegate drew \$14 a day for his time here. The convention lasted thirty-one days. Women delegates to the convention of the ladies' society of the brotherhood, which opened June 8 and lasted a fortnight, were also paid off.

The pay roll was in charge of W. S. Patton, vice president of the South Texas Commercial National Bank, and treasurer of the entertainment committee, who was largely instrumental in bringing the brotherhood into Houston, after Savannah, Ga., had already been chosen. Mr. Patton was assisted by four tellers.

The brotherhood pay roll amounted to \$550,000 and the women's auxiliary pay roll \$50,000.

Charles Bahiser of Anchorage, Alaska, representing the United States government railroad, topped the list with a mileage allowance of 3,200 miles each

way. One Canadian delegate, who traveled 3,500 miles to the convention, was paid \$560.

Brotherhood Convention Closes.

Houston, Tex.—The twenty-ninth convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, which opened its sessions at Houston on May 8, closed June 8. During the closing session three international officers were re-elected. A. H. Hawley of Cleveland, Ohio, was re-elected general secretary and treasurer; John F. McNamee of Cleveland was re-elected editor and manager of the brotherhood magazine, and Dr. W. B. Watts defeated a Texas man for the place of general medical examiner, which Dr. Watts had held for some time. Dr. C. W. Ory of Comanche, Texas, was a candidate for the place.

Three Mexican Leaders Are Killed by Guards

Laredo, Tex.—The bodies of General Lucio Blanco, Colonel Aurelio Martinez and Major Garcia, killed by Mexican customs guards and soldiers Wednesday as they headed an alleged invading party into Mexico, were recovered from the Rio Grande Friday.

The bodies of Martinez and Blanco, handcuffed together, were discovered by boys fishing on the American side, near the Holding Institute and the railroad bridge at Laredo. The body of Garcia was removed from the river a mile below this point. Blanco, once prominent in Mexican military circles, but recently a refugee in the United

States, had been shot through the heart. Martinez was shot through the head, while Garcia's body showed a wound in the neck.

Blanco had been captured Wednesday night by federals while heading a party of nearly 200 men crossing into Mexico from Texas. Martinez was taken at the same time, and while handcuffed together they made a dash for liberty during a 20-minute engagement between federal troops and followers of Blanco. Both were shot after reaching the river and their bodies disappeared in the stream.

New Rotary Governor.

Wichita, Kan.—Albert Faulconer of Arkansas City has been elected first governor of the new Twelfth Rotary district, according to advices received Friday from the Los Angeles convention. The new district created out of the old Seventeenth includes 41 clubs in Kansas and Northern Oklahoma.

Farmers' Mutual Aid Elects.

Brenham, Tex.—At the annual meeting of the Mutual Aid Association of the farmers of Washington County, the following officers were elected: August Randemann, president; H. F. Kolwe, secretary; Henry Reue, treasurer; W. M. Buck, William Quebe and William Lange, commissioners.

Price of Cotton at Cuero.

Cuero, Tex.—Following unfavorable crop reports, the local cotton market reached a price of 21 1/2c at Cuero Thursday, the highest figure since directly after the close of the world war. Some sales of 1920 cotton are being made.

STAY OUT

I again warn parties against going back and forth through my little pasture. The law protects me against trespassers and unless the practice is ceased at once, I'll have to use force, as I cannot permit a continuation of having my fence torn down.

MRS. J. W. GAMEL.

LIVACAPS—

THE MILLION \$ LIVER MEDICINE. Colds, Chills, Fever, Kidneys, Aching all over. All druggists. RED LABEL. 44

County Judge John T. Banks returned home Sunday afternoon from an auto trip down below San Antonio, where he took his wife and children for a visit among relatives and friends.

John Fleming left Monday for Kansas City, where he expects to remain for a couple of months, taking a course in an auto school.

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

RAFAEL ALMEIDA WAS VERY TEMPERAMENTAL.

Only Ball Player to Carry Valet Around With Him.

Insisted That He Could Not Be Expected to Play His Best Game Without His Favorite Cigars—Made O'Day Roar.

