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MASON TIGERS DISBAND FOR SEASON; NO MORE GAMES

The Mason Tigers played their last games of the season last week when they engaged in a four game series at San Saba against the Fredericksburg Glants.

Of the four games played at San Saba the Tigers won but one and that was the second game. The first day's game went to the Glants by a score of 6 to 0, the score of the second day was 11 to 4, that of the third day was 3 to 1 and the last day's score was 11 to 3.

By next week a complete summary will have been drawn up and will be furnished News readers as to won and lost games, players' records and relative to finances of the club.

ALF HIBDON SELLS MARKET TO ERNEST JORDAN

The Hibdon Meat Market changed hands this week and the owner is now Mr. Ernest Jordan, of the Art community. The deal was closed the first of the week and Mr. Hibdon gave possession on Tuesday. It is announced Mr. Jordan has secured the services of W. F. Biekenbach, better known locally as "Bill", who is to be in charge of the market and will do all of the meat cutting.

Mr. Hibdon states he has not definitely decided as to his plans in the future, but has several propositions in mind.

KRUEGER GOES AFTER GERMAN PAINTINGS

Max Krueger Sr., who purchased a large number of fine canvases in Germany during the summer to add to his valuable collection of paintings, left San Antonio Tuesday for Galveston to bring his recently acquired paintings back. They arrived in Galveston Monday.

Mr. Krueger said before leaving that the pictures will not be on exhibit before November when they will be displayed by the San Antonio Art League in their new exhibition rooms in the Frost Building. The exhibition will also serve as a loss-warning for the Art League's new quarters, it being the first public exhibit to be held by the league since it moved its canvases from the old auditorium of the Carnegie Library.

Art lovers are looking forward to the display of the new Krueger collection with unusual interest since he has acquired nearly 100 original canvases by celebrated artists of the 19th and 20th centuries, the majority of them German artists, whose works are familiar to frequenters of famous German art galleries. —San Antonio Express.

The Grandstand Umpire.—A Northern man, spending the summer in the South, went to see the last game of a series between two local teams. For a time he could not observe any umpire, but at last he spied him sitting up in the grandstand among the spectators.

"Great guns, man!" the Northerner exclaimed to a native. "What's the umpire doing up in the grandstand?"

"Well," the native explained, "the spectators used to accuse him of bum work so much that he allowed that if the folks up in the grandstand could see every play so darned good, he'd better go up there to do his umprin'."

—From Everybody's Magazine.

Miss Francis White, of Brady, came over last week and was a guest for several days in the home of Mrs. R. C. Doell.

Walter Tinsley came up from San Antonio last week after his wife and children, who have been visiting among relatives and friends here. Mrs. Richard Reichenau and baby and Miss Cora Lee Tinsley accompanied them to San Antonio for a visit.

J. W. White shipped out three carloads of calves to the Ft. Worth market the first of the week. He had the calves taken to Brady by motor trucks.

Miss Kate Moran is enjoying a vacation from the store of H. P. Gartrell, and she and her sister, Miss Clara, left the first of the week for Post City to visit the Misses Mattie and Veda Patton.



LOCAL SCHOOLS TO OPEN MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH

At a meeting of the local school board a few days ago it was definitely decided that the 1923-'24 session of the Mason Public Schools will begin on Monday, September 10, 1923.

It is said the most recently elected member of the faculty for the ensuing term is Miss Byrdie Robertson. Miss Robertson will be instructor of mathematics.

The tax rate for next year in the Mason Independent School District has been fixed at 88 cents on the \$100 valuation. Of this, 50 cents goes to the main tenance fund and the remaining 38 cents is for the building or sinking fund.

It is stated the total valuation of the district show a decrease of \$76,393 from the valuations of last year. This year's total valuations are said to be \$1,678,189.00, according to the secretary of the board of trustees.

Mrs. R. E. Burney, of Quincy, California, was a pleasant fraternal visitor at the News office on Tuesday afternoon of this week. Mrs. Burney is assistant editress on the Plumus National Bulletin, of Quincy. She is in company with her husband and her mother, Mrs. W. E. Skinner, have been enjoying a visit with Mr. Burney's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Burney, of the Fredonia community. Mr. Burney is manager and wire chief of the local telephone company of Quincy. The party left California the latter part of June on a two months' vacation and have been visiting relatives and friends in Dallas and Mason county the greater portion of the time.

MASON'S GREATEST NEED—A MODERN HOTEL.

REVIVAL CLOSED SUNDAY NIGHT

The Methodist Revival closed Sunday night. It was truly a great meeting. The church people were greatly revived and there were about fifty conversions, most of them giving their names for church membership.

The three Methodist churches were together in the meeting and there was a spirit of harmony and brotherly love in all the services that could be felt even by the onlooker. Not only was this true but all the other churches of the town took part in the services.

Rev. and Mrs. Bryant certainly made a hit with the people of Mason, and quite a few people are urging that they be called back next year.

Dr. Cutter, one of the head men in the State Livestock Sanitary Board, was in Mason Wednesday of last week. While here he remarked that Mason County was the best county in the State in co-operating with their department in tick eradication work, and was the only county that cleaned up the ticks and started dipping of their own accord.

There are 140 Grand Masonic jurisdictions in the world of which 49 are in the United States, 35 in Europe, 21 in Central America, 15 in South America, 9 in Canada, 7 in Australia, 3 in Africa, and 1 in the Philippines.

BIG KLAN PARADE MONDAY AUGUST 27TH, 1923 AT BRADY, TEXAS

Mr. L. M. Nelson will deliver lecture, "Principles and Purposes of The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan" Speaking on Court House Lawn 7 to 8 p. m. Parade at 8:30 p. m. EVERYBODY COME

Wellington, New Zealand, is erecting a Masonic Temple to cost \$100,000.

ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1 WILL ISSUE BONDS IN AMOUNT OF \$10,000

At the August term of the Mason County Commissioners' Court several matters of more than passing interest took place. Among the most important was the authorizing of a \$10,000 bond issue in Road District No. 1. It will be recalled this particular road district voted a bond issue a couple years ago, and considerable controversy arose at times as to the advisability of carrying out the original plan, which called for a bond issue in the amount of \$20,000.

The court authorized a \$20,000 bond issue on April 13, 1921, but its action of recent date rescinds that action and has authorized the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$10,000 and in order to care for the issue has fixed the tax rate in the district at 20 cents on each \$100 valuation.

Other business transacted by the court at its recent term, which will be of interest to our readers, is shown on the minutes as follows:

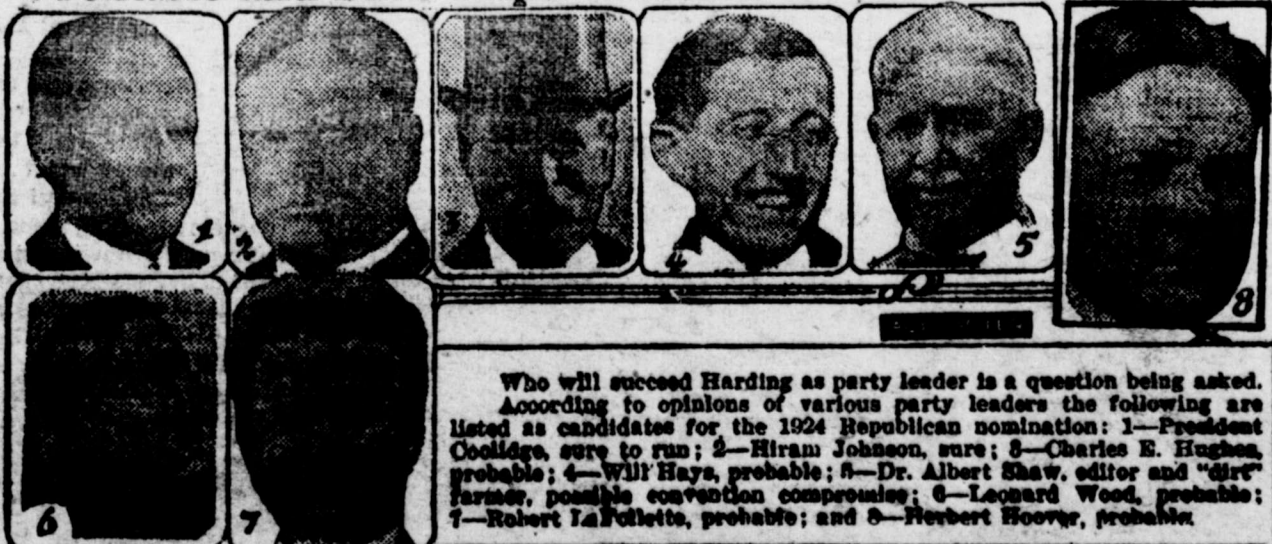
School tax levy in district No. 6, Art. 10 cents on the \$100; in district No. 7, Grossville, 15 cents on the \$100; in Common County Line District No. 22, maintenance tax 77 cents and bond tax 23 cents on the \$100. The tax rate in Road District No. 2 was fixed at 33 cents on the \$100.

R. Kirkpatrick was awarded the contract for furnishing the county with ten cords of wood, his bid being \$61.75.

A heavy shower of rain fell in Mason Wednesday afternoon which was appreciated. It was not sufficient to do any material good, but cooled the atmosphere and settled the dust which is a great help.

MASON'S GREATEST NEED—A MODERN HOTEL.

Probable and Sure Republican Candidates for President



Who will succeed Harding as party leader is a question being asked. According to opinions of various party leaders the following are listed as candidates for the 1924 Republican nomination: 1—President Coolidge, sure to run; 2—Hiram Johnson, sure; 3—Charles E. Hughes, probable; 4—Will Hays, probable; 5—Dr. Albert Shaw, editor and "bird" farmer, possible convention compromise; 6—Leonard Wood, probable; 7—Robert La Follette, probable; and 8—Herbert Hoover, probable.

