

## MAY BUILD BEET FACTORY HERE

WISCONSIN BEET SUGAR CAPITALISTS LOOKING TOWARD TEXAS.

We Have the Soil, the Sunshine and an Abundance of Water—Our Beets Test High in Saccharine Value.

Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 8.—Wisconsin beet sugar capitalists are planning the immediate investment of nearly \$5,000,000 in new beet sugar factories in Texas, if the present Congress does not abolish the duty on sugar. The sugar trust is fighting for the placing of sugar on the free list, for that would wipe out the rapidly-growing beet sugar competition, with the importation free of duty of raw sugar from the West Indies.

Three localities in Texas have been selected for new factories by the beet sugar men, if the duty is not removed, the locations being Austin, Plainview and Amarillo. Each of the three beet sugar factories would cost from \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000, and the interests planning the development of the Texas field are those interested in the Wisconsin Sugar Company, which has several immense plants in various parts of Wisconsin.

A former Wisconsin Sugar Company official has recently been in Texas looking over the field, and finds that the irrigated lands will produce a sugar beet of a quality almost perfect, and far above the average of the Northern beets. His report caused an immediate investigation of the field, and plans are practically complete for the launching of the new enterprises as soon as the problem of the tariff is settled, if it is not settled in accordance with the desires of the sugar trust.

"We propose to extend our interests in Texas," said Richard Wagner, president of the Wisconsin company, "because of the high class of beets that can be raised in Texas and the opportunities for investment there, in case Congress does not abolish the sugar duty. Texas uses annually 300,000,000 pounds of sugar, at an estimated retail cost of over 5 1/2 cents. The cost of that sugar to the Texas consumer can be cut at least one-half cent a pound, or a saving to the State of \$1,500,000 a year, by the establishment of sugar factories enough to supply the Texas demand. The sugar now used there has to pay a shipping cost of about half a cent a pound, while to make sugar on the ground would save that amount. Texas uses \$16,500,000 worth of sugar a year, and if the tariff is not cut we believe there is a great field for Northern capital. I have letters now from Austin, where we are guaranteed five-year contracts from ranch owners to provide us with the beets we need, where the beet proved to be of the highest quality, and we think Austin is one of the greatest fields for the industry in America. The cutting of the duty off raw sugar, however, would stop all our plans, for it would endanger, if not ruin, the beet sugar industry. The refining interests, popularly known as the sugar trust, are working to have the tariff abolished, because that would admit their raw sugar free of tariff, and make it impossible for the beet sugar manufacturer to compete with the trust. Beet sugar factories are valuable to the locality where they are located. In Texas, for instance, all the money spent for Texas-made sugar would be expended in Texas. The farmers who supply the factories with beets receive a high price for their beets, and the money paid in wages goes to Texas employes. Farmers find in beet raising a chance to diversify their crops, according to the most modern methods, and secure an income from their beet acreage larger than from almost any other crop that they can plant.

"We hope to be able to invest in the Texas region, and I venture to say there will be \$25,000,000 invested in new sugar factories in the United States within five years, if the sugar trust does not win in its fight for the abolishment of the tariff."

E. M. B. OWEN,  
Newspaper Correspondent.

Don't fail to read I. E. Gate's "Evolution of the Plains," which will appear in next week's issue of The Herald. Dr. Gates is an interesting writer, and in the "Evolution of the Plains" he has surpassed anything that he has heretofore written. In fact, the above article is the most forceful and best that has ever been written concerning this country.

lest you forget—plant trees.

## THE EVOLUTION OF THE PLAINS.

In our next issue, February 23rd, The Herald will contain a well-written article by I. E. Gates, on "The Evolution of the Plains." It will be of interest to every denizen of this delectable country, and will give a history of this country's advancement, down to the present. It will make good reading for the man elsewhere who wishes to change location on account of health or environment, and will have a tendency to prompt him to an investigation of the opportunities offered in this now rapidly-developing country.

## CHILD VICTIM OF WOLF TRAP.

Little Boy Near San Angelo Dead Following Accident.

San Angelo, Texas, Feb. 10.—The four-year-old son of H. B. Griffith, a school teacher at Sheffield, was shot and killed by a "wolf gun." He was hurried to San Angelo, but died soon after reaching here. The gun was a set trap for wolves on a ranch near Sheffield, and was baited. The bait was fixed to a string which worked the trigger of the gun. The youngster tampered with the bait, and received in his abdomen the load of shot intended for wolves.

## GLAD TO COME.

A letter to Earl C. Keck from his friend Henry Roquemore, who is this year appearing with "The Man on the Box," is as follows:

"Friend Earl:  
"I am going to play your city Tuesday, Feb. 20, with 'The Man on the Box' Company, and feel just like I was coming home. Shall be glad to get back and see all the boys. This is about the only way I have of visiting my friends, and am anxiously awaiting the day I shall see you all. We have a great show, and I am proud to play there with such an attraction as we have. Best wishes to you and all my friends.  
"Yours,  
"HENRY ROQUEMORE."

## BETTER FARMING SPECIAL TRAIN

Santa Fe's Demonstration Train Will Be Here on February 28th.

The Santa Fe special for the instruction of the farmers along its lines will be here and at Hale Center, and at Kress, as per dates below:

Kress, Tuesday, February 27th, from 5 p. m. to 6 p. m.

Plainview, Wednesday, February 28th, from 3:30 p. m. to 6 p. m.

Hale Center, Thursday, February 29th, from 9 a. m. to 11:15 a. m.

Abernathy, Thursday, February 29, from 12, noon, to 2 p. m.

To Teachers: There will be nothing at the train of interest to pupils below the sixth grade. In our opinion, those pupils in the sixth grade or above who attend the meetings should be required to keep notes and write an essay on what they hear.

To Farm Co-operators: Those farmers who have co-operated, or are going to co-operate, with the Agricultural Demonstration Department of the Santa Fe System, are especially invited to attend these meetings. Be sure to ask for "Application Blank" for 1912 Demonstration work.

Diversified Farming the Key to Success.

The Agricultural Department of the Santa Fe System realizes more and more each day that the cow, hen and hog have a great work to perform in helping to develop this territory. These have been correctly named, "Mortgage Lifters."

"We can not depend upon a 'one-crop' method of farming—we MUST diversify. We must be able to sell something besides grain and fodder. There is no other way of securing money returns from our crops easier, quicker or with more profits than through the source of Dairying, Poultry Raising or Hog Raising. To adopt one or all of these necessary lines in connection with Diversified Farming means plenty of food and clothes for the family, better education for the children and larger bank deposits."

The Train.

The train will be made up of five cars—four coaches for lectures and one business car. No exhibit cars will be carried. Such exhibits as are

needed will be carried in lecture cars. Diversified farming will be the general theme of the speakers. Every talk will be practical and right to the point. The best agricultural lecturers obtainable will be on this train. The main subjects to be discussed on this train will be:

1. "Better Farming."
2. "Profitable Hog Raising."
3. "Our Farm Poultry."
4. "The Need for More Dairying."

Every one visiting this train will have an opportunity to hear every talk.

The train will come rain or shine. Be there on time.

H. M. BAINER,  
Agricultural Demonstrator, Santa Fe System.

## MAINE WRECK IS FLOATED.

Many Visitors Through the Dam to View Long-Submerged Vessel.

Havana, Cuba, Feb. 11.—The wreck of the Maine floated free of the mud tonight when water was turned into the dam surrounding the wreck. It is the intention tomorrow to admit the water more rapidly, so that by night the wreck will be raised to the harbor level, leaving nothing to be done except to break the dam and float out the ship.

Many hundreds of visitors thronged the dam all day, watching the re-floating of the Maine.

The ship will remain secure within the dam until orders are received from Washington to float her out, which can be done within a fortnight.

## A GOOD WORD FOR LANCASTER.

Judge Lancaster's friends of Plainview are out in a statement claiming that their candidate, having announced first, and having resigned from a lucrative private position to engage in the campaign for Congress, deserves the support of all the Panhandle over Judge Browning, who has recently entered the race. While the priority of a candidate in his announcement may be of some advantage to him, it is not a legal nor moral claim to the exclusive right to the candidacy; yet, as a matter of sectional pride, the Panhandle should have only one man in the field, when there are other candidates with whom a Panhandle candidate must divide votes. If the people of this part of the State should go before North, Middle and South Texas with a clean, capable candidate, and ask their support, the man would "stand some show" of winning. That Judge Lancaster is a capable man, and altogether worthy of the confidence of the great State of Texas, is clearly evidenced by all who know him personally, and the Panhandle should give him every vote available; not that the people think less of Judge Browning, but that they think well of Judge Lancaster.—Hereford Brand.

J. E. SMITH IS AFTER PRIZES.

J. E. Smith is the first farmer in the Plainview region, and perhaps in the entire South or Central Plains country, to compete for prizes offered by the Texas Industrial Congress "for the largest yields of certain crops raised in the State during the year 1912."

These prize crops include milk maize or kaffir corn, cow peas, corn, and Indian corn. Mr. Smith will use a gasoline engine pumpage irrigation well and make a particular specialty of kaffir corn, as he thinks that this corn is capable, under careful irrigation, of exceptionally heavy harvest. The News has already made mention of the fact that the enterprising and energetic Hale County farmer will irrigate this season 20 acres in general market garden truck, melons, berries, etc., making specialties in several of the vegetable-growing directions.

The Smith farm is but three miles from Plainview, and, when the growing season is well under way, will amply repay inspection by Plainview visitors.

Mr. Smith's motto is, "The careful farmer need have no other care."—Amarillo News.

## BIRTHS.

The following births were recorded in the Clerk's office this week:

To Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sweeney, of Hale Center, on the 25th of January, a boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Leckliter, of Hale Center, on February 5th, a girl.

J. W. Pipkin made a flying trip to Canyon, on business, this week.

See The Herald for Job Printing.

## YIELD OF PLAINVIEW WELLS.

Government Test Shows Two Thousand Gallons of Water per Minute.

In a recent staff article in The News relating to the tests of irrigation wells in the vicinity of Plainview, an error was made in stating the amount of water pumped from a well. The sentence read that the well produced 1,000 gallons of water per hour, when it should have read 1,000 gallons per minute. Mr. Z. E. Black, secretary of the Plainview Chamber of Commerce, states, in a letter to The News, that the Government tests have shown fifteen wells in the neighborhood of Plainview have yielded from 1,000 to 2,000 gallons of water per minute, and that wells are being drilled where the drillers guarantee 2,000 gallons per minute, or no pay.—Dallas News.

## FUNERAL OF HARRY HOWELL.

The remains of Harry Howell, who died at Fort Worth a few days ago, were shipped to his former home, at Canyon, where the funeral services occurred Monday afternoon at 1:30. He was a member of the Amarillo Commandery No. 48, A. F. and A. M., and the following members of that order went to Canyon to attend and take part in the funeral exercises:

Graham Lowndes, W. D. Garwood, Harry M. Britt, W. A. Christian, E. A. Bronson, George Stapleton, S. F. Sheppard, W. D. Kersey, J. B. Lyman and J. J. Service.—Amarillo News.

Harry Howell had many friends in this city, who deplore his loss and who tender condolence to the bereaved wife and kinfolks.

## OUR FACTORIES.

The rattle of the Texas dinner pail is being heard around the world. Our oil refineries and packing-house products are well known on both hemispheres, but the latest transaction of National significance was made by the Wichita Falls Motor Car Company with a concern in Colorado, involving a sale of \$275,000 worth of automobiles, and it is said to be the largest sale of the kind ever made west of the Mississippi River. The transaction places Wichita Falls in the front ranks as a manufacturing center and firmly establishes this youthful and vigorous industry on Texas soil.

The incident presents a lesson in progress which every city can profit by studying. It is our big manufacturing plants that reach out and draw money from other states and countries that we must depend upon to make Texas a great industrial center. The man with the dinner pail is as important to our civilization as the man with the hoe.

## COMMISSIONERS' COURT.

The regular session of the Commissioners' Court of Hale County convened Monday morning, and has been busy through the week transacting the regular routine of business. No matters of special importance have been presented before this body.

## FEED FOR SALE.

Have good kaffir corn in the shock. Will sell at 2 1/2c per bundle. See FRED STEVENS, 5 miles west of Plainview. 7-pd.

Say! friend of Judge Lancaster, have you dropped your friend down the country a card asking him to support Joe Lancaster for Congressman-at-Large? If not, suppose you do so at once. We nearly all have friends "back yonder" that would be glad to do us a favor.

Will Howard and family moved to Hale Center last week, and Mr. Howard will farm G. W. Brown's place this year. He has been farming in Dickens County for some years, but concluded to try the Plains. He is a good farmer and we predict he will make a bumper crop this year.

E. L. Dalton, civil engineer, of Dallas, Texas, and Eugene Campbell, at present construction superintendent of the sewer works at Lubbock, were in the city Monday, conferring with the city officials relative to some necessary improvements to be made on the local sewage system. Complaints have been made for the past year by the residents of the east part of town on account of the foul scent that emanates from the city's septic tanks. Improvements have been made from time to time to remedy this, but so far they have been unsuccessful. Further efforts will be put forth in the near future.

## HOMESEEEKERS ARE BUYING LAND

Jack Hawley and J. A. Peret, our live lightning-rod men, have just completed a new and roomy barn on their recently-purchased lots on Eureka Street. Their lots adjoin, and they built the barn to center on the lot line, thus economizing to some extent. Mr. Hawley has a cozy home on his lot, and Mr. Peret will build in the near future.

The Majestic this week treated its audience to a nice little moving picture film of some of the scenes and characters of "The Man on the Box." These pictures were greeted with applause, and we predict their exhibition will have a tendency to increase the box receipts at the Schick on next Tuesday night, Feb. 20, when this great play is to be staged here.

On Tuesday night, February 20, the attraction at the Schick Opera House will be Mr. Bert Leigh in the Harold McGrath comedy, "The Man on the Box." Ever since the first production, with Henry E. Dixey in the leading role, this play has been a strong favorite with theatre-goers. It combines crisp, clean comedy with good drama, is a consistent, well-written play, and can be seen again and again, each time with keen enjoyment.

Mr. R. C. Walter, of Tecumseh, Neb., came in last Tuesday from California, where he had been on a visit to a brother. His father owns a section of fine land west of this city, which the young man may conclude to improve. He was raised on a farm, and says he would like a job with some good farmer, so that, in a practical way, he can take lessons in our methods of soil culture. We think he is taking the proper step, and one that will be pretty sure of causing him to locate here for keeps.

