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DOES MASON WANT RAILROAD? ASKED IN LETTER TO P. M.

Just before going to press, the News was handed a letter addressed to the Postmaster, Mason, Texas, which we reproduce below and which we consider self-explanatory.

311 N. 3rd St., Temple, Texas.
September 3, 1923.

Postmaster, Mason, Texas.
Dear Sir:-

"I would like to have you canvas the situation at once, and advise me if your town is in a receptive mood for lending assistance, both moral, and financial to the construction of a line of railroad from San Angelo thru Paint Rock, Eden, Brady, Mason, Fredericksburg, Johnson City, into Austin, and to what extent will support be rendered.

"This would give a direct outlet to Fort Worth, Austin, Houston and San Antonio, and being about half way from Angelo might be considered as a division point, and shops located there together with offices provided such support as given warranted.

"Please canvas the situation at as early date as possible, and to as great extent as possible, and advise.

"Yours truly,
"J. H. SWEET."

The letter has been turned over to proper authorities, and they will take the matter up with Mr. Sweet at an early date.

A railroad from Brady to Fredericksburg, connecting Fort Worth with San Antonio, has long been talked, but a line over the route outlined by Mr. Sweet has not heretofore been considered. However, it is believed that the proposed route would be almost as beneficial, if not more so, than the direct line through from Ft. Worth to San Antonio.

The News is of the opinion that either route would be satisfactory, just so one of them was built, and we feel quite sure that a railroad through Mason will be a reality in a very few years, and the people of this county are ready to co-operate with the first promoters to take such a step.

GOOD RAINS RECEIVED PAST WEEK WILL IMPROVE RANGE

The splendid rains which have fallen in this section the past few days have been of unestimable benefit to range conditions. Stockmen are unanimous in expressing themselves much pleased with the good rains.

As to the result regarding the farmer, it remains to be seen later. The rains have been a drawback to them in as much as the present situation is to be considered. Farmers have not been able to get but very little cotton gathered and it is said this accounts for such few bales of cotton being ginned in the county up to date. The News is informed that prospects for a top crop of cotton looks splendid at present if consideration didn't have to be taken with reference to the leaf worm or other pests that are likely to dwindle the top crop prospects to zero within a short time. However it is generally understood the rains would help to increase the cotton production in Mason county should the pests let up, but—well, let us hope something will happen to them before they destroy any more, as they've had more than the farmer is going to get.

Reports are given out that the road between Fredonia and Pautoc is being worked and quite a noticeable improvement in several of the heretofore bad stretches on that road have been made. The portion of the road most needing repair are located in the edge of San Saba county, and it was therefore necessary that the work be done with funds other than Mason County funds. It is the understanding the people of Pautoc donated considerable work to match the sum of \$200, which the local commercial club donated towards improving this bad piece of roadway. We are informed Will Land, county road superintendent, and his crew of workmen have been assisting in getting this work completed.



REPORT MR. RUSSELL REGARDING G'HOPPERS

(By E. E. Russell, Field Supt. in Insect Control).

Farmers of Mason County, are no doubt, interested in the experimental tests looking toward grasshopper control, carried on by agents of the U. S. Bureau of Entomology, in Mason County. In order to gain a better understanding of the conditions leading up to this experimental work, let it be said at the beginning, that the object aimed at was not to find out, whether or not, grasshoppers might be killed by use of the old standard formula, i. e. (wheat bran 25 lbs., white arsenic 1 pound, molasses 2 qts., lemons 6 finely chopped, with water enough to mix well without being soppy. This formula to be spread broadcast over from three to five acres) which is recommended by the Extension Department, and has been advised by your County Agricultural Agent, Mr. Marshall. This means of hopper control has long been used with great success in many of the large agricultural sections of the United States which are devastated by the hopper menace at more or less regular intervals.

The objects aimed at, were twofold. 1st. To find out if possible, to what extent grasshopper control is justifiable, under conditions similar to those existing in Mason County where hoppers which breed on nine pasture acres must be killed in order to protect one cultivated acre. 2nd. To find, if possible, a less expensive formula which might be substituted for the old standard formula mentioned above.

These investigational problems have proven very interesting to the workers and suggest great possibilities, however, it is obvious that the period of time covered, as well as the tests made, were altogether too limited to draw any definite conclusions upon which a set of recommendations might be based which would prove dependable under any or all conditions, however, it is the intention of the workers to continue this investigational work throughout the season, correlating the results obtained in Mason County, with those obtained in other Texas counties which have similarly been devastated by grasshoppers. When sufficient data have been collected, to insure reliable conclusions, a set of recommendations will be worked out and passed on to the Extension Department, which is a branch of the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the State of Texas Co-operating. Farmers should seek definite

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WILL VISIT BIG FACTORIES OF UNITED STATES

Will Ellebracht, a representative of the Alamo Iron Works of San Antonio, was in Mason a short time this week. Mr. Ellebracht announced his company plans sending a number of their salesmen on a tour of inspection to some of the big factories of this Country located in the northern and eastern cities of the United States. He said he felt quite honored at being included in the party to be given this trip, which is to be eight in number. It is said the party will leave San Antonio on the 16th of September and during an absence of two weeks they will visit Chicago, Cincinnati, Pittsburg, Freeport and a number of other manufacturing cities.

MASON COUNTY TEACHERS AT FREDERICKSBURG FOR INSTITUTE

The Joint Teachers' Institute of Mason and Gillespie counties is in session at Fredericksburg this week. Judge John T. Banks, who is ex-officio county school superintendent of Mason county, stated he is attending the institute on part time only and was present for the first two days this week. He announces the program is one of much interest and that almost 100 per cent of the teachers of two counties are present.

Judge Banks said the teachers who are attending the institute representative of Mason county number thirty-four.

The institute closes Friday after having been in session since last Monday morning.

SUBSCRIPTIONS PAID

Since our last report the following have made subscription payments to the News, for which we extend them our thanks:

Ernest Hofmann	1.50
Chas. Leslie	1.50
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FEW PRESENT AT M. C. C. MEETING MON.

Monday night of this week was regular meeting night for the Mason Commercial Club, but the News regrets to report that the limited number of members in attendance did not encourage a very enthusiastic meeting.

There were ten or twelve members present, and in the absence of the president, vice-president and secretary, the meeting was called to order for a few minutes by W. I. Marshall for the purpose of allowing a few bills.

As none of the members of outstanding committees were present to make reports, no discussion was held pertaining to business of the previous meeting.

The only new business brought up was that pertaining to the lighting of the local tourist park, and a committee composed of Dr. P. A. Baze, W. E. Jordan and R. E. Lee was appointed to investigate and report at the next meeting.

A representative of the News was in attendance at the meeting Monday night and is gratified to report that three of the Club members from the Katemy community were sufficiently interested in their organization to come fourteen miles to lend their presence, while many members could not come a few blocks to attend the meeting.

The Commercial Club only meets monthly, and these meetings are always held on the first Monday night in each month. The News believes it is the duty of each business firm in Mason to see that at least one member of their firm attends these meetings, for it is certainly an organization that is working for the interest of our city and for Mason County as a whole. The Club has recently taken in quite a number of new members from different communities over the county, and it is heartily desired that these members will make every effort to attend the meetings of the Club each month.

Celeste Beyer who has been in Blanchard, Oklahoma, the past several weeks, returned home a few days ago. It is said he has been in bad health during his stay in that city and is contemplating undergoing an operation in the near future unless his condition improves.

Mr. and Mrs. John Doyal returned home Sunday from Brownwood. Mr. Doyal was called there recently because of Mrs. Doyal's illness. He says her condition shows some improvement, but stated her physical condition is quite weak.

CHRIS. VATER FINISHES WELL ON WEBER HGTS FOR BRADY PARTIES

For the past few months local people have been watching the outcome of a unique well drilling operation which Christian Vater, of this city, has been conducting in the Weber Heights addition.

The well is one that needs neither windmill nor reservoir and if it proves a success will be something quite out of the ordinary. The well was drilled for Anderson & McCall, of Brady, but who hold some town property in this city, and expect to sell it for residences.

Mr. Vater's contract was to drill a well on top of the hill in Weber Heights and then to tunnel into it from under the hill and to secure a flow of water to be piped to the McCall and Anderson property. It has been a long drawn out piece of engineering for Mr. Vater, but he has at last accomplished his purpose and on Tuesday of this week had the gentlemen of Brady here to accept the completed well and received his payment therefor. He got the well drilled on top of the hill easily enough, but encountered most of his trouble in drilling into the well from underneath and after he had finished both holes and had the water running from the well from underneath he met with no little difficulty in getting a sufficient flow of water to measure up to his contract. This he managed to do by drilling a number of wells on the hill and blasting them out at the bottom into one large hole.

Mr. Vater stated the well originally tested 15 gallons of water to the minute, but the best test he can obtain from the place the water flows out at the bottom of the hill registers twelve gallons to the minute; the test being according to the U. S. Standard. The water has been piped to within a few feet of the new home recently erected in the McCall & Anderson Addition by C. D. McMillan, and within a short time will be piped into the house. The arrangement will give Mr. McMillan an everready supply of water, without the care of mill or tank. It is said this well will be used to supply other residences that might be erected on this property.

DISTRICT COURT WILL CONVEENE IN MASON ON OCTOBER FIRST

The regular fall term of District Court for Mason County will be convened in Mason on Monday morning, October 1st, with District Judge, J. H. ... presiding.

The court has a light docket for this term and will probably not be in session more than one week.

The list of names for the juries was opened on Sept. 3rd, and are as follows:

Grand Jury
Elmer L. Lay, Henry Keller, H. S. Wood, Arthur Hurley, J. H. Wiedemann, L. J. Hahn, R. W. White, E. M. Jordan, John E. Latham, C. D. Starks, Alex Durst, Ben Grote, Ace Emannet, J. O. Leach, Ed Eaker, Chas. Kettner.