MASON COUNTY'S FIRST BALE BROUGHT IN LAST FRIDAY

The first bale of cotton for the season of 1923 came in five days earlier than did the first bale of the 1922 season. This year's first bale was brought in on Friday of last week, the 17th of August, by a Mexican farmer by the name of Antonio Gonzales and who is farming on the place of Mr. Ed Smith. The cotton was ginned by the Planters Gin of this city free of charge and it is said out of 1400 pounds of seed cotton he received a 456 pound bale. The Hoffmann Dry Goods Company purchased the cotton at 24 1-4 cents a pound. A petition was circulated and a small amount of money made up as a premium, but the exact amount of money secured in this manner was not learned by the News.

The second bale of the season came in Saturday and was raised by Otto Nempke, of the Hilda section. His bale is said to have weighed 556 pounds and was purchased by the firm of E. Lumburg & Bro. and the price was 24 cents per pound.

The first bale for the season of 1922 was raised by Mr. Sid Stapp and was brought in on the 22nd of August. His seed cotton weighed 1350 pounds and he secured a 450 pound bale. This bale was also purchased by the Hoffmann Dry Goods Company, but the price paid in that instance was 21 cents a pound.

The first bale for the season of 1921 was raised by J. S. Thompson and was marketed on the 3rd of August. It brought 11 1-4 cents per pound.

CHINESE ACTRESS SECURED FOR ROLE IN MOTION PICTURE

Alice Calhoun insists on Oriental Maid for Atmosphere in "Rainbow."

Star Lena is Chinese for Helen Long, and stands for an Oriental actress, the only Chinese woman who has made a success as a dramatic player. Miss Long has the role of a maid in the Alice Calhoun production "Rainbow," which will be shown at the Star Theater on Saturday night.

When the script called for a Chinese maid the Vitagraph casting director left no stone unturned to find one suitable for the production. After witnessing a performance of "Honeydew," he decided that Miss Long was the girl and engaged her for the production. Her entrance into photoplays is unusually interesting and shows the progress made by the women of the Orient.

Miss Long was born in Canton, but educated in England. It was while in the British Isles that she met a well known English actress who was attracted by her personality and ability to speak English. Upon talking with the Chinese woman this actress learned that she had ambitions to go on the stage, and a few days later when Frank Keenan mentioned the fact he needed a Chinese actress this woman recommended Helen Long. She made a decided hit on her first appearance and was soon playing important roles on the dramatic stage. It was a theatrical production that brought her to America where she has since won an enviable reputation.

A strange and interesting fact connected with this Oriental player is that off-stage she has a slight impediment in her speech but behind the footlights she loses all trace of it.

In "Rainbow" Alice Calhoun has one of the best roles in which she has appeared. It is a role which calls for great versatility and in which she runs the gamut of emotions, appearing first as a young girl care-free and happy, and later is transplanted to society where she acquires polish without effacing her winsomeness.

RANCHER KILLED BY RATTLE-SNAKE BITE

El Paso, Tex., Aug. 21.—Struck in the neck by a rattlesnake as he was crawling through a wire fence, George Manley, a ranchman of Hillside, Ariz., died in 10 minutes. A friend with him was attacked by the same snake but escaped injury.

Misses Ethel Boston and Ruby Metzger spent several days last week, visiting relatives in San Antonio.



HOMES AND ROADS

It was an interesting coincidence that President Harding on the same day made addresses on homes and on roads, feeling that the two things, while essentially different from each other, are inseparably related. Both, moreover, are just now undergoing changes tantamount to a try into new eras.

The home is the symbol of privacy, the road of publicity. The man without a home is a wayfarer on the road. Yet the home demands the service of the road for intercourse with other homes and with the outside world, and the

road has little excuse for existence save to serve the homes along its course. The one is the complement of the other.

The home in this generation is undergoing more radical changes than it knew in centuries before. The enormous development of apartment houses of various types for individual dwellings, the growth of hotel life in place of housekeeping, the problems of domestic services, the invention of household machinery for many tasks and the engagement of women and girls in business instead of housekeeping are all potent factors, the ultimate working out of which is yet to be seen.

Similarly, the development of motor traction in places of horse traction and the conception of roads as forming a coherent general system, instead of being merely local institutions, are leading to a reconstruction of highways on a scale and at an expense that even a generation ago would have regarded as fantastic extravagance.

But whether in a solitary bungalow or in a series of cubicles on the twentieth floor of a building containing a larger population than a village, home will—it must—remain home, and the concrete-paved highway thronged with swiftly moving motor cars will—it

must—serve the same fundamental purpose that was served by the rural lane along which Dobbin serenely jogged with cart in tow.—Editorial from New York Tribune.

SOMETHING NEW
Whitman's Pink Package at 45
MASON DRUG COMPY.

AN EDITORIAL BY THE OFFICE BOY

Now we don't usually pay much attention of little things said or done, especially if these little things come from a little person, but when this little person first keeps on nagging on griping, on profession to have a world wide knowledge of every body else's business, even to the extent of knowing exactly who's to blame for every thing that goes wrong, it just simply grates on my, the office boy's nerves, and I'm going to use this little space to say exactly what I think of a feller like this.

Now if this here professionally wise chap would spend half as much time and energy trying to think up helpful suggestions as he does criticizing others, he would be a much more useful citizen. Just because we can't get every body to do as we want them to and see things as we see them, is not conclusive evidence that every body else is wrong, and certainly doesn't justify in circulating unfounded reports on those who disagree with us.

The office boy would advise this gentleman to be less like a parrot; let your talk show that you have a brain as well as a tongue. I've always been taught not to strike a fellow when he's down, but sometimes a good swift kick, properly placed is a Godsend.

CATTLE EXHIBITS AT TEXAS STATE EXPOSITION AT AUSTIN

Austin, Texas, Aug. 23.—The prize Jersey cattle show herd of Ed C. Lasater, foremost breeder of Jersey cattle in the United States, will be on display at the Texas State Exposition at Austin, October 1 to 6, according to a letter received from the Lasater dairy at Fallsburg.

This herd, comprising thirty head of show cattle, is selected from the three thousand Jerseys of the Lasater herd, and has frequently been entered in the National Dairy show, winning the grand champion prizes on several occasions.

In addition to this famous herd, a herd of cattle from the Medina Hereford Ranch of Macedonia will be entered in the livestock department of the Exposition. This herd is composed of some of the finest blooded Herefords in the country.

Other Hereford breeders who will enter cattle at Austin this fall are Henry & McCloskey, owners of the Frio Herd near Dilley, and John D. Moore, of Austin. A large number of breeders of Herefords will probably enter cattle although not sure now; among these being Tate Bros. and Darragh Bros. of Marble Falls and Stribling Bros. of Llano.

M. W. Terrell, proprietor of the St. Cloud Jersey farm, has also signified his intention of showing at Austin. In fact many of the most prominent breeders of Texas will send cattle to the capital city, and officials of the livestock department expect between five and six hundred entries.

KODAKERS ATTENTION

Llano Photo Studio under new management. Kodak finishing at city prices. Films developed free. Prints 3, 4 and 5 cents each. Twenty-four hour service.

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HOW TO SELECT LAYING HENS

Every farmer and poultry raiser should make it a point to closely cull his flock in the fall of each year. It is often possible to discard a third of the number or more, thus reducing feed bills without noticeably effecting egg yields. The following proved facts should enable anyone to detect the best layers:

1. Hens that molt late, and quickly the best layers. By this is meant that hens molting late during the latter part of September, October and November, are better layers than those molting earlier. It is poor judgment to keep those birds molting early and sell those molting late, although this is done on many farms. Experiments have repeatedly proved that 200-egg hens do not begin to molt until November.

2. Individual hens with pale colored shanks, in such breeds as the Rock, Wyandottes, Reds and Leghorns, are considered better layers than those with bright yellow shanks. This indication is true only when applied in the fall of the year, and among breeds with yellow shanks.

The above principle applies also to the color of the ear lobes in breeds with yellow, creamy or white lobes. The many varieties of Leghorns can be divided by this indication. The Rocks, Wyandottes, and other American, Asiatic and English breeds have red ear lobes, hence this indication for these breeds is valueless. Experience has shown that Leghorn varieties with white ear lobes in the fall are better layers than those with yellow or creamy colored ear lobes.

4. A constitutionally strong bird one that passes through the molt quickly and easily, is a better layer than one that develops all kinds of ailments during this period.

5. Hens that show the least broodiness are better layers than those that are broody a large part of the time.

6. A bird with closely worn toenails is considered a better layer than one with long nails.

7. A hen that goes into the molt with worn and ragged plumage is a better layer than the bird with no such marks that bespeak hard work during the preceding year.

8. A bird first off the roost in the morning and the last to return to it at night is considered a better layer than the one that spends the major portion of her time on the roost, or stands around with a "humped-up" appearance in a corner of the pen and basks all day in the sun.

9. A singing and working individual is always a better layer than the quiet and lazy bird.

10. Hens that go to roost with a full crop are good layers, hence the saying, "A heavy eater is a good layer."

11. A fowl must carry a little fat in order to be in a laying condition. A poor or lean hen can never be a laying hen.

12. Rather large comb and wattles for the breed is considered another characteristic of a good layer.

13. Pullets that commence laying early are considered better layers than those that mature late, hence the statement: "Keep the early laying pullets."

Jetton-McCollum

On the afternoon of August 9th, Miss Loma McCollum of London and Mr. Terry Jetton of Junction were united in marriage at the Durst home, with Rev. John S. Durst officiating. The marriage came as a surprise to the relatives and many friends.

Mrs. Jetton is a fine young lady whom Junction will be glad to claim as her own. The groom is a young ranchman who is well known and esteemed throughout the community. The young couple have the best wishes of all for a long and happy life.—Junction Eagle.

RICHARD LLOYD JONES SAYS
Keep Still and Study Silence

His enemies said of him in their despair, "He knows how to keep silence in seven different languages." It was his baffling tactfulness that blunted the weapons they had forged against him.

Silence is perhaps the greatest art of conversation. Joseph Jefferson is credited with having discovered Weber and Fields, the comedians. After seeing them play in an obscure Bowers theater, he hurried to a theatrical manager friend, saying: "They know how to listen."

A person often gains credit for sense, eloquence and wit, who merely says nothing and does it well.