W. J. Klinger, former chief clerk at the Santa Fe depot at this place, came in Thursday from Amarillo, and was checked in as agent here, in place of R. McGee, who will take a 60-day vacation. Mr. and Mrs. McGee have transportation over the new ocean railroad, just completed to Key West.

## KNIGHT OF THE ROAD BOOST HALE COUNTY

E. L. BARROW PREDICTS GREAT FUTURE FOR THIS COUNTRY.

Says Our People Do Not Understand nor Recognize the Inestimable Value of Our Water Supply.

Mr. E. L. Barrow, representing the Kirby Lumber Company, with headquarters at El Paso, came in Tuesday, to interview our lumber men. Mr. Barrow travels over a large territory, including most of New Mexico. He is a close observer of irrigation, and has watched in New Mexico that by both gravity and pumping. He also notes the quality and quantity of water the various soils require, and the proclivities of the climate in the various sections he traverses.

Mr. Barrow informed this writer that, in his opinion, looking at the question from every point of view, this Shallow Water Belt offers the greatest inducements to the irrigation farmer of any country he has yet found, and that it has the cheapest and best water, and the most of it. He says that a private pumping plant has many advantages over a water right in a gravity system, and that our soils are superior to those of most sections, being free from alkali, salt, gravel beds, sand beds, rocks, roots or stumps. It is his opinion that our people do not realize the enormous value of this cheap water, and that they do not understand the inestimable advantages of an irrigated country over the rainy country in making and handling crops.

Mr. Barrow is a booster for this country, and, as he does not own an acre in it, no proof would seem necessary that his talk is strictly on the merits of this section.

## LOOK! LISTEN!!

For a nice meal and a clean bed, try the Acme Hotel. We are in a position to give the best rates in the city. Regular board a specialty; rates \$20.00 per month. To the public, meals 25 cents; beds, 25 and 50 cents. Also rooms for light housekeeping. J. M. LOVVORN, Proprietor.

## ONE FIRM HAS SOLD 16 QUARTER-SECTIONS SO FAR THIS YEAR.

These Purchasers Are Homebuilders, the Sort That Develop the Resources of the Soil.

The J. E. Pepper Land Company has been doing a fair business so far this year. It has ministered to the wants of fifteen homeseekers and sold them sixteen quarter-sections. These men were all from Wisconsin, and are all pleased with their lands and with this country. Mr. Herman Schultz, the Wisconsin member of the Pepper Land Company, is well acquainted with this country, having spent some time in the investigation of our soil, water and climatic conditions before attempting to induce immigration to this section. He also knows Wisconsin and her people, and can show them where it is to their interest to get in on the ground floor of this Central Plains country, and the class of people he is bringing is the sort we need—the quarter-section men—the men who guide the plow and till the soil.

Mr. Schultz will likely bring many people to this country this year, and we venture that they will all be pleased, as he will make no misrepresentations, and they will find conditions even more favorable than he has represented, which gives them a surprise, and is much more satisfactory than if they found he had overdrawn the pictures and made useless exaggerations.

Bring us your Produce. WRIGHT & DUNAWAY. Phones 35 and 355. 7

G. A. London left today for Amarillo, on a business trip.

If you want the best in Groceries, phone 35. 7

We want your trade. WRIGHT & DUNAWAY. 7

J. S. Pipkin, of Canyon, came in today, on a visit with his numerous kinfolks.

NOTICE—Your account with WRIGHT & DUNAWAY is due the first of each month. Don't forget it. 7

Lester Henderson, of Amarillo, came in today, looking after the piano business.

Miss Bessie Wilson returned today, after spending a week with her grandparents at Canyon.

C. C. Coryell, who has been going to school at Guthrie, Okla., came in today, on a visit to his parents.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. G. Daugherty, on Wednesday of last week, a baby girl.

Mrs. John Cameron, of Harrold, Texas, is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Shropshire.

Misses Baird and Cobb, teachers in the public schools of this city, visited their parents, in Canyon, Sunday.

Mrs. Sam Ansley came in Thursday from Mineral Wells, where she had been visiting a sister for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. R. McGee left today for Atlanta, Ga., Jacksonville, Fla., and Key West. Mr. McGee said he might possibly go over to Havana, Cuba, when he got to Key West.

John Vaughn came in today from Fort Worth, where he has been working as a Pullman conductor. He says Plainview looks good to him, and thinks of staying home.

Hon. R. Walker Hall, of Amarillo, will speak in the First Baptist Church on Sunday evening, March 3, at 3 p. m., to men only. All men of Plainview are cordially invited.

Mesdames Hutchins and Rowan, of Canyon, came in Tuesday, to be at the bedside of Mrs. Hutchins' sister, Mrs. G. H. Hutchins, who has been seriously ill.

Presiding Elder W. H. Terry, of the Big Springs District, was in Plainview the first of the week, visiting his two sons, who are attending Seth Ward College.

The Herald for Job Printing.

**HUDSON "33" SETS NEW RECORD.**

New York Attorney Crosses Continent Without Mishap in Mid-Winter.

Mr. J. W. Brown, the Hudson dealer, received news today from Los Angeles, Cal., that F. W. Potter, a New York attorney, had set a new trans-continental automobile tourist record between the Atlantic and Pacific oceans by completing the journey without a mishap of any kind to the New Self-Starting Hudson "33", which carried Mr. Potter and Jack Hillis, another New Yorker, the entire distance.

Arrived at Los Angeles, the two easterners expressed such enjoyment of the trip that they began making preparations for the return trip in the Hudson.

When the men left the East, they were told that it was foolhardy to attempt to make the trip across the continent at this time of the year in any automobile, but the sturdy Hudson never once faltered during the tour, and brought its human freight into Los Angeles safely, after covering probably 3,500 miles without trouble.

The tourists left New York and Brooklyn and worked their way southward, touching Memphis and several other Southern cities.

The trans-continental tourists approached the Pacific by way of the Santa Fe trail, and it is said that the two men were the first trans-continental tourists to go over the route which is proposed for a National highway. By reason of this fact, their trip became somewhat of a factor among the Southerners who are engaged in the effort to have the National highway established. From one end of the Santa Fe trail to the other the tourists were greeted by National highway enthusiasts, according to the information from Los Angeles. The powerful Hudson was admired by many, and was one of the few cars that dared to traverse the highway during the winter.

At Phoenix, Ariz., where the two men rested, the "boosters" of the city turned out and gave the car a great send-off. When the car reached Yuma, information relative to the roads was obtainable, and the party went through without any hitches.

All along the route through Brawley and Banning the party was well received by towns-people, and by the time of arrival at Los Angeles there was a goodly aggregation of motorists awaiting them.

"We have had the time of our lives," declared Mr. Potter on arrival in Los Angeles. "We are going to run around a little in California and then we are going to go back in the same Hudson. We came through Benton pass in the mountains, and found everything in fair shape, except for the rocks. This trans-continental trip has been a big event in my motoring experience—the biggest event, in fact."

**WHY HESITATE!**

An Offer That Involves No Money Risk if You Accept It.

We are so positive our remedy will completely relieve constipation, no matter how chronic it may be, that we offer to furnish it free of all cost if it fails.

Constipation is commonly caused by weakness of the nerves and muscles of the large intestine. To expect a cure you must therefore tone up and strengthen those organs and restore them to healthier activity.

We want you to try Rexall Orderlies on our guarantee. They are eaten like candy, and are particularly good for children. They seem to act directly on the nerves and muscles of the bowels. They apparently have a neutral effect on the other organs. They do not purge nor cause other inconvenience. We will refund your money if they do not overcome chronic or habitual constipation and thus aid to relieve the myriads of associate or dependent chronic ailments. Try Rexall Orderlies at our risk. Three sizes, 10 cents, 25 cents and 50 cents. Sold only at our store—The Rexall Store. The J. W. Willis Drug Co.

We want your business in the Drug line, and try to show that we appreciate it by giving you prompt and courteous treatment. Give us a trial. DUNCAN'S PHARMACY.

**Strong Healthy Women**

If a woman is strong and healthy in a womanly way, motherhood means to her but little suffering. The trouble lies in the fact that the many women suffer from weakness and disease of the distinctly feminine organism and are unfitted for motherhood. This can be remedied.

**Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription**

Cures the weaknesses and disorders of women. It acts directly on the delicate and important organs concerned in motherhood, making them healthy, strong, vigorous, virile and elastic.

"Favorite Prescription" banishes the indispositions of the period of expectancy and makes baby's advent easy and almost painless. It quickens and vitalizes the feminine organs, and insures a healthy and robust baby. Thousands of women have testified to its marvelous merits.

It makes Weak Women Strong. It makes Sick Women Well. Honest druggists do not offer substitutes, and urge them upon you as "just as good." Accept no secret nostrum in place of this non-secret remedy. It contains not a drop of alcohol and not a grain of habit-forming or injurious drugs. Is a pure glyceric extract of healing, native American roots.

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**POPE PIUS ISSUES AN ORDER.**

Pontifical Decree Is Aimed at the Wearing of Low-Cut Gowns.

Rome, Feb. 10.—Pope Pius today issued an order that all cardinals and other church dignitaries must decline to attend social functions where women are permitted to appear in décollete gowns. The pontiff believes that his order will have a tendency to do away with low-cut gowns in Catholic circles.

**HAIR HEALTH.**

If You Have Scalp or Hair Trouble, Accept This Offer.

When we promise your money back for the mere asking if Rexall "93" Hair Tonic does not do all we claim it will, you certainly have no reason for even hesitating to try it. We do not ask you to obligate yourself in any way.

We could not afford to so strongly endorse Rexall "93" Hair Tonic and continue to sell it as we do, if it did not do all we claim. Should our en-

thusiasm carry us away, and Rexall "93" Hair Tonic not give entire satisfaction to the users, they would lose faith in us and our statements, and, in consequence, our business prestige would suffer.

Therefore, when we assure you that Rexall "93" Hair Tonic will promptly eradicate dandruff, stimulate hair growth and prevent premature baldness, you may rest assured we know what we are talking about.

We honestly believe that Rexall "93" Hair Tonic will do more than any other human agency toward restoring hair growth and hair health. It is not greasy and will not gum the scalp or hair or cause permanent stain. It is as pleasant to use as pure cold water. It comes in two sizes, prices 50 cents and \$1.00. Remember, you can obtain it only at our store—The Rexall Store. The J. W. Willis Drug Co.

Arrangements are being made for the extension of the Rio Grande & Eagle Pass Railway from Laredo to a point south along the Rio Grande. Work will begin early in the spring. Six carloads of cattle were recently shipped out of Belton to Kansas City markets.

It is reported that the Katy railroad will erect a plant at Waco for the purpose of removing lime from water, the cost to be approximately \$100,000.

**TREES! TREES! TREES!**

I will sell 100,000 trees and plants to the Plains people at wholesale prices. My varieties are the cream of twenty years experience and my trees produced the fruit that took the most premiums at the State Fair the last three seasons.

Why pay two prices for trees that you can buy direct yourself and get them fresh. My trees were not dug in the fall and bedded out and damaged as are all trees dug last fall. You get them direct in one day fresh dug. They will live and grow. Sample prices: 25 Concord grapes, \$1.00; 100 Austin dewberries, \$1.50 each; apple trees from 5 cents to 25 cents each. I have 570 Donohoo pear, one year old at 25 cents each. Don't buy until you get my prices. Write today. THE MUNCY NURSERIES, Lockney, Texas.

**COTTON SEED FOR SALE.**

If you want to raise cotton in the Panhandle, buy O. B. Burnett's Panhandle Improved Early Cotton. O. B. BURNETT, Memphis, Texas.

The Gulf Coast Truck and Fruit Grower's Association has been organized by Swedish farmers, settled about four miles east of Stowell.

**NEARLY A MILLION SCHOOL CHILDREN.**

Austin, Texas, Feb. 14.—The scholastic population of Texas for 1911-12, which was taken in May, 1911, shows that there were 991,409 children in the State over seven and under seventeen years of age on September 1, 1911, that are entitled to free tuition in the public schools. This gives a gain of 23,143 over the enumeration of a year ago. Using this figures as a basis for the annual apportionment of the State's available school funds, the State Board of Education apportioned to each of the school districts for the year 1911-12, either through the county or direct from Austin, the sum of \$6.80 for educational purposes for every child of school age enumerated in the scholastic census. The sum for 1911-12 amounts to \$6,741,581.20.

The permanent school fund is \$72,040,000. The total available fund derived from State, county and local sources is \$13,351,121. The income from the county permanent fund and from local sources will give an average of \$6.66 per capita, making a general average throughout the State of \$13.46 for the maintenance of the schools for the present scholastic year. This is almost \$3.00 more per capita than for the previous year.

There are 20,742 certificated teachers in the public schools of Texas, 17,566 of these being white teachers and 3,176 colored. Of the total number of teachers, 68.65 per cent hold State certificates, 3.35 hold city certificates and 28 per cent hold county certificates.

The general average salary of a white teacher in Texas for 1909-10 was \$405.82, as compared with \$394.23 in 1908-09. It will be observed that there has been a material increase in every instance.

**BROUGHT TO LIGHT.**

Plainview People Receiving the Full Benefit.

There have been many cases like the following in Plainview. Every one relates the experience of people we know. These plain, straightforward statements will do much toward relieving the suffering of thousands. Such testimony will be read with interest by many people.

Mrs. C. Reven, Plainview, Texas, says: "I used Doan's Kidney Pills for backache and kidney trouble, and they did me a great deal of good, although I did not take them regularly. They gave me complete relief when I was so stiff and lame that I could not stoop. It is not two months since I got this remedy from the R. A. Long Drug Company. Judging from my own experience with Doan's Kidney Pills, I can recommend them for trouble from the back and kidneys." (Statement given January 10, 1911.)

**A Willing Confirmation.**

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**OATES CASE BACK TO AUSTIN.**

Court of Criminal Appeals to Pass for 5th Time on Validity of Verdict.

The case of Burrell Oates is before the Court of Criminal Appeals for the fifth time, and involves the death penalty, as in the four previous appeals. Oates has obtained reversals on these four former occasions and has been tried seven times, one having resulted in a mistrial and in the other instance a juror became ill and brought the trial to an abrupt end.

Sol Aronoff, a merchant in Dallas, was murdered, presumably for robbery. Holly Vann was sentenced to death as a result of the crime, which was committed on November 29, 1904, and the execution took place. Oates, more fortunate, has obtained reversals. It remains to be seen whether he will hang this time or get a fifth reversal. Since the docket of the Court of Criminal Appeals is somewhat congested, it will probably be some time before the case is submitted and decided.—Colorado City Record.