Petit Jury
First Week—C. D. McMillan, Aug. Henrich, A. D. Houy, Ned Polk, R. F. Beam, Rex Lavelle, J. W. Brooks, A. M. Vater, Frank Geistweidt, J. S. Black, A. L. Bierschwale, Erich Bogusch, Henry Holloway, Otto Birk, L. C. Plueneke, Max Ficker, J. E. Barber, N. D. Westbrook, Roy Britten, M. J. Jennings, E. B. Kothmann, D. C. Thomas, J. B. Kilgore, Irvin Ellebracht, Will Worley, H. F. Kinsey, Joe Pryor, B. A. Wilson, J. W. Coffey, J. B. Eastman, Caleb Hoerster, Alfred Probst, Herman Loeffler, A. E. Eckert, Henry Hasse, E. L. Buntyn.

The News is pleased to note Mr. Chas. Bierschwale sufficiently recovered from his recent accident as to be able to appear in town on Tuesday of this week. It is to be hoped his improvement will continue and he will soon be enjoying normal good health.

The Brady Standard states present plans are for the new hotel, now under construction in that city, to be completed by the 15th of October.

RICHARD LLOYD JONES SAYS LEADERSHIP



Senior classes in all the colleges and high schools are now on what might be called the home stretch of their academic careers. After their concluding these examinations and celebrations they face the world; they confront a world that needs men and women trained in mind and body; but they confront a world which needs leaders.

Every business enterprise, every political party in town, county, state or nation, every political and economic idea, every branch of scientific endeavor and every religious movement looks to a leader.

Many a student before he reaches his senior year has learned how to concentrate and apply his own mind; he has learned how to acquire; he has stored power in himself. But he may do all this and be a pathetic failure in the world. High class-room standing never made any man great. That which does make a man great is the power to give others power.

Just to think out an idea will never advance the idea. Not until you have thought out and then fought out the idea have you made a contribution to the world. Columbus could not prove in Spain that the world was round. To do this he had to take disbelievers with him and with them fight the vast seas.

Darwin thought out the idea of world creations and evolution as he observed the sluggish forms of lower life on the teeming banks of the Amazon. But he spent a decade to convince himself that he had found a truth, then he fought through a full and busy life to convince the world that the truth he found was of use to the world.

Resolve to do something, then find something to do. If it be something new make it of use to many. By so doing you take your place among the leaders of men. If it be something old and tried that you do, do it better than it was ever done before, and by so doing show others how best to do it. Then again you lead. Both your name and your labors will endure beyond those of temporal heroes, who triumph only in the selfish successes of the hour.

Translate your information into inspiration and aspiration. So equipped, go to it. DO and then you win.

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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 fasten it in your recipe book.

Quick Hanger—In an emergency a clothes hanger rolled up tight and tied with a string to a loop to hang on a nail makes a good substitute for a clothes hanger.

Meat—Did you know that paper absorbs juice? Well it does, therefore always remove any before putting your meat away.

Grease Spot—To remove a spot of grease from wallpaper. Rub the place with a piece of flannel dampened with alcohol.

Cooking Eggs—A spoonful of flour added to the grease in which eggs are to be fried will prevent them from sticking as well as breaking.

Eliminating Moths—If you have no moth balls, sprinkle your clothing with turpentine. The moths will not come near them.

Varnish Stain—A varnish or shellac spot on clothing may be removed with alcohol.

To Sour Milk—If desirous of souring some milk just add a few drops of vinegar.

Match Scratches—Disfiguring marks on woodwork, made by scratching matches, will disappear if rubbed with a cut lemon.

Dyeing—Next time when dyeing with a cake variety of dye, use a soap shaker as sieve. It keeps undissolved particles of dye from spotting the clothes. Saves time and protects the hands from dye and hot water.

Cleaning Parchment Lamp Shades—If one wishes to clean their parchment lamp shades take any good polishing cream and out it in a soft cloth. Rub a small part of the shade and then rub off with a moist cloth. Repeat this until the shade has been gone over. You will find that your shade remains clean for a long while.

Hot Tea or Coffee Stains—Soak the stained fabric in cold water. Let it remain about twenty minutes, then wring out and pour a few drops of glycerine on each stain. After it has stood several hours wash well with cold water and soap. The stain will disappear.

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

ROY E. DOELL
WITH J. S. KING, THE JEWELER

I C E

DELIVERED DAILY

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.

Mason Ice & Power Co.

Poem by Uncle John

Only a little courtesy—that didn't cost a cent.—a thing I've carried with me nearly everywhere I've went. . . . I know I didn't use it when I could, as well as not,—it's a powerful lame confession, but—blame it—I forgot!

Only a little courtesy—but there ain't no nobler debt,—which we better pay it promptly, or we're flirtn' with regret. . . . for, to slight a feller-mortal is, to ding a pizen dart, either thoughtless or a purpose—it is sure to strike the heart!

Only a little courtesy—an' yet, how much it means, in its intimate relation to the way affection leans. . . . It's a mighty happy challenge at the sentry-post of love, if we'd battle in the spirit of the angels up above!

ALL NEWSPAPERS COPY WITH OUT WITHOUT CREDIT

It is the opinion of this paper that the South cannot only totally eradicate the boll weevil, but it can rid the cotton fields of every other pest as well. Of course, this means a steady fight, a universal fight and religious co-operation. The plan is much simpler than the work of getting the farmers interested. It is this: If all farmers would attach a spray device to each end of water and begin spraying on the first cultivation and keep it up throughout

the plowing season, they would go into cotton picking time with an absolute clean stalk as well as a healthy one. And it is not necessary to use poison altogether. If the plan were universally adopted and worked out, we doubt whether any poison at all would be required as almost any kind of emulsion mixture will "run" or kill such pests, with the possible exception of the boll worm, as infested the cotton field. Any emulsion which will keep cotton fields free of the army worm problem, but it will never be solved where and when one farmer sprays and his neighbor

does not. In some fruit countries fruit growers are compelled, by laws, to spray regularly. In fact, many fruit tree diseases are governed and controlled by law. Even here in our own State and immediate vicinity the law governs the citrus fruit tree canker. Then why not a law governing cotton pests? Why should the greatest of all crops be left to the whims of damaging elements and be destroyed or badly hurt annually when system and concerted action can end it all in a couple of years. Tick eradication, which means so

HOME SWEET HOME

Ollie Knows When Oscar is Wound Up

by Terry Gilkison

AUTOCASTER

much for the cattlemen, was regarded impossible until the government took hold of it, but now, since it is being done concertedly, and by law, it is the simplest thing in the world, even though expensive. Goethals, or whoever it was, did not dodge a Herculean task when he tackled the yellow fever mosquito in the Canal Zone and made Panama a healthful and safe place in which to live. That was done concertedly, and by law. The eradication of the yellow fever mosquito there was as difficult then as the eradication of cotton pests would be now, and more so, because the authorities then were not aided by an abundance of intelligence, such as would attend the efforts in a war on cotton pests.

But, argument aside, it is our honest opinion that if the South is ever to rid itself of cotton pests, it will have to be done by law, just as cattle dipping and fruit tree disease control have been carried on. It would help some, of course, if the states, one by one, would pass laws which would govern the growing of cotton, but the work would be surer and more swiftly accomplished if it all were made universal. Under such a system all cotton pests can be totally eradicated just as easily as the cattle tick and, perhaps, in a much shorter time. Three years, at the most, would suffice. All newspapers please copy, with or without credit.—Bay City Tribune.

FROM VACATION TO SCHOOL

When school opens in the fall, rural children that have been playing or working out of doors should be watched rather carefully. The change from a day of physical activity to one of seven or more hours of confinement is great and may bring on an illness unless a few precautions are taken. For a short time at least, the school day might well be broken up into more than the usual number of periods and the children given frequent recesses. They should be advised to eat less heartily of strong foods during the first two weeks of school so that the physical machine, considerably slowed down as it is, may have a chance to adjust itself.

Moreover, the first assembling of large numbers of children from different homes may mean bringing in the germs of colds, measles, scarlet fever or other diseases. Proper foresight on the part of school authorities can nearly always keep these from being epidemic. The school should be the most healthful place we have for children.

CHICKENS

If you have chickens to sell, don't fail to get my prices.
81-11 J. J. JOHNSON.
Subscribe for the News today.

CARD OF THANKS

To our friends and neighbors, who during the recent illness of our little daughter, conferred favors upon us and to those sending bouquets of flowers, we wish to express our sincere thanks.
MR. AND MRS. ANTOINE STARKS.

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.

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

TWPEWRITER RIBBONS

For almost every make of machine at the News Office.

Mrs. Ed Smith returned home last week after an absence of several weeks, during which she visited in San Antonio and Cameron, Mo. She was accompanied home by her daughters, Mrs. Neal Coleman, of San Antonio, and Mrs. D. G. Brillhart and daughter, of Cameron, Mo., for a visit.

Nice screen doors and galvanized screen wire. R. Grosse. 7

Ur Wood and family came up Saturday from San Antonio for a visit in this city among relatives and friends.

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 157,680,000 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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ADVERTISING RATES
Local readers and classified ads 7 1/2 cents per line per issue. Display rates made known on application.
SUBSCRIPTION (always in advance one year) \$1.50

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

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A Golf Expert

Mother (to farmer husband who has been out with his son trying to learn to play golf)—"Well, how did you like it?"

Father—"Oh, just so so. Sometimes it seemed like hoeing weeds, other times just like digging for fish bait."

All Parts Guaranteed

Motorist—"When I bought my car you agreed to supply broken parts for ninety days."

Dealer—"Sure. What do you want?"
Motorist—"One right hand shoulder-blade, a left ear and five front teeth."

A Betting Backer

Interested Friend—"Is your wife a good cook?"
Proud Husband—"Is she?—say—I'll bet my week's salary that she is the best little can opener in the U. S. A."