In 1912 Hank O'Day was manager of the Cincinnati Reds, and he had for his third baseman that temperamental Latin, Rafael Almeida. Senor Almeida was the only ball player in the National league who carried a valet around with him, and insisted on having his morning coffee in bed. Managers in these days may rave over the mercenary dispositions of their hired men, but they can truthfully say that not one of them possesses the prima donna temperament of Senor Almeida.

One day—and Cincinnati was leading the race on that particular one—the Reds came piling into the station on their way to a series in St. Louis. Almeida strolled leisurely in behind them. He opened a gold cigar case. "A million diables!" he exclaimed. "My favorite cigars! Of them I have none left. I must buy them here, for in St. Louis they do not keep that brand."

"You ain't got time," protested one of his teammates.

Rafael shrugged his shoulders and walked away, twirling his bamboo cane, and did not show up at the Planters hotel in St. Louis until two days later.

Hankus Pankus O'Day went into action like a Limerick volcano. He requested to know where the hinges of hades Almeida had been. Cincinnati had lost a ball game that afternoon because a substitute third baseman had booted away an easy chance, so Mr. O'Day spoke freely and with little restraint.

Rafael shrugged his shoulders and palms. "I had no cigars," he explained patiently. "You cannot expect a man to play his best when he has not his favorites to smoke?"

"Expect?" roared Hank. "I don't expect nothing of you. I've sold you to Birmingham in the Southern league."

"Very well, Meester O'Day," rejoined Rafael.

EXPLANATION OF GOLF SWING

Bob McDonald, Professional at Bob o' Links Course, Chicago, Makes Suggestion.

"The golf swing should not be modeled on batting in baseball, but on throwing," says Bob McDonald, pro at the Bob o' Links course in Chicago, "where there is the same turn of the body and the same snap of the wrist. Men through generations have been taught how to throw, where



Bob McDonald.

women haven't. So the male of the species has this advantage, to say nothing of greater physical power."

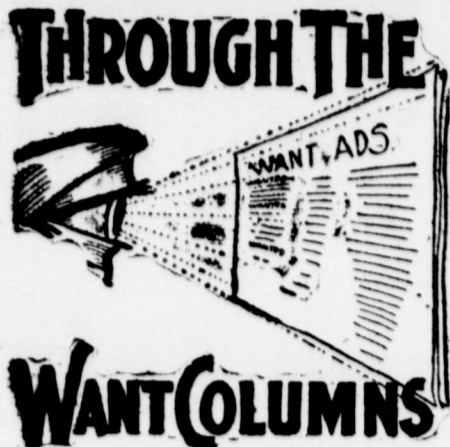
Yet some infielders and a few outfielders at critical times, by their heaves into the stands and far from the spot aimed at, indicate that their throwing education is imperfect.

GRADUATE COACHES FAVORED

But One Major Sport at Harvard Supervised by Outsider—Slattery Teaches Baseball.

All men in charge of Harvard sports but one now are Crimson graduates. This situation is the result of the recent appointment of Dr. R. Hubert Howe as general supervisor of rowing. The only major sport at Harvard not now so supervised is baseball, the same being coached by Jack Slattery.

Typewriter ribbons, 80c. News Office.



FOR SALE—Five registered Hereford Bulls. Apply to R. W. Capps. 14-1f

AIRDALE PUPS—I have several Airdale pups for sale. They are now ready for delivery. Frank Willmann. 14-1f.

LOST OR STRAYED—Two red steer yearlings; underslope right ear. \$5 for information leading to recovery. S. M. Allen, Streeter, Texas. 11p

FORD SPEEDSTER—Without starter, to trade for Ford Touring Car with starter; must be in good condition. Will pay difference. Elgin O. Kothmann. 13-1f

The Famous Justin Boots for sale by Hofmann Dry Goods Company.

FOR SALE—Ford roadster with starter, demountable rims, extra tire, rear shock absorbers; in good shape. Wood-Baze Auto Co. 12-1f

FOR SALE—A good gasoline engine and wood saw. See the Keith boys. 9c

WANTED TO RENT—A residence. Prefer one close in. Ring Wood-Baze Auto Co. 13-2c.