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**THREE TIMES AND IN.**

That the governor of the Sunflower State may the more readily come into appreciation of the attitude which Mr. Roosevelt holds toward the nomination for the Presidency, we reproduce the following witticism, which The New York Herald avers came to it from an unknown source:

During a local election in a German town only one man appeared at the nomination desk.

"Whom do you nominate?" inquired the official.

"Myself," was the answer.

"Do you accept the nomination?"

"Well, no."

"Then we must try again. Whom do you nominate?"

"Myself."

"Do you accept the nomination?"

"No."

A subdued "donnerwetter!" escaped the lips of the perplexed official, but he went on:

"For the third time, whom do you nominate?"

"Myself," came the invariable reply.

"Do you accept the nomination?"

The man rose, with a smile of satisfaction spreading over his face, and he answered proudly:

"Having been three times solicited by my fellow citizens to accept the nomination, I can no longer decline to accede to their wishes."

There can hardly be a shadow of doubt that Teddy, like Barkis, is eternally and persistently willing—only let Governor Stubbs and his kind keep on call in more urgently and "overwhelmingly."—Houston Post.

**OVER-SEA RAILROAD.**

The opening of Mr. Flagler's over-sea railroad shortens the journey between Key West or Havana by twenty-four hours. This remarkable achievement in railroad construction—one of the most remarkable in the world—deserves a great deal more public attention than it receives.

Can it be possible that monopoly and the exploitation of the public have so often in the past been associated with great constructive business enterprises that the public for the moment has lost its zestful appreciation of such achievements? If that is the case, there is all the more reason why the current political movement against monopoly should be hastened to a successful consummation. For the conquest of natural difficulties is one of the chief glories of the American genius, and our pride in such works as this over-sea railroad should not be allowed to flag.

From the beginning of history, nineteenth of the energy of the human race has been concealed in the struggle of man against man—for justice and fair play. No doubt it was because this wasteful struggle was held in abeyance in this country during a large part of the Nineteenth Century that America eclipsed all other countries in material achievement during that period.

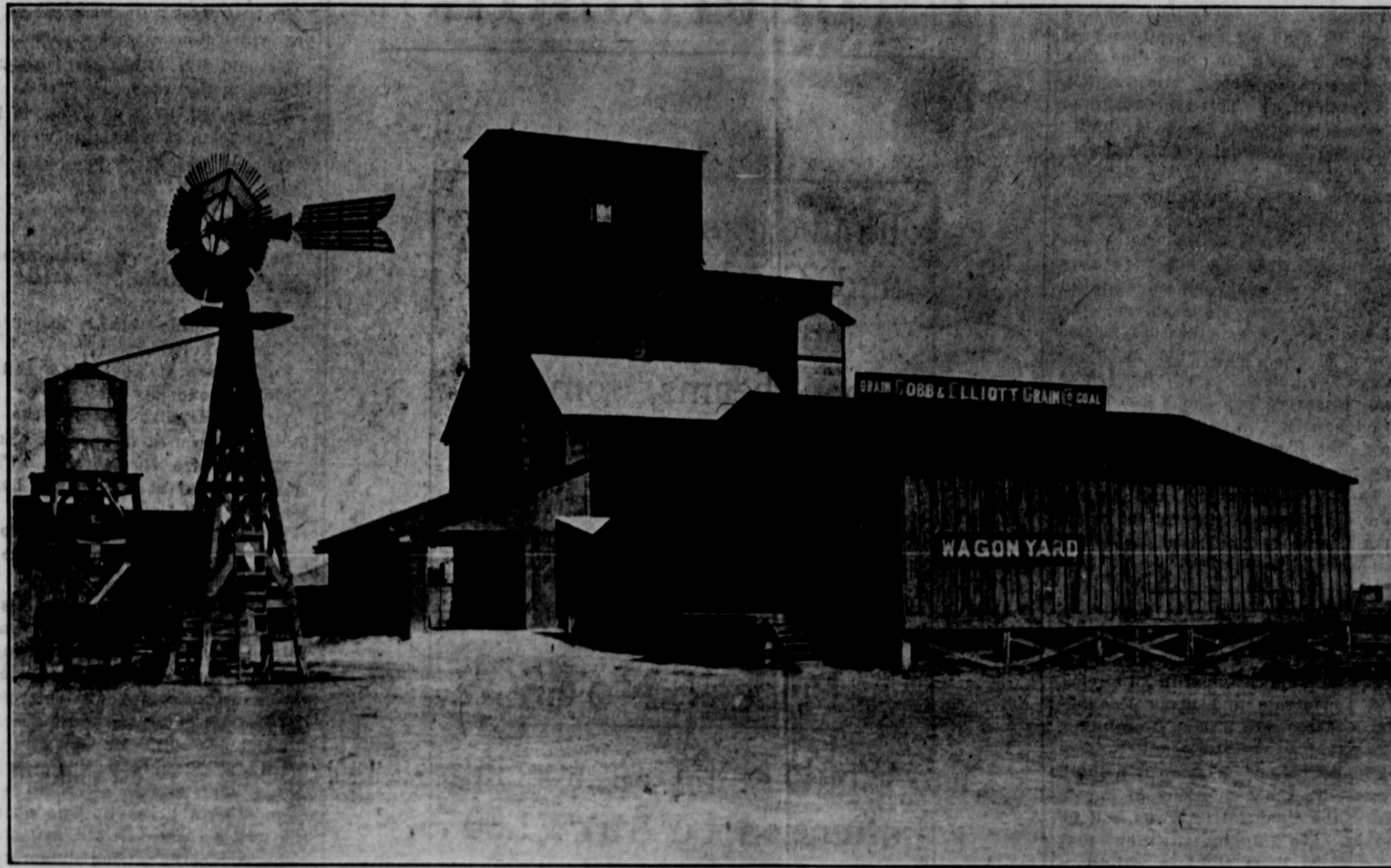
The re-establishment of economic justice in the United States will open up another era of unparalleled achievement in the mechanical arts.—Los Angeles Examiner.

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**Community Correspondence**

**OLTON NEWS.**

**Death of Mrs. Egge.**

Mrs. Hazel Egge, wife of E. N. Egge, died at her home, 1½ miles east of Olton, on Thursday evening, Feb. 8, 1912, at 5:30 o'clock, of uremic poisoning, aged 23 years, 7 months and 12 days.

Mrs. Egge's maiden name was Hazel Alma Demaris. She was born at Alexander, Iowa, where she grew to womanhood, and there she was married to Edward N. Egge, November 16, 1910.

The greater part of their married life was spent in California, they coming to Olton the latter part of October.

Mrs. Egge was one of the brightest and most lovable of women, and her death is sincerely mourned by those who knew her best, and even by those who had but a passing knowledge of her. Though in our community for so short a time, there was never a woman who made friends more readily than she, and her bright and winning smile was ever ready to cheer.

Her husband and parents are bowed down with grief, yet they mourn not without hope for they know she has gone to that better and fairer land—a home where there is neither sickness nor death, and neither sorrow nor parting.

The body was taken to Alexander, Iowa, where she will be laid to rest near her childhood home.

Mrs. J. F. Demaris, of Palacios, Texas, hurrying to the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Egge, arrived at Olton Saturday evening, but too late to find her daughter living.

The father and brother of E. N. Egge came to Olton Thursday evening, arriving at the Egge home some thirty minutes before Mrs. Egge's death.

Mr. Egge and son are from Sheffield, Iowa, coming to Olton with a view of locating here, but the sudden death of Mrs. Egge leaves them undecided.

Mr. H. C. Wohlenhaus, of Griswold, Iowa, formerly a farmer in the Olton community, is shaking hands with old friends here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. O. McGill went to Lockney Friday afternoon, called there on account of the serious illness of Mrs. McGill's mother, Mrs. W. T. Cooper.

Rev. I. A. Smith filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

B. A. Dodson and T. F. Brown returned from Lockney Friday afternoon, with a load of cotton seed.

The Commissioners' Court met Monday, in their first quarterly session for 1912.

Sheriff Dickenson is the proud possessor of a fine Overland five-passenger touring car.

S. W. Downs and family, of Spring Lake, were transacting business in the county seat Saturday.

**WHITFIELD.**

Feb. 13.—Miss Florida Pullen was the guest of Miss Irma Boedeker Monday night.

Mr. J. H. Cooper, of Silverton, was the guest of Jas. Pullen last week.

Mr. Williams has been on the sick list the past week.

Mr. Neill, of Plainview, will farm the Wyly place this season.

The boys of Providence will play baseball with the married men Friday afternoon, at Providence.

Mrs. Palmer was quite sick this week, at her son's place.

Literary was started at Providence Saturday night, with a good attendance. The next time we will give a Washington Birthday Program, in two weeks.

A Valentine party was held at Will Palmer's Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Barrett, of Halfway, visited his brother, Joe Barrett, the past week. They returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wyly have their household goods packed and are ready to leave for a new location.

Cleve Hartman is the father of a bouncing baby boy, which came to stay with them last week. Mother and babe are doing fine, but it will take Cleve a long time to recover.

Mr. and Mrs. Bales were pleasant callers at the Pullen home Sunday evening.

My plum trees will make money for you. 5,000 trees, best sorts in small sizes at 10 cents. They are just the right size for commercial planting.—Muncy Nurseries, Lockney, Texas. 8

**EXPENSIVE RETRENCHMENT.**

Retrenchment rides deep in the saddle up Washington way. Get this: "The House passed a \$15,000 bridge bill tonight, after using up \$90,000 worth of time discussing it. For three consecutive calendar Wednesdays a measure obligating the Federal Government for one-third of the cost of rebuilding a \$50,000 bridge across Weymouth Black River in Massachusetts has been before the House. This afternoon it went through, but not until Representative Berger, of Wisconsin, the Socialist member, had called attention to the fact that each day's session of the House cost the Government \$30,000." Wherefore, even a Socialist member may have his uses in the great economy of nature—and of Congress. Of course, Weymouth Black River had to be bridged or the job of "getting the Government back to the people" given up as a plumb failure. Mr. Berger is on tolerably fair ground when he insists that it is not necessary to spend \$90,000 in Washington in order to cross a creek in Massachusetts.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

**NOTICE.**

I was appointed administrator of the estate of Sarah F. Pack, deceased, at the January term of the County Court. All persons who have claims against said estate will send same to me at Sanger, Texas.

D. T. SHIRLEY,  
Administrator.

**A CONVICT WHO MADE GOOD.**

That is a pretty and also an interesting story, where the governor of a state paroled a life-term convict in order that he might go home and earn enough money to lift a mortgage on the home of his family, placed there in an effort to save him from incarceration. The beautiful part of it is the fact that the man earned the money in a reasonably short time and returned to the penitentiary to finish the sentence that had been imposed on him. Such a man is worthy of pardon, and he will doubtless be freed by the governor, who placed confidence in him and showed him that he had not lost confidence in him. This is no make-believe story, but it is the truth. It is worthy of serious consideration, as it throws some light upon the human heart and its response to kindness. Not all convicts would have stood the test, but there are numbers of them who are just as worthy of confidence and as deserving of citizenship. When convicts learn that they will be rewarded with parole, and, later, liberty, if they exhibit the right spirit, many of them will be restored to citizenship who, under the old system, would be hopeless inhabitants of a prison cell.—Waco Morning News.

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**SCHOOL DISTRICT FUNDS.**

February 15, 1912.

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PLAINVIEW INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

We, your Committee appointed to audit the books and accounts of J. F. Watson, Tax Collector for the Plainview Independent School District, beg to report that we have examined the tax rolls and accounts, reports, etc., and find that the following moneys have been received and turned over to the Board by him since May 1, 1911, to-wit:

<b>Maintenance Fund.</b>	
Amount of delinquent taxes collected .....	\$ 696.21
Amount of current, 1911, taxes collected .....	8,534.24
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 9,230.45</b>
<b>Interest and Sinking Fund.</b>	
Amount of delinquent taxes collected .....	\$ 286.10
Amount of current, 1911, taxes collected .....	4,398.58
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 4,684.68</b>
<b>Total Collected, All Funds.</b>	
Maintenance .....	\$ 9,230.45
Interest and Sinking .....	4,684.68
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$13,915.13</b>

We further find that there is yet uncollected on the current, 1911, assessment, the sum of \$1,268.09.

We also beg to report that we find the tax rolls, books, etc., of Tax Collector Watson to be in good shape and well-kept in every respect.

G. D. FRENCH,  
ERNEST SPENCER,  
Committee.

**REASONABLE BURGLARY.**

Mr. President: We, the burglars of the United States, beg to call your attention to a grievance. For years we have suffered injustice at the hands of the courts. There is a law which, by its terms, prohibits EVERY COMBINATION FOR THE COMMISSION OF BURGLARY. We most respectfully ask that the "rule of reason" be applied. We submit that the law should be construed to prohibit only UNREASONABLE BURGLARY. To this end we ask for the appointment, as justice of the Supreme Court, of a criminal lawyer with a record which will assure us that he will sympathize with our efforts to rob the public to a reasonable extent. We need not present our arguments in favor of our business—it is a natural development of our civilization. If we have not established as many colleges and libraries as the trust magnates it is because we have been hampered by a construction of the law urged upon the court by demagogues and disturbers of the peace who have appealed to the passions of the mob and arrayed the people against us. Knowing of your sense of fairness, and appreciating what you have done for the trusts, we cherish the hope that, while we do not collect as much as the trusts, you will put us on the highway to the prosperity which they now enjoy. Respectfully, etc., THE BURGLARS.

—Bryan's Commoner.

**THE SEARCHLIGHT.**

"The Searchlight" is an up-to-date dramatic subject in which an exciting love story, full of fine situations, is combined with a series of thrilling scenes of the great Italian-Turkish war, now raging in Tripoli. The story deals with the adventures of an Italian girl, who is carried off by a Turk and subjected to all kinds of indignities until she is finally rescued by the Italian army, when they enter Tripoli. This picture will be shown at the Majestic soon. Watch for the date.

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**NOTICE.**

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The Sneed trial, at Fort Worth, is progressing slowly, and it is thought the case will not go to the jury until late next week. At last reports the defense had rested the case and the State had begun with the rebuttal.

Madero has failed thus far to win the confidence of his people, by his official acts or utterances, and it looks as though he will have to resort to the Diaz iron-hand regime to restore order.