Our Poor-try

There's naught so irritating,
Naught neath a lonesome star;
As to meet an age-old peanut,
In a brand-new peanut bar.

Literal Lester

Freddie—"Mother, you and dad have seasoned children, haven't you?"
Mother—"Gracious, I don't know. Why seasoned?"

Freddie—"Well, dad said us kids are full of pep and ginger."

Dum Dan Again

He bought a decanter, F. O. B.—
expecting it to be full-of-booze.

Educated

Rastus—"Mose, do you want to buy that mathematical canine o' mine?"
Moses—"Huh. Looks like an old crippled houn' dawg to me."
Rastus—"Jest so, Mose, jest so—he puts down three and carries one."

Witness Wanted

Crank—"Officer, I want that man arrested. He just gave me a nasty look."
Officer—"You've got the nasty look, all right—but if I arrest him—you'll have to prove to the judge that he gave it to you."

Confidential

Conductor—"That child looks older than six years."
Mother—"Sh-h-h, I know it. It's had an awful lot of trouble."

Quick—Like This

"Pete got fired."
"What for?"
"For good."

The One That Got Away

Tessie—"Cheer up don't be sad because she turned you down. There's other fish in the ocean."
Chestnut Charley—"Yes; but they are not all goldfish."

SOME INTERESTING AUTO FIGURES

On January first of this year, according to statistics compiled by the automotive industries of the nation there was an auto for every nine people in the United States.

California leads the nation with an auto for every four people, and the Western states hold the highest number of autos per capita. Eleven Western states register an auto for every five people, while the rest of the states show an auto for every eleven persons.

Texas' registration shows an auto for every nine people—the average of the entire nation.

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

The South seems to be suffering from an epidemic of whiptits.—Indianapolis News.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE

Thirty-five years ago the main squeeze in the King business was a very elaborate and ornate guy, whose home town was entirely occupied by himself, his wife and his slaves.

He spent all of his time, and his people's money in building himself a palace to live in—an mean shack with hundreds of rooms made of alabaster and gold and inlaid with precious stones.

When he got that done, he decided to have a place to go when he "shuffled off this mortal coil," so he put his slaves to work on a tomb, and it was some job they did.

The tomb was more elegant than the palace—the King had collected most all the gold and diamonds in the world.

But who knew about it?

Only the wives and the slaves!
A few months ago, along comes an up-to-date gink, who finds all the old King's pretty pretties, and immediately all the world knows about it; it's talked about in all the papers; million of pictures are printed; songs are sung about it; women copy the old King's clothes, and everyone everywhere knows all about King Tut.

Why?

It's the first time the King had an advertising man on the job.

Moral:

No matter how good your goods are, you have to tell your prospective customers about them.—Hooked.

Miss Lucy Vance, of Shawnee, Kansas, was scared within an inch of her life last week, because she supposed she had dropped her bundle from a train while en route to St. Paul. She notified the railroad officials of her loss, but on returning home, found her new tenants just preparing to burn the precious article, which she had failed to carry with her on the trip. The monetary value of the article consisted in the fact that she had \$7,800 sewed in it. Such ingenuity will soon force pickpockets out of business.

SOME NEWSPAPER RULES

A Texas newspaper recently issued the following rules, which explain themselves.

Fifty cents per line will be charged for all obituary notices of business men who get their job printing in another city; 25 cents per line will be charged for like notices to all business men who do not advertise; while all delinquent subscribers will be charged 15 cents per line on passing out to the New Jerusalem. Advertisers and cash subscribers will receive the best in the shop free gratis when they shuffle off.

Those who extend the paper no support whatever, and go around knocking the editor of the paper, or lambasting the community and its citizens, drop banana peelings on the sidewalk, spit like a dime or trip to sell gold bricks will be given the truth, which won't look good in print, when they give up the ghost.

Better send in your orders for job printing and advertising, pay up your subscription, get to boosting this paper and its editor and speak in glowing terms of the town and its people for an epidemic of hog cholera is said to be abroad in the community.—Chillicothe News.

DO IT WITH A CLUB!

Whether it is a baseball club, a corn, calf, or canning club, a pig, potato or poultry club, the boys and girls are learning early the value of organization. Is this not a promise that the next generation of farmers will know how to organize for success? One of the first activities of the new school year will be the formation of clubs in thousands of country schools. The wise teacher will encourage the movement knowing it to be a means of promoting regular attendance and increasing the interest in school work. In addition to one or two of the clubs mentioned every school should have a School Improvement Club in which the boys and girls can unite.

Whether wearing suspenders is a sign of crudity or of social importance is owing to whether a man wears them for comfort or a woman wears them to keep up her evening gown.—Wilmington (Del.) Evening Journal.

"COLD IN THE HEAD"

is an acute attack of Nasal Catarrh. Those subject to frequent "colds" are generally in a "run down" condition. HARRIS' CATARRH MEDICINE is a treatment consisting of an Ointment, to be used locally, and a Tonic, which acts quickly through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces, building up the System, and making you less liable to "colds." Sold by druggists for over 40 Years. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

It's the dollar banked from your wages that will make you successful—not the dollar spent from the wages. Just bear that in mind.

MASON NATIONAL BANK



From Our Early Files

From Mason News, Sept. 6, 1898:

Judge McKnight officiated at the marriage of Miss Winnie Rudder and Mr. E. A. Brookshier last Wednesday. Work will begin next Monday on the electric light plant.

The little son of R. Runge, Esq., is sick with malarial fever.

Miss Maud Boyce and Mr. John W. Hodges were married last Monday at Menardville.

Geo. Todd has sold his grocery stock to O. H. Mebus and will conduct a meat market exclusively.

Mr. Homer Bethel, of Galveston, and Miss Minnie Boyce, of London, were married Friday evening at Austin.

Clarence, the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Mebus, fell from a stairway Monday and was quite seriously hurt.

A pleasant social event was given Monday evening at the home of Mr.

and Mrs. J. F. Schaege, complimentary to Miss Suda McGill, who is a guest of Mrs. Schaege.

There were 100 prostrations and fifty deaths from the heat in New York last Saturday.

From Mason News, Sept. 4, 1908:

Miss Adelia Carter will leave shortly for San Antonio to attend school.

Mr. B. F. Doxey, aged 60 years, died Monday, at his home near Katemacy.

Mr. Cas Brown and Miss Olga Schmidt are to be married September 8th.

A number of young folks enjoyed a delightful social Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lumburg.

G. W. Lewis and family, formerly of Llano, have located in Mason for the

Editorial

Education Demands That the Rights of the Many Prevail Above the Right of the Few

Try The Rule of Reason

Perhaps no one is more familiar with the conflicting ideas of our home dwellers than the editor of this newspaper. Scarcely a day passes but he receives some criticism of the way in which the affairs of the community are run. It would take columns, and also it would be very unfair, to publish many of these communications.

The most important thing for our taxpayers to realize is that little is to be gained by simply complaining and that everything may be gained by constructive criticism if it be accompanied by an idea of how the condition complained of may be improved.

It is not a difficult matter to organize a spotless town. All it needs is a little study of the principles of community building and a reasonable amount of money. However, there seems to be the rub. The officials cannot get money out of the air. They cannot make improvements without spending money, and the spending of money means a jump in the tax rate. No one need be reminded what happens when there is talk of increased taxes. The howl echoes even throughout the county. As a fact, slight tax increases for legitimate improvements should not be deplored. Only waste of public monies should arouse our indignation. Money spent in useful public improvements is an investment not an expense. We are all stockholders in the corporation, and we always get dividends in the shape of increased value to our properties when the town adds to something of public moment. Just a little reasoning will make a good many of us much happier, and perhaps a little more prosperous.

The Exodus from American Farms

With unceasing regularity, and increasing activity the movement from the farms to the cities continues unabated. This is a situation that should be squarely faced and that should command the best of legislative thought to bring about a change.

Reports from 92 out of 154 counties in Georgia, show that 41,383 negroes have left those counties this year and that 15,760 white people also have left the farms. Including the year 1920 and to date 228,938 negroes have left the state of Georgia. Other Southern states have met like experiences.

The movement of course is in response to the call for labor in the north and to the recklessness which the competitive northerner is willing to spend his money to obtain and hold workers.

There are sporadic instances in the state of Jersey for example where builders being compelled to finish construction on time under contract have been compelled to pay as high as \$30 a day for bricklayers.

Short sighted mercenaries who are thus bidding for the man on the farms seem to do so in the very teeth of economic law. Stripping the farms is bound to spell heavy increase in the cost of city living, so in the long run both employer and workman are bound to feel the evil effect of disturbing the economic equilibrium. For the workman, the answer awaits only the passing of time, when the competition for city jobs will be keener and the uncertainty of employment more marked.

Ridicule isn't really funny unless it hits somebody whose superiority is an offense to our vanity.—Youngstown Vindicator.

The first telephone girl lives in Boston. That's probably where "Number, Please" originated.—San Antonio Light.

Correct this sentence: "Oh, do look quickly, John," cried the wife, "and see what a beautiful ankle that woman has."—Hartford Times.

Well, at least European currency encourages higher mathematics.—Dallas News.

Don't blame the French. They dura the best they know how.—San Francisco Chronicle.

The folks in the Ruhr are wondering just how the expression, "French leave," ever came to be invented.—New Haven Register.

