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CHEER THRILLING EVENTS.

Over Five Thousand Witness Drills And Contests At Camp Augur.

Dallas, August 24.—Five thousand or more people witnessed the competitive and exhibition drills and contests at Camp Augur last night. The new grand stand with a seating capacities of 6,000 was nearly filled, and there were hundreds of people lined by the fence or sitting in automobiles on the infield.

The program was thrilling all the way through, nearly all of the events being of a kind never witnessed before by the majority of those present. The men were cheered liberally for every feat of skill and daring. The pleasure seemed to be the greatest when there was the most risk and the wall scaling, the firing of the cannon, the rescue races and the calvary drill came in for the most applause.

The crowd was intensely interested, and the predominance of white costumes indicated a large attendance of ladies. Notwithstanding Assistant Chief of Police Ryan and ten or fifteen policemen were at the grounds, they were unable to keep a part of the crowd back, and it surged across the field onto the very edge of the arena, sometimes almost interfering with the work.

COLT SHOW.

Rich Crump, who owns the big gray stallion, "Newt," will hold a colt show here Saturday, September 4, and has offered the following prizes for colts from "Newt": For the best 1909 spring colt, \$7.00, for the second best, \$5.00 and for the third best, \$3.00. Mr. Crump will also have on exhibition his fine coach horse recently purchased.

NEW SCHOOL HOUSE.

C. E. Record and H. B. Pythian have this week been hauling lumber out for the erection of a new school house in the southeast part of the county. The new house will be nineteen miles from Dumas and will be known as the Record school house.

DUMAS SCHOOL.

School will begin its 1909-10 term one week from next Monday and everything indicates that the term will be a successful one. On another page will be found a prospectus of the coming school year.

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Two good farms in Hunt county to trade for good Panhandle lands. W. C. Collins.

AMARILLO WANTS SENATOR.

Amarillo, Texas, August 24.—Determined to hear Senator J. W. Bailey at any cost, Democrats of Amarillo have organized an auto party that will leave early in the morning and meet Senator Bailey several stations below Amarillo on the Fort Worth & Denver City and return to this city with him. During the trip into Amarillo, Senator Bailey will be importuned to make a date at which he may address the people. It is understood that the attitude of Senator Bailey toward Amarillo and the Panhandle as a whole is most friendly, and he will be the guest of honor of the Chamber of Commerce and the city, whether he agrees to make a speech or not.

In the event it is found impossible for Senator Bailey to speak at this time, he will be urged to return here at an early date and be heard by the people. He has already indicated that he will be glad to speak at Amarillo, but also stated that his time is now practically all taken.

WILL UNDERGO OPERATION.

Ben Lamb, the assistant postmaster, will leave soon for Fort Worth, where he will undergo an operation for appendicitis.

WONDERFUL FLIGHT.

Paulhan, French Aviator, Establishes New World Record In Work At Rheims.

Bethany Aviation Field, Rheims, August 25.—Another sensational exploit was added to the marvels of aviation week today when Paulhan, the plucky French aviator, broketh e world's record in a wonderful flight of 2 hours 55 minutes and 24 seconds.

During twenty minutes of the time Paulhan had a heavy rain and wind storm to contend against.

The previous official record for time in the air was made by Wilbur Wright at Lemans, Dec. 31, 2 hours 20 minutes 23 1-5 seconds. The unofficial record was 2 hours 27 minutes 15 seconds made by Sommers at Marlomans.

Paulhan's new record for distance was about 134 kilometers or 83 miles. He made thirteen circuits of the course, and the wind squall passed as he was coming down the home stretch for the last time.

Simultaneously the dirigible Col. Renard appeared to the westward, plowing its way majestically through the smoke of the city of Rheims.

When Paulhan finally came down it was because the 56 liters of essence, which he carried in his tank, was exhausted.

He said immediately after he landed that both the machine and the self cooling gnome motor had stood up perfectly, and that he could have continued indefinitely if the tank had been replenished.