Every farmer, truck grower, orchardist and dairyman should hear the talks of Mr. Bainer and his colleagues from their special car next Wednesday afternoon. Every subject discussed will be handled by experts, and should be of great interest to every resident of this country.

Sunday's edition of The Abilene Daily Reporter was increased in size and printed on a Goss "Comet" web perfecting press, just installed. We are glad to note this evidence of prosperity on the part of this progressive daily. The Reporter is an excellent paper, and the editorial management is in live, progressive hands.

Abilene has been chosen for the next place of meeting of the State Association of County Judges and County Commissioners, which will convene in August next. The Reporter says, "If half of the county judges and county commissioners of Texas attend, there will be five or six hundred present at the Abilene meeting." It will be a two days' session.

Four white men were condemned to be hanged today for alleged murder. This is also the date set for the hanging of a negro murderer. The white men have been insisting on a "Jim Crow" scaffold for the Senegambian. They object to being hanged on the same scaffold with the black. They drew the color line even in death.

Champ Clark will receive the solid support of the Democracy of Missouri at the State Convention in Joplin next Tuesday. This solid support was insured by Folk's withdrawal and his promise to throw his full support to Clark. Folk reserved the privilege of becoming a candidate before the National Democratic Convention should Clark fail to get the nomination.

On the last day of this month—to be precise, on February 29—The Crosbyton Review will issue a large special edition. The Review serves notice on its readers that this special edition will record the complete history of Crosby County from its first settlement down to date. This paper will be valuable as an immigration agency, and should be sent out freely by all interested in the growth and development of their county.

The new governor of the new state of New Mexico starts out in the path of rectitude, and we have no doubt he will stick to the trail. He early intimated, in unequivocal terms, that the much-talked-of prize fight between Johnson and Flynn would not be pulled off at Las Vegas, or any other part of the domain over which he is governor. There is no law in New Mexico forbidding such encounters, but, Culberson-like, we wager he will back his mouth, even should it require an extra session of the Legislature, to enact a law on the necessary lines.

Judge Lancaster has returned home from a trip to El Paso, thence down the T. & P. as far as Abilene. He took in many of the towns along his route, and expresses satisfaction with the encouragement his candidacy is receiving. In fact, the encouragement was greater than he anticipated in every place he visited. After a short rest, he left yesterday to take in Central and Eastern Texas, and will be absent much of the time between now and the July primary. It will keep him busy and short on rest if he takes in the whole State, as it is about the biggest job in the United States, for a State office.

The Roswell Morning News finds no special reason why Champ Clark should not make a good president, and says: "Notwithstanding that an off-year Democratic convention endorsed Joseph W. Folk for the presidency, it has been evident for some time that the Missouri Democracy was strongly for Champ Clark. This sentiment was so pronounced that Mr. Folk finally recognized it, and got out of the way. It is needless to say that the Missouri delegation will go to Baltimore with the determination to secure the nomination of Mr. Clark for the presidency. There is no special reason why Mr. Clark would not make a good president. Those persons who can not see the point, or appreciate a joke, pretend to think that Champ is "light-minded," but the other fellows who have measured lances with him in debate recognize the fact that he has a great deal of sure-enough ability. Mr. Lincoln was the last good story teller to be elected president, and he had been dead for a generation before some people realized that he was a man of solid merits."

The apparent determination of the Democrats in the House to force an investigation of the "money trust" has caused no little comment in all circles. Most Democrats and many Republicans endorse the Henry Resolution, asking that a special committee make this investigation. If there is nothing wrong with the conducting of money affairs, the financial interests will be glad to have this investigation—that would show them spotless. If there is cornering of the money by a "money trust," all not concerned in this trust will be pleased with the investigation. Some may think Henry rather "precocious" with his resolution, and, in a campaign year, rather unseasonable, but those who claim that it is never too late to do good will agree that it is never too early, and that the open season is unending.

Secretary of State Knox is taking a junketing tour, visiting many points in South and Central America and Mexico. He will drop in on Madero, in Mexico City. This trip is expected to promote good feelings between this country and the countries Mr. Knox visits, and effectually allay the suspicions in Mexico that this Government is anxious for an excuse to invade that republic with armed troops. Mr. Knox should give Madero some pointers on how to steer his ship of state, and on how to handle the turbulent element, which is everlastingly raising sheol.

Madero has a little war to settle with his Yaqui Indians that may interfere to some extent with an early settlement of the uprising of his own people. Those Yaquis are a husky set of scrappers, who have discarded their bows and lances and are pretty well equipped with modern rifles and ammunition. While not numerous, these Indians manage to make themselves pretty generally feared by citizens of Mexico.

**VOX POPULI VOX DEL.**

The Dowager Empress of China and His Littleness the Emperor issued the following edict last Monday:

"The majority of the people are in favor of a republic. From the preference of the people, the will of Heaven is discernable. How could we oppose the desire of millions for the glory of our family? Therefore, we, the Dowager Empress and Emperor, hereby vest the sovereignty of the Chinese Empire in the people."

Very prettily spoken! Now, with Dr. Sun, an American-born citizen, for president, that poor, deluded country should rapidly forge toward the front among nations.

**SHERIFF'S SALE.**

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Hale.

Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Hale county, on the 13th day of January, 1912, by clerk of said court for the sum of five thousand seven hundred and eight-four dollars and sixty-seven cents, and costs of suit, under a judgment in favor of James W. Johnson in a certain cause in said Court, No. 658, and styled J. W. Johnson vs. Frank Sevasin, placed in my hands for service, I, G. A. London, as sheriff of Hale County, Texas, did, on the 8th day of February, 1912, levy on certain real estate situated in Hale county, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

All of South one-half of survey No. 10 in Block No. R, Certificate No. 599, issued to the E. L. & R. R. Railway Company, containing 320 acres of land and situated in Hale County, Texas, and levied upon as the property of Frank Sevasin. And that on the first Tuesday in March 1912, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the court house door of Hale county, Texas, in the town of Plainview, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said order of sale I will sell above described real estate at public vendue for cash to the highest bidder, as the property of said Frank Sevasin.

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G. A. LONDON,  
Sheriff, Hale county, Texas.

Robert Smith, familiarly known as "Uncle Bob," came in Sunday from one of his annual flights to a warmer climate. This time it was California, but, despite the fruits and flowers of that State, he prefers the broad prairies of old Hale.

**HOLINESS MEETING.**

Rev. Allie Trick, a noted Holiness evangelist, has been holding a series of revival services at the Nazarene Church since last Friday night. The meetings have been well attended, and considerable enthusiasm is being displayed by the membership. Rev. Trick is a man of vast experience, having toured the world during his life, is an able and fluent preacher, and one can not attend his services without being bettered thereby. The meeting will continue for several days longer, and everybody is invited to attend.

The Herald for Job Printing.



Miss Billy Long, with Bert Leigh, in "The Man on the Box," Schlick Opera House, Tuesday, February 20th.

**KRESS NEWS.**

Kress has a new central office now, and is connected with the local lines.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Bush visited on Sunday with relatives east of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs were callers in Plainview Saturday.

Mr. Merrill, west of Kress, is hauling his grain to town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Tomlinson, near Tullia, visited Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Rob Rousser and family.

Rev. Knight, Baptist minister, preached in Kress Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Robards and brother visited in Tullia Friday.

Mr. Corwin Hadley was a caller in Plainview one day last week.

Mr. A. H. Gish boarded the train Sunday afternoon to go back North.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Hastings, of Tullia, visited Sunday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Rob Rousser.

Mr. Crutch Skipworth's little girl got burned Monday, but will be well before long.

Mr. George Rousser and Miss May Overly were married on February 7, 1912, Rev. J. D. Cook performing the ceremony. The bride wore an exquisite gown of white, silk-embroidered lingerie. The groom wore a conventional black suit. Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Overly, the bride's parents, served a fine supper, and a few relatives and friends were present. The next day the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Rousser, served a fine dinner to the bride and groom, Rev. Cook and wife, Will Rousser and family and Rob Rousser and family. They all had a very enjoyable time.

**LEAP YEAR VALENTINE PARTY.**

Plainview Young Ladies Lead Young Gentlemen to the Preacher's.

The Epworth League of the M. E. Church, South, gave a Leap Year Valentine social Wednesday night, at Rev. C. N. N. Ferguson's residence. The young people first met at the residence of B. T. Ansley, Sr. Epworth League pictures were torn in two, and one part given to the ladies and the other part to the gentlemen. Each of the ladies then matched her part of the picture with that held by one of the gentlemen, and then took the holder, as her partner, to the parsonage, paying all charges.

When the drawing was over and all had assembled at the parsonage, an address of welcome was given by Miss Rebecca Ansley, Miss Frona Bell responding, after which there followed various games until about 11 o'clock.

One hundred and forty were present, and all enjoyed the social to the fullest extent. The rooms were decorated with hearts and arrows. Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson, assisted by some of the League members, proved exceptionally good entertainers, and it is hoped that so pleasant a gathering will occur again sometime in the not distant future.

**WASHINGTON BIRTHDAY PARTY.**

For the benefit of the Public School Library, the "As-You-Like-It" Club is to give a "Washington Birthday Party" at the City Hall on Tuesday, February 20th, from 4 to 10 p. m., and has sent out the following invitation: "Washington stands high in fame, His noble birth let all proclaim. Come all you to the Hatchet Party, George and Martha will greet you most hearty.

Find in this kind invitation, For you, your friends and relation, A little red, white and blue sack, To furnish a good place to pack Cents in number as years you're old;

The secret shall never be told, If objection should here arise, One hundred is a good disguise, Misses Hatchet will furnish a bit to eat, While friends give a program and

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local remedies, pronounced it incurable. Science has proved catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer One Hundred Dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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For District and County Clerk—  
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For County Judge—  
W. B. LEWIS.  
J. M. BULL.  
S. W. MEHARG.

For County Treasurer—  
JOHN G. HAMILTON.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector—  
G. MARSHALL PHELPS.  
O. R. MARTINE.  
J. C. HOOPER.

For Tax Assessor—  
R. E. BURCH.  
S. S. SLONEKER.  
J. N. JORDAN.  
S. J. FRYE.

For County Surveyor—  
THOMAS P. WHITIS.

For County Attorney—  
CHAS. E. CLEMENTS.

**FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICES.**

For Mayor—  
J. L. DORSETT.

For City Marshal—  
J. F. WATSON.  
GEO. W. MCKINTY.

For City Secretary—  
H. A. WOFFORD.  
B. L. SPENCER.

**CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

Welcomes all visitors to her services. Worship with us.

Sunday School, 10 a. m.—H. J. Dillingham, superintendent.

Preaching, 11 a. m.—"Jesus' Body-guard."

Preaching, 7:30 p. m.—"Jesus and the People."

Junior B. Y. P. U. meets at 3 p. m.; Mrs. C. A. Bivens, leader.

Ladies' Aid and Missionary Society meets with Mrs. J. C. Jones on Monday at 3 p. m., with Mrs. J. M. Murphy as leader. This will be a special educational meeting, with the general topic of "Women in Christian Education." Mrs. C. W. Tandy is president. You have a cordial invitation to these services.

C. R. HAIRFIELD, Pastor.

**IS SENDING INVITATIONS.**

Fort Worth, Texas, Feb. 15.—The Texas Commercial Secretaries' and Business Men's Association of this city is sending out a most interesting pamphlet of information, in regard to the Texas Welfare Commission, which will meet at Houston on March 7, 1912. The attractive little booklet contains the names and pictures of the members of the Commission, with a little "life history" of each member and the subjects which they will discuss at the convention.

It also contains a cordial invitation to any person resident of or interested in Texas, who does not receive a specific invitation to appear before the Commission, to submit his views on subjects under consideration by the Commission.

The sympathy and co-operation of all Texans and of all persons interested in the development of Texas is solicited by the Association for the Commission.

**LADIES!!!**

New Spring Coats and Coat Suits at the PLAINVIEW MERCANTILE COMPANY'S.

**Y. W. HOLMES  
LAWYER**

**Notary Public**

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Phone:  
Office, 44; Residence, 86

**LOCAL AND PERSONAL**

Guy Jacob spent Saturday and Sunday on the Saigling ranch.

See E. R. WILLIAMS for Artistic Picture Framing.

For an EXPERIENCED NURSE, call MRS. ORR. Phone 340.

C. K. Shelton left Saturday for the St. Louis markets.

cut. Easy terms. A. B. ROSSER. tf.

W. B. Rushing came in from the North Friday, with a bunch of home-seekers.

We are in position to help you protect your fruit from insects. Call or address M. E. BUNN, Plainview.

Just received a car of "White Crest" Flour. WRIGHT & DUNAWAY. Phones 35 and 355.

Hunt's Canned Goods—the best in the world—at WRIGHT & DUNAWAY'S. Phones 35 and 355.

Bud Pipkin, of Abernathy, was in the city Tuesday, shaking hands with old friends.

WRIGHT & DUNAWAY GRO. CO.—the quick delivery store. Phones 35 and 355.

Geo. Brewster, of Lockney, passed through Plainview Tuesday, on his way north.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Donohoo arrived home Saturday, from Roswell, New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Flamm returned Friday from the Coast country, and report that they are more in love with Hale County than ever before.

Phone your Grocery order to WRIGHT & DUNAWAY, and Wiley Brashears will deliver it immediately. Phones 35 and 355.

Miss Johnnie Young has accepted a position at the City Bakery, and will be pleased to wait on her old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Roos have returned from their trip to California, and are at home to their friends at the Hotel Ware.

Will Howard and wife visited their grandparents, J. M. Shafer and wife, Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

Don't forget to take "Her" a box of "Huyler's" Chocolates. It helps to make the evening a pleasant one. Sold by DUNCAN'S PHARMACY.

The wind, atmospheric conditions or something else caused many of the patrons of the telephone company to lose their temper and grumble at the service this week.

Jack McLendon, of Hope, N. M., and W. P. Roundtree, of Sonora, Texas, were in the city this week, visiting J. J. Bromley. Mr. Roundtree may decide to locate in the Plains country.

"THE MAN ON THE BOX," the cleverly-written comedy from the popular book of the same name, by Harold McGrath, will be the attraction at the Schick Opera House on Tuesday night, February 20, for one night only. Mr. Bert Leigh will be seen in the part once played by Henry E. Dixey.

**Sloneker Farm**  
Thoroughbred Poultry  
White Orpingtons—White Holland Turkeys—White Indian Runner Ducks—White and Fawn Indian R. Ducks  
Eggs and stock for sale Satisfaction Guaranteed.  
S. S. SLONEKER, Prop.  
Plainview, Texas

Bone Meal, 6c per pound, at OTTO'S MARKET.