"For every dollar spent on books \$27 are spent on chewing gum." No doubt, but then it must be remembered one can borrow books.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

The American Indian needs a lot of convincing that the Government has his welfare at heart. Yes, and even after he is convinced he will probably still have his doubts.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

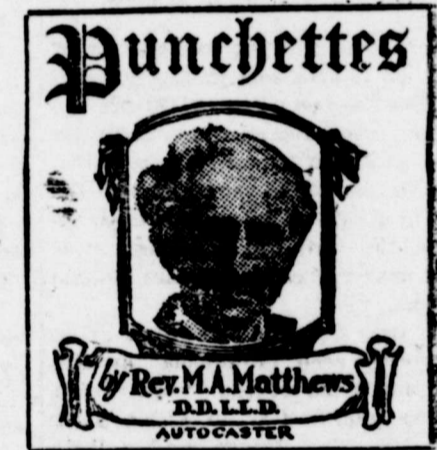
But for Prohibition it wouldn't be safe to drive on the streets and highways. On the other hand, if we had the saloons, as in the old days, there would be fewer automobiles on the streets and highways.—Toledo Blade.

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winter.

Mr. Tom Thomas and Miss Willie Benskin were married on the 19th of August. They will reside at Segovia.

Wm. Donop and family have moved to their new residence about a mile east of town and the F. W. Jenkins family will occupy the Donop residence in Gooch addition.



VOCATIONAL TRAINING

Vocational training is imperative! If the economic life of this country is to be changed for the better the boys and girls must be technically trained. Every boy should be required to master a trade. In the old days we had the system of apprenticeship. Some of the greatest mechanics the country has ever had were trained as apprentices. That day has passed. Cruel and tyrannical organizations have prevented boys from becoming apprentices. Consequently, there is a great dearth of technically trained men.

The public school curriculum was originally organized on the assumption that all pupils would continue until they had finished their college education. A very small handful ever go through college—perhaps less than ten per cent.

It might be safe to estimate that approximately 2,500,000 drop prematurely out of the public schools of America every year. This vast group get very little benefit from the purely cultural education. What they need above all else is training which will help them to get desirable employment.

Vocational education for the boys and girls who wish to enter the trades is absolutely imperative. The public schools of the country are rendering an inestimable service to the country when they insist on vocational training. Boys and girls should be equipped with trades in order that they may enter life prepared not only to support themselves, but also to become valuable contributing citizens.

There are 42,000,000 people in the United States who are reported by the Census as gainfully employed. Suppose they had a technical training? Certainly that technical training would add at least 10 cents a day to their wages, which would be \$4,200,000 daily to the pay-roll of America, or \$1,260,000,000 annually to the pay-roll of these people.

Force vocational training upon the boys and girls who drop out of school. Equip them for life. Give them a trade. America needs them.

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Woman's Missionary Society

The Woman's Missionary Society of the M. E. Church met at the home of Mrs. Robt. E. Lee with Mrs. Albert Lee and Mrs. Ben King assistant hostesses. The subject of the lesson was China.

Mrs. John T. Banks very ably lead the program giving an interesting explanation of the scripture reading after which prayer was led by Mrs. Jennie Williams.

Mrs. Otto Schmidt and Mrs. Wm. Splittgerber read interesting articles explaining some of the work being done by our Society in China after which Mrs. Carl Runge read a little story on Home Mission work.

An interesting feature of the afternoon's entertainment was a contest in which all present were asked to guess from various articles distributed thru the rooms, suggesting different countries, in what countries the M. E. Church has Missionaries. Mrs. Glenn Brillhart succeeded in winning high prize in this contest while Mrs. E. W. Schroeder was awarded the consolation prize.

A delicious salad course was served to the following members and invited guests:

Members, Mmes. Robt. Hofmann, Jim Brown, A. T. Murray, L. H. King, Jennie Williams, S. C. Brockman, Ed Smith, Ben Jordan, Will Land, Otto Schmidt, John T. Banks, Wm. Splittgerber, S. A. McCollum, John Starks, E. W. Schroeder, Howard Smith, R. G. Eader and Carl Runge.

Guests, Mmes. J. W. Lee, Glenn Brillhart, of Cameron, Mo., R. C. Runge, K. M. Eckert, Eli Jordan, C. M. Pressley, of Brownwood, Leon Mayo and Misses Bessie Grote and Edith Bellows.

Pit Party

The lovely home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Eckert was a place of much merriment last Saturday afternoon when their daughter, Miss Lillie, entertained a number of young ladies with a pit party.

Fruit punch was served throughout the afternoon by Beatrice Jordan.

Miss Russel Knolle won high score prize and Miss Ethel Dees received the consolation favor.

A delicious salad course was served to the following guests: Misses Edith Knusch, of Hollywood, California, Russel Knolle of New Orleans, Mary

Jane Puckey, Elizabeth White, Alma Mae Brazzaale, Jessie Doell, Averil Bellows, Nannie Schuessler, Ruby Jordan, Ethyl Lehmborg, Bernice Dees, Mildred Smith, Willie Mae Doell, Mmes. K. M. Eckert and F. E. Jordan.

Ladies' Aid

The Ladies Aid Society of the Christian Church will meet on Wednesday afternoon of next week at the home of Mrs. John Lemburg. Following is the program with the list of questions to be studied:

Scripture Reading—Matthews, Chapters 7 to 9 inclusive.

Questions:
When Jesus healed the palsied man what effect did it have upon the people?

What comment did the scribe make about the words of Jesus at this time?

Who was brought to Jesus when he reached his home city? What did he do?

Who did Jesus see sitting at the place of toll? What did Jesus say to him?

What comment did the Pharisees make about Jesus eating with publicans and sinners? What reply did Jesus make to this criticism?

What questions did the disciples of John (the Baptist) ask Jesus?

What reply did Jesus make to their questions?

What did the ruler who came to Jesus at this time want him to do?

Who went with Jesus to the home of the ruler?

What did they find upon reaching the home?

Who touched the garment of Jesus and was healed?

Did Jesus rebuke the party who touched his garment?

Did the cure of the ruler's daughter give Jesus any additional fame?

What appeal did the two blind men make to Jesus?

When Jesus cured the blind men what did he charge them to do?

When Jesus healed the dumb man, and the people heard the man speak, what did they say and do? Where did Jesus go next? What did he do?

When Jesus saw the multitudes what effect did it have upon him?

What did Jesus say to his disciples about the harvest?

What did Jesus tell his disciples to pray for at this time?

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NEED GLASSES?

Dr. Jones The Eye Man at Dr. McCollum's office, Wednesday, September 12th. Eyes Examined, Glasses Fitted, Headache and Eye Strain relieved. At Fredonia on 11th. 25-2tc

MARTIN-ZIEGLER WEDDING TO BE SOLEMNIZED NEXT SATURDAY

One of the most important events of the year, socially, will take place next Saturday evening when Mr. and Mrs. Max Martin of this city, give their daughter, Miss Ruth, in marriage to Mr. Thad Ziegler, of San Antonio. The wedding is to take place at the local Lutheran Church at 7 o'clock.

Following a reproduction of the invitation form, which relatives and friends of the families and contracting parties have recently received:

Mr. and Mrs. Max Martin request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Ruth to

Mr. Thad Carlton Ziegler on Saturday evening, September eighth nineteen hundred and twenty three at seven o'clock Lutheran Church Mason, Texas

75th Birthday Anniversary

Last Tuesday marked the 75th birthday anniversary of Mrs. Bertha Todd and in honor of the occasion a number of ladies gathered at her home in the afternoon to join her in celebrating. Those present included Mmes. W. H. Kuoille, Alva Tinsley, D. R. Keyser, J. P. Lyle, J. W. Gamel, Louis Schmidt, Ery Hamilton, Anna Martin, Jennie Reynolds, Rudolph Runge.

Last Thursday evening the Luther League was delightfully entertained at the home of Rev. and Mrs. M. Heinrich. Various games were played and delicious refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. White and daughter, Miss Elizabeth and son Walker, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom White went to San Antonio Monday morning. They returned home Wednesday without Walker who went on to North Carolina to attend school.

Misses Thelma and Ernice Awalt who have been attending the summer session of the State University, arrived home Sunday. Miss Thelma states she will return to Austin to attend the next term of the University, but Miss Ernice will be one of the teachers in the Peters Prairie school this year.

Dr. and Mrs. O. H. Richardson, of Austin, were week-end visitors in the home of Mrs. Richardson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Carter.

Miss Mamie Smith left Saturday for Gilmer, Texas, where she will teach Latin and Home Economics in the Gilmer High School this year.

Miss Dewey Brown has ordered the News sent to her at Junction where she will teach during the coming term of school.

Miss Louise Latham left Saturday for San Antonio where she will fill a position as teacher in one of the schools in that city.

FINE "CAPPY RICKS" CAST

A cast unusual for even a Paramount production, is seen in "Cappy Ricks," the Thomas Meighan vehicle which comes to the Star Theater Saturday next with Agnes Ayres, who is a Paramount star, plays the leading feminine role, that of Florrie Ricks. Charles Abbe, veteran actor of stage and screen who created the role of Cappy Ricks in Peter B. Kyne's play, has the same role in the picture. John Sainpolis plays Skinner, Paul Everton is seen as the unfortunate Captain Kendall; Hugh Cameron as Murphy, Eugenie Woodward, Mrs. Peasley; Ivan Linow as Captain Peterson and others almost as well known.