No one who witnessed the marvelously impressive flight now entertains the slightest doubt that aerial navigation with heavier than air machines has a glorious future.

Starting in a twelve-knot breeze shortly before 4 o'clock with the avowed intention of completing the fifty kilometers before 5 o'clock to bar his less venturesome rivals who desired to await calmer air, Paulhan not only accomplished his original purpose but continued to circle the vast plain until his tank was literally empty.

BAPTIST MEETING.

Rev. Clouse, of Channing has been called to the pastorate of the Baptist church here and will preach Sunday, and it is probable he will conduct a revival during next week.

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Local-Personal

C. C. Eiland went to Channing Tuesday.

Prof. Smith of Channing was here Tuesday.

Miss Bertha Vernon was in Dalhart Sunday.

W. J. Morton and son, James, are in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wynn are visiting in New Mexico.

Lucius Dean has been working at the postoffice this week.

J. W. J. Barrett will leave Monday for a visit in Jones county.

There will be a dance at the home of Postmaster Lamb tonight.

To trade good farm in Grayson county for land in Moore county. W. C. Collins.

320 acre farm in Cook county to trade for good Moore county land. W. C. Collins.

Fred Thomas is again engineering "Old Tobe" on the Channing-Dumas mail route.

Rev. John Barrett of Stamford, is here visiting the family of his son, J. W. J. Barrett.

Postoffice Clerk Ben Lamb, has been off several days this week on account of sickness.

Misses Velma McKenzie and Letha Payne are spending the week on the Watkins ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Ervay Taylor have returned from an extended visit to New Mexico and Colorado.

Dr. Garrett, the dentist, was here Wednesday and will return for practice Monday, September 6th.

Those wishing a "snap" in good furniture at a low price will do well to call at Baptist parsonage before Sept. 1.

Chas. Harris, accompanied by R. H. Beard and wife, made an auto trip to Channing Saturday night, returning Monday.

LOST, One large Poland Boar, black with few light spots. Weight about 250 to 300 lbs. Finder please notify A. B. Cullender, Hartley Texas and receive suitable reward.

THE KIMBALL WELLS NEWS.

By Miss Mollie Perkins.

Another fine rain fell here Sunday.

W. R. McManis has a sale of household goods and stock Saturday.

S. F. Hiatt of Kansas City, was looking after business here this week.

Sidney Hughes has returned from a ten-days visit to Denton, Texas.

Clifford and Albert Crouder Sundayed with Mr. and Mrs. McManis.

Dr. Vawter, the Moore county land man, was over from Dalhart Monday.

Messrs. McFarland and Hiatt spent Sunday evening with S. Herdwick.

Jeff Burnett left Monday for a visit to Altus, Oklahoma, and Wichita Falls.

J. Kilvington and family of Middle Well spent Sunday with the Kovarik family.

Adolph Kovarik who is working in the Middle Well district spent Sunday at home.

The Colonization company was down from Chicago with two cars of prospectors last week.

H. Cummins and family attended church in Dumas Sunday and took dinner with Bob Morton and wife.

Mrs. Parmlee and daughters and Mrs. R. Parmlee and children spent Wednesday with Mrs. H. Cummins and Hildred.

Mr. Curtis arrived from Chicago last week and will build a house west of Mr. Green's place, which he and his bride will occupy as soon as completed.

THE LOCUS GROVE NEWS.

By Will U. Spitfire.

B. Dore went to Channing this week.

J. H. Lamb went to Channing Sunday.

Herbert Foster was in town this week.

Chas. Dore is at the carpenters trade again.

Messrs. Jake and Mose Lamb went to Channing this week.

Well, Well! I wonder when the water melons are going to get ripe.

A diamond in the rough is never enjoyed until it is cut. The same is true with the watermelon.

Dr. G. A. Vawter, the hustling real estate man of Dalhart, was at the Dore ranch Sunday.