Artistic Picture Framing done at E. R. WILLIAMS'.

Jas. Redfern came in from Canyon Tuesday, on a visit to his old friends.

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Dr. A. L. Hawkins, of Hale Center, was in the city Tuesday, on business.

Paul Gerdes, of Silverton, was in the city Tuesday, on business.

See our new up-to-date, sanitary soda fountain.—J. W. Willis Drug Co.

L. P. Cobb left Wednesday for Lockney, on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Houston left Saturday for St. Louis, to buy summer goods.

S. E. Brooks left Saturday for Evansville, Ind., on a business and visiting trip.

Bill Bates, the hustling real estate man, left Wednesday for Illinois, to round up a bunch of homeseekers.

There will be services at the Catholic Church Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Alley were the guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Knight.

C. H. White spent this week at Vernon, in the interest of his land business.

Mrs. L. C. Horne came in from Slaton on Tuesday, where she had been visiting her husband for a few days.

Miss Lera Davis came in Friday from Belleville, Ark., where she had been visiting for the past eight months.

PICKLES—Dill, Sour, Sweet, Spiced, and all others kinds, at WRIGHT & DUNAWAY GRO. CO'S. Phones 35 and 355.

D. Elliott, superintendent of the Santa Fe, passed through on his way to Sweetwater Monday, in his private car, No. 417.

WRIGHT & DUNAWAY sell the celebrated Blanke's Coffees—known all over the world for their strength and flavor. Phones 35 and 355.

R. A. Bain, ex-sheriff, of Portales, N. M., came in Tuesday on a business trip, and is thinking of locating with us.

Green Ground Bone, with adhering pieces of meat and gristle, will make your hens lay. OTTO'S MARKET. Phone 437.

Miss May Haub, who has been clerking in the City Bakery for several months, returned to her home in Kansas on Monday.

Get your Meats and Groceries at WRIGHT & DUNAWAY'S STORE. They have an up-to-date butcher shop in their store. For Groceries, phone 35 or 355; Meats, phone 437.

Mr. and Mrs. Payne Roundtree, late of Sonora, Texas, are visiting with Mr. Roundtree's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Roundtree, and may locate permanently in Plainview.

G. W. Brown and family moved from their farm west of Hale Center to Plainview this week. They come here principally to get the educational advantages offered by our city.

Why plant Weed Seed and Johnson Grass with your Oats, when you can get the Genuine Red Rust-Proof Oats, re-cleaned, at E. T. COLEMAN'S, Coal and Grain Dealer?

Rev. G. I. Brittain and son, of Floydada, came in from their home on Wednesday's train. Rev. Brittain was here for the purpose of placing his son in the Boone Institute of Massage, to receive treatment.

Rev. I. E. Gates preached last Sunday at Canyon.

Books and Bibles at DUNCAN'S PHARMACY.

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J. A. Peret was an Abernathy visitor Tuesday.

If it's in the Drug or Drug Sundry line, DUNCAN'S PHARMACY has it.

FOR SALE—Threshing and Plow Outfit. For information, address BOX 367, Plainview, Texas.

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T. M. Hanna, of Ruthven, Iowa, left Wednesday for his home, after inspecting his property near Olton.

Work on Mr. Humphrey's new home is progressing rapidly, and will soon be ready for the painter.

F. M. Cranford, the popular merchant of Abernathy, was in the city this week.

WANTED—From farmers; 9 to 12 Barred Plymouth Rock hens and one rooster. Name lowest price. Address B. A. CRANE, Post, Texas.

Mrs. J. W. Pipkin and Mrs. E. T. Coleman left Tuesday for Lubbock, as delegates to the convention of the Eastern Star lodge.

FOR SALE—70 mules coming 3-year-old this spring; 50 head coming 1-year-olds this spring. All good boned. GRANVILLE RANCH, Umbarger, Texas. 10-pd.

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**REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE**

February 13, 1912.

To the Mayor and City Council, City of Plainview:

We, your Committee appointed to audit the books and accounts of J. F. Watson, City Marshal and Tax Collector, and Jas. R. Hamilton, City Secretary and Treasurer, beg to report that we have examined the books and accounts of J. F. Watson and find the following moneys have been received by him since last settlement, to-wit:

**General Fund.**

Amount back taxes collected \$ 328.01

Amount current, 1911, taxes collected 5,472.26

Amount occupation taxes collected 336.50

Amount dog taxes collected 69.00

Amount fines and costs collected 387.65

Amount collected for old lumber 2.50

Amount collected for weed cutting 28.50

Total General Fund \$ 6,624.42

**Interest and Sinking Fund.**

Amount back taxes collected \$ 246.13

Amount current, 1911, taxes collected 4,064.57

Total Interest and Sinking Fund \$ 4,310.54

**Street Fund.**

Amount back taxes collected \$ 189.81

Amount current, 1911, taxes collected 3,048.84

Total Street Fund \$ 3,238.65

**Total Collected, All Funds.**

General Fund \$ 6,624.42

Interest and Sinking Fund 4,310.67

Street Fund 3,238.65

Total \$ 14,173.74

Amount paid to City Treasurer, as shown by cancelled checks endorsed by Jas. R. Hamilton, City Treasurer 6,784.89

Balance due City \$ 7,388.85

Your Committee begs to further report that, owing to Mr. Jas. R. Hamilton being away from the city, they do not feel that it is advisable to attempt to audit his books and accounts until he can be present. We beg to advise, however, that we have gone into the accounts far enough to warrant us in reporting that the balance due the city, as above shown, will not meet deficit in the Interest and Sinking Fund, and, therefore, will recommend that the said amount be ordered paid into the City Treasury and placed to the credit of said fund. And would further recommend that said fund be deposited in the City Depository as a separate fund, and not with the other funds.

We find the accounts of Mr. Watson in good shape, and easily audited, and have no recommendation to offer further than to suggest that he take a receipt from the City Treasurer showing into what fund the money is paid, instead of depending upon the checks for a receipt.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. SANDER,  
B. L. SPENCER,  
J. J. BROMLEY,  
Committee.

**YOU CAN MAKE FROM \$300.00 TO \$600.00 PER MONTH**

Dear Friend: Our catalogue for 1912 and 13 has just been issued.

A new class is enrolled the first of each month. We teach only the ESSENTIALS of MASSAGE and applied PHYSIOLOGY and ANATOMY. No time is spent on studies that are to any degree non-essential to the mastery of the science and the technique of the practice.

Your life is what you make it. A knowledge of the true things of life is the only thing that will increase your happiness or success.

Is it worth three months of your time, in the most pleasant and inspiring surroundings to learn the truth that will bring you health, happiness and success and prepare you to extend these same blessings to others?

If you have during the last five years, paid an average doctor bill for yourself and family of fifty dollars per year, you have paid 5 per cent of \$1000. per year, and if you continue to pay at that rate, you may as well have given the doctor a perpetual mortgage of \$1000. at 5 per cent per annum on the health of yourself and family. This is a proposition that is easy to figure; as long as you are unable to control the health of yourself and family, you will be paying interest on a mortgage, the principal of which is not possible for you to pay.

If you can invest \$150 and become the Master of yourself and family, you will be discharging the mortgage of \$1000 above mentioned, and you will also have learned to restore others of the sick and afflicted and teach them to become Masters of their bodies. Massage is the oldest and newest thing under the sun. No other profession offers any such rewards in personal development and happiness; you learn to restore the hopelessly afflicted to lives of service; you make the blind and lame well in mind and body and through you they become useful members of society.

You MUST decide sometime to take up something for the better. It will never be entirely convenient for you to come, and you will never be able to reach out for the newer and better things in life, unless you are willing to make a small sacrifice of the older and inferior things. Do not let any obstacle deter you. After three months time and very little expense, you will be qualified to earn from three to six hundred dollars per month.

I want to hear from you. I want you to consider this matter seriously TODAY, NOW.

With every good wish, I am,  
Yours truly,

S. L. BOONE, President  
Boone Institute of Massage.  
Plainview, Texas.

W. H. Flynn, sheriff of Lubbock County, was in the city Monday.

Dr. E. M. Harp, of Hale Center, spent the first of the week in our city.

C. E. McCool spent a couple of days in Amarillo this week.

A. A. Terrell, manager of The Tullia Herald, was in the city Tuesday.

WANTED—To list a few good farms for sale or exchange; merchandise to trade for land. C. L. WELLS, Tullia, Texas.

The Texas Company has just recently installed two big oil tanks alongside the side tracks near the depot.

Place your order for a week's supply of Ground Bone, and see the increase in your egg supply—6c per pounds, at OTTO'S MARKET.

FOR SALE—120 feet of Battleship Linoleum, suitable for any public building. Also some good Lumber, practically new. See DAVIS & BRASK.

Truman Holdridge, of Wolcott, Ind., who has property near Olton, left Wednesday for his home. He says he likes this country better each time he sees it.

When you have anything to sell or anything to buy in the Coal and Grain Line, don't forget that E. T. COLEMAN, Coal and Grain Dealer, is open for a deal.

Uncle Pomp Henderson has been in the city some days, talking piano to our people. He is a good entertainer—a good talker and a pretty fair listener.

Have you tried any of that Domino Lump Coal, from a new mine—a New Coal, but a Plumb Goodun? It may be what you are looking for. E. T. COLEMAN, Coal and Grain Dealer, has it.

The attraction at the Schick on Tuesday, February 20, for one night only, will be "The Man on the Box," the Harold McGrath comedy success, with Mr. Bert Leigh in the leading role. The play is considered to be one of the best comedies ever staged.

W. E. Meredith made a business trip to Lubbock the first of the week.

Yancy Lee, of Lubbock, was in the city Monday.

Mrs. Bertha DeWald came in from Abernathy on Wednesday, to visit her mother, Mrs. J. P. Latimore.

WANTED—To sell one-third interest in a good business. See BRASHEARS, at Wright & Dunaway's.

Sam L. Seay, better known as "Spot Cash" Seay, of Amarillo, was in the city the first of the week, looking after his interests here.

New Kimonas, Maslin Underwear, Laces, Embroideries and White Goods—the Prettiest yet! See them at the PLAINVIEW MERCANTILE CO'S.

Commissioners' Court met in regular session last Monday. They have been working like beavers, and have ground out a pretty heavy grist.

The most complete stock of Spring Shirts in Plainview is now on display. They are beautiful. PLAINVIEW MERCANTILE COMPANY.

Your Prescriptions are given prompt and careful attention when left with us. We guarantee the correctness of the filling and the purity of the drugs used. DUNCAN'S PHARMACY.

Our New Spring Shoes are ready for your inspection. We are prepared to take care of the whole family. They are correct in style, quality and price. PLAINVIEW MERCANTILE CO.

Mrs. R. L. Stringfellow came in from Amarillo yesterday, on a visit to her mother, Mrs. R. T. Jones, and also her brother and sister, Thornton Jones and Mrs. J. L. Vaughn.

Dr. L. L. Gladney has been giving a series of lectures at the First Christian Church on the subject of "Church Doctrine and Polity." The lectures have been well attended and have been enjoyed by all who were present.

There will be a pipe organ recital given at the M. E. Church on Friday night, February 23rd, by Prof. Herrmann and other members of the Beth Ward faculty.

Carl Brask went to Hale Center Sunday, where he went to complete his painting contract on the Robert Alley home. From there he will go to the Schultz ranch, northwest of Abernathy, where he has considerable painting work to do.

The new school building at Hale Center was completed the first of the week, and was accepted by the Hale Center School Board. The new building is built of brick and is a fine specimen of modern architecture. It will be looked upon with pride by the citizenship of that town.

Ed Kiser was in the city the first of the week. He says he has ten acres of alfalfa that, with almost no rain, last year netted him a little over \$50 per acre. With two or three good showers at the proper time he would have done much better.

G. J. Dieter closed a deal Monday in which he transferred his business and business house in this city to Solon Clements, of Plainview, and in return bought 800 acres of land near Plainview. Mr. Dieter will move to that country in the near future.—Olney Enterprise.

Jim Kiser, of Olton, was in the city Tuesday with a load of hay, which he delivered on the car. Jim is a good farmer, and, though his locality was short on rain last year, he made plenty of hay and fodder. Jim is a candidate for county clerk of Lamb County, and expects to be elected. We have known him for many years, and know him to be a good citizen and of the sort that make good officers.

**FARM FOR RENT, FOR CASH.**

Seventy-five acres, all in cultivation; good house, barn, windmill and outhouses. Ten miles south of Plainview. E. A. CHORSSER. 8-pd.

**SPRAY, SPRAY, SPRAY!**

Protect your fruit buds from the ravages of insects, by spraying. Those interested call or address M. E. BUNN, Dowden Farm, Plainview, Texas.

**LAND FOR EXCHANGE.**

Several East Texas and Oklahoma farms to trade for land in Hale County. See E. E. WINN REALTY CO., Plainview, Texas.

**OFFICERS**

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H. M. Burch, Cashier  
L. A. Knight, Vice-President  
L. G. Wilson, Vice-President  
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*Cottolene* is a vegetable product—without an ounce of hog fat in it. It is made from the choicest cotton oil, extracted from the seed picked on the fields of the Sunny South. It is a product of Nature, and makes wholesome, digestible, healthful food.

*Cottolene* is made in a cleanly manner—from Cottonfield to Kitchen human hands never touch the oil from which *Cottolene* is made. It is the one high-grade, absolutely pure and perfect cooking fat—and far preferable from a health and economic standpoint to butter, lard or any other fat.

*Cottolene* is more economical than butter or lard because it goes one-third farther.

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THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY



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### THE TAX ON SUGAR.

The following is the way the Kansas City Star discusses and sums up the tax on sugar:

"Sugar furnishes an important source of government revenue in nearly all countries. Why? Because it is a commodity of universal use, and a tax may be assessed against it in such a way that the consumer does not realize he is paying it. Governments find that in this manner they can collect taxes from every individual, regardless of his ability to pay taxes. But it is an expensive method of taxation, because the government gets the money only after it has passed through the hands of the retailer, the wholesaler, the jobber, the refiner, and the importer, and the added cost to the consumer greatly exceeds the amount obtained by the government. "Suppose that every time a con-

sumer buys ten pounds of sugar he is informed that twenty cents of the money he pays is put on because of the import duty; how long would it take to arouse a public sentiment that would force the abolition of such a tax?