Perry Wertenbach spent a few days in San Antonio recently. He expected to receive a trial on one of the city league baseball teams of that place, but owing to rain and other unavoidable circumstances he did not have an opportunity to play with the Chic-Chic team. He does not know yet whether he will return later to make another attempt to play with that team. "Polley" is a good little ball player and many hope he will remain here to play with the local team the rest of the season.

Jontee Face Powder 50c
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The popular sellers at Mason Drug Co.

Gates' Super-Tread Tires and Tested Tubes. Sold by Otto Schmidt. 13-1f

H. S. Wood and son, Leonard, left Sunday morning for Dallas and returned Tuesday with two new Overland 4 cars, which were driven through from Dallas.

NEED GLASSES?
Dr. Jones, the Eye Man, in Dr. McCollum's office, Wednesday, June 21. Eyes examined, glasses fitted, headache and eye strain relieved.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Tarver and baby of Kerrville, are in Mason this week for a visit in the home of Mrs. Tarver's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schmidt, and among relatives and friends of the city.

Miss Imogene Keller and Mmes. Geo. Moneyhon and C. L. Hofmann and two sons returned home last Saturday from San Antonio, where they spent a few days visiting relatives.

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

Mrs. Ben Pfenneke informs us that she recently had a letter advising her of the improvement of Mrs. Elva Runyon, following a recent surgical operation which she underwent at Abilene. Mrs. Runyon is well known in Mason, being a daughter of the late T. M. Payne.

THE BONBON MAN

By LILLIAN M. ROYCE

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Eva Richards glanced at her wrist watch, then expectantly down the street. With a disappointed look in her blue eyes she bent her pretty head over the typewriter and began making out bills for her employer, Mr. Tasker. Somehow Eva had grown to look forward to the semi-weekly visits of the bashful youth who, at exactly five o'clock on Wednesdays and Saturdays would ease his broad shoulders carefully into the tiny shop. He always brought bonbons. The young lady did not care for chocolates, he said, and so Eva always thought of him as the bonbon man. Though the candy must be for his sweetheart, of course, Eva felt a personal interest in making the box as attractive as possible. "Just as if it were for me," she confessed to herself with a blush.

On other evenings Eva had been in no haste to reach her dreary little room after a hasty dinner in some cheap restaurant, but tonight was different. She had moved just the day before to a large boarding house filled with young people and she looked forward to seeing them again. One girl, especially, Alma Gray, had been very friendly and finding that Eva was a stranger in the city had asked her if she would like to go out some evening with her, accompanied by Alma's fiancé, George Hamilton, and his friend and roommate, Arthur Bailey. Alma was sure she would like Mr. Bailey, but of course no one could be as nice as George. Perhaps they might decide to go tonight. She retraced her steps to a little millinery shop and with a certain jaunty toge in her possession, walked quickly to the boarding house.

And there Alma met her with the news that George and his friend were to take them to the movies and to supper afterward. Eva couldn't help wishing that the bonbon man were to be her escort instead of the mysterious Mr. Bailey, but she felt that she was being ungrateful to Alma and tried to keep her thoughts on the party before her. Alma invited her to stop in her room a moment before dinner, and there on the dresser Eva spied a box of candy like the one she had arranged so tastefully for the bonbon man an hour before.

"Do have some candy, Eva. I've had this since Wednesday, but it's still fresh. George brings me a box twice a week. There are no chocolates, though. I never eat chocolates."

Eva felt that a piece of that candy would choke her.

"No, thanks—I have a chance to eat it all day if I like. You see I work at Mr. Tasker's candy store," she said with an effort. So the bonbon man was engaged to Alma. She couldn't understand that young lady's expression as she looked at her sharply and then began to laugh.

"Oh, you do. This is too good," she murmured about fate and Cupid's best friend, but Eva was too miserable to listen.

Then they hurried down to dinner, but Eva no longer looked forward to the evening. She had felt all along that the bonbon man was engaged, but she could not bear to see him attentive to another girl, even Alma, who had been so good to her. She couldn't remember how she managed to finish her dinner, but with all her misery she was conscious that Alma was very much excited about something. They had to dress quickly and Eva was just slipping on the new hat at a becoming angle when Alma knocked at the door.