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Name of owner, unknown, abst. 157, cert. 6978, surv. 157, original grantee H. & T. C. Ry. Co.	total taxes 19.93
Name of owner, unknown, abst. 247, cert. 10, surv. 121, original grantee T. & N. O. Ry. Co.	total taxes 17.90
Name of owner unknown, abst. 377, cert. 1007, surv. 21, original grantee E. L. & R. R. Ry. Co.	total taxes 3.22
Name of owner unknown, abst. 384, cert. 797, surv. 1, original grantee E. L. & R. R. Ry. Company,	total taxes 4.56
Name of owner unknown, abst. 474, surv. 67, original grantee C. & M.	total taxes 7.52
Name of owner unknown, abst. 478, surv. 20, original grantee G. & M.	total taxes, .78
Name of owner unknown, abst. 484, surv. 71, original grantee G. & M.	total taxes 8.75
Name of owner unknown, abst. 494, surv. 31, original grantee G. & M.	total taxes 1.77
Name of owner unknown, abst. 510, surv. 81, original grantee G. & M.	total taxes \$4.44
Name of owner unknown, abst. 650, cert. 1033, surv. 9, original grantee Mary L. Angelin,	total taxes \$13.22
Name of owner unknown, abst. 667, cert. 287, surv. 84, original grantee, W. E. Brewer,	total taxes \$1.68
Name of owner unknown, abst. 678, cert. 51, original grantee H. Berkett,	total taxes \$5.55
Name of owner unknown, abst. 679, cert. 5043, original grantee T. J. Bellow,	total taxes \$26.58
Name of owner unknown, abst. 681, cert. 738, original grantee Bozeman and Freeman,	total taxes, \$10.21
Name of owner unknown, abst. 715, cert. 189, surv. 1, original grantee H. & O. B. Ry. Co.	total taxes \$4.44
Name of owner unknown, abst. 745, cert. 7350, original grantee J. W. Proctor,	total taxes \$5.90
Name of owner unknown, abst. 818, cert. 7019, surv. 240, original grantee H. A. Beauchamp	total taxes \$10.76
Name of owner unknown, abst. 1019, cert. 31, surv. 80, original grantee T. N. & O. Ry. Co.	total taxes \$12.17
Name of owner unknown, abst. 119, cert. 6934, surv. 69, original grantee H. & T. C. Ry. Co.	total taxes \$6.74

The State of Texas, County of Moore.

I, J. D. Burnett, tax collector of said county, do hereby certify that the within lands and town lots assessed on the tax rolls of said county for the year 1908, are delinquent for the taxes of former years and that I am entitled to credit for the taxes as shown thereon.

J. D. BURNETT, Tax Collector

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19th day of April, 1909.

[SEAL]

F. S. MARBLE, County Clerk, Moore County.

MOORE COUNTY PIONEER, DUMAS, TEXAS.

DUMAS AND MOORE COUNTY

Moore County is located in what is known as the North Plains Country of the Pan Handle, fifty miles east of the east line of New Mexico, and thirty miles south of the south line of Oklahoma.

The northern and eastern parts of Moore county are level plains land, broken only by two grassy draws which head in the northwestern part of the county, and flow eastward, giving the plains land a gradual slopeto the east, thus providing a natural drainage.

The elevation being a little more than 3,600 feet entire freedom from the oppressiveness of heat during the summer is assured. The nights are delightfully cool and pleasant. For healthfulness there is no part of the United States that excells it.

Soil varies in depth from three to ten feet, and in quality varies in different parts of the county. We have the black land, chocolate and sandy loam. On the spring creeks in the southeast portion of the county fine sub-irrigated land can be had. Some of these are among the finest fruit lands anywhere.