THE HOME GUARDS

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Indiscretions of Judge Van Brunt

By H. IRVING KING

It was near the middle of the afternoon when that eminent jurist, Robert Van Brunt—commonly called Judge Van Brunt from the fact of his having once occupied a position as "Judge" on the "Cotton"—pouched his bell, and his old dog, Celia Crandal, made her appearance from the little room off the judge's private office, where she kept her typewriter and transmitted from her shorthand notes the wit and wisdom usually delivered by her employer. Celia was an extremely pretty young lady, but she might have been as "sumptuous as a hedge fence" for all the effect her personal appearance had on the judge. She was efficient—that was all that was worthy of a thought of the great man. Had the judge noticed he might have seen that Celia's usually pleasant and serene face bore an expression of distress and perturbation, and her eyes suggested that she might have been crying a little. But the judge did not notice. He would have as soon thought of looking for traces of emotion on the polished surface of the mahogany cabinet in the corner. "Hem, ah, hem," said the judge as Celia with pencil and notebook took her place in the chair reserved for her on such occasions, and he began to dictate the minutes for a brief which he proposed to demote the "learned brother" on the other side and astonish the court with his amplitude of legal wisdom. "There," said he at length, "that will be all today. Shut the door behind you. I shall have a client with me the rest of the afternoon. Leave your typewriter copy on your desk when you go. I will get it myself later." Celia finished her work just as afternoon hours were over. She would have finished sooner if she had kept her mind on it. But her mind was continually wandering to a letter she had received that morning, which lay in its opened envelope at one side of her desk. Several times she took the letter out, read it over and placed it back with a sigh. Finally, her task being done, she arranged the copy for the judge in a neat stack, closed her typewriter, put on her hat, picked up the disturbing envelope and went out by the door leading to the entrance hall. Shortly afterward the judge, having dismissed his client, opened up, took up the stack of copy and went back to his own desk to read it over. He read it page by page, laying each page upon a pile of papers on top of the typewriter. The personal afforded him unalloyed pleasure. He was surprised himself at the revealed profundity of his own mind. "This point was decided in the affirmative by Lord Chancellor Eldon in the case of Holt vs. Durray (see 10, Ves. 19), and such has been the uniform—"

he too old to marry again? Poo! he was only sixty in the prime of life. He wondered how old Celia was—under thirty, he should guess. But what then? He would not be the first man to marry a wife much younger than himself. Nor the last, either, if it came to that. He did not finish reading his brief that day, but stacked the sheets together just as he had found them, slipped the letter in between them and placed the copy back on Celia's desk, where Celia, to her surprise, found it, apparently undisturbed, when she arrived next morning, and from which, after a search of her desk, she discovered the missing letter, the discovery of the absence of which from the envelope, which she had taken home, had caused her considerable perturbation. The judge heard her moving about in her room and touched his bell. "Miss Crandal," said the crafty old lawyer, "you may bring me the notes of the brief I dictated to you yesterday. I do not have time to go over them last night." Celia went for and came back with the papers, the judge looking at her approvingly as she made the transit. Decidedly she was a maiden much to be desired! Van Brunt was a man of decision. Having decided, he acted. "Miss Crandal," said he "you have been a very efficient stenographer to me, and I have decided to offer you another position. I am not what you might call a very young man, but—" "Oh, judge!" broke in Celia; "it is awfully kind of you to offer me a better position, but I was just going to tell you that I must leave your employ at the end of the month!" "May I ask why?" said the judge, frowning into a judicial manner. "Well," replied Celia, "the fact is I am going to be married." "And the fortunate man's name?" inquired Van Brunt. "Mr. Charles Garrison," said Celia, "a young man in my home town. I received a letter from him this morning which settled the matter." "Indeed! That will be all just now," said the judge. And Celia had, in fact, in the first mail received a letter from Charles in which he stated laughingly to the ringer which assigned him to Jenny Carpenter and declared that if Celia did not at once name the day he would come on there and get her and name it himself. Celia was never absolutely sure that she had missed an opportunity to become Mrs. Van Brunt, but from the judge's manner, and his remark about his age, she had a shrewd suspicion.

REVEALED IN THE TEACUP

Position and Arrangement of Leaves Betrayed by Some Truthfully Foretold Future.

The art of forecasting future events from the position and arrangement of tea leaves in one's cup is a mysterious lore which originated in the highlands of old Scotland. It is idle to speculate as to whether it is truth or twaddle that is foretold, but there is a certain fascination about the teller of fortunes, asserts the Kansas City Star. If two spoons accidentally fall in one saucer there soon will be a wedding in the family. Bubbles that rise to the top of the tea indicate kisses or money. If round the edge of the cup, kisses; if in the center, money. To insure success in love and fortune these should be sipped up before they vanish. A leaflet floating on the top indicates a stranger. If short, thick and hard, your visitor will be a short man. If long and thin, then a tall, thin person may be expected. A lot of old tea leaves floating about on the top of the tea means worry. Gather them all up in a spoon and the worries will be slight ones. Naming Rotten Row. "Rotten Row" is an ugly name, but it is that given to London's most fashionable driveway. The curious part of it is that this homely appellation, misplaced as it obviously is, was born of one of the most beautiful phrases in the French language. When the Normans populated England after the invasion of 1066, they gave French names to many locations and places. So they named the driveway through London park "Route de Roi" (Route of the King), because it led to the royal palace. The Londoners found it difficult to pronounce the name, and "Route de Roi" degenerated into "Rotten Row". Rotten Row is one of London's show places. It leads to Buckingham Palace from Hyde Park. It is the center of interest from a special standpoint, as it is the favorite drive of nobles. On Sundays the church driving is a brilliant spectacle. Adventure of Whaling. The history of whaling is, indeed a repetition of the theme of success leading to failure. There are still few Longfellow, will remember that there were Scandinavian whalers in

the days of King Alfred. In the Middle Ages the seamen of the Fiscoy ports fished the bay for whales, and so profitably that there were after a while no more to kill. In the Seventeenth century English and Dutch sailors established an Arctic fishery. After a hundred years it began to decline. Before it failed the great whaling grounds in the southern hemisphere were developed. In the middle of last century more than 700 American ships were hunting the sperm whale. Thirty years later there was not a quarter of this fleet engaged, and now one of the firms which made whaling history in those days has gone out of business altogether. Beer Displaces Sake in Japan. Beer is rapidly replacing sake as the national drink of Japan. While there has been no appreciable increase in the output of the distilleries which produce sake, the increase in the amount of beer brewed is very marked. Ten years ago 21,288 koku of beer were brewed; last year the consumption was 765,027 koku. Sake still is used on ceremonial occasions, but beer is the more popular beverage. Wren's Peculiar Nesting Place. One morning the milkman informed me that the milk can contained quite a number of small twigs, says S. W. Dyde, writing in St. Nicholas. Assuming that a neighbor boy had been having a bit of a lark at our expense, I washed out the can and put it back in its place. Next morning, however, the twigs were repeated. So I decided to post myself where I could watch what went on. To my astonishment, I saw a mother wren hop up briskly with a twig in her mouth and perch on the brim of the can. She was evidently taken aback to find that the can was quite empty, notwithstanding her labors of the day before, and proceeded to examine the vessel carefully outside and in. Though she did not find a clue to the mystery, she resolved to try again, and her persistence was rewarded. She undertook to carry twigs one by one and drop them in the can until she had finally filled it to the top. Then she borrowed her way to the bottom, built her nest, and succeeded during the season, in raising her little family. Remot to Poise of Elders. In his mental habits a child will reflect the poise or instability of his parents and elders in the household; he reacts to the atmosphere in which he lives, and lack of harmony between parents tells quickly on their children, says a writer in the Chicago Daily News. A very small child may suddenly change from a happy, smiling one to a pouting, irritable one when brought into a room where his parents were talking over a disagreement. The mental growth and health of children has an important bearing on their physical development and parents should strive to give them this care and guidance. They should avoid contaminating the child with bad mental habits just as they would protect him from contagious disease. Children and Poetry. It is the music of words, the sheer poetry of lyrics, that pleases a child above everything and when, besides this, his imagination is fired by grasping the sense of the words, he is, in truth, enjoying poetry and building for himself a secret world of solace and delight that only poetry can give, and nothing else can equal. And it is because of this solace and delight that we must encourage in children a love of poetry.—"Tel," in the Saturday Review. She Landed Him. According to tradition, Marc Antony, while on a fishing party with Cleopatra, had expert divers put large fish on his hook. The original vase was wise. She had one of her divers place a salt fish on his hook and the episode caused a big laugh at the Egyptian country club. Last summer a youth tried it in the lake on a damsel, who thinks pretty well of her angling ability. But he got tangled in her hair. She hooked his clothes and actually brought him to the surface, landed a fish, so to speak. They were married soon after. Now she is telling a few select friends she is sorry she didn't throw him back. Books People Like Best. According to the circulating department of the Beach Pratt library, Baltimore, instead of an increase in demand for love stories and poetry in the springtime, as might be supposed, there is a heavy call for books on gardening. Therefore, says Edward Worth, assistant, the library has got up a list of books for its readers, telling how to grow everything from asters to sinias and asparagus to sitwa, the latter a Chinese watermelon particularly luscious for preserving.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Marriage License. Mr. Robert Lee Dobb and Miss Fattie Annaline Walker, September 3rd. Births. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Beach, a girl, born August 29th. SIX MARRIED COUPLES IN THIS NEW COMEDY. There are six married couples represented in the cast of "In Matrimony a Failure?" the new Paramount special comedy, directed by James Cruze which comes to the Star Theatre next Friday night. As suggested by the title, this is a comedy of matrimonial errors and although the picture presents and discusses in a highly humorous vein, the question, it doesn't attempt to answer it, but closes, as it begins, with a large interrogation point. The six families are played by the following well-known screen-artists: T. Roy Barnes and Lila Lee, Lois Wilson and Walter Hiers, Ezra Pitts and Arthur Hest Elliott Lighton and Tully Marshall, Sylvia Ashton and Otis Harlan and Charles Ogle and Ethel Wales. In addition to these there are several other important characters, which make this cast one of the largest assemblages of screen luminaries ever seen. The stage success, "The Open Door" was the basis for this new comedy, which was dramatized by Walter Woods. The family of Mr. and Mrs. Max Martin moved into their new home the first of this week. What Happy Day. There are certainly a lot of interesting and amusing stories about every one who has driven a car that was about five years out of date and somewhat shabby in the engine with appreciate the following: "I am certainly getting a lot of pleasure out of that old car of mine now," Brown announced at the office. "Well, that's swell," Curtis commented. "How come?" "I've sold the old boat!" Brown calmly explained. Almost One Week. A colored woman on her deathbed: "And husband, I have one request to make of you." "Name it, what is it?" "I've sure to die." "Name it, what is it?" "I've sure to die." "Name it, what is it?" "I've sure to die." "Name it, what is it?" "I've sure to die." We Gladly Stand Witness. She—When you asked me to be your wife you deliberately deceived me. He—In what way, Martha? She—You told me you were well off. He—Well, I may have said it, Martha, but I didn't know how well off I was at that time.—Illustrated Dispatch. Why No Wine Lovers. A Chicago boy's mother asked him why he was so late. "Cause there was a man plumb out standing wood," he said, "and carrying a house on fire and knocking down fire policemen, and mother said me to run!" "I've sure to die."