Silence indicates both courtesy and consideration. It gives the other fellow his turn. It pays him the compliment that his brain may also harbor some worthwhile ideas. Every ideal relation savors of reciprocity. Every soul must have a medium and opportunity for self-expression. The one-sided conversation is always arrogant. Grant the other fellow a chance to say his say.

Silence indicates control. We often read: "He mastered himself and was silent." The trivial gabble! When the mind is in control the machine is geared up tight. The wagging tongue always means low tension. It is the loose gear that rattles. All nature pays homage to self-control.

Silence is the great healing power of solitude. In the face of a great crisis we are silent. In a great emotion we are still. Silence can be eloquent. It is always majestic.

"Silence is the lesson of kings," said Jean du Beauvais at the funeral of Louis XV. And Carlyle has called silence the element of great things that fashion themselves together to rule.

Silence is more unapproachable than speech because it cannot be attacked. Great thoughts are born in silence. It is the mother of truth. It is the servant of reason. It is the best help to him who mistrusts himself. "Let us be silent," says Emerson, "that we may hear the whisper of the gods."

Noise and tumult are the signs of war. Silence is the insignia of peace. It is quite as much a mark of strength to know how to hold your tongue as to know how to wisely use it.

HELPFUL HINTS
by Aleda

Mrs. Housewife: This newspaper will publish "Helpful Hints" in this form at regular intervals. We suggest you clip this column and paste it in your recipe book.

In a Sewing Basket—Tie a little bow of bright ribbon on the handle of your scissors and they will be much easier to find.

Salad—In fixing a lettuce salad a leaf of mint and grating of onion is a pleasant addition to some tastes. Try it.

Mice—If one wishes to catch mice, put some pumpkin seeds in the traps. It is very attractive bait.

Scorch Spots—A scorch spot may be removed from a very delicate fabric by wetting with clear water and sprinkling with Borax.

Ice Cream Spot—A very ordinary stain which few people know how to remove is an ice cream stain. Take the spotted material and lay on a clean folded cloth and rub lightly with luke-warm water. This will take the protein (sweet) out of the stain. Then take some ether or benzine and rub lightly but firmly. The latter to remove the grease.

Lemonade—If the whole lemon is put through the food chopper for lemonade, instead of just squeezing the fruit, you will find it to have a much better flavor and have twice as much.

Singeing Feathers—When singeing chickens, hold over an oil or gas stove and the skin will not blacken, as where a burning paper is used. Also use a pair of tweezers to remove pin feathers. They will take hold of the very small ones.

Camisole Straps—If underneath the plain ribbon used for shoulder straps a piece of narrow elastic is sewed, there will be no trouble about "straps slipping."

Fine Linens—Fine linens and embroidery will have a longer life if they are washed in cold water with white soap and a little dissolved Borax.

Snappers on Curtains—If one wishes to save laundry bills, trouble, and have curtains stay clean, sew a snapper at each side on the lower part of the curtains. Then sew the corresponding fastener about eight-inches from the top of the curtains. At night just snap them up and they will not be soiled blowing against screens, etc.

Poem by Uncle John

It's a mighty good idea to toller—when you're right on the brink of a verge, with bankruptcy holt of yer collar, the way to get out, is to "merge." With an abyss in front of yer stiver so horrible, rocky, and deep that the sight of it upsets yer liver, and turns ye as white as a sheep—when you think you are bound fer the devil, in a wreck at the end of yer splurge, the way to get back on the level—is to hunt up somebody and merge!

It's the haven of refuge undoubted, fer the snower that's down on his luck. . . . A merger has never been routed,—you can swim in its pools like a duck. . . . The minnit the merger embraces the worm-eaten carkass you bring, you can set up in dignified places, and smoke cigarettes like a king! So, when you are mighty nigh busted, and yer balance-sheet sounds like a dirge,—if you ever expect to be trusted, there's nothin' to do, but to Merge!

Mark Ye!

THE MERGER ANNOUNCER
MISSES AND MRS.

The Labor of A Watch

Balance wheel turns or ticks 5 times each second
Balance wheel turns or ticks 300 times each minute
Balance wheel turns 18,000 times each hour
Balance wheel turns 432,000 times each day
Balance wheel turns 1,576,800 times each year

or about 4186 miles, same as traveling a distance from New York to San Francisco. How far would your auto go without attention? Do you not think this machine ought to be cleaned and re-oiled every once in a while? Is there any other mechanism more abused than a watch? The most wonderful machine in the world. How long a watch can give service and perform properly according to size of movement—providing the watch is given proper care and not injured. Should be overhauled and re-oiled on an average every twelve months.

J. S. KING, Jeweler
"GIFTS THAT LAST"

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Uncle John's Joke

TO THE MAN WITHOUT A WATCH THERE'S NO PRESENT LIKE THE TIME



Out You Go, Lamp

Little Willie—"How old is that lamp, ma?"

Mother—"Oh, about three years."

L. W.—"Turn it down. It's too young to smoke."

Oh, That's Different

Mrs. Dibbs—"Every time I raise my hand my husband gives me an awful beating."

Mrs. Dubbs—"Heavens! Why don't you call the police?"

Mrs. Dibbs—"Why? What do they know about bridge?"

Chestnut Charley says—"Chickens in the car have wrecked a lot more autos than chickens in the road."

No Misses

Father (to Bobby, who had just fallen down stairs)—"Why, Bobby did you miss your step?"

Bobby (rubbing his head)—"No, Dad, I hit every one of them."

Mr. I. M. Frank says—"All imitations are not in vaudeville—many are in everyday life."

Geniuses

Senator Moses, of New Hampshire, relates the following instance of the way the town authorities used to resolve up in his state:

"Resolved, That we build a new jail;

"Resolved, That we build the new jail out of the material which the old jail is composed of; and

"Resolved, That we will not tear down the old jail until the new jail is finished."

Ed Purdy sent us this on a postcard:

"Would seem to us
Woman's greatest fears,
Are that she'll show
Her age and ears.

"Let the shoemaker stick to his last, lest he lose his 'awl," said he, not meaning a word of it and all that sort o' gag.

Single "Bliss-ter"

"Rastus are you a married man?"
"Nossah, Boss, ah earns mah own living."

Maybe Darwin Can Tell—

We have just noticed a headline in the Poland, China Journal (Kansas City, Mo.) that reads like this—

Relation of the Pure-Bred Hog to Average Nebraska Farmer

Bore some . . . Suitor—"Do you really think that picture looks like me?"

Miss—"Yes, but I can find no other fault with it."

The Brave Man

Redd—"He's what, I call a really brave man."

Greene—"What do you mean by that?"

Redd—"Well! He lets his wife drive his car when he's in it."

Typewriter ribbons, 50c. News Office.

WHY HOME INDUSTRIES SHOULD BE PATRONIZED

The following editorial was awarded first prize by the Colorado Editorial Association. The prize was offered by the Dry Climate Ink and Roller Co. Do manufacturers generally really appreciate what the local newspapers do for the community in their efforts to encourage industrial development and make a better market for the factory output? Read what editor Byrnes says in the Pueblo-Colorado Indicator:

"When a resident of any city, town or community makes the casual remark that he cannot see why he should buy of home merchants or show a preference for home manufactured goods he sets the more thoughtful individual to thinking, and he is apt to think along straight lines. He has heard a strange sentiment expressed that wakes him up, and he is apt to reflect somewhat after this fashion:

"Now, if all the citizens in this town talked and felt as this man does we couldn't and wouldn't have much of a town, and neither community nor state would be getting just returns for the expense and trouble it has gone to in building up the community, and for the civil government it has established for safeguarding the lives and property and other interests of its citizens. It tion for providing schools, and parks and jobs for the wage earners and business for the merchants to enable them to make a good living. Such a man is not giving value received for what he gets out of the community of common interests."

"On the other hand the home-patronage and home-industry proposition works something like this: If the local merchant neglects or refuses to reciprocate in patronizing those who patronize him he is not doing his fair share, either. If he does not buy his boxes, brooms and mattresses, for instance, of the home manufacturer or the state manufacturer, and sends his orders away for such goods, he gets the goods, to be sure, but the out-of-the-state firm gets the money, and thus it is taken out of the home circulation market and it lessens the wealth of the community by just that much."

"And, moreover, the box and broom makers, the mattress makers, and the proverbial butcher, the baker and the candle stick maker is deprived of so much needed employment, and it hurts, for the local laborer and salaried person in town has less money to spend with the grocer, the colthier, the dry goods man and everyone else in business; and so because a link in the chain natural trade has been broken, the entire chain of economics is made weaker and less efficient."

"It works the same way when a family sends its orders off to Spear, Sawback & Co., or other big mail catalogue house in Chiyork for household supplies, the struggling home merchant or jobber and the state manufacturer or jobber is deprived of his legitimate trade, but he is called on just the same to contribute to a multitude of small benevolences and enterprises, and he must submit without protest to being plucked about every so often and occasionally in between times."

"So let it be understood that the business man is a very useful and necessary adjunct to any community, for he not only affords employment to others but he is among the heaviest of taxpayers of the home government for offensive and defensive purposes, so that he is entitled to consideration and support. It is thus seen that home patronage has its selfish side and its loyal side that appeal to us both going and coming."

"Reciprocity is a grand and noble institution when made to work both ways. It then falls upon the community like manna from heaven. It radiates a sustaining and soothing influence upon all persons and interests alike. It is a human sort of sentiment that needs to be more generally as well as more generously practiced. It is the Golden Rule applied to home building and business affairs. It relates to everybody and everything."

"If the rule were more universally observed there would be bigger and better home and state mercantile, manufacturing and jobbing concerns, more employment and lower taxes, and there would be fewer voluminous degenerated catalogues of the big out-of-state mail order houses in use."

FOR OVER 40 YEARS

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From Mason News, Aug. 26, 1898:

Mr. Dave S. Hubbard and Miss Clara Fostel were married last Wednesday evening at 6:30 o'clock.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Doell, a boy on the 19th.

M. Wilson has sold his 160 acre farm to Dan and Henry Jordan for \$660.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Gus Schuessler, a girl, on the 17th; to Rev. and Mrs. G. Schulze, a girl, on the 18th; to Mr. and Mrs. Jap Coalson, a girl, on the 17th.