Below is given the annual rainfall since the year 1905, as shown by the records of the U. S. Weather Bureau, Amarillo, Texas:

THOS. J. CONSIDINE, OBSERVER

	1905	1906	1907	1908	1909
Jan	1.00	0.41	1.11	0.26	0.07
Feb	1.52	0.51	0.24	0.72	0.28
Mar	2.62	0.64	0.02	T	1.28
Apr	4.52	3.23	1.25	1.90	
May	6.16	1.18	0.99	3.55	
June	2.19	2.07	1.97	1.73	
July	3.76	2.90	1.49	5.40	
Aug	0.63	6.76	6.20	2.75	
Sept	3.08	1.96	0.91	1.83	
Oct	0.30	2.49	1.79	0.40	
Nov	5.09	2.58	0.66	0.51	
Dec	1.45	0.19	1.46	T	

Average for April, May, June, July August and September.....2.93

The whole plains country is underlaid with a bed of quicksand filled with pure soft water which contains no gyp, alkali or other unwholsome ingredient, and there has never been a well sunk in this county which did not furnish an abundance of water. The depth at which water is found varies from 150 to 275 feet according to location, the average depth being about 225 feet.

Most every crop that grows in the Central Plains can be grown successfully here. The principal crops are wheat, oats, millet, Kaffir corn, Indian corn, milo maize and forage crops. All garden products, melon and cantalopes yield well. Alfalfa has been successfully grown on the plains in a few places, but as yet it has not received much attention except on the sub-irrigated land near the creeks, where it does well.

There is no country in the world more easily put into cultivation. There being no timber or rock on the land, all that is to be done is to fence and go to ploughing. The first years crop of maize or Kaffir usually make from 15 to 30 bushels per acre, sometimes more.

Owing to the rapid development of the country, and the number of immigrants to Texas and especially to the Pan Handle, there are not enough farm products to supply the home demand. Also there are several thousand cattle wintered in this country each year which require hay and grain. There is a packing house at Amarillo, thirty miles south of the Moore county

line, to supply which fat cattle and hogr will require an enormous amount of grain.

DUMAS

The County Seat of Moore County is one mile north and two miles west from the center of the county, and until the construction of the Enid, Ochiltree & Western railroad was commenced was a small county seat town, with two general stores, postoffice and about fifty people. Since construction has commenced and people are assured that a railroad will be built through the town and county numerous enterprises have been put in and others are under way. Within the last four months there has been added to the town a bank, a newspaper and printing house, telephone exchange, hardware and implement store, lumber yard, drug store, meat market and ice house, two-story office building and a number of residences.

Being situated in the heart of the best farming and stockraising district in the Pan Handle, we have every reason to believe that it will build up like other Pan Handle towns have, and within two years have a population of three thousand or more.

Moore County has a permanent school fund of \$17,712.00, the interest on which, together with the money collected from local taxation, gives the various schools in the county a term of from six to nine month in each year.

There are two churches in Dumas, the Methodist and Baptist. The various denominations also have church and Sunday school at the school houses throughout the county every Sunday.

The contract to construct the Enid, Ochiltree & Western railroad from Dalhart through Moore County and Dumas and to Ochiltree has been let to the Southwestern Construction Company of New York City. The grade is now out fifteen miles from Dalhart, and work is being pushed as rapidly as possible, and it is only a question of a very short time until the road will be run into Dumas. The main offices of the railroad company are in Dalhart, and it will be an easy matter to learn about this road, whether or not it is coming.

On the first and third Tuesday in each month all railroads west of Chicago sell excursion tickets, good for twenty-five days, and to get here you should come to Dalhart, on the Rock Island, where we will meet you or come to Channing from which place mail hack leaves every morning except Sunday for Dumas. To have me meet you in Dalhart you should wire me when you start, sending message to Channing, phone to Dumas, or write me some time before you start.

Prices, maps and descriptions of lands and lots will be sent on application.

I have lived in this country nearly ten years, and expect to put in the balance of my life here, and if you buy land and move here, I will want to continue doing business with you and your friends. I have tried to give a brief description of the country and tell you just what it is. If you think you would like to buy land or to lots here from the description I have given, you will not be disappointed when you come here to look it over.

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ANOTHER HEAT VICTIM.

Dallas, Aug. 24.—D. O. Woodson, who was found unconscious near a deep well on his farm one mile south of Oak Cliff last Wednesday, died at his home last night.