"Suppose, farther, that the grocer kept two lots of sugar, both selling at the same price, one of them being imported sugar and the other produced in the United States; and suppose that the buyer of sugar was told that two cents on each pound goes to the government if he takes imported sugar, while two cents on each pound of domestic sugar goes to the producer as a special privilege or protection because of the import duty. Wouldn't the protective tariff idea receive a tremendous jolt before long?"

"If sugar must be a source or revenue to the government, why not collect the same tax on sugar produced

at home as is collected on sugar that is imported? That would almost double the revenue of the government from sugar, and it would end the inequitable system of giving a special privilege to the producer of sugar which can not be enjoyed by the producer of wheat or corn."

Between one hundred and twenty-five and one hundred and fifty automobiles, carrying over 400 people, will leave San Antonio this week for the Medina damsite excursion to be given under the auspices of the Bexar County Highway League.

One thousand dollars has been raised by the Commercial Club of Brownwood to be offered as prizes to farmers living in the trade territory of Brownwood who will diversify and raise other crops than cotton.

### TEXAS INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

There has been considerable activity in the cattle markets at Seminole the past week. Deals aggregating over \$100,000 were closed, most of the cattle being shipped to Denver, Colorado.

A charter has been granted the People's Oil & Gas Company of Wichita Falls; capital stock, \$250,000.

Beaumont business men have purchased seven miles of river frontage on the Neches river, to be held for terminal sites and wharfage.

Citizens of Corpus Christi are planning to build a causeway over the bay from the end of the reef to the city.

The Pierce-Fordyce Oil Company is erecting a large storage plant and office building in Houston.

The Kingsville Commercial Club will shortly start a live campaign for five hundred new members.

During the month of January, the Texas fishermen sold \$80,000 in oysters and \$366,000 in fish.

One hundred acres of malaga and muscat grapes have recently been planted in Toyah Valley.

Members of the Chamber of Commerce at Beaumont are making efforts to secure the erection of a new Frisco Railway depot in that city.

Valuable deposits of fire-proof brick and pottery clay in great quantities have been found in Coleman county.

A Young Men's Business Club has been formed at Shamrock.

The farmers of Hardin county will organize a truck growers' association.

Work on the construction of a factory at Denison for the manufacture of boxes, baskets and crates will begin within the next thirty days. The plant will have a capacity of one car load of finished product daily.

Twenty section of land in the eastern part of Andrews county have recently been sold for colonization purposes. A number of wells will be sunk and the tract irrigated.

A miniature farm, illustrating the adaptability of the Tarrant county soils to the growing of wheat, corn, cotton and other products, will be a feature of the county land exhibit at the Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth in March.

Arrangements are being made by the Commercial Club of Pecos for the establishment of a sugar beet factory at that place.

A new hotel to cost approximately \$700,000 will be built at El Paso.

A heavy pressure of gas has been found at a depth of 2,000 feet in a well being sunk by the Texas Caddo Oil Company, sixteen miles east of Jefferson.

A commercial club has been organized at Maypearl.

A rich vein of copper ore has been found at Anson, Jones county.

Construction work will begin on the extension of the M. K. & T. railroad between San Marcos and Austin within the next thirty days.

A new hotel will be built at Beeville, under the auspices of the Young Men's Progressive League.

Barnhart Brothers & Spindler, of Jersey City, New Jersey, have been granted a permit to do business in Texas, with principal offices in Dallas; capital stock, \$3,000,000.

**BILIOUS SPELLS  
NO LONGER DANGEROUS.**  
Dodson's Liver-Tone Is a Safe Medicine to Take the Place of Too Powerful Calomel.

In the days when calomel was the only liver medicine, a torpid liver, or a spell of biliousness, was a serious thing. Calomel is a powerful mineral substance that compels the liver, no matter how weak it is, to do its work, but does nothing to strengthen the liver, and a large dose—sometimes the usual dose—may cause salivation. Dodson's Liver-Tone is a builder that strengthens the liver while making it do its work. It is entirely vegetable, pleasant to take, has no bad after-effect and is perfectly suited for children as well as grown people. You don't have to be careful what you eat.

R. A. Long Drug Co. will sell you a bottle and guarantee it to give you perfect satisfaction. If it doesn't you can get your money back simply by asking for it.

See The Herald for Job Printing.

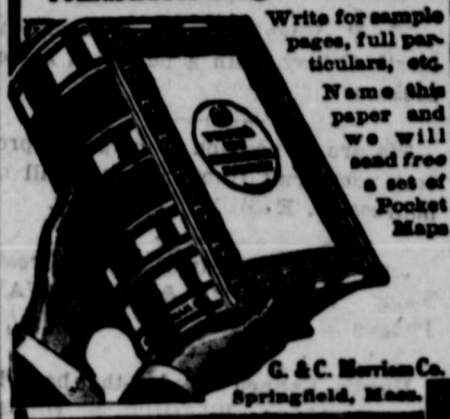
### SHERIFF'S SALE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Hale.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That by virtue of a certain Order of Sale, issued out of the Honorable District Court of Hale County, Texas, on the first day of February, A. D. 1912, by the Clerk of said Court, under a Judgment and Order of Sale, in a certain cause in said Court, No. 609, styled Mudge J. Hagan vs. J. W. Peace et al., wherein said Judgment, and in accordance with said Order of Sale, the defendant, C. L. Gilbert, having a prior lien on the property hereinafter described, recovered in said Court a Judgment against the defendants, B. E. Sebastian and F. Faulkner, for the sum of Three Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-nine Dollars and Sixty-three Cents (\$3,939.63), with interest thereon from the date of Judgment at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, and costs of suit, and also recovered Judgment foreclosing his Vendor's Lien on the following described property, against the Plaintiff, Mudge J. Hagan, and the Defendants, F. Faulkner, J. W. Peace, B. E. Sebastian, Wayne Paxton, and The Powell Land and Lumber Co, a partnership composed of C. B. Powell and J. M. Simmons; and the Plaintiff, Mudge J. Hagan, recovered judgment in said Court against the Defendant, J. W. Peace, for the sum of One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixteen Dollars and Thirty Cents (\$1,816.30), with interest thereon from the 28th day of November, 1911, at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, and costs of suit; and the Defendant, The Powell Land and Lumber Company, the above-described partnership, recovered judgment in said Court in said case, against the Defendant, J. W. Peace, for the sum of Two Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty-one Dollars and Fifty-seven Cents (\$2,721.57), with interest from the date of judgment at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, with costs of suit, and the Defendant, Wayne Paxton, recovered judgment in said Court in said suit against the said Defendant, J. W. Peace, for the sum of Four Hundred and Eighty-six Dollars and no Cents (\$486.00), with interest from the date of judgment at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, and costs of suit; said Order of Sale having been placed in my hands for service, I, G. A. London, as Sheriff of Hale County, Texas, did, on the 1st day of February, A. D. 1912, levy on certain Real Estate Situated in Hale County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: 320 acres of land situated in Hale County, Texas, being the West One-half (W. 1/2) of Survey No. TWELVE (12), in Block S. 1, Certificate No. 345; and levied upon as the property of Mudge J. Hagan, F. Faulk-

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# The PHANTOM OF THE OPERA

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### SYNOPSIS.

**CHAPTER I.**—Consternation is caused on the last night that the opera is managed by Debienne and Poligny because of the appearance of a ghost, said to have been in evidence on several previous occasions. Later in the evening Joseph Buquet is found dead, having hanged himself.

**CHAPTER II.**—Christine Daae, a member of the opera company, is called upon to fill a very important part and scores a great success. Count de Chagny and his brother Raoul are among those who applaud the singer. Raoul tries to see Christine in the dressing room, but is unable to do so and later discovers that some one is making love to her. She emerges alone, and upon entering the room he finds it empty.

**CHAPTER III.**—While the farewell ceremony for the retiring managers is going on, the Opera Ghost appears and makes the announcement of Buquet's death. Richard and Moncharmin, the new managers, are then informed of the clause in the contract which stipulates that a certain sum shall be paid to the ghost and that box No. 5 shall be reserved for him.

**CHAPTER IV.**—Box No. 5 is sold with disastrous results. The managers receive a letter from the Opera Ghost calling attention to the error. The box keeper is called in and gives her experience with the ghost.

**CHAPTER V.**—Christine Daae writes Raoul that she has gone to visit the grave of her father. He goes also, and in the night follows her to the church. Wonderful violin music is heard. Raoul is found next morning almost frozen.

distinguish it from any of the others. M. Moncharmin and M. Richard, ostensibly highly amused and laughing at each other, moved the furniture of the box, lifted the cloths and the chairs and particularly examined the arm-chair in which "the man's voice" used to sit. But they saw that it was a respectable arm-chair, with no magic about it. Altogether, the box was the most ordinary box in the world, with its red hangings, its chairs, its carpet and its ledge covered in red velvet. After feeling the carpet in the most serious manner possible, and discovering nothing more here or anywhere else, they went down to the corresponding box on the pit tier below. In Box Five on the pit tier, which is just inside the first exit nothing worth mentioning either.

"Those people are all making fools of us!" Firmin Richard ended by exclaiming. "It will be Faust on Saturday; let us both see the performance from Box Five on the grand tier!"

### CHAPTER VII.

**Faust and What Followed.**  
On the Saturday morning, on reaching their office, the joint managers found a letter from O. G. worded in these terms:

"My Dear Managers:  
"So it is to be war between us? If you still care for peace, here is my ultimatum. It consists of the four following conditions:

"1. You must give me back my private box; and I wish it to be at my free disposal from henceforward."  
"2. The part of Margarita shall be sung this evening by Christine Daae. Never mind about Carlotta; she will be ill."

"3. I absolutely insist upon the good and loyal services of Mme. Giry, my box-keeper, whom you will reinstate in her functions forthwith."

"4. Let me know by a letter handed to Mme-Giry, who will see that it reaches me, that you accept, as your predecessors did, the conditions in my memorandum-book relating to my monthly allowance. I will inform you later how you are to pay it to me."  
"If you refuse, you will give Faust tonight in a house with a curse upon it."

"Take my advice and be warned in time."

"Look here, I'm getting sick of him, sick of him!" shouted Richard, bringing his fist down on his office-table. Just then, Mercier, the acting-manager, entered.

"Lachenel would like to see one of you gentlemen," he said. "He says that his business is urgent and he seems quite upset."

"Who's Lachenel?" asked Richard. "He's your stud-groom."

"What do you mean? My stud-groom?"

"Yes, sir," explained Mercier, "there are several grooms at the opera and M. Lachenel is at the head of them."

"And what does this groom do?"

"He has the chief management of the stable."

"What stable?"

"Why, yours, sir, the stable of the opera."

"Is there a stable at the opera? Upon my word, I didn't know. Where is it?"

Profeta and so on; horses 'used to the boards.' It is the grooms' business to teach them. M. Lachenel is very clever at it. He used to manage Franconi's stables."

"Very well . . . but what does he want?"

"I don't know; I never saw him in such a state."

"He can come in."

M. Lachenel came in, carrying a riding-whip, with which he struck his right boot in an irritable manner.

"Good morning, M. Lachenel," said Richard, somewhat impressed. "To what do we owe the honor of your visit?"

"Mr. Manager, I have come to ask you to get rid of the whole stable."

"What, you want to get rid of our horses?"

"I'm not talking of the horses, but of the stablemen."

"How many stablemen have you, M. Lachenel?"

"Six."

"Six stablemen! That's at least two too many."

"These are 'places,' Mercier interposed, "created and forced upon us by the under-secretary for fine arts. They are filled by proteges of the government and, if I may venture to . . ."

"I don't care a hang for the government!" roared Richard. "We don't need more than four stablemen for twelve horses."

"Eleven," said the head riding-master, correcting him.

"Eleven," repeated Lachenel.

"Oh, the acting-manager told me that you had twelve horses!"

"I did have twelve, but I have only eleven since Cesar was stolen."

And M. Lachenel gave himself a great smack on the boot with his whip.

"Has Cesar been stolen?" cried the acting-manager. "Cesar, the white horse in the Profeta?"

"There are not two Cesars," said the stud-groom dryly. "I was ten years at Franconi's and I have seen plenty of horses in my time. Well, there are not two Cesars. And he's been stolen."

"How?"

"I don't know. Nobody knows. That's why I have come to ask you to sack the whole stable."

"What do your stablemen say?"

"All sorts of nonsense. Some of them accuse the supers. Others pretend that it's the acting-manager's doorkeeper."

"My doorkeeper? I'll answer for him as I would for myself!" protested Mercier.

"But, after all, M. Lachenel," cried Richard, "you must have some idea."

"Yes, I have," M. Lachenel declared. "I have an idea and I'll tell you what it is. There's no doubt about it in my mind." He walked up to the two managers and whispered. "It's the ghost who did the trick!"

Richard gave a jump.

"What, you too! You too!"

"How do you mean, I too? Isn't it natural, after what I saw?"

"What did you see?"

"I saw, as clearly as I now see you, a black shadow riding a white horse that was as like Cesar as two peas!"

"And did you run after them?"

"I did and I shouted, but they were too fast for me and disappeared in the darkness of the underground gallery."

M. Richard rose. "That will do, M. Lachenel. You can go. . . We will lodge a complaint against the ghost."

"And sack my stable?"

"Oh, of course! Good morning."

M. Lachenel bowed and withdrew. Richard roamed at the mouth.

"Settle that idiot's account at once, please."

"He is a friend of the government representative's!" Mercier ventured to say.

"And he takes his vermouth at Tortoni's with Lagrene, Scholl and Pertuiset, the lion-hunter," added Moncharmin. "We shall have the whole press against us! He'll tell the story of the ghost; and everybody will be laughing at our expense! We may as well be dead as ridiculous!"

"All right, say no more about it."

At that moment the door opened. It must have been deserted by its usual Cerberus, for Mme Giry entered without ceremony, holding a letter in her hand, and said hurriedly:

"I beg your pardon, excuse me, gentlemen, but I had a letter this morning from the opera ghost. He told me to come to you, that you had something to . . ."

She did not complete the sentence. She saw Firmin Richard's face; and it was a terrible sight. He seemed ready to burst. He said nothing, he could not speak. But suddenly he

acted. First, his left arm seized upon the quaint person of Mme Giry and made her describe so unexpected a semicircle that she uttered a despairing cry. Next, his right foot imprinted its sole on the black taffeta of a skirt which certainly had never before undergone a similar outrage in a similar place. The thing happened so quickly that Mme Giry, when in the passage, was still quite bewildered and seemed not to understand. But, suddenly, she understood; and the opera rang with her indignant yells, her violent protests and threats.