W. G. Hightower brought in the first bale of Mason County cotton last Saturday and sold it to O. H. Mebus at 5 1-4 cents. It weighed only 368 pounds.

Misses Hettie Todd and May Hamilton are visiting the Misses Burnam, of Menard County.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Austin Leslie, a girl, on the 20th.

Prof. T. Templeton has been secured

as principal of the local school at a salary of \$80 a month. Mrs. Templeton will teach the primary grade at \$35 a month. Prof. House, who was recently elected principal, failed to secure his certificate.

From Mason News, Aug. 21, 1908:

Girard Light has bought the 160 acre place of J. C. Jones near Katemey for \$3,000.

Mrs. Will Ellebracht and little daughter returned Tuesday from a visit in San Marcos.

Felix Jordan has purchased the mercantile business of Ed Turner at Katemey.

Cards are out for the wedding of Miss Ida Pluenneke and Mr. A. D. Rode, which event is to take place September 10th.

Little Misses Louise and Elsie Grosse entertained a number of their

friends at a party Friday afternoon.

Will Rame, of Stacy, took his own life recently by hanging himself to a tree.

Miss Belle Evans and Miss Ruby Lindsay went to Brownwood Tuesday to have their eyes treated.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Van Lewis a boy, on the 15th.

W. Schroeder won the piano raffled off by J. S. King.

Ben Schuessler, son of Henry Schuessler, had his foot badly mashed in a hay haler Friday.

Marriage License—Mr. Joe Hayes and Miss Mary Williams.

A dollar is now worth a million marks, but the marks aren't worth anything.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

In order to interest America in a World Court, it may yet be necessary to write a crazy song about it.—Oklahoma City Times.

The difference between peace and war is that in time of war you hate the enemy and in time of peace you hate your friends.—San Francisco Chronicle.

No doubt it is a great mystery to Judge Gary how Henry Ford ever managed to build eight million automobiles without working the men in twelve-hour shifts.—Columbus Dispatch.

Now we are told that matrimony prolongs life. But does not that depend somewhat upon the woman's aim?—Cleveland Times and Commercial.

That writer who says there is no logical reason for the steady increase of divorce should study the pile of tin cans in the alley.—North Adams Herald.

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Editorial

Every Great Attempt is Glorious Even If It Fails

Climate Regulation for Immigration

Farmers in particular will be interested to learn of the study given to immigration and to know that research shows that climate remains a dominating factor in determining the sections of the country that are to be the future abiding places of those who come to our shores. Previous occupation plus climate seems to settle the question.

The movements of our new arrivals demonstrate this fact in no uncertain way. A large percentage of the Scandinavian arrivals have already departed for the farms of the Dakotas, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Illinois.

This climatic influence has its advantages, but also it has its disadvantages. Large numbers of foreigners settling in block formation presents an increasingly difficult problem. It means that the absorption of Americanism is rendered much slower, which is not unimportant, as our immigrant population is entrusted with the vote.

In New York we find, for example, the Italian quarter, where the residents take years to become even approximately American. They speak their own language almost exclusively. They read Italian newspapers. Their homes, their food, their every activity, remain Italian for years. Were they scattered they would be Americanized in one-twentieth the time.

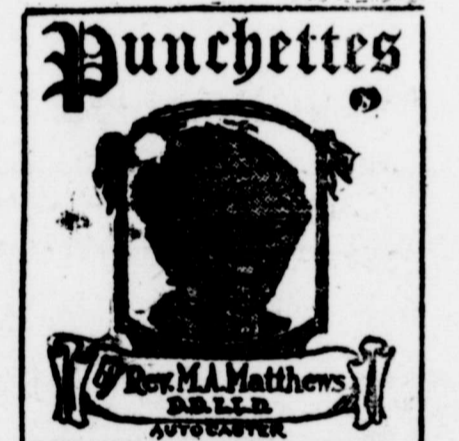
In regulating immigration from each country it might be wise for the Congress to take climate plus the needs of American industry into consideration.

Is It Hours or More Money Wanted?

The country generally will uphold Judge Gary, head of the United States Steel Corporation, in the decision to make the eight hour day a straight eight hour day and not a basic eight hour day. This change will put the acid test to the contention of labor that a work day of more than eight hours is harmful to the workers.

No one begrudges labor its right to a front line on the pay roll. It has been found, however, that after employers in some industries have conceded the eight hour day the workers have continued to work just the same hours they worked before, their battle for the shorter day obviously being to get extra pay under the questionably justifiable overtime schedule. In brief, most of the fights for the eight hour day have not been fights for the eight hour day at all, but camouflaged efforts to obtain excessive advances in wages.

This is unfortunate, because the reaction will be clearly injurious to those who toil. Perhaps the greatest trouble is not caused by those who toil, but by those who, like the lilies of the field, toil not, neither do they spin. There would be little complaint about high wages or short hours if men would give an honest day's work.



NO ALIMONY, NO DIVORCE

No one questions the alarming increase of divorces. It has been frequently said that the reform should be not in the divorce court but in the marriage licence. Every applicant for a marriage licence should be required to present from an unimpeachable, orthodox physician a certificate of perfect health, perfect sanity, and as far as it is possible for the physician to go, a certificate of good moral character.

Every young married couple should have a home of their own, be it ever so humble. Married life should never be begun in a flat, hotel or an apartment house. If they can't have but a small one-room home they should begin housekeeping in that, over whose door they would twine their own morning-glories. These conditions would prevent many divorces.

Another very significant fact must be taken into consideration—namely, the alimony is often an incentive, driving people to the divorce court. If you will eliminate the alimony you will reduce the number of divorces by fifty per cent at least.

Alimony should never be paid except to the innocent mother who has children to rear. The guilty husband should be made to educate, clothe, support and furnish sufficient funds for the rearing of his children. Their mother should be given a competency while she is performing that task.

If there are no children, and if the woman is well and strong she should not be granted alimony.

No attorney fee should be allowed, no court cost should be paid, no inducement should be offered to make divorce litigation easy and desirable.

Another thing that might eliminate many divorces would be to restore the whipping post. And whenever a man mistreats his wife and children subject him to physical punishment, put him on bread and water, and require him to work incessantly for their comfort and happiness.

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COURT HOUSE NEWS

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Priess, a boy, August 19th.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Biedfeldt, a girl, August 5th.
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schmidt, a boy, August 15th.
Mr. and Mrs. Martin D. Loring, a girl, August 14th.

BIDS FOR DEPOSITORY

Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of August, 1923, at 2 p. m., the Board of Trustees of the Mason Independent School District will receive sealed bids from any banking corporation, association, or individual banker desiring to be selected as depository of school funds for the Mason Independent School District, stating rate of interest on daily balances that said banking corporation, association, or individual banker offers to pay on said funds from the date of said bid until the next regular time fixed by law for the selection of a depository; all bids to be deposited with the secretary of the board not later than 2 p. m., August 23rd, 1923.

Said board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

W. M. MARTIN, Secretary, Board of Trustees, Mason Independent School District.

Will Behrens was a business visitor in Mason the first of the week from his home a few miles north of town. Mr. Behrens and family recently moved back to Mason from Brady, where they resided several months during which time he was engaged in the market business.

Miss Ethel Dees returned home Monday from Llano where she spent a week visiting with friends.

DR. W. M. THAXTON
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MASON - BRADY

POLICEMAN HAS A GRIEVANCE

Asks Plaintively How He Can Be Supposed to Know How Fast One Can Walk.

"How far can you walk in five minutes?" asked the policeman.
"Oh, I don't know. A block, two blocks, three maybe."
"Maybe four or five," supplemented the policeman. "But maybe somebody else, who isn't as young as you are, could only walk one."

"Now what I'm getting at is this: People are all the time coming up to me and asking to be directed to some place. And when I point the way they invariably ask, 'How long a walk is it?'"

"Well, that's all right if it's only a short distance. Then I can count up the number of blocks in my head and tell them. But if it's further I say it's a 10-minute walk or a 20-minute walk. But the trouble is how am I going to know how fast they walk?"

"It's a proposition. A man will ask where some store is, and when I tell him he's way past it he gets mad and says that a fellow back there told him it was a 15-minute walk. While another will not be anywhere near the place he's going to, but when I tell him that he'll say: 'But a man down the line said it was only a six-minute walk!'"

An old lady interrupted the policeman at this point, inquiring the way to Blank square.

"Straight ahead, ma'am. You can't miss it."

"Is it far?" asked the old lady.

"About a ten-minute walk."

He watched her stride away, her little legs moving at an amazing speed for one so aged.

"Now look at her," exclaimed the policeman. "Who would have thought she'd walk like that? She'll be there within three minutes, but she'll go right on and not stop till she's walked ten. Some people are so literal."—New York Sun.

MASON'S GREATEST NEED—A MODERN HOTEL.

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News Want Ads bring results.

WATER-OUSEL UNUSUAL BIRD

Dives to Bottom of Stream and Walks About in Search of Food.

The name water-ousel might suggest to the unfamiliar mind something in the nature of a fish. But it is a bird, closely related to the European black-bird, although possessing strikingly aquatic habits for a bird. The water-ousel either dives or sinks quickly to the bottom of a stream and walks about or enters crevices in search of food.

It is a remarkable fact that a Passerine bird should have adopted this aquatic mode of life, says a bulletin of the American Museum of Natural History. It illustrates again the attempts made by birds to avoid competition with other forms of bird life by a definite change of habits which leads them into a less frequented area of nature. Exactly how this bird keeps under water has not yet been learned. When it rises to the surface it shakes its heavy plumage dry in an instant. Its song is strangely sweet, probably owing to its relation to the thrush family.

The water-ousel is found over the greater part of Great Britain, Europe, northern Asia, Algeria, Asia Minor, the Himalayas, and in the Americas from Alaska to Peru, along the Rockies, Sierras and Andes. They live only along torrents and rapid mountain streams.

SOCIAL STATUS OF TUAREGS

Strange Sahara Tribe is Divided into Five Classes, Headed by the Nobles.