According to those who have investigated the case, it is believed that Woodson was overcome by heat, the thermometer registering 114 degrees. He is supposed to have been in the act of pulling a bucket of rock out of the well and fell into the hole, a distance of about twenty-five feet. There was some blood and hair on the rocks on one side of the well and a big pool of blood at the bottom, as though he had lain there for some time. It is believed that some time during Wednesday night he partially regained consciousness and man-

aged to drag himself out of the well and crawl to where he was found Thursday morning.

LIKE THE COUNTRY.

Hon. Harry W. Kuteman, wife, son and two daughters, of Weatherford, Texas, who have been touring Colorado in his auto, were here Wednesday night and Thursday on their return trip. Mr. Kuteman in speaking of Moore county said it was the richest and most fertile soil he had ever seen and that it is the most beautiful country on earth.

MAKING AUTO TOUR.

Bob Bishop and family, F. W. Scott and family and H. H. Tracy and family in their touring cars passed through Dumas Thursday en-route from their homes at Tulia for a months outing.

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WHAT THE FUNNY MAN SAYS

A chocolate darkey and his "yaller" girl were walking along together.

"I'se skeered mos'to def, Rastus."

"What am yo skeered ob. woman?"

"I'se skeered yo'se gwine to kiss me."

"How kin I kiss yo' when I'se got a bucket on ma haid, a wash pot in one han' an' a turkey gobbler in de udder?"

"Oh, well, yo' fool, I wust think-in' yo' could set de bucket ob watah on de groun', put de turkey down an' turn de wash-pot ovah him; den set me on de wash pot, frow yo' ahms around me an' des hep yo'sef."

A gentleman in lavender gloves was playing with wonderful luck at Monte Carlo, winning nearly every stake. As a great stack of plaques—you know those beautiful, big gold pieces called plaques—was pushed to him by the scroupier, a young lady whispered in his ear:

"It is very odd, monsieur, to wear gloves at play. What do you do it for? Luck?"

The fortunate man smiled

"Not at all," he replied; "I promised my wife on her death-bed never again to touch a card."

"What little boy can tell me the difference between the 'quick' and the 'dead'?" asked the Sunday-school teacher.

Willie waved his hand frantically.

"Well, Willie?"

"Please, ma'am, the quick are the ones that get out of the way o' automobiles; the dead are the ones that don't."

UNROMANTIC.



Adolphus—And if there is no moonlight, will yer meet me by gaslight, Angelina?

Angelina—No, Adolphus; I am no gas-meter.

Prof. Brañder Matthews tells this: "A little girl I know was very bad one day. She was so bad that, other corrections failing, her mother took her to her

room to whip her. During this proceeding the little girl's brother opened the door and was about to enter. But in her prone position across her mother's knee the little girl twisted around her head and said severely: 'Eddie go out! Can't you see we're busy.'

NO TIP.



Waiter—Beg pardon, sir; haven't you forgotten something, sir?

Sir—By jove, yes! The wife told me to water the plants while she's away.

A Western hotel man tells how he treated a delinquent patron. After waiting several months he wrote: "Dear sir: I would esteem it a favor if you would at once send me amount of your bill." Imagine the disgust of the hotel man when in a few days he received an answer in these terms. "Dear sir: Certainly. The amount of my bill is \$17.50."

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- 1 bench wringer and sundry smaller articles.

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LAND TITLE TALK--

The building of the Enid, Ochiltree & Western Railroad now seems to be a positive certainty. When it comes into Dumas, every body will be bnsy, even to the abstractors. Possibly, back in the history of your title some one made a deed and was not joined by his wife, or there might be a dozen other little things easily fixed now. When you want to borrow money on your land, or sell it, the attorney passing on the title wants affidavits correcting these little defects, and there are people in Moore County now who could make such affidavits. They may die or move away where they will not be easily found. Now is time to fix these things, and there is no one who can do it better than we can.

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ONLY PAPER PUBLISHED IN MOORE CO.

Another death from heat at Dallas.—Moral, get out of it, come to the Panhandle.