FACTS ABOUT "SEA ANIMALS"

Interesting Information Given by Writer—Oysters and Their Enemies—Limpet's Homing Instinct. In "Animals of the Sea," F. Martin Duncan, F. Z. S., tells the reader that young oysters enjoy but 48 hours freedom as moving creatures; then they settle down for life. Among the oyster's enemies is the starfish. An invasion of "five-fingers" will sometimes destroy a whole bed of oysters in a single night. Some most interesting points gleaned from this book include: The female lobster has been known to produce 100,000 eggs at a time. Limpets go on traveling expeditions at night, but by a wonderful homing instinct, return to exactly the same spot on their "home" rock. Whelks have from 220 to 250 teeth each, the whole possesses a set of 2,500, but the double outfit of the "Umbrella Shell" is 700,000 teeth. The sea urchin has four different kinds of spines, each with a specialized function; weapons, poison-bearers, "chewers" and cleaners. A giant clam will weigh 500 pounds. A 34-pound ling was found to possess 24,000,000 eggs. Fall in Love After Marriage. Yu Ling-Tang, the Chinese scholar, said at a Boston dinner party: "You Americans let your young people fall in love, and afterward they marry. We Chinese, on the other hand, marry our young people, and let them afterward get acquainted. You put your ways to ours, and certainly your way does produce the most divorces." "The two ways," Mr. Ling-Tang went on, "might be compared to two kettles of water. The first kettle—yours—is taken at boiling point from the fire by marriage, and it cools off very rapidly. The second—ours—is a kettle of cold water which marriage puts on the fire, and over afterward it keeps getting warmer and warmer, so that, at the end of 50 years or so, all Chinese couples are really in love."—Rehearsal Sunday Herald. Odd Method of "Sowing." Rosa Bonheur used to say that her youth was one of great poverty; therefore she would add some droll stories about the family method of regulating finances. The studio was a collection of odds and ends and M. Bonheur knew how to turn that disorder to account. When he received money for his work he would take a handful of coins and throw it at random about the room. Then in times of stress, when there was apparently not a coin left in the house, the entire family would set to work searching in nooks and corners. Sometimes they would find a five-franc piece, and that would ward off starvation. What He Wondered. The happy family were seated around the table eating their dinner when Bobby, the youngest son, broke the silence by asking: "Dad, could a measuring worm measure the inside of your stomach?" "Why do you ask such a silly question while we are eating?" spoke the father. "Oh, nothing; only I just wondered if that one that was on the lettuce you just ate would measure your stomach." News Want Ads bring results. MASON'S GREATEST NEED—A MODERN HOTEL.

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A Real Test for President Coolidge



President Calvin Coolidge's test came at the end of his first cabinet meeting when he went out on the White House lawn to face a battalion of veteran newspaper men. He proved he could smile and indulge in amiable chatter. Photo shows him with the newsmen, who stamped him "regular feller."

An Old New England Feud

By H. IRVING KING

Between the families of Vaughan and Capron a feud existed. It had originated from a dispute over a boundary line fence and a stray cow a hundred years or so before and had been carefully treasured as a family inheritance by the descendants of the original disputants. Both families were wealthy and prominent in the community, and the acres which surrounded their ancestral mansions were contiguous.

When John Capron, the last of the name, died, his widow, who had, of course, taken over the Capron feud when she took the Capron name, was strict in her injunctions to her ten-year-old daughter, Louise, that she should never have anything to do with the twelve-year-old boy next door, Clinton Vaughan, son and heir of Judge Marshall Vaughan, and threatened to discharge any servant who conspired at even a speaking acquaintance between the children. Nevertheless, in spite of this prohibition, or, perhaps, because of it, the two children took occasional chances of being together, stealing away into the woods, where they met in a secluded glen to play at being Indians and "daring" each other with regard to climbing trees. They had some tumultuous childish quarrels, too, as was fitting for a Capron and a Vaughan, on which occasions Clinton would say, "Your great-grandfather stole my great-grandfather's cow."

Louise would retort, "Your great-grandfather stole my great-grandfather's woodlot. So there!" They may have missed a generation or two, but the statements were substantially correct as the feudists understood the case. When missed and reclaimed from these secret meetings the children were invariably punished and sent to bed without supper by indignant parents, which procedure only served to set Clinton and Louise plotting and planning for another meeting.

When Louise was twelve the Widow Capron closed the old house and departed with her daughter for wider fields than were afforded by the staid New England community. Years passed, and then one day the old Capron mansion was opened again and the aged widow and her daughter returned to the long-deserted place. It

was rumored that Mrs. Capron had dissipated the considerable fortune her husband had left her in extravagant living and European travel; that the old house and its attached acres were all that was left, and that only because it had been left to Louise in trust, to become hers at her twenty-fifth birthday or upon her marriage.

Meantime old Judge Vaughan had died a widower and his son Clinton, a rising young lawyer, reigned in his stead. Several times there had been rumors of Louise's marriage, once to a great foreign nobleman, but she returned to her childhood home still single and a most charming and beautiful young lady. Clinton Vaughan, also, was still unmarried. Neighbors whispered that it would be romantic if the heiress of the Caprons and the heir of the Vaughns should wed and end the ancient feud. But there was grim old Mrs. Capron, standing like a rock, firm upon the base of family traditions; and by the terms of her husband's will if Louise married without her mother's consent the property passed to distant relatives. Soon after the return of the Caprons Louise and Clinton met in the street of the little village.

It was Louise who broke the ice by advancing with outstretched hand and saying, "I believe you are Clinton Vaughan. Had you not been pointed out to me I doubt if I should have known you, so many years have passed since we met. And I am Louise Capron. Do you remember how we used to steal away to play Indian?" "And climb trees?" replied Clinton. "Remember? I should say I did." "And the stolen cow?" said Louise. "And the purloined woodlot?" replied Clinton. And they laughed and chatted, just as if there were no such thing as a family feud.

"I would ask you to call and talk over old times," said Louise as they parted. "Only—Isn't it too absurd! Mother is still sitting up nights with that fatal cow and that calamitous woodlot."

They met rather frequently after that and even went horseback riding together once or twice. "I suppose we ought to be sent to bed without our supper tonight, as we used to be," laughed Louise upon their return from the first of these equestrian expeditions. Old Mrs. Capron knew of these meetings—there were servants and neighbors to tell her—but she held her peace—at which Louise, who realized that her mother must know, was puzzled.

Then, one day, the old lady suddenly said, "Louise, tell that Vaughan fellow to call—I want to talk to him."

Had the two big chimneys of the old house tumbled down together, Louise

could not have been more astonished. But she only said, "Yes, mother," and conveyed the summons to Clinton. He and Louise held consultation. What was in the wind? Did the old lady want to quarrel or make up? The fact was that Mrs. Capron did want to quarrel!—she loved a quarrel. But dearly as she loved a quarrel, she loved her own ease and comfort better, and she was about at the end of her financial resources. Without financial

resources, she rightly considered, ease and comfort—and by comfort she meant luxuries—were unattainable.

Therefore when Clinton had been brought before her, and Louise, at her mother's command, had left the room, the old lady said: "My late husband little thought that a Vaughan would ever stand as a guest under this roof. I wonder it does not tumble about my sinful head for bringing this meeting about. But age and misfortune have conquered me. Young man, are you in love with my daughter?" Clinton eagerly assented. "Can you support her—and me—in a suitable manner?" The young man clearly proved that he could. "Well, then, win her if you can," said she. "Leave me here in this house and take your bride to your own—and let me see as much of Louise and as little of you as possible."

Louise and Clinton were married three months later. Mrs. Capron lived in luxurious comfort for the rest of her days and was never tired of telling of the great sacrifice she had made in allowing her daughter to marry a Vaughan.

SAILED OCEAN FOR CENTURY

Whaling Vessel Had Long Life Before She Met Her Fate Amid the Ice of the Arctic.

The firm of J. and W. R. Wing of New Bedford has gone out of business. The announcement means little to the present generation, but when the whaling industry was at its height the flag of the house of Wing, a letter "W" on a field of white and a red ball on a field of blue, was known on the seven seas.

Twenty-five ships sailed under the Wing flag. Most of them met a tragic end, says London Tit-Bits. The John Dawson, after making a dozen voyages to the whaling grounds, was lost in a storm off Panama. The bark Kathleen was in service from 1857 to 1902, when she was rammed by a whale and went down off the South American coast. Several other vessels were crushed in the Arctic ice.

The bark Triton, a veteran of exciting experiences before the Wings bought her, was in the whaling business for a hundred years before the Arctic ice finally caught her.

In 1846 she was attacked by natives of a South sea island at which she had touched. The crew rallied to the defense with whaling guns, harpoons and lances, but five of their number were killed and seven wounded before two Nantucket ships came up and rescued them.

During the Civil war there was both perilous and profitable work for the whalers. Confederate cruisers, particularly the Shenandoah and the Alabama, were raiding northern shipping. The Wings were advised to put their ships under the British flag. "I'll send my ships out under the Stars and Stripes if every one is lost," declared William Wing.