Socially the Tuaregs of the Sahara are divided into five classes—thagga-ren or nobles, marabouts or priests, Imghad or serfs, tregrenatten or cross breeds, indicating the contempt of the Tuaregs for impurity of blood, and the slaves. The nobles are all pure blooded and supply the tribal sheiks. They do no manual work, living in the saddle always. Their only occupation, if such it may be called, is providing safe convey for those caravans that have paid blackmail to the chiefs or attacking caravans that have not placated them. The Imghad or serfs are hereditarily in this position and cannot rise above it. Their condition is very much like that of the serf class of Europe in the Middle ages.

The cross breeds are mixtures, and they are considered to be below the dignity of serfs through the fact that they are of mixed breed, even though their fathers might be of noble stock. The slaves are of Sudanese Negro stock and are well treated, being considered members of the family. Inter-marriage with them is, however, forbidden very stringently.

She's a Heating Engineer.

Another field of endeavor which up to the present has been deemed exclusively masculine has now been "invaded" by a member of the feminine sex. It is the heating and ventilating field, and the "invader" is Miss Helen R. Innis, whose official designation is "heating and ventilating engineer" and who is meeting with great success in her chosen line of endeavor.

She began her technical career in an office, but later became a student at Pratt's Institute, where she was the only girl in the class. Her aptitude for the career soon became so apparent that she was enabled to start an office of her own, which she now conducts with efficiency and happy results.—New York Herald.

Idle Rich to Aid Science.

Science has developed a new method of financing costly explorations to far-away places—the scheme being to take along rich idlers and let them foot the bill.

This plan will be put into practice as announced, when the schooner St. Georges leaves London for a ten months' cruise among the little known islands of the Pacific. In addition to eight scientists, about thirty passengers will be aboard, each of whom will pay £500 for the trip. Sale of motion pictures and descriptions of the explorations will aid in financing the expedition.

The party will travel more than 20,000 miles, covering a period of about 170 days at sea and 140 days ashore.

Grandfather Was Right.

Grandfather had been down town all day, staying rather late on account of a whist party. Consequently, he did not know the dressmaker was staying overnight. The following morning he went around waking his daughters, as was his custom when feeling unusually fine by singing and telling them the time of the day. When he went into one of his daughters' rooms he noticed she was "playing possum" with the covers over her head. So with much gusto, singing "Pon my word, 'tis a lady," he threw the covers back. It WAS a lady, the poor dressmaker, not his young daughter. Grandfather left her town before the dressmaker came



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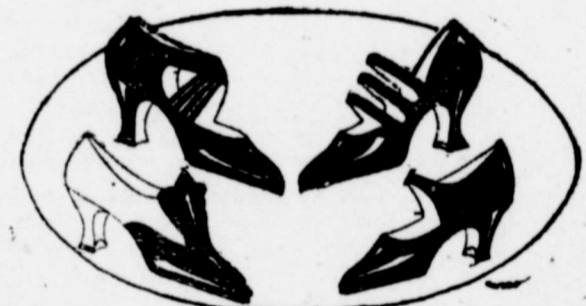
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Society

KISER-LEMONS

Miss Harlow Kiser and Mr. Marion Lemons were quietly united in the sacred bonds of matrimony on Tuesday, August 7th, at the home of Rev. M. D. Robertson.

Miss Harlow is the daughter of Mrs. W. E. Thompson of this place. She has many friends and was one of the most popular ladies of this section.

Mr. Lemons is the son of Mr. John Lemons, of Voca, and is one of Voca's most successful farmers.

We trust that these young people will live to witness many happy returns.

A FRIEND.

Entertained at Bridge

Last Friday afternoon Mrs. Seth L. Baze entertained a number of friends at bridge at her pretty home. Those present were Meses. Elgin Eckert, W. I. Marshall, John Lindsay, Tom White, Arch Metzger, K. M. Eckert, Walter Lindsay; Misses Pearl Land, Julia Bierschwale, Averil Bellows, Marie Brockman, Alice Campbell.

A delicious salad course constituted the afternoon's refreshments.

County Judge John T. Banks and wife left the first of the week for Austin to be away a few days. Judge Banks expects to attend to some business with the Attorney General during his stay in the Capitol City.

Mr. and Mrs. August Dannheim and two youngest children and Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Rode and their two youngest children returned home Monday after a week's absence during which time they visited relatives and friends in Waco, Marlin, Riesel and other nearby points.

Miss Mollie Bierschwale arrived home Sunday from Austin, where she has been the past several weeks receiving medical treatment.

Prof. P. A. Bennett and family returned home last week from Hemphill, where they visited among relatives on both sides of the family. Mrs. Bennett's mother accompanied them home for a visit in this city.

Mrs. Chas. Longley, of Fredonia, has as house guests this week a number of Mason young ladies. They are Misses Betsy White, Alma Mae Breazeale, Averil Bellows, Jessie Doell, Mary Lemberg, Mary Jane Puckey.

Miss Mildred Smith is at home after a visit of several days with Miss Katharine Brown in Llano.

Wm. Hofmann and Mrs. Loula C. Loring returned home Tuesday from the northern markets, purchasing new goods for the Hofmann firm.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. White and son, Walker, and Mrs. Seth L. Baze went to San Angelo Wednesday for a short stay.

Lee Smart made a trip to San Antonio this week.

Belinda Gray, the Seamstress

By CLARRISSA MACKIE

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Corinne floated down the broad staircase, her filmy frock fluttering like the wings of a gay little butterfly. Richard Rowland, waiting for her appearance, felt a sudden heart throb at her fresh young beauty.

"So sorry I have kept you waiting—but I really am tiresomely slow. It wasn't my fault, though, this time. It was that stupid little sewing woman, Belinda."

Richard held her cloak. "Belinda?" She nodded carelessly. "She was crying about something, I think, and shed tears on my sleeve. Crepe does show spots dreadfully."

"Moral—Don't weep in your sleeve," remarked Richard, but he looked grave at the thought of the nervous little woman upstairs.

There was always tender pity in his heart for women who sewed; his own mother had pled her needle for many years to raise her three fatherless children.

That was all in the past, however, and Mrs. Rowland now lived luxuriously and had her own smart little car. Richard had provided all that.

"Bother!" exclaimed Corinne as they reached the front door. "I have dropped my handkerchief. There it is on the stairs, near the top," as Richard mounted two steps at a time.

Reclaiming the handkerchief, he turned to descend. Through the banisters he caught a glimpse of a pleasant bedroom, brightly lighted. He saw Corinne's mother and a slender girl, both crowned with ruddy hair. At that moment she turned a lovely flower-like face toward Mrs. Lane and her low, clear voice was tense with alarm. "But I need the money, Mrs. Lane. Grandmother is so ill—"

"I have nothing but a large check," interrupted the other coldly.

Richard heard no more as he hurried down to Corinne. As they went out into the cold, crisp air and entered his waiting car, he was thinking of the other girl, Belinda, who so sorely needed the money.

Poor little lovely Belinda.

The country club was ablaze with light and tremulous with dance music. Shadows flitted around and around the long rooms, moving in rhythm with the tuneful airs of the orchestra.

"Hurry!" bubbled Corinne as she flew up the steps to the veranda. "We mustn't miss another one—hm-hm-hm-m-m." she hummed dancing into the dressing room.

In five minutes they were dancing, and Corinne had forgotten everything except that she was with Richard Rowland. She was wishing that moments like these might be prolonged forever.

Richard was not thinking of his pretty partner (he had forgotten everything, even the present moment), and he was glimpsing an intimate picture; a lovely, tearful girl and the low, thrilling notes of a voice; the impatient tone of the older woman.

Poor Belinda!

If Corinne had read his thoughts she would have hurled herself out of his arms.

Richard's good-looking face became a mask of grim resolve; he spoke in monosyllables, and Corinne was relieved when the dance was over and some one else claimed her for the next one. When he was free, Richard searched and found a telephone booth and called Mrs. Lane's number.

In response to his inquiry, a sleepy servant answered that Miss Gray had left the house; she lived somewhere in Asher street, on the other side of the town—number 48—

Piqued at Rowland's apparent preoccupation, Corinne avoided him, and at suppertime disappeared in the throng about the supper tables. Richard, laughing at his own extravagant sympathy for a girl he had never seen but once in his life, went out to his car, and, shrugging into fur coat and cap, sped toward the city.

Only half an hour and he would be back at Corinne's side, ready to make his peace with her.

The high-powered machine shot down the long hill and leaped toward the clustered lights of the city. In five minutes it was threading the narrow streets of the other part of the city—the North side.

At last he paused before a small cottage where a dim light burned in a hallway. Hesitating there, Richard was about to ring the bell when light-running feet came along the sidewalk and tripped up the steps. Then the girl saw him.

"Oh, what is the matter? Has anything happened to grandmother?"

"I do not know—I hope not," he said hurriedly, standing bareheaded before her. "I heard that Mrs. Gray was ill and I came to see what I could do."

"You are kind—please wait here a moment while I go in and see her. I—I am afraid I do not recognize you," she said with a frank boyish look at him.

"I am a friend of Doctor Brill," determined to help her.

"Oh—that is very good of you!" How relieved she was. He would explain it all to his old classmate, George Brill, before morning.

He waited inside the tiny hall while she went on into some inner room. How immaculately neat and clean everything was! A few fine old pieces of mahogany, the gleam of brass, the crispness of fresh curtains—here dwelt poverty, refinement, ambition.

"Granny, darling! I've brought you some of the nicest chicken from my lunch—I wasn't hungry a bit, dear."

"Thank you, dear. I know I am an ungrateful old woman, but it seems as though I couldn't eat anything much—nothing would taste so good as a dish of creamed oysters, but the chicken will be almost as nice, Linda." The feeble old voice broke.

Richard thought of the long, lonely day and the waiting for the coming of her grandchild. He thought of the careless bounty of the Lane household, of the wastefulness that very night at the country club supper.

In a trice he had crossed the bridge to the new town and was talking to the head waiter in the dining room of the largest hotel. Giving careful orders that were instantly carried out, he left for the country club to find Corinne, apologize to her and dance with her the rest of the evening. Once his keen eyes caught the traces of tear marks on her filmy sleeve, and his heart contracted with pain.