Ever freighter coming these daysy trails in a load of coal—a good scheme not to wait till a blizzard comes blowing up.

The government soil expert says the North Panhandle has among the richest and most productive soil in the United States. Wonder if he is just finding this out?

We saw a team of mules on the street the other day for which the owner asked \$450 and we decided that the next time a dissatisfied subscriber called us a jackass we would reflect a little before taking it as an insult.—Exchange.

There is some talk of holding a prohibition election in Moore county at no distant date. Should such a campaign come up the Pioneer will hold its columns strictly neutral—open for discussion by both pro and anti to a limited degree.

The public school at Dumas will open the first Monday in September and it is the duty of every citizen to see that his children start in that day and never miss a lesson. This is necessary to make the term the success you want it to be.

PANHANDLE PRESS

Prof. E. J. Iddings of the Colorado Agricultural College has been in New Mexico visiting the various experimental dry farming

stations and ascertaining what is being done by this method. Prof. Iddings is Field Commissioner for the Dry Farming Congress and makes his report at their next meeting to be held at Billings, Montana, in October.—Clayton Lance.

Uncle "Rock" Douglas, commissioner for this precinct, is on the warpath and he says that the allowing of hogs to run at large on the streets has to stop and what Uncle Rock says, he usually means. All of our citizens are heartily in favor of this movement on his part and he can rest assured that he will get their support in the matter. It's a mighty mean man who will jepordize the health of the entire community by allowing his hogs to run at large.—Hansford Headlight.

When we read about the terrible heat wave and deaths and prostrations we can't "realize," it's simply because we don't have the "experience" ourselves, and while we are sitting in the pure and delightfully cool breezes we wonder why more people dont come to where they can have plenty of room and keep cool, and if sick, get well and strong again. And Hartley county can furnish all who come with plenty of open air exercise, such as cutting corn, helping thrash, cutting millet or milo maize or kaffir corn, or eating melons or turnlps etc., occupations too numerous to mention that would make good exercise. There are also acres to be cultivated that would be fine exercise. Come to Hartley and come soon, the sooner, the better you will be pleased.—Hartley Herald.

Many people are not aware that printers have a language of their own, uninitiated. The following up-to-date orders from the exchange give an idea of the printing office lingo: "Billy, put Sir Charles Tupper on the galley and finish up that murder you commenced yesterday. Set up the ruin of Herculaneum and distribute the smallpox. Lock up Laurier and slide McCarty into the hell box and leave the pi alone until after dinner. Put the ladies form to press and go to the devil and put him to work on Deacon Fogg's article on 'Eternal Punishment.'" Now this is all simple enough when translated into English and not near so rough as the reader may imagine.—Exchange.

Two good farms in Hunt county to trade for good Panhandle lands. W. C. Collins.

Hourly Thoughts
Always and Ever of the
Same Person

"I wonder," thought Miss Arabella as she thoughtfully finished her breakfast, "I wonder if there will be a letter from him this morning."

And as though in answer to her thought the clock struck nine and the bell rang. She ran to the door for the mail.

"O dear!" sighed Arabella. "Is there any mail?" cried a voice from the kitchen.

"Only a letter from grandpa," said Arabella. "He says he expects to arrive here at seven o'clock to-night."

And running into her room she gazed at the photo of a soulful young gentleman and turned up her nose at the same.

"If you don't want to write," she exclaimed, "you needn't! I'm sure I don't care!"

Adding—
"I wonder why he doesn't write!"

THE CLOCK STRIKES 10.
"Six wedding notices in the paper this morning!" she announced.

"Yes," cried the voice from the kitchen. "June is always a busy month."

Whereupon Arabella walked slowly to her room, took a window curtain from a drawer and draped it around her head like a bridal veil.

THE CLOCK STRIKES 11.
One corner of the room was sheltered by a screen and adorned with a sofa, a canopy and a profusion of cushions. These Arabella rearranged and her smile was the smile of a tender reminiscence. On a table in the middle of the room was a lamp,

of the apartment.
"I've moved the parlor lamp!" she announced.