He did, and only one of them was captured. The Shenandoah overtook the ship Brunswick in the Arctic in 1865 and burned her. Oil brought home by the 14 Wing vessels then in the trade gave the firm a profit of \$300,000 in the Civil war period.

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

Miss Willie Mae Lange left the first of the week for her home in Cisco, following a visit in this city with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Lange, and among other local relatives and friends.

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Experts of the U. S. Wheat Council and U. S. Chamber of Commerce, who met in Chicago last week, aim for more money for wheat growers by curtailing production thru encouraging crops diversity. Standing, left to right, A. J. Brosseau; Pres. O. E. Bradford, American Farm Bureau; Wm. H. Dean, Agricultural Director; Grosvenor Dawe, U. S. Wheat Council; John M. Redpath, Research Director; seated, Cong. Sydney Anderson of Minnesota, Pres. of Wheat Council.



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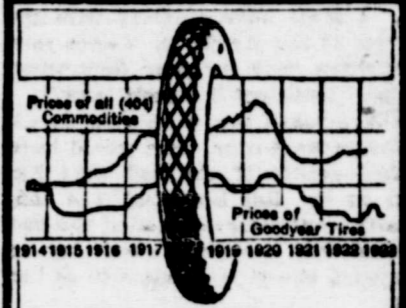
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GOODYEAR

LADY WAS IN A BAD FIX FROM NERVOUS INDIGESTION

Bloxli, Miss.—"I had, for a year or more, nervous indigestion, or some form of stomach trouble," says Mrs. Alonzo Ford, 1117 Clay Street, this city. "The water I drank at that time seemed to constipate me. I would suffer until I got so nervous I wanted to get down on the floor and roll. I felt like I could tear my clothes."

"Every night, and night after night, I had to take something for a laxative, and it had to be kept up nightly. My side would pain. I looked awful. My skin was sallow and seemed spotted. I would look at my hands and arms, and the flesh looked lifeless."

"I happened to get a Birthday Almanac, so I told my husband I would try the Black-Draught, which I did. I took a few big doses. I felt much better. My liver acted well. I made a good, warm tea and drank it that way. Soon I found

that nervous, tight feeling was going, as was the pain in my side. I found I did not have to take it every night. Soon, after a few weeks, I could leave it off for a week or so, and I did not suffer with constipation. . . I gained flesh. I have a good color, and believe it was a stubborn liver, and that Black-Draught did the work."

"I went to my mother's (Mrs. Deeters) one day, and she wasn't well at all. . . I told her we'd try Black-Draught. We did, and now she keeps it to take after eating. It certainly helped her, and we neither will be without it in our homes. It is so simple, and the dose can be regulated as the case may be. We use small doses after meals for indigestion, and larger doses for headache or bad liver."

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One day last week Mr. L. G. Rich, head of the Agronomy department of the John Tarleton College at Stephenville, was in Mason. Mr. Rich spent several hours in our city advertising the Junior A. & M. College and left literature regarding the school at some of the most frequented business houses of the town.

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The Brownwood Banner-Bulletin announces the estimated cotton crop of Brown county for this year will be in the neighborhood of 15,000 bales.

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

Murray Kyger who has been attending business college in Austin the past few months, returned home last Friday.

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C. A. LANG GROCERY STORE TOTAL LOSS FROM FIRE

A disastrous fire visited the business section of Llano Monday evening, totally destroying the grocery stock of C. A. Lang and the building and fixtures which belonged to H. E. Hedeman. The flames spread to the two adjoining buildings, which were warehouses of the Buttery Hardware Company and F. Hackworth & Sons, doing considerable damage to both the buildings and stocks. Most of the damage to the stocks in the warehouses was done by the water used in the work of checking the flames.

The loss will run anywhere between six and ten thousand dollars. All of which is covered or partially covered by insurance with the exception of the Hackworth property, which was not insured.

The fire was discovered in the Lang store shortly before seven o'clock by L. C. Callaway and wife, who happened to be passing the building. The alarm was turned in at once and within a few minutes the fire fighters were on the job.

Extra good work was done in the way of saving the adjoining buildings, for the flames were well under way before the water was ever turned on them. Then another handicap was encountered at first on account of the water pressure being very light. One hydrant was only partially turned on at first, and was afterwards so discovered, when the full force was turned through it. This fault was caused by someone turning on the hydrant who was not familiar with them. Shortly after the big pumps at the power house were turned on, a bearing was burned out, and it was necessary to fall back on the stand pipe pressure, which is very good, but cannot produce the pressure that the three big pumps can give when they are in operation.

Owing to the dense smoke and the further fact that it was hard to get water to the flames, it was remarkable that the fire did not do more damage.

At one time, when the wind came up for a few minutes and the blaze was high above the top of the building, it looked as though the entire eastern part of the block, including John Orr Wholesale Grocery store and S. D. Rainier & Company's business might become a victim to the high leaping flames.

By eight o'clock the fire was under perfect control with only a small blaze visible along the floor of the destroyed building.

It was one of the worst fires that Llano has experienced in many years with the exception of the Don Carlos which was consumed in flames last February.—Llano News.

CHICKENS

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AUGUST 25 COTTON REPORT—TEX

Every district in the State has suffered a reduction in condition since the July 25 cotton report according to the estimate of the U. S. Division of Crop Estimates. An average condition of 55 1/2 per cent is reported which is 16 points below that of a month ago. However, it is usual for the crop to show a reduction of 11 points in condition during August, and had the decrease been no more than this the forecast of production would have remained at 4,075,000 bales as indicated on July 25. But with a reduction of 16 points, or 5 points in excess of the 10-year average decrease, the forecast is 3,722,000 equivalent bales and an average of 127 pounds of lint.

Gates' Super-Tread Tires and Tread Tubes. Sold by Otto Schmidt. 131f

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Mr. and Mrs. Alba Johns left last Friday for Sherman, where they will make their home. The News regrets to report Mr. and Mrs. Johns leaving the Pontotoc community. They have a host of friends who extend them their best wishes for success and happiness in their new surroundings at Sherman.

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

WINNERS ARE NAMED A. AND M. SHORT COURSE

A full house Friday night greeted the announcement of prize winners and presentation of prizes at the Fourteenth Annual Farmers' Short Course, A. and M. College of Texas.

There was much enthusiasm on the occasion and the winners were greeted with cheers or rather demonstrations of pleasure at their success. The annual clothing pageant was the first number on the program. The girls, appearing singly on the stage, exhibited their clothes, told their names, and the amount the material in their dresses cost. This was first done in the school dress exhibits and then in the dress costume exhibits. The audience seemed much impressed with the dresses. Bonnie Johnson of Dallas county was the first prize winner in the school costumes, receiving a sewing machine. In the dress costume contest Helen Richards of Bosque county was first, getting a sewing machine. Williamson county stood first in the State grain judging contest, winning the silver cup offered as a prize. In the poultry judging contests, 50 counties being represented, Dallas county came first in the contest on judging standard breeds, winning as a prize a silver loving cup. Williamson county was second in this contest and Lubbock third. In the judging of utility birds the winning county was Brown, the prize being a silver loving cup given by F. W. Kazmeier. Four trips to the Oklahoma Fat Stock Show were offered as prizes to the four boys making the highest scores in live stock judging. The boys winning those prizes were Harold Schmidt, Mason county; Lee Haraloh, Wilson county; Albert Surrecka, Williamson county; and Timothy Paulsel, Frio county.

Bread Making Contests

In the women's contest on bread and biscuit making, Mrs. Lester Taylor, Grimes county, was first prize winner, receiving a congoleum art seal rug. Mrs. J. H. Juvenal, Williamson county, was second. Mrs. Nick Aikin, Denton county, was third. In the girls yeast bread contest Patsy Aiken, Denton county, was first, receiving a willow rocker and two Pyrex loaf pans. Annie Pakin, Wheeler county, was second. Pauline Harkins of Cass county was third. There were 38 contestants from 28 counties. A calf club show outfit valued at \$7.50 was awarded Louise Caliccate, Nueces county, for making the highest score in judging beef cattle.

Buttonhole Contests

In the girls' buttonhole contest Annie Lou Mason of Palo Pinto county stood first and was awarded a gold thimble. Mavis J. Whitaker, Nolan county, came second and received a subscription to Good Housekeeping. Hazel Pilcher Grayson county, came third and received a silver thimble. Among the women, Mrs. S. A. Workman, Wise county, was first winner in working buttonholes, and received a handsome purse. Mrs. Homer French of Jefferson county was second. Mrs. J. S. Johnson, Grimes county, was third.

Interest Was Great

The work of the farm men, women, boys and girls attending the fourteenth annual Farmers Short Course at A. and M. College of Texas reached its end Friday. The work ended in competitions for the purpose of keeping the various groups keenly interested in their subjects during the entire week. Those judging poultry and livestock, canning, cooking or sewing have had constantly before them all the time the contests that would decide finally the best individual and the best teams.

Sessions Friday

The general session Friday morning was addressed by Dr. G. S. Fraps, State Chemist, who discussed the food value of fertilizer to the soil, adaptability of the selected variety, and problems regarding the decrease in cost and the increase in quality. Rev. E. L. Earp, Drew Seminary, Madison, New Jersey, also took part on the program.

Canning Contest

The state canning contest for club girls was held Friday under the supervision of Miss Mary Jessie Stone, district home demonstration agent, and the state livestock judging contest for club boys was conducted under the supervision of S. C. Evans, state club boys' agent.