"You look spiffy. Come on down. The boys have come."

Alma led the way into the big parlor, and yes, there was the bonbon man and another man waiting for them.

"Miss Richards, allow me to introduce Mr. Hamilton." Eva half turned toward the bonbon man. But here was the other man holding out his hand.

"And this is Mr. Bailey," said Alma,

turning toward the bonbon man. She laughed as they shyly shook hands.

"Arthur, don't you think I'm a pretty good friend to Cupid? You have been wanting to meet the charming girl who works in Mr. Tasker's shop, and here she is. Eva, I thought I'd see if you couldn't distract Arthur's attention from his unknown 'lady fair,' and you turn out to be the very one herself."

"But I don't understand," said Eva, as they paired off and started down the steps. "You always bought the candy." The bonbon man laughed.

"Well, that was because George works out of town and has to catch a certain car uptown which doesn't give him time for any shopping. I was certainly a faithful friend, but Alma was getting tired of the same kind of candy all the time and I didn't dare ask you out without meeting you in the proper way and couldn't find anyone who knew you, but it's all right now," and he took her arm possessively as they walked down the street.

"I always thought you were engaged," murmured Eva.

"Not yet, but I hope to be soon," the bonbon man replied meaningly as he helped her carefully down the curb.

The Jilt.

"Mirandy, why did you jilt Toby?" "I heah he done promised four families I'd wash for 'em soon as we got married."

COMMUTER HAS GREAT IDEA

Warm's His Hat Before Putting It On When the Morning Is of the Chilly Order.

The commuter was shivering. An icy blast had chilled him through when he got out of bed to close the window and, although he was about to seat himself at the breakfast table, his teeth chattered at the thought of the cold walk he must take to get the 8:10.

Suddenly a brilliant idea struck him. He dashed into the hall, rescued a soft hat from the hat rack and, slipping into the living room, turned on the electric lamp and dropped his hat over it.

His better half, who had been regarding him with amazement, but who had been married long enough to know not to ask questions in the middle of her husband's brilliant schemes, stepped to the door of the living room and smiled.

"Come on, dear," she pleaded; "you're late now and I've got the loveliest muffins."

"Fine," was the response. "Suppose you wonder what's the big idea. Well, you know, when a man is cold he puts on his hat. I've improved on that. Got my hat on the lamp warming. The leather band inside is always so cold these mornings."

London Police.

London, England, probably has the largest and the most efficient police force in the world. The metropolitan police force has charge of an area beside the River Thames composed of twenty-one hand divisions and comprising an area of 698 square miles. A superintendent is over each division. In 1916, the force had a strength of 22,323—composed of thirty-six superintendents, 650 inspectors, 2,995 sergeants, and 18,642 constables. The criminal investigation department, having a central body at New Scotland Yard, and branches in each division, was organized in 1878. A branch of this department is the convict supervision office, founded in 1880. The City of London police had a force of 1,161 in 1916, 1,015 being constables.

A Pointed Question.

Alice Whitney Auerbach, seven-year-old daughter of Murray A. Auerbach, executive secretary of the Indiana Tuberculosis association, is an ardent advocate of women's rights.

Alice went to church Christmas Sunday and the choir sang hymns in which "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men" often occurred.

Miss Auerbach stood it as long as she could. Then she leaned over to her parents and, in a whisper that was easily overheard, she said:

"Daddy, why do they always sing 'Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men'? Why don't they sing 'Good Will to Ladies' now and then?"—Indianapolis News.

Thunderstorm Spots.

The conclusion has been reached by a well-known engineer who has given the subject considerable attention that certain cities, if not indeed most inland cities of say 100,000 population or more, appear to be "thunderstorm spots." The observation has been made by R. E. Horton of Voorheesville, N. Y., who also points out that "a shallow lake with sandy margin located in a forest may serve as a thunderstorm breeder" and cites as proof of observations made by him over Oneda lake, New York.—Indianapolis News.

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Featuring Wallace Reid

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ASKS PROTECTION FOR GAME

Hawaiian Fish and Game Association Asserts That Condition on the Islands Are Bad.