About the same time Carlotta, who had a small house of her own in the Rue du Faubourg St. Honore, rang for her maid, who brought her letters to her bed. Among them was an anonymous missive, written in red ink, in a hesitating, clumsy hand, which ran:

"If you appear tonight, you must be prepared for a great misfortune at the moment when you open your mouth to sing . . . a misfortune worse than death."

The letter took away Carlotta's appetite for breakfast. She pushed back her chocolate, sat up in bed and thought hard. It was not the first letter of the kind which she had received, but she never had one couched in such threatening terms.

She thought herself, at that time, the victim of a thousand jealous attempts and went about saying that she had a secret enemy who had sworn to ruin her. She pretended that a wicked plot was being hatched against her, a cabal which would come to a head one of those days; but she added that she was not the woman to be intimidated.

The truth is that, if there was a cabal, it was led by Carlotta herself against poor Christine, who had no suspicion of it. Carlotta had never forgiven Christine for the triumph which she had achieved when taking her place at a moment's notice. When Carlotta heard of the astounding reception bestowed upon her under-study, she was at once cured of an incipient attack of bronchitis and a bad fit of sulking against the management, and lost the slightest inclination to shirk her duties. From that time, she worked with all her might to "smother" her rival, enlisting the services of influential friends to persuade the managers not to give Christine an opportunity for a fresh triumph. Certain newspapers which had begun to extol the talent of Christine now interested themselves only in the fame of Carlotta. Lastly, in the theater itself, she celebrated, but heartless and soulless diva made the most scandalous remarks about Christine and tried to cause her endless minor unpleasantnesses.

When Carlotta had finished thinking over the threat contained in the strange letter, she got up.

"We shall see," she said, adding a few oaths in her native Spanish with a very determined air.

The first thing she saw, when looking out of her window, was a hearse. She was very superstitious; and the hearse and the letter convinced her that she was running the most serious dangers that evening. She collected all her supporters, told them that she was threatened at that evening's performance with a plot organized by Christine Daae and declared that they must play a trick upon that chit by filling the house with her, Carlotta's, admirers. She had no lack of them, had she? She relied upon them to hold themselves prepared for any eventuality and to silence the adversaries, if, as she feared, they created a disturbance.

M. Richard's private secretary called to ask after the diva's health and returned with the assurance that she was perfectly well and that "were she dying," she would sing the part of Margarita that evening. The secretary urged her, in his chief's name, to commit no imprudence, to stay at home all day and to be careful of drafts; and Carlotta could not help, after he had gone, comparing this unusual and unexpected advice with the threats contained in the letter.

It was five o'clock when the post brought a second anonymous letter in the same hand as the first. It was short and said simply:

"You have a bad cold. If you are wise, you will see that it is madness to try to sing tonight."

Carlotta sneered, shrugged her handsome shoulders and sang two or three notes to reassure herself.

Her friends were faithful to their promise. They were all at the opera that night, but looked round in vain for the fierce conspirators whom they were instructed to suppress. The only unusual thing was the presence of M. Richard and M. Moncharmin in Box Five. Carlotta's friends thought that, perhaps, the managers had wind, on their side, of the proposed disturbance and that they had determined to be in the house, so as to stop it then and there, but this was unjustifiable supposition, as the reader knows. M. Richard and M. Moncharmin were thinking of nothing but their ghost.

"Vain! In vain do I call, through my vigil weary,  
On creation and its Lord!  
Never reply will break the silence dreary!  
No sign! No single word!"

The famous baritone, Carouls Fonta, had hardly finished Doctor Faust's first appeal to the powers of darkness, when M. Firmin Richard, who was sitting in the ghost's own chair, the front chair on the right, leaned over to his partner and asked him chaffingly:

"Well, has the ghost whispered a word in your ear yet?"

"Wait, don't be in such a hurry," replied M. Armand Moncharmin, in the same gay tone. "The perform-

ance has only begun and you know that the ghost does not usually come until the middle of the first act."

The first act passed without incident, which did not surprise Carlotta's friends, because Margarita does not sing in this act. As for the managers, they looked at each other, when the curtain fell.

"That's one!" said Moncharmin. "Yes, the ghost is late," said Firmin Richard.

"It's not a bad house," said Moncharmin, "for a house with a curse on it."

M. Richard smiled and pointed to a fat, rather vulgar woman, dressed in black, sitting in a stall in the middle of the auditorium with a man in a broadcloth frock-coat on either side of her.

"Who on earth are 'those'?" asked Moncharmin.

"Those, my dear fellow, are my concierge, her husband and her brother."

"Did you give them their tickets?"

"I did. . . My concierge had never been to the opera—this is the first time—and, as she is now going to come every night, I wanted her to have a good seat, before spending her time showing other people to theirs."

Moncharmin asked what he meant and Richard answered that he had persuaded his concierge, in whom he had the greatest confidence, to come and take Mme Giry's place. Yes, he would like to see if, with that woman instead of the old lunatic, Box Five would continue to astonish the natives?

"By the way," said Moncharmin, "you know that Mother Giry is going to lodge a complaint against you."

"With whom? The ghost?"

The ghost! Moncharmin had almost forgotten him. However, that mysterious person did nothing to bring himself to the memory of the managers; and they were just saying so to each other for the second time, when the door of the box suddenly opened to admit the startled stage-manager.

"What's the matter?" they both asked, amazed at seeing him there at such a time.

"It seems there's a plot got up by Christine Daae's friends against Carlotta. Carlotta's furious."

"What on earth . . ." said Richard, knitting his brows.

But the curtain rose on the kermess scene and Richard made a sign to the stage-manager to go away. When the two were alone again, Moncharmin leaned over to Richard:

"Then Daae has friends?" he asked.

"Yes, she has."

"Whom?"

Richard glanced across at a box on the grand tier containing no one but two men.

"The Comte de Chagny?"

"Yes, he spoke to me in her favor with such warmth that, if I had not known him to be Sorrell's friend . . ."

"Really? Really?" said Moncharmin. "And who is that pale young man beside him?"

"That's his brother, the viscount."

"He ought to be in his bed. He looks ill."

The stage rang with gay song:

"Red or white liquor,  
Coarse or fine!  
What can it matter,  
So we have wine?"

Students, citizens, soldiers, girls and matrons whirled light-heartedly before the inn with the figure of Bacchus for a sign. Siebel made her entrance. Christine Daae looked charming in her boy's clothes; and Carlotta's partisans expected to hear her greeted with an ovation which would have enlightened them as to the intentions of her friends. But nothing happened.

On the other hand, when Margarita crossed the stage and sang the only two lines allotted her in this second act:

"No, my lord, not a lady am I, nor yet a beauty,  
And do not need an arm to help me on my way."

Carlotta was received with enthusiastic applause. It was so unexpected and so uncalled for that those who knew nothing about the rumors looked at one another and asked what was happening. And this act also was finished without incident.

Then everybody said: "Of course, it will be during the next act."

Some, who seemed to be better informed than the rest, declared that the "row" would begin with the ballad of the King of Thule and rushed to the subscribers' entrance to warn Carlotta. The managers left the box during the entracte to find out more about the cabal of which the stage-manager had spoken; but they soon returned to their seats, shrugging their shoulders and treating the whole affair as silly.

The first thing they saw, on entering the box, was a box of English sweets on the little shelf of the ledge. Who had put it there? They asked the box-keepers, but none of them knew. Then they went back to the shelf and next to the box of sweets, found an opera glass. They looked at each other. They had no inclination to laugh. All that Mme. Giry had told them returned to their memory . . . and then . . . and then . . . they seemed to feel a curious sort of draft around them. . . They sat down in silence.

The scene represented Margarita's garden:

"Gentle flow'rs, lie ye there  
And tell her from me . . ."

The viscount put his head under his hands and wept. The count, behind him, viciously gnawed his mustache, shrugged his shoulders and frowned. For him, usually so cold and correct, to betray his inner feelings like that, by outward signs, the count must be very angry. He was. He had seen his brother return from a rapid and mysterious journey in an alarming state of health. The explanation that followed was unsatisfactory and the count asked Christine Daae for an appointment. She had the audacity to reply that she could not see either him or his brother. . . .

"Would she but deign to hear me  
And with one smile to cheer me."

"The little baggage!" growled the count.

And he wondered what she wanted. What she was hoping for. . . . She was a virtuous girl, she was said to have no friend, no protector of any sort. . . . That angel from the north must be very artful!

Raoul, behind the curtain of his hands that veiled his boyish tears, thought only of the letter which he received on his return to Paris, where Christine, fleeing from Perros like a thief in the night, had arrived before him:

"My Dear Little Playfellow:  
"You must have the courage not to see me again, not to speak of me again. If you love me just a little, do this for me, for me who will never forget you, my dear Raoul. My life depends upon it. Your life depends upon it."

"YOUR LITTLE CHRISTINE."  
Thunders of applause. Carlotta made her entrance.

"I wish I could but know who was he  
That addressed me,  
If he was noble, or at least, what his name is . . ."

When Margarita had finished singing the ballad of the King of Thule, she was loudly cheered and again when she came to the end of the jewel song:

"Ah, the joy of past compare  
These jewels bright to wear!"

Thenceforth, certain of herself, certain of her friends in the house, certain of her voice and her success, fearing nothing, Carlotta flung herself into her part without restraint of modesty. . . . She was no longer Margarita, she was Carmen. She was applauded all the more; and her debut with Faust seemed about to bring her a new success, when suddenly . . . a terrible thing happened.

Faust had knelt on one knee:

"Let me gaze on the form below me,  
While from yonder ether blue  
Look how the star of eve, bright and tender,  
Lingers o'er me,  
To love thy beauty too!"

And Margarita replied:

"Oh, how strange!  
Like a spell does the evening blind me!

And a deep languid charm  
I feel without alarm  
With its melody enwind me  
And all my heart subdue."

At that moment, at that identical moment, the terrible thing happened. . . . Carlotta croaked like a toad:

"Co-ack!"

There was consternation on Carlotta's face and consternation on the faces of all the audience. The two managers in their box could not suppress an exclamation of horror. Every one felt that the thing was not natural, that there was witchcraft behind it. That toad smelt of brimstone. Poor, wretched, despairing, crushed Carlotta!

The uproar in the house was indescribable. If the thing had happened to any one but Carlotta, she would have been hooted. But everybody knew how perfect an instrument her voice was; and there was no display of anger, but only of horror and dismay, the sort of dismay which men would have felt if they had witnessed the catastrophe that broke the arms of the Venus de Milo. . . . And even then they would have seen . . . and understood . . .

But here that toad was incomprehensible! So much so that, after some seconds spent in asking herself if she had really heard that note, that sound, that infernal noise issue from her throat, she tried to persuade herself that it was not so, that she was the victim of an illusion, an illusion of the ear, and not of an act of treachery on the part of her voice. . . .

Meanwhile, in Box Five, Moncharmin and Richard had turned very pale. This extraordinary and inexplicable incident filled them with a dread which was the more mysterious inasmuch as for some little while, they had fallen within the direct influence of the ghost. They had felt his breath, Moncharmin's hair stood on end. Richard wiped the perspiration from his forehead. Yes, the ghost was there, around them, behind them, beside them; they felt his presence without seeing him, they heard his breath, close, close, close to them! . . . They were sure that there were three people in the box. . . . They trembled. . . . They thought of running away. . . . They dared not. . . . They dared not make a movement or exchange a word that would have told the ghost that they knew that he was there! . . . What was going to happen? . . . This happened.

"Co-ack!"  
Their joint exclamation of horror was heard all over the house. They felt that they were smarting under the ghost's attacks. Leaning over the edge of their box, they stared at Carlotta as though they did not recognize her. That infernal girl must have given the signal for some catastrophe. Ah, they were waiting for the catastrophe! The ghost had told them it would come! The house had a curse upon it! The two managers gasped and panted under the weight of the catastrophe. Richard's stifled voice was heard calling to Carlotta:

"Well, go on!"

No, Carlotta did not go on. . . . Bravely, heroically, she started afresh on the fatal line at the end of which the toad had appeared.

An awful silence succeeded the uproar. Carlotta's voice alone once more filled the resounding house:

"I feel without alarm . . ."

The audience also felt, but not without alarm. . . .

"I feel without alarm . . .  
I feel without alarm—co-ack!  
With his melody enwind me—co-ack!  
And all my heart sub-co-ack!"

The toad also had started afresh! The house broke into a wild tumult. The two managers collapsed in their chairs and dared not even turn round; they had not the strength; the ghost was chucking behind their backs!



Released From its Hook, It Plunged From the Ceiling.

And, at last, they distinctly heard his voice in their right ears, the impossible voice, the mouthless voice, saying:

"She is singing tonight to bring the chandelier down!"

With one accord, they raised their eyes to the ceiling and uttered a terrible cry. The chandelier, the immense mass of the chandelier was slipping down, coming toward them, at the call of that fiendish voice. Released from its hook, it plunged from the ceiling and came smashing into the middle of the stalls, amid a thousand shouts of terror. A wild rush for the doors followed.

The papers of the day state that there were numbers wounded and one killed. The chandelier had crashed down upon the head of the wretched woman who had come to the opera for the first time in her life, the one

whom M. Richard had appointed to succeed Mme Giry, the ghost's box-keeper, in her functions! She died on the spot and, the next morning, a newspaper appeared with this heading:

"Two Hundred Kilos on the Head of a Concierge."  
That was her sole epitaph!

### CHAPTER VIII.

**The Mysterious Brougham.**  
That tragic evening was bad for everybody. Carlotta fell ill. As for Christine Daae, she disappeared after the performance. A fortnight elapsed during which she was seen neither at the opera nor outside.

Raoul, of course, was the first to be astonished at the prima donna's absence. He wrote to her at Mme. Valerius' flat and received no reply. His grief increased and he ended by being seriously alarmed at never seeing her name on the program. Faust was played without her.

One afternoon he went to the managers' office to ask the reason of Christine's disappearance. He found them both looking extremely worried. Their own friends did not recognize them; they had lost all their gaiety and spirits. They were seen crossing the stage with hanging heads, careworn brows, pale cheeks, as though pursued by some abominable thought or a prey to some persistent sport of fate.

The fall of the chandelier had involved them in no little responsibility; but it was difficult to make them speak about it. The inquest had ended in a verdict of accidental death, caused by the wear and tear of the chains by which the chandelier was hung from the ceiling; but it was the duty of both the old and the new managers to have discovered this wear and tear and to have remedied it in time. And I feel bound to say that MM. Richard and Moncharmin at this time appeared so changed, so absent-minded, so mysterious, so incomprehensible that many of the subscribers thought that some event even more horrible than the fall of the chandelier must have affected their state of mind.