"What," said the voice in the kitchen, "did you do that for?"

"Because," said Arabella, "it shone right in the cozy corner and spoiled everything."

THE CLOCK STRIKES 12.
She seated herself at the desk and found a package of picture postcards. These she began to address to various masculine names.

"Are you in Europe?" she wrote on one.

"Don't say I never think of you," she wrote on another.

"Guess who it's from," she wrote on a third.

"Now be a good boy," she wrote on a fourth.

THE CLOCK STRIKES 1.
She called a friend on the telephone.

"Say, Agnes. Listen. Can't you come over to-morrow night? No, listen. Grandpa's coming to-night, but he goes away again to-morrow. Listen.

Come to-morrow night and bring Jimmy—bring Charley, too, if you can find him. Listen. What time did you get home last night? No, listen. I got in at half past ten; he's an awfully nice fellow. Say, listen. At eight o'clock to-morrow night. Listen. Come early and we'll try and get them to take us out somewhere. Good-by."

THE CLOCK STRIKES 2.
She looked at herself in the glass, right view, front view, left view and back. She powdered her nose and looked at the effect; she dusted the powder off and looked at the effect. She arched her eyebrows, threw her head back, showed her teeth, nodded her head and shook it. She advanced her face until it nearly touched the mirror and studied her mouth intently. "I wonder," she thought, "if this stuff they put on their lips does come off."

THE CLOCK STRIKES 3.
"I would like to see some stockings, please," she said to the salesgirl.

"What kind?" asked the salesgirl. "Silk," said Arabella; "silk open-work."

"Here are some very pretty ones," said the salesgirl.

"No," said Arabella, "I want to see the latest styles with clocks on them."

THE CLOCK STRIKES 4.
"I never made a better fit," said the dressmaker.

Arabella looked at her reflection with all serious attention proper to the trying on of a new dress.

"I wish," she said, "that you'd made it a little tighter in the waist and a little fuller—up here—"

THE CLOCK STRIKES 5.
"Why are you so quiet?" cried the voice from the kitchen.

"I'm working," said Arabella. There was silence.

"Yes, I am," said Arabella. "What are you doing?" asked the voice in the kitchen.

row, and I'm embroidering a bunch of forget-me-nots on the ends of a necktie I bought for him to-day," said Arabella.

THE CLOCK STRIKES 6.
She put on her hat and sauntered slowly down the street perfectly oblivious to the manly throng that was hurrying home. She almost ran into one hurrying person.

"Why, Bella!" said he.
"Why, John!" she exclaimed, "who'd have thought of meeting you?"

THE CLOCK STRIKES 7.
The bell rang. Arabella answered the door. Old grandpa walked in—naughty old grandpa with his waggish look and snow-white hair.

"Well, if here isn't little Arabella," he exclaimed, and in his naughty, waggish, grandfatherly way he whispered, "Arabella, how's your fellow?"

"Pooh, grandpa!" exclaimed Arabella, "I've more to do than think of fellows!"

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SCHOOL OFFICERS

J. F. Ward, W. M. Ansley
W. K. Reed.

Our Board of Trustees are men of up-to-date progressive ideas. They are well acquainted with the needs of schools in this country and will do everything that will tend to make the school the best.

Mr. H. Lytle Johnston, the years experience and has been teaching in the schools of Hutchinson and Hansford for the past eight years. He comes to us well recommended and is known by many of our people.

Mrs. Craven is a teacher of several years experience and has just taken a course in the state teachers' normal at Goodnight. She will have charge of the first four grades.

THE SCHOOL.

Term begins September 6, 1909. We will have three departments. The Primary, the Intermediate and the High school. The primary department will consist of the First, Second and Third grades. The intermediate consists of the Fourth, Fifth and Sixth grades. The high school consists of the Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Grades.

We expect to secure a teacher of instrumental music at an early date.

The following is an outline of the grades for the Public High school of Dumas for the coming school term.

FIRST GRADE.