Belinda's tears.

If Doctor Brill objected to being aroused at two o'clock in the morning to listen to the fantastic story of an old classmate he gave no signs of it, but promised to look out for Mrs. Gray, Belinda's grandmother. If Richard's dreams were slightly confused that night, who could blame him?

Corinne Lane never knew why Richard suddenly ceased his attentions nor could she solve the problem of his marrying a sewing girl, Belinda Gray, who "made the very frock I have on, my dear."

But Doctor Brill and Grandmother Gray, who stood up with the happy pair, might have solved the problem. At any rate, Belinda and Granny went to live in Richard's big house, and Belinda insists upon making all of her husband's shirts. But there are no more tears.

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MASON COUNTY NEWS

MASON'S GREATEST NEED—A MODERN HOTEL.

Mrs. Malissa Hendricks and the little son of B. A. Hallum, of Brady, have been visiting among relatives and friends of this city.

Mrs. August Pfennecke was removed from the sanitarium to her home last Monday morning. The News is pleased to learn Mrs. Pfennecke is recovering from her operation right along with fair indications for enjoying better health than has been the case for a number of years.

Miss Dora Lee Amerine, of the Kettering section, is reported getting along nicely at the local sanitarium, following an operation last week for appendicitis.

Mrs. Walter M. Martin is at home from San Antonio, where she has been the past several weeks recuperating from an operation which she underwent in that city. Her many friends will be pleased to learn of her return and that she is recovering normal health quite rapidly.

E. J. Lemberg returned home last week from the northern markets where he purchased fall goods for his firm.

Miss Zella Wood returned home Tuesday from a visit with friends in San Antonio.

H. S. Wood and Misses Thelma and Olga Fae Wood made a trip to San Antonio the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Lange recently moved from one of the Geistweidt rental houses to west end and occupy a small house on the lot owned by his father, Mr. H. Lange.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schlaudt are now occupying one of the Geistweidt houses in east end of town.

Last Sunday the Conrad Hartman family enjoyed a most pleasant visit from his relatives residing in Gillespie county. They were his mother, Mrs. Chas. Hartman, and brothers, Otto, Harry, Albert, Chas. Emil and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Hillman Werich.

W. H. Hanson was here Wednesday from his farm in the Streeter section. He stated he had recently returned from a visit with his aged father in Comanche County and with other relatives. He reports the crops in that section very good with exception to cotton and he says the cotton crop of that section is about on an equal with local conditions.

Miss Ella Mae Metzger returned Monday from San Antonio where she has been visiting for several days.

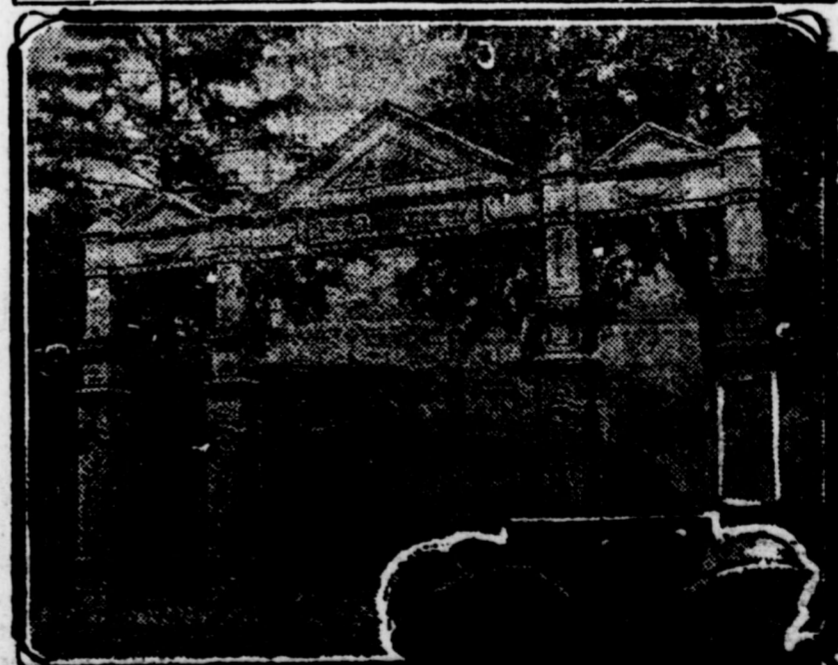
Mrs. Louis C. Probst returned Friday from San Antonio after several days' visit with friends.

Miss Minnie McCollum has as her guests this week, Misses Marie and Guila Lowrey, of Sonora.

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Quiet Cemetery at Marion Where President's Body was Received



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WILL "CARRY ON"

(By R. M. Hubbard, Chairman State Highway Commission).

The failure to publish in time the proposed Constitutional Amendment, will in no way affect the funds of the State Highway Department for the next three years. It will not interfere with our present program of highway construction or maintenance, and all unexpired Federal appropriations including those for 1924 and 1925 will not be endangered. The Highway Commission will carry out its plans, and the will of the Legislature in maintaining all state highways, and we will carry on the construction as rapidly as possible. We will continue in the future, as we have in the past, to co-operate with the various counties of the State in the construction of a State system of highways.

There is no need of undue alarm at this time on account of our failure to secure the proposed amendment to the

Constitution, for fear we will lose Federal Aid. The main idea the proponents of the Amendment had in mind in urging the Amendment at this time was to comply with the provisions of the Federal Aid Act as early as possible, so that Texas might continue to receive the hearty co-operation of the Federal Government, and in order that we would have ample time to make the necessary adjustments in our statutes. The amended Federal Aid Act gives us until November 9, 1926 to comply with the provisions of the Act, requiring the State to provide State Funds for the construction and maintenance of Federal Aid roads, such funds to be under the direct control of the State, provided however, that we carry out the provisions of this Act as nearly as our existing Constitution and laws will permit.

Maintenance

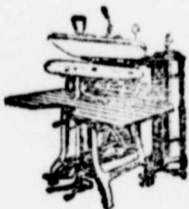
The recent Legislature directed the State Highway Department to take over the maintenance of all State highways, and provided funds therefor. It

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LADY GOT SO WEAK
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After Suffering From Many Female Troubles This Lady Heard of Cardul and Took It, She Says, "Until I Was Well."

"SOME TIME AGO," says Mrs. Buena McFarland, of R. F. D. 2, Bostic, N. C., "I suffered a great deal with weakness common to women. I had bearing-down pains, my sides and back hurt, and my limbs drew. I would get so weak in my knees I could scarcely stand.

"I was very nervous, and could not rest. I didn't feel like eating. I grew thin, and did not have ambition for anything.

"I had been trying other remedies . . . but did not get any better.

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took a Ladies Birthday Almanac and read of a case something like mine. I told my husband to get it and I would try it.

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is the intention of the State Highway Commission to carry out these directions to the fullest extent. We are making our plans to take over the maintenance of all roads in the State highway system January 1, 1924, and unless something of a more far reaching effect than the failure of the Constitutional Amendment takes place we will carry out these plans.

Will Continue Present Policy

The State Highway Commission will continue to co-operate with the various counties of the State in the construction of the State Highways. We will continue to aid them in the future as we have in the past, but on a larger scale, due to the fact that the 38th Legislature provided additional funds for this purpose. These increased funds will be used to good advantage by increasing the allotments to those progressive counties that have provided county funds for the purpose of constructing more durable roads. This will be a distinct advantage to these counties. A connected state system is only delayed. In this connection we would like to state that the Legislature in submitting the proposed amendment, and the Texas Highway Association, and the Texas Highway Commission in advocating it, had not the remotest idea of proposing at this time an increase to the tax burdens of our State.

The advocates of this Amendment take sharp issue with those who contend that the adoption of the amendment would have been prejudicial to the educational interests of Texas. In fact, the staunchest supporters of the educational program in the last Legislature were the strongest supporters of highway legislation, including the Amendment. It is true that if the Amendment had been adopted the Legislature could levy a gasoline tax, exclusive for road building purposes. Under our present constitution one fourth of the gasoline tax, which was primarily intended as a road tax to be paid by the consumer, must go to the school funds. Many of the strongest friends of education believe it is unjust to tax the automobile owner in this special manner for educational purposes. They believe that the gasoline tax is a just and equitable road tax, and that it should be used for this purpose exclusively. Under our present Constitution even the three fourths of the funds realized from the gasoline tax have to be appropriated every two years by the Legislature for road construction. The amendment would have made it possible to make it a settled policy of the State for the money raised by this tax to go to the road fund.

It is a regrettable fact that the proposed Amendment was not published in proper time, but it is possible that the failure to publish the Amendment at this time will eventually result in good. Unfortunately, in the rush of the closing hours of the 38th Legislature, the proposed Amendment was not worded as carefully as it should have been, and we feel that the next regular session of the Legislature will submit to the people an Amendment carefully drawn and unambiguous in its terms.

Future Road Building Policy

An essential factor in successfully carrying out any road building program is that of forming a definite program extended over a period of years and the burden of financing this program be placed equitably upon the shoulders of those who benefit by good roads. The next most essential factor is that these funds be placed in, and the duty of supervision imposed upon the proper agency. We wish to impress upon the public that if we do not want to see millions of dollars in the shape of Federal Aid lost to the State in the future, and if we ever expect to see a connected state system of roads, radical change in our methods of road construction must be made prior to November 9, 1926.

Try our "Fruit" Ice Cream. Mason Drug Company. 12

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

Get your fishing tackle at the Owl Drug Store. 51-1f

Whitman's Celebrated Box Candies at Mason Drug Company. 45

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Guest—"Waiter, this steak is like leather and the knife is dull."
Waiter—"Strop the knife on the steak."

One thing the bootleggers never have to contend with is a buyers' strike.—Nashville Southern Lumberman.

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'PHONE 80

J. J. JOHNSON

CITATION

The State of Texas.