In their daily intercourse, they showed themselves very impatient, except with Mme. Giry, who had been

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### Among the Farmers

R. Havenhill came in from Wilbarger County five years ago, and located five miles west of Petersburg. He believes in diversified farming. His farm is a splendid example of late methods in farming. He believes in raising beans, goobers and sweet potatoes for the benefit of the soil, and also for profit. He sold \$100 worth of beans from five acres this year. His goobers produced from fifty to seventy-five bushels to the acre. He has on hand 200 bushels of sweet potatoes, raised from two acres, which he expects to sell for seed. He is planning to plant forty acres of Spanish peanuts this year, and will increase his acreage in beans and sweet potatoes.

Mr. Havenhill not only raises truck of all kinds, but he finds time to raise as good corn, wheat and kaffir as any in the county. In 1910, when people were complaining about drouth, he managed to raise two tons of maize to the acre. He ascribes his success that year to the fact that he happened to prepare his ground just right to fit the season. He says that nothing builds up the soil and makes it more productive than do goobers. He says he likes the country fine and has raised good crops ever since he came except in 1909, and that year he had plenty for his own use, but none to sell.

J. J. Snyder, who farmed for three years just west of Plainview, spent eight months of last year in his old home county, near Osborne, Kansas. "I want to say that when a man goes to Kansas from here and expects to find conditions better for the farmer he surely will be disappointed. I lost out by leaving," he said. "They raised very little corn last year in Kansas, and wheat was practically a complete failure. In fact, they hadn't much crop of any kind. The best you can do in renting is \$500, cash in advance, for a quarter section.

"It was so hot that we could not live there, and just had to come back to the Plains. It was 110 in the shade almost night and day. Yes, I would have been away ahead if I had stayed and farmed last year, but, then, I am wiser."

A. C. McDuffee, of Portales, N. M., was passing through the city this week. He has been on a tour of inspection on his own account for some time, through the Panhandle and south

as far as Wichita Falls. He said to The Herald reporter that this is the finest country he had seen on the trip, and the finest he ever saw! He ventured the assertion that, in view of the rapid development of irrigation, it is only a question of time when all the land here would be worth \$150 an acre.

J. H. Ratjen, who has a fine farm in the Providence district, about 14 miles northeast of Plainview, came from McGregor, Texas, five years ago. He has been engaged in straight farming—raising wheat, corn, oats, maize and cotton—and has made a success of all of them. Last year he raised twenty-one bales of cotton, and, with the help of his children, picked it all, and still had time to pick two bales for a neighbor.

Mr. Ratjen visited his old home in McGregor during the holidays. "I can say that I like it better here than at McGregor," he said. "The hills look steeper than they were years ago. It is hotter in summer there than here, and it seems colder there in winter. The damp air there makes the difference. It was so muddy that it took me seven hours to drive eighteen miles. The Plains for me!"

E. C. Dodson came here from Clay County twenty years ago. He located twelve miles northeast of Plainview, in what is known as Providence district, and engaged in raising pure-bred Hereford cattle. He has half a hundred of the white faces that are as fine as any you could hope to see at any stock show. His strain of cattle is noted for its size and excellence. He supplies much of Floyd and Hale Counties with pure-bred stock cattle. He has seventeen young calves subject to register. He feeds the calves all the milk they can consume, and from the surplus sells more than 100 pounds of cream a week.

"The people generally have a mistaken idea of the Hereford as a milk cow," said Mr. Dodson. "I class her next to the Jersey and Holstein for milk, and in many instances she will beat them. There is certainly no other breed of cows that keep their calves in so good shape. If handled right, there are few that beat the Hereford for butter."

Mr. Dodson also raises Rhode Island Red chickens. He had some fine ones on exhibition at our poultry show a few weeks ago.

she does not know that he is Nancy's brother. However, to punish him, and place him in a more embarrassing position, she pays his fine and engages him as her groom.

While numerous funny incidents are arising continually as the result, a more serious aspect runs throughout the play, and that is the bankruptcy of Colonel Annesley, who has resolved to sell secret plans of his country's (America's) fortifications to Count Karloff, a Russian, who had advanced \$20,000 in order to retrieve his losses. The Count wishes to gain the hand of the Colonel's daughter, and offers to return the plans if the Colonel gives his consent to the alliance, otherwise he will expose him to his own War Minister. At this critical moment the groom, "James," snatches the plans from the Count's hands and saves the situation. The Count forecloses his mortgage, which is promptly taken up by "James," whose identity with Lieut. Warburton is then discovered by the Colonel's daughter. Explanations follow, with declarations of love ensuing, and the curtain ultimately rings down upon a happy young couple, and everything ends well.

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Men's fleece lined underwear, 75c values per garment for **49c**

Men's fleece lined underwear, 50c values per garment for **38c**

Men's union suits, \$1.75 values for, per suit **\$1.30**

Men's union suits, \$1.25 values for, per suit **95c**

Women's fleece lined underwear good 50c values, now **38c**

Children's union suits at closing out prices. Men's, Women's, Children's sweaters reduced.

Few cotton blankets to go at remarkable discounts. Men's corduroy pants will go at 30 per cent off.

A large assortment of Ladies Silk Scarfs that must go

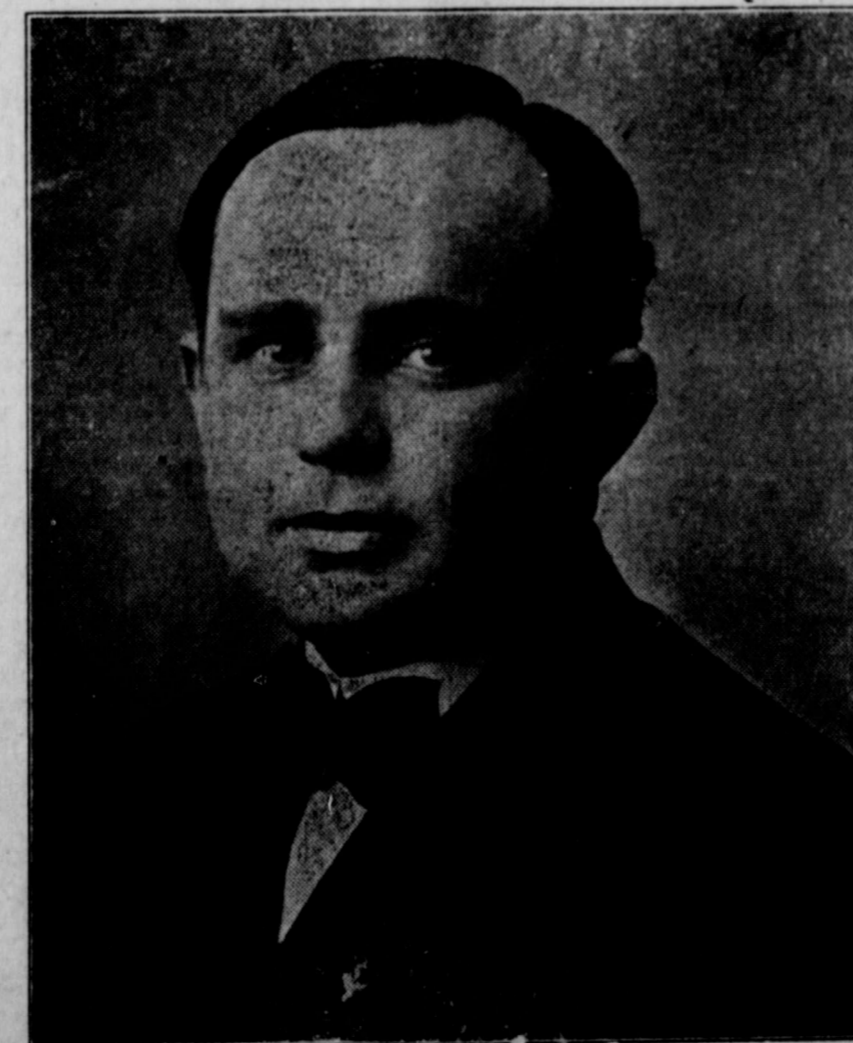
A few ladies' and children's coats that we do not want to carry over into next season, hence we will make prices that ought to move them. We fully believe it will be to your interest to take advantage of these prices. This Special Sale will begin

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### In Society's Realm

#### MYSTIC CLUB.

The Mystic Club met in the Club room last Saturday afternoon, with Mrs. J. O. Wyckoff as leader. The study hour was profitably and pleasantly and spent in the study of England during the early part of the Nineteenth century.

#### BRIDGE CLUB.

The Bridge Club met with Miss Alice Harrel on Tuesday afternoon. In addition to the members, Mesdames R. C. Ware, O. M. Unger and Clarence Wayland were present. A salad course was served at five.

Mrs. F. W. Clinkscapes won high score, and will also entertain the Club at its next meeting.

#### MRS. R. C. JOINER ENTERTAINS.

Twenty ladies were cordially invited to spend Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. R. C. Joiner, 1100 Restriction Street. In imitation of "ye olden time," the "stitchery cult" proved a pleasant pastime for the guests, their needles and tongues keeping time until the serving of a dainty salad course, which was the final feature of a delightful afternoon.

#### FORTY-TWO.

Dr. and Mrs. Willis Flamm entertained a few friends very pleasantly last Thursday evening, at their home, 211 Jones Street, in honor of Mrs. Flamm's birthday. Forty-two was the amusement provided for the evening.

A tempting salad course was served to the following: Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Owens, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. McKee, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Cochrane, Miss Patti Estes and David Greer.

#### "AS-YOU-LIKE-IT" CLUB.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Adams, 410 White Street, last Thursday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McIntyre entertained the "As-You-Like-It" Club and a few invited guests. At the close of several entertaining games of Forty-two, salads and sweets were served on the five tables provided for the evening.

The Valentine idea was carried out in decoration and score cards, the latter being red hearts cut in twain, each half bearing a divided quotation, which, being matched, decided partners for the first game.

#### I. F. E. GIRLS.

With Miss Joe Keck as hostess, the I. F. E. girls were royally entertained on Wednesday afternoon, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Keck, 209 Archer Street. In honor of dear old St. Valentine, the reception suite was gay with red hearts, the same idea being carried out in the two-course menu. The favors were pretty red boxes filled with candy hearts of the same rosy hue.

The special guests of the afternoon were Mesdames J. O. Wyckoff, J. W. Grant, Clarence Wayland and Miss Ina Dowden.

#### DINNER FOR LUBBOCK GUESTS.

At the same hospitable home, later in the evening, an elegant three-course dinner was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Mart Merrell, of Lubbock, who are here this week in attendance on the Elk conclave, which is in session here this week. The menu consisted of turkey, plum pudding and other delicious viands, which were supplemented by ten tables of Five Hundred, the score cards being red hearts.

This dinner party was given by Messrs. and Mesdames G. C. Keck and J. R. Kerley, and was one of the most successful functions of the winter.

#### PROGRESSIVE FIVE HUNDRED.

One of the most popular of the late

#### UNCLE SAM TOO SLOW FOR TEXAS

Texas has been a puzzle to Uncle Sam ever since she was admitted into the Union, and has caused his statisticians more trouble than all other states combined. We develop so rapidly that we outgrow our statistics while Uncle Sam is at work on the adding machine.

The census reports which are being made public from time to time read like ancient history. While Uncle Sam was calculating the number of

week functions was the Five Hundred party given last Thursday evening by Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Wayland, 215 Archer Street.

Salads and coffee were served after the game, at the seven tables where the following guests were seated: Messrs. and Mesdames J. H. Slaton, E. B. Hughes, L. T. Mayhugh, G. C. Keck, J. W. Grant, H. W. Harrel, J. O. Wyckoff, P. J. Wooldridge, George Bethel, J. D. Hanby, J. R. Kerley, Mrs. Joseph Buchheimer, M. D. Henderson, Misses Joe Keck and Alice Harrel.

#### FOR THE YOUNGER SET.

Complimentary to their girl friends, Messrs. Wallace Davenport and Horace Lindsay gave a pretty party Friday evening, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Lindsay, 701 Restriction Street.

Music, games and other innocent amusements were enjoyed until tea-time, when the entire crowd adjourned to the parlor of Willis' drug store, where a well arranged supper was served, the menu including bulion, salads and ices.

Those who enjoyed the cordial hospitality of the young hosts were Misses Clingman, Allene Smith, Ina Dowden, Gwendolyn Hanby, Georgia Brashears, Lillie Nance, Daisy Gidney, Pattie Dalton, Eula Mae Peace, Annie Maud Davidson, the hosts, Harold and Casey Hughes, George Wyckoff, Laurence Grey, Lloyd McBride, Earl Grey Owens, Liston Dunaway and Tom Malone.

#### CHURCH TEA.

With Mesdames E. P. Norwood and A. H. Lindsay as hostesses, a pleasant and entertaining church tea was given last Friday afternoon, at the Lindsay home, 701 Restriction Street.

Prior to the social features, a business meeting was held by the Ladies' Aid Society, at which the pastor, Rev. Sterling Park, made a talk upon some business pertaining to church affairs.

An informal, but excellent, musical program was rendered. Miss Pattie Estes, vocal teacher at Wayland College, delighted all who heard her with a number of beautiful solos, including a Japanese love song, "The Rosary" and others equally good. Miss Estes has a fine voice, which shows careful training. Her readiness to sing merely for the pleasure of others added a charm to her exquisite music. Miss Gwendolyn Hanby and her little sister, Adrienne, gave two vocal medleys, in a charming manner, Miss Georgia Brashears playing the accompaniment. Chile, salads and wafers were served. In return for a pleasant social hour, those who called left a substantial sum for the church treasury.

#### BROWN & JEFFRIES' GREENHOUSE

Last Sunday afternoon, through the kindness of Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Grant, and in company with them and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hughes, ye reporter visited, for the first time, the greenhouse northwest of town belonging to Brown & Jeffries. These gentlemen, by the use of hot-water pipes and other means of heating, have kept their flowers throughout the winter, and are now repaid by hundreds of vigorous plants, some of them in bloom, and all ready for the spring planting.

These gentlemen are contemplating putting up a greenhouse in Plainview, for the convenience of those who are unable to get out of town. They sell for the same prices that are advertised by florists in other places. Their plants are of such unusual growth and beautiful foliage as to excite comment. When asked what plant food was used, the reply was "Nothing but the native soil." See?

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