The latest application received by the American Game Protective association for club membership comes from Hawaii. The Hawaiian Fish and Game association has been formed by a handful of the sportsmen in the territory who have realized that unless they take drastic steps the game on the islands will soon be exterminated.

Bruce Cartwright, secretary of the Hawaiian association, writes that formerly the islands were alive with game, but due to poor law enforcement and the lack of adequate protective measures the condition is now serious. The greater part of the population are Orientals, and to teach them that game must be protected will prove a laborious task, he says.

The Chinese dove, Mongolian pheasant and California quail are the most common upland game birds, although formerly peacocks, turkeys and wild chickens were plentiful. Golden plover are very numerous during migration. Ducks and other shore birds also visit the islands.

The game animals in Hawaii consist of goats, sheep and deer. The theory has been advanced—and found the ear of the lawmakers on the islands—that deer are detrimental to forests. It is asserted that they destroy forests by eating the protective covering from the roots of the trees.

Regiment of Nurses Ready.

In the event of another great outbreak of disease such as the influenza epidemic, the city of Chicago has a nurse militia ready to be called out on a few hours' notice. This consists of 10,000 trained women who have been prepared for emergency work by a school of instruction, and this organization has been the means of cutting the death rate, improving the sanitary conditions of 12,000 homes and has operated a hospital without cost to the city.

Seems Reasonable.

Mrs. Ponderosa—Your reducing treatment has been highly recommended, but your terms are frightfully steep!

Dr. Slimmer—That's an important part of the treatment. After paying my fee in advance you won't have enough money left to buy much rich, fattening food.

Proves It.

Patience—I don't think Percy is at all observing.

Patience—You don't?

Patience—No, I don't.

Patience—Well, I do. The other day he told me you had twice as much paint on one cheek as on the other.—Yonkers Statesman.

Natural Vanity.

"Do you think posterity will put up statues to your memory?"

"I hope," replied Senator Sorghum, "that nobody will encourage such an idea. After a public man has gotten through with the caricaturists the modern sculptors ought to be made to let him alone."

Some Appetite.

Toronto Paper—Lady, living privately would like a gentleman for breakfast and dinner.—Boston Transcript.

Miss Emilee Fischer left Tuesday for Seguin where she will visit for a couple weeks with her sister, Mrs. Robert Elley.

Rev. and Mrs. G. W. F. Schreiber and little son and Mr. Wm. Willmann returned home Tuesday from Bracken, where they spent several days. We are informed the town of Bracken celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the establishing of the town and these people were visitors to that city to enjoy the festivities of the occasion.

Max Martin returned home last week from a stay of several days in San Antonio. He was accompanied home by Mrs. Herman Goldschmidt and three children, who will spend a couple of weeks visiting among friends and acquaintances of this city.

Service on prescriptions, day and night. Night 'phone 79-L; day 'phone 21. Owl Drug Store.

Mrs. W. C. Lauderdale, of San Antonio, spent a few days in Mason last week visiting her mother, Mrs. J. W. Gamel, and friends of the city. She left the first of the week for her home, being accompanied by Mrs. Gamel, who will spend several weeks in San Antonio.

Mrs. Wm. Dannheim and children returned home last Saturday from Fredericksburg, after a visit of a couple weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Willie Wehmer.

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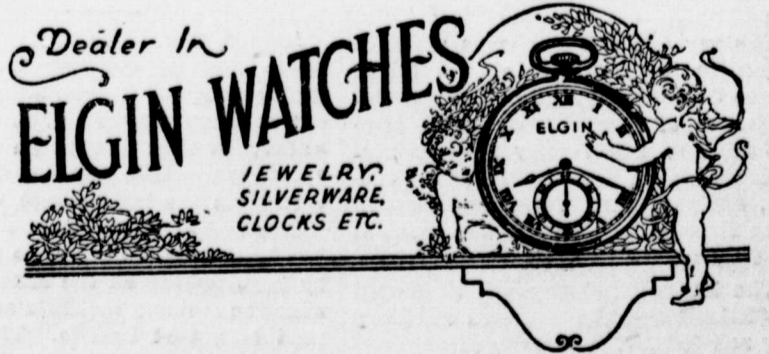
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