To the sheriff or any constable of Mason County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Mason County, a copy of the following notice: THE STATE OF TEXAS

To all persons interested in the estate of Otto Donop, deceased, Mrs. Susie Donop, his surviving wife, has filed an application in the County Court of Mason County, on the 14th day of August, 1923, for probate of the last will and testament of said Otto Donop, deceased; for letters testamentary upon said estate; and for such other orders as the court may deem necessary in the premises, which said application will be heard by said Court on the 27th day of August, 1923, at the Court House of said County, in Mason, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Mason, Texas, this 14th day of August, 1923.

(Seal) R. E. LEE,
Clerk County Court, Mason Co. Texas.
23-2tc

Paris Green and Arsenic; good feed for grasshoppers. Mason Drug Co. 12

Let your next tire be a Gate's Super-Tread. Sold by Otto Schmidt. 13tf

If Uncle Sam didn't know Russian, he might recognize her.—Toledo Blade.

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GOODYEAR

Edo Schlaudt spent a few days recently in Austin.

STOP THAT ITCHING

Use Blue Star Remedy for Eczema, Itch, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Ring Worms, Chapped Face, Poison Oak, Sunburns, Old Sores or Sores on Children. It relieves all forms of Sore Feet. For sale by MASON DRUG CO.

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Our truck makes regular runs every morning. Have the driver leave ice at your home.

On Sundays the factory is open until 10 a. m., but the truck does not run.

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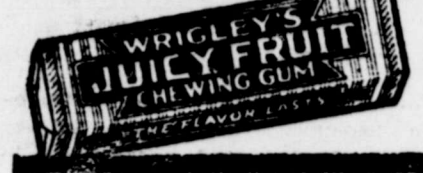


Take it home to the kids. Have a packet in your pocket for an ever-ready treat.

After Every Meal

A delicious confection and an aid to the teeth, appetite, digestion.

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TOM SIMS SAYS

One Sunday was so quiet in Berlin they had only two outbreaks. Chinese are worrying the British. Can't solve the Chinese puzzle. Big dynamite plot found at Cologne. It wasn't sweet of them. Babe Ruth tried to catch a burglar, but only caught him out. Bank 107 years old has closed in Vienna. It found the first 100 years the easiest. Geneva women are trying to protect children from wicked movies. Leave the children at home. More bad luck for Europe. One out of every four U. S. senators are studying Europe. Improvement in America reported. New Yorker whipped a man for singing "Yes, we have no bananas." Keep away from Athens. Girls wearing sleeveless dresses there are smeared with tar. San Antonio (Tex.) golfer played 19 hours. Hope he found it. Louisville (Ky.) man was arrested for spanking his wife. Bustles, however are coming back. Some men will shine. One made \$800 shining shoes in Sing Sing. Detroit ice man had four wives. Strange thing is, all were his.

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Climbs to Top in Musical World



Being a country girl in New York State was no handicap to Carolyn Wells Bassett, who is now recognized as one of America's most accomplished musicians before attaining her 19th year. She possesses a wonderful coloratura-soprano voice and has become internationally known as a composer. Many of her compositions being used by such artists as Anna Case, Melba Steinhilber and Blanch DeCosta. Among her best known compositions are: "The Icicle," "Take Joy Home," "Little Brown, Baby" and "De Bogie Man."

F. B. McCollum, of San Antonio, has been in Mason the past several days looking after business interests and mixing and mingling with friends.

Herbert Gamel and little Miss Dorothy were here from their ranch home near Harper the first of the week, bringing Mrs. J. W. Gamel home, after a visit of several weeks at the ranch. Herbert reports his section very dry and much in need of rain. He stated his little son, who was recently bitten by a rattlesnake, is about all right.

When renewing your subscription to your daily or semi-weekly paper or for farm papers and magazines; hand the business to the News. We will appreciate the favor.

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

"What's the World Coming To?" shouts an editorial head. The answer is easy: America.—Tampa Morning Tribune.

Some portions of the county have recently received showers of rain, but this section of the State is at present needing a general soaker. During the past several days the clouds have shown some indications of giving forth a supply, but in the immediate section about town, indications are all there's been to it. It is reported good showers were received Sunday afternoon late a few miles north town and reports also state showers were received that evening south of here.

Rev. and Mrs. G. W. F. Schreiber, of Industry, arrived in Mason on Tuesday of last week for a visit among local relatives and friends.

Another thing the world needs is less use of monkey glands and more general use of sweat glands.—Chatham (Ont.) Daily News.

Dr. Wm. Thaxton was here a few days the first of the week, from Fort Worth, to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Thaxton.

Gentle Reminder.—Husband (as wife shifts gears).—"That reminds me. I must stop at the boiler factory on the way home."—Judge.

Cause and Effect.—Ancient Mariner—"Once I was shipwrecked on an island where there were only mad women with no tongues."

Seaside Visitor—"Wonderful! And couldn't they speak?"

Ancient Mariner—"No; that's what made them mad."—Reynolds Newspaper (London).

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Mr. and Mrs. Arch Metzger and baby went to San Antonio last Saturday for a visit among relatives and friends.

THIS PAPER CHOSEN TO ADVERTISE BIG MOTION PICTURE DEMONSTRATION

The Mason County News has been chosen as the best medium in this part of the country to carry the big announcement of Famous Players-Lasky Corporation of New York for the National Demonstration for Better Pictures.

This demonstration will enlist the support of more than 17,000 theatres in the United States, more than a thousand of which are in Texas and Oklahoma. During the week of September 1st they will exhibit only those pictures which represent the conscientious efforts of motion picture producers to improve the artistic, intellectual and moral level of the screen.

Adolph Zukor, president of Famous Players-Lasky Corporation, has been conducting this campaign for the last six years, but during the season of 1922-23 he has made what has been termed "the greatest stride in the history of the industry."

In June of this year he summoned the members of the Authors' League of America, as well as representative authors from Europe to the First International Congress on the Motion Picture Art. Henry W. Taft, brother of the chief justice and himself a noted essayist, was presiding officer. Among the delegates were Ellis Parker Butler, Fannie Hurst, Rex Beach, Basil King, George Barr Baker, Thomas Dixon, and almost every other author of note.

As a result, a \$10,000 award was posted for the best story written next year, and many other resolutions were passed to improve certain phases of the screen.

Mr. Zukor said that one of the greatest evils of the motion picture industry was the fact that producers were striving for quantity instead of quality. He took the leadership in announcing that the production of Paramount pictures would be decreased from more than a hundred a year to fifty-two, or one-a-week, so that each production might have the attention and care it deserves.

As an example of the improvement of pictures, Mr. Zukor points to "The Covered Wagon", the great epic of the winning of the West, which has been termed "The Great American Picture at Last."

Another is "Hollywood", an amusing comedy of film life in which more than one hundred stars have important parts in the story. Other pictures promised the public for the new season are "Bluebeard's Eighth Wife" with Gloria Swanson, "Ruggles of Red Gap", Harry Leon Wilson's famous novel, "To the Last Man", a Zane Gray picture supervised by the author himself, "Woman-Proof", which the famous George Ade wrote for Thomas Meighan, "The Cheat", with Pola Negri; and next Spring will see Cecil B. DeMille's famous modern exposition of the decalogue, "The Ten Commandments", one of the most monumental and lavish works ever filmed.

Among the actors and actresses who have survived the test, and who are to be seen next season are Gloria Swanson, Thomas Meighan, Pola Negri, William S. Hart, Leatrice Joy, Lila Lee, Antonio Moreno, Lois Wilson, Richard Dix, Huntly Gordon, Glenn Hunter, Mary Astor, Theodora Roberts, Robert Agnew, Jack Holt, Ricardo Cortez, Walter Hiers, George Fawcett and Ernest Torrence.

Among the directors will be Cecil B. DeMille, William de Mille, James Cruze, Sam Wood, Al Green and others.

KILL CSREW WORMS

Heal wounds and keep off flies with Martin's Screw Worm Killer. For Horn Paint and Fly Repellent, use Martin's Screw Worm Ointment. Guaranteed by 10-13tc MASON DRUG CO.

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Kurt and Miss Ruth Martin went to San Antonio last week for a stay of several days. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Kurt Martin and children who have been visiting relatives and friends in that city the past several weeks.

Eat where the cats are eatable. Corner Cafe. 7-ttc

It has been a good while since we have thanked some of our subscribers for a renewal payment on subscription.

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

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President Marcy of Armour Grain Company says: "United States has only reasonable supply of wheat and rest of world no extraordinary excess." Mr. Marcy attributed low wheat market to extravagant statements and politics.

To cure constiveness the medicine must be more than a purgative; it must contain tonic, alterative and cathartic properties.
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possess these qualities, and speedily restore to the bowels their normal function.

Nice screen doors and galvanized screen wire. R. Grosse. 7
Try our "Fruit" Ice Cream. Mason Drug Company. 12

Under government operation railroad losses of freight totaling \$119,800,000 in 1920 decreased to \$44,500,000 in 1922 under private ownership. The freight was lost, damaged or stolen in transit.

Factory payrolls growth is shown by following figures: Wages and salaries \$10,763,442,000 in 1921 compared to \$5,342,157,000 in 1924. Census reports show increase of products to \$43,531,283,000 from \$23,987,860,000 in seven years.

Louisville Slugger bats and the famous D. & M. baseball goods at the Owl Drug Store. 31-tt

A TEXAS WONDER
For kidney and bladder troubles gravel, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and irregularities of the kidneys and bladder. If not cured by your druggist, by mail \$1.00 Small bottle offers cure. Send for your free literature. Dr. B. W. Hall 222 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo.

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CHICKENS
If you have chickens to sell, don't fail to get my prices. 31-tt
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MASON'S GREATEST NEED—A MODERN HOTEL.

READY FOR BUSINESS

We wish to announce we have opened a tinning and plumbing business on the west side of the public square and are now ready for business in our line.

We do all kinds of sheet metal work and windmill repair and plumbing work. Will appreciate an opportunity to serve you when in need of anything in our line.