Outstanding Events

Outstanding events in the last day's program at the Farmers' Short Course held at the A. and M. College of Texas

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Friday were the state clothing contest for club girls, the club girls' canning contest, the state livestock judging contest for club boys, and an address on community leadership which was delivered in the morning session by Rev. E. L. Earp, sociologist of Drew Seminary, Madison, New Jersey. Preparatory to beginning the final classes and contests Friday morning a most enthusiastic and inspiring testimonial meeting was held by the boys and girls in Gulen Hall as an expression of their appreciation and enjoyment of the work that is being done for their benefit over the state. Short snappy speeches from leaders of groups and outstanding individuals, pep demonstrations and songs were features of the meeting. Speaking before the general session Friday morning, Rev. Earp briefly reviewed his previous talk on class consciousness as leading up to the subject for the day which was community leadership, and referred to the demonstration of Brazos County Day when more than 2,500 people were present as an example of community leadership. He emphasized the importance of having a leader in each community and

said that the people must have a vision of what society is capable of becoming and must see the community as a great social factor.

Writers' Elect

At the concluding session of the Agricultural Writers' conference Friday morning the following new officers were elected for the coming year: Mrs. Phebe K. Warner, Claude, president; Marsh Holland, Dallas, vice-president and A. D. Jackson, College Station, secretary. An important address of the afternoon was that given before the Extension Workers' conference by M. E. Hays of Dallas, secretary of the State Farm Bureau, on the co-operation of the district, county and home demonstration agents with the farm bureau.—Extension Service Farm News.

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FOR SALE—An upright piano. First class condition in every way. Apply to Eddie Lindsay.

HAULING WANTED—Am making tri-weekly trips between Mason and San Antonio with my truck and self. Freight both ways. Can also make special trips when notified a few days ahead. Handle any kind of freight, including livestock. Phone No. 7. John Meichenant.

REWARD—For the return of diamond and wedding ring taken from ladies rest room at court house Monday, Aug. 20th, Brady, Texas. Returns or notify Mrs. L. Robert Malone, Brownwood, Texas, Box 192. No questions asked.

FOR SALE—Hibdon place opposite Southern Hotel for \$2000; easy terms if sold this month. Write Mrs. Tom Hibdon, San Saba, Texas.

FOR SALE—Kitchen safe with glass doors. Price \$10. See E. F. Willmann 2p

FOR SALE—Oil stove, kitchen cabinet, wooden bedstead, library table. See Mrs. L. F. Jordan.

HELP WANTED—I want a woman to do house work and look after children during school term. Would consider man and his wife. Apply to J. L. Bruce, Mason, Texas.

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

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

CATTLEMEN—When in need of backing aggression, please call or write for my prices. Arthur W. Kothmann, Gastell, Texas.

ROOM AND BOARD—Can accommodate several children during the school term. Good rates. Apply to Mrs. Alfred Gibe.

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

Gay Green, who has been a student at the State University at Austin the past few months, returned home last Sunday. He expects to return to Austin this fall to attend the regular term.

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CHURCH NOTICES

BAPTIST CHURCH
The News has been requested to announce Rev. Z. E. Parker, of Brownwood, will be in Mason to hold services at the local Baptist church next Sunday. Both morning and evening services will be held and the public is extended an invitation to attend.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Services Sunday. All are welcome to come.
J. J. RAY, Pastor.

GERMAN METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday School every Sunday at 10 a. m.—Harry Pionoske, Supt.
Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. (except 4th Sunday at 11 a. m.)
Prayer Meeting every Tuesday night at 8 p. m.
English services on 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays at night.
REV. J. W. A. WITT, Pastor.

SPECIAL RALLY SERVICE
At M. E. Church, South, in Mason, Sunday night, Sept. 9th.
The service will begin promptly at 7:45. A good time for all. Come early and get a good seat.
ROY G. RADER, P. C.

BIG RURAL CHURCH PROGRAM
At Fredonia, Texas, September 15th. A good program of music and speaking will begin at 9:30 a. m. In addition to the local talent, there will be several visiting speakers from Mason, Brady

GRASSHOPPER INVESTIGATIONAL WORK

(Continued from first page)

Insect control information from the Extension Entomologist, who functions through the various County Agricultural Agents.

There are certain facts relating to the life history and habits of insects that should prove of interest as well as a help to farmers who are desirous of protecting their crops against the ravages of the multitude of injurious insect life; not all insects should be looked upon as being injurious, on the other hand, there are hords of beneficial insects, some of whose habits are either parasitic or of a predaceous nature whose service to mankind may not well be diseased with. It has been found that if it were not for the helpful service rendered by these beneficial insects the world would soon be filled with nothing but insect life. A good example of the parasitic forms which aid largely in grasshopper control, are "Tachina Flies" and certain species of "Flesh Flies". Quoting in part from Blatchley's Orthoptera of North-Eastern America; Tachina flies are mostly of a grey color, and resemble large house flies. In fields where hoppers are abundant, one of these flies may be seen hovering over a large specimen, awaiting a favorable opportunity to deposit one or more of its eggs on the neck or beneath the wing. These eggs hatch into larvae, or maggots which eat their way into the body of the hopper. There they seem to avoid the most vital parts, but feed upon the fatty secretions stored up for future use of the reproductive organs. Hoppers so affected, have a soft flabby body and can often be readily caught by the hand. They never mate and perish much sooner than the healthy unaffected individuals. Certain flesh flies attack hoppers in much the same manner as do tachina flies and their maggots are often found existing as true parasites upon the vitals of Orthopterous insects. When the maggots of these flies become full grown, they burrow through the body wall of the hopper and drop to the ground, where they enter the earth and pass through the pupal stage from which they emerge as fully winged insects, ready for attack upon a new generation of hoppers.

There are several species of blister beetles (sometimes called potato beetles) which are very common in this section this year. The eggs of the blister beetles are laid in the ground in late summer, the larvae soon hatch and move actively about in search of food in the form of egg masses of other insects, including those of the grasshopper. Many of the ground beetles feed both in their larval and mature stages on hopper eggs. Higher in the scale of animal life are many forms which are among the best friends the farmer possesses, yet many of them he destroys on sight, through ignorance of their beneficial habits. Chief among these are snakes, moles, toads, skunks and lizards. More than one hundred species of birds are known to use as food, either the young or full grown individuals of the hopper family.

Destroying the eggs is a preventive measure which is practical when an outbreak is feared in any locality. It may easily be accomplished by either flat breaking, ditching, or cultivating in late fall or winter waste land such as roadsides, margins of cultivated fields, uncultivated fields and grassy margins along fence rows. Stirring the soil to a depth of two or three inches will usually be sufficient, since the egg masses are layed in clusters within that distance from the surface of the ground, stirring breaks up the egg masses and exposes them to the weather and natural enemies.

Insect control depends largely on good clean cultural practices. The farmer who gets by without, is lucky, but there isn't too much luck in farming at best, so let's swat the hopper, boll weevil, boll worm and all other injurious insect pests before they have another opportunity to organize for next years attack on our crops.

and other points. There will be dinner on the grounds

The afternoon program will begin at 2 o'clock and adjourn at the will of the conference.

Everybody is cordially invited to come and enjoy the day with us.

This is also our fourth Quarter Conference occasion and we hope to have good reports from all of the officials.
J. D. FARMER, P. C.

Epworth League Program at Loyal Valley

A party of Epworth Leaguers from Fredericksburg, led by Rev. E. W.

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Spend your money with the out-of-town concern. Let your home merchant or dealer have the business and keep home money at home. He's entitled to your preference.

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Bode, will render a program at Loyal Valley next Sunday at 11 a. m., Sept. 9th.

Everybody is cordially invited to attend and we hope that the people will give them a good hearing.

The pastor will preach at 2:30 p. m.
ROY G. RADER, P. C.

Bring your chickens and turkeys to J. A. Beach's Feed Store. We pay cash. 26-1fc

Elgin O. Kothmann was in town a few days ago from the Premier Ranch and reported the recent rains good in his section. Mr. Kothmann stated Mr. Dees' lease on his ranch west of town expires about the 15th of this month and he will take charge of the property himself after that date. Mr. Kothmann announced he has secured the services of Mr. A. H. McLerran as his foreman.

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

Aaron Awalt was a caller a News office one day last week and ordered his News changed to his address at Sonora, where he goes to live.

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Mrs. Thos. Hibdon was in Mason a few days recently from her home in San Saba. Mrs. Hibdon is desirous of selling her residence property in this city, as she says she feels permanently located in San Saba.

J. B. Fisher and son, Wiley, were business visitors in Mason the first of the week from the London community. These gentlemen reported the rain of Monday exceedingly heavy in their section and said the roads were almost impassable because of the mud.

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PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS OF 1923 LONGHORN SQUAD TO REPORT

Austin, Texas, Sept. 6.—Forty prospective members of the 1923 Longhorn football squad of the University of Texas have been asked to report for training Sept. 10. This list of players includes material from the Longhorn freshman and ineligible squads of the University during the last football season.

Coach "Doc" Stewart, who is now making preparations to take over the football squad and start preliminary training as soon as the men arrive in Austin, expressed the desire to have a large squad on hand.

"I want a large squad," the coach said, "so that every man will work for his place. I want every man who comes out for the squad to feel that he has a chance to make the team as long as he remains with the squad."

"But if Texas does not put out a good team, steps should be taken to find out what the trouble is," Coach Stewart declared. "The University of Texas is a first class institution. It has a large number of men to draw from, and it should put out teams which are strong in comparison with other universities of this size. If it does not do this; the fault is either with the coach or with the material which he has at his disposal."

All students who have had the opportunity of talking with the new coach are enthusiastic. They are looking forward to a year of athletics in which the University will give a good account of herself, even though she does not win all the games on her unusually hard schedule.

W. D. Green ordered the News sent to him at Eden, beginning with this week's issue, while in the city attending to business matters last Friday. Mr. Green stated he had accepted a clerical position in one of the leading stores of Eden and was at that time making preparations for moving to that place with his family.

Mrs. E. W. Schroeder and son, Hodges, returned home last week from a stay of several days in Austin.

The News is informed Floyd McCollum has decided not to attend the University of Tennessee this fall and instead is contemplating entering the State University at Austin for the study of law the coming session.

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