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WANT COLUMN
cowhide suit case; lost on Menard road, 4 miles from Mason. A. W. Mixon Westbrook, Texas. 1tc

BOARDERS WANTED—With room prefer girls attending local school. Mrs. Louis Johnson. 23-1fc

FOR SALE—Lilly Darling cock stove. Apply to Mrs. Louis Johnson. 23

FOR SALE—Jersey milk cow with young calf. Apply to W. E. Massey, Streeter. 23-4tp

LOST—Brown and tan hound bitch, glazed face and white front feet, about 10 months old. Liberal reward for recovery. S. H. Bratton. 23-2tp

RANCH FOR TRADE—A well improved ranch and also good business in Fredericksburg. Will give or take difference on good ranch land. Dock Rust, owner. Blanco, Texas. 23-3tc

WANTED—Roomers and boarders for the coming term of school; prefer boys. Apply to Miss Carrie Schuessler.

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MUSIC—Agnes Witt will teach music on the piano. She will give 12 lessons for \$5. If interested see her or phone 35-L. 23-3tp

FOR SALE—Registered Poland China brood sows; also a good work mule. B. D. Willmann. 23-2tp

LOST OR STRAYED—Two bay mare mules, one of which is heard close; also one branded "—K" on left side. Notify News office. 23-2tc

FOR SALE—Hound pups, fox and cat hounds; will make good hog dogs. Apply to Emeth Keller. 23-1fc

CATTLEMEN—When in need of blackleg aggressin, please call or write for my prices. Arthur W. Kothmann, Castell, Texas. 22-3tp

ROOM AND BOARD—Can accommodate several children during the school term. Good rates. Apply to Mrs. Alfred Otte. 24-1fc

It Is Just a Man's Way

By CORONA REMINGTON

"I'll be gone only a week, but you'll keep me in your thoughts every minute, won't you, dear?"

The girl in his arms trembled. She was so exquisitely happy. What a wonderful lover he was!

"Promise," Dick Shanton urged again.

"How could I forget you?" she asked.

"Or I you." He kissed her again. "When are you going?"

"Tomorrow morning at eight." She wept a little. How could she stand it? Yet she had to—women did it all the time, so she could. And there would be telegrams and letters and maybe a long-distance telephone call.

"Do you just have to go?" she asked after a pause.

"Yes, I'm down on the program for a paper that I worked on until two this morning."

"Doctors are such important creatures, and already I'm beginning to believe they don't belong to their wives at all. They belong to their profession—wedded to it, that's it."

"If a man is to make a success in his profession, no matter what it is, he'll have to devote most of his time to it."

"I know," she admitted, but there was something pathetic about her tone of voice.

He left the next morning, and Constance McGuire slipped away in her little car to the depot. When he saw her coming through the crowd toward him his heart leaped and he darted forward to meet her.

"What a girl! I was feeling a bit blue, but now I'm all right. If it weren't for those darn doctors standing over there I'd kiss you on the spot, but they'd rag me about it."

They had a few short minutes together before the train was called for the last time, and Constance went back to her waiting car, depressed, yet somehow happy. After all, a week wasn't so very long, and she would hear from him constantly. She might even get a telegram that very night.

Returning home, she found herself strangely idle. Time dragged, she could think of nothing to do. She wandered around the house aimlessly, the hands of the clock appeared to be standing perfectly still—never had there been such a stretch between breakfast and lunch, yet she was not hungry.

That night the telegram came: "Arrived O. K. Meetings are going to be great. Will write tomorrow. Love, Dick."

Sure enough, goodness knows; but it cheered her up, and the day after tomorrow the letter would come. It did, but it was very little longer than the wire, and all about the medical convention, scarcely a word about her and his love for her.

He had forgotten her and how much they meant to each other. It could not be otherwise—out of sight, out of mind. That was it. Constance went around trying to hide her unhappiness, but as the fifth day of his absence dawned and only two short notes had been received she gave up the fight and crawled into her own room and locked the door. She would never show her face again; she could not bear to be looked at and pitied.

When Mrs. McGuire went in to lunch and found her daughter missing she ran all over the house calling her, at last to find that she was locked in her room, and no amount of coaxing would bring her out. Finally Mrs. Taylor was summoned. If any one on earth could do anything with Constance it was she.

"This is Mrs. Taylor, dear," she said through the door. "You must let me in or I shall go away heartbroken, and I've loved you all your life."

After long minutes of coaxing the door was opened and Mrs. Taylor saw a forlorn, disheveled, red-eyed, little girl standing before her.

"My dear, what is the matter?" she asked in alarm, taking her in her arms.

Constance tried to keep her troubles to herself, but the older woman's warm, motherly sympathy was too much for the girl and she burst into tears and sobbed the whole dreadful truth out on her friend's shoulder.

"It's all over. Dick doesn't love me any more. He's met some other girl at the convention."

"Oh, my poor, poor dear, but it can't be true. Dick isn't that kind. How do you know all this? Has he confessed?"

"No, but his actions have; only two tiny notes and a telegram since he left and they were about as affectionate as a letter you'd write to your lawyer."

Mrs. Taylor was relieved. "Oh, is that all you have to go by? You

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Featuring Alice Calhoun

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"NOMADS OF THE NORTH"

Featuring Lon Chaney and Betty Blythe. A James Oliver Curwood Production

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Calotabs are sold only in original, sealed packages, price thirty-five cents for the large, family package, ten cents for the small trial size. Your druggist is authorized to refund the price as a guarantee that you will be thoroughly delighted with Calotabs.—(Adv.) 10-12c

CASTELL NEWS

Dr. Oscar Huff and family left last Saturday for Marble Falls to visit relatives and friends. The doctor went from there to the oil field at Luling, but before he reaches here he received word that his father died. He then motored from San Marcos up to San Angelo to attend the funeral.

Prof. R. L. Gibson returned home last week from Austin where he has been attending the State University, and is now ready to take up his position in the Castell school.

Mr. Paul Kurz left last week after having spent several days here among relatives and friends. Erwin Leifeste accompanied him back home and they left for Austin and San Marcos where they spent Sunday. They also went to the oil field at Luling and left for Somerset Sunday night. Leifeste then returned home the next day.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam D. Leifeste, after spending a month at their home in Castell, left Saturday for Fayette County where Mr. Leifeste will fill his position as teacher in the Weimer school.

Mr. Gus Kurz, of Somerset, Texas, is visiting in Castell.

Messrs. Clarence Lehmberg and Milton C. Dalchau returned home this week from Dallas. They report a good time.

Last Friday night Miss Dora Grote was surprised with a birthday party. A large and jolly crowd of young folks were in attendance and many interesting games were played. Delicious refreshments were served. Miss Grote received many nice presents.

Misses Luella and Dorothy Lehmberg, of Georgetown, are visiting with their grandfather, and friends.

The many good people of Castell are rejoicing over the fine rain that fell Saturday night.

Chas. Leifeste and son, Erwin, were in Mason Tuesday on business.

BOTTLED SODA WATER—Orange Lime Crush, Ginger Ale, etc., from San Antonio; retailed in Mason by the case. J. J. Johnson. 22-4f

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Mrs. Wm. Leslie left last week for Elgin for a visit with the family of her daughter, Mrs. A. O. Johnson.

frightened me at first. Will you let me read them?"

Silently Constance handed over the two crumpled little letters and the message, and Mrs. Taylor quickly scanned them.

"Why, my dear, you foolish little girl. This is all right. He's just full of the convention and busy. That's all. Can't you see it? With a woman, Constance, love is the primary thing in her life. She thinks about her lover all day and half the night, but with a man business and love have a neck and neck race and often business gets the lead. It's a fortunate thing, since men have to earn the living. Divided attention never makes a success, so you see it's providential."

"But you can't fool me. It's all over. Wait until he gets back, then you'll know."

"Wait until you've been married thirty years and then you'll know. I tell you a man can love a woman to distraction and forget her completely; forget her very existence, for days at a time. Now, if you take my advice, you'll treat him as naturally as ever when he comes back and tell him how glad you are to see him, and ask him all about the convention. He'll talk your head off for hours about things you can't understand, and that don't interest you, but a wife has to learn to be a good listening post."

"But what's the use of advising when it's all off and I'll never marry anyone else?" she said, impatiently.

The extension telephone on her little desk jangled. Irritably she took up the receiver.

"I'm back!" said an exultant voice at the other end. "I know it's two days earlier than you expected me, but I couldn't stay away another minute. Had to see my girl, and tell her all about it. It's been great! May I come right over? But I can't wait. I'll have to tell you now they've made me president of the State Medical society. I'm the youngest man ever got it. When I heard that last night I had to run home and tell my girl. I was afraid you'd see it in the paper first. Goodby, dear. Be right over."

"Oh, oh, oh! Mrs. Taylor, it's all right! It's all right! Oh, but if you ever, ever tell him!"

She was dancing around the room, almost hysterical.

"Tell him? Not I," laughed Mrs. Taylor. "I'm no traitor to my sex, but I want you to remember this little experience. You'll need it many, many times in the years to come."

MADE LUNCHEON FOR EAGLE

Marmot Put Up Good Fight, but Was Outclassed by the Monarch of the Air.

Dr. Ferdinand Ossendowski, in his book, "Beasts, Men and Gods," which is the story of many extraordinary personal experiences of his flight through Asia, from Siberia, tells of an exciting picture he witnessed when he passed through a marmot colony near the Orkhon river, in Mongolia. The marmots dwell in holes in the ground, much like the American prairie dog does—or did. Doctor Ossendowski says:

"There were thousands of holes here, so that my Mongols had to use all their skill to keep their horses from breaking their legs in them. I noticed an eagle circling high overhead. All of a sudden he dropped like a stone to the top of a marmot's mound, where he sat motionless as a rock. The marmot in a few minutes ran out of his hole to a neighbor's doorway. The eagle calmly jumped down from the top, and with one wing closed the entrance to the hole. The rodent heard the noise, turned back and rushed to the attack, trying to break through to his hole. The eagle fought with one free wing, one leg and his beak, but did not withdraw the bar to the entrance. The marmot jumped at the rapacious bird with great boldness, but soon fell from a blow on the head. Only then the eagle withdrew his wing, approached the marmot, finished him off, and with difficulty, lifted him in his talons to carry him away to the mountains for a tasty luncheon."

Miss Alma Mae Breazeale spent a few days in San Antonio recently.

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