Reading.
Spelling.
Drawing.
Numbers.

SECOND GRADE.

Reading.
Spelling.
Writing.
Drawing.
Arithmetic.
Language—Supplemental.

THIRD GRADE.

Reading.
Spelling.
Writing.
Drawing.
Language, Text.
Physiology, text.
Geography, text.
Arithmetic.

FOURTH GRADE.

Reading.
Spelling.
Writing.
Language.
Arithmetic.
Geography.
Physiology.
Agriculture.

FIFTH GRADE.

Reading.
Beginner's History.
Spelling.
Grammar.
Arithmetic.
Agriculture.
Geography.

SIXTH GRADE.

Texas History.
Spelling.
Writing.
Arithmetic.
Geography.
Agriculture.

SEVENTH GRADE

U. S. History.
Spelling.
Writing.
Arithmetic.
Grammar.
Geography.
Agriculture.
Physiology.

EIGHTH GRADE.

U. S. History.
Civil Government.
Physical Geography.
Agriculture.
Grammar.
Composition.
Writing.
Arithmetic or Algebra.

NINTH GRADE.

General History.
Algebra.
Geometry.
Physics.
Beginner's Latin.

BOARD

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DISCIPLINE

We believe that all boys and girls know what is right and that

they will do right, still we believe in strict discipline. One of the teachers will be on the grounds at all times during the day. Pupils may not come on the grounds until the first bell, and will be subject to the rules during the entire week.

EXAMINATIONS.

Examinations will be held every two months and pupils may be promoted after any examination.

A GOOD DESCRIPTION.

"How is that fellow who is such a hazing expert, getting on in college? Is he still brow-beating the younger boys?"

"I guess so. He says himself he is having a bully time."

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Mrs. Stubb—John, I have some old novels I thought about donating to the home for disabled sailors. Here is one intensely interesting. In the first chapter during a fiery argument the hero, red hot with anger, rushes at the villain with blazing eyes. Then the heroine with glowing cheeks—

Mr. Stubb—Hold on, Maria. That's not appropriate reading for disabled sailors. You had better send it down to the home for retired firemen. Gee! Such a novel that needs a fire extinguisher in every chapter.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING.

Notice of special meeting of Stockholders, Mountain, Valley and Plains Railroad Company of Texas, General Office, Higgins, Texas.

July 28th, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the stockholders of the Mountain-Valley and Plains Railroad Company of Texas will be held at the general offices of the Company, located at the Opera House at Higgins, Lipscomb County, Texas, at 1 o'clock P. M. on Thursday, the 21st day of October, 1909, for the purpose of authorizing the making, executing and delivering by the Company of a first mortgage and bonds on it's line of Railroad to be constructed from a point on the West boundary line of Texas, at or near the intersection of the Parallel 36 North Latitude with said boundary line in an Easterly direction, to the East boundary line of Lipscomb County, Texas, through the town of Higgins and through the counties of Hartley, Dallam, Sherman, Moore, Hutchinson, Hansford, Ochiltree and Lipscomb, Texas, including the franchises of said Railroad Company, together with all its easements, leases, rights and privileges and contracts, right of way, road beds,

rails, ties, bridges, culverts, tract and it's appliances, all depot grounds, terminal facilities, structures equipments, improvements and real estates, rolling stock, machinery, engines, round-houses, shops, buildings and tools of every kind and character, wheresoever situated, now owned or to be hereafter acquired by said Railway Company, except that the interest in Townsites that have been or may hereafter be given said Railroad Company, as a donation and all other donations; shall be and are to be exempt from the operations and provisions of said mortgage, which mortgage is to secure bonds to be issued to an amount not exceeding Twenty-Thousand (\$20,000.00) Dollars, per mile of said line, or so much thereof as said stock holders meeting may provide for and as the Railroad Commission of Texas may hereafter authorize; from time to time, said bonds to bear interest at not exceeding five per cent per annum payable annually, and said bonds to be made payable at a period not exceeding thirty years after their date, and to authorize the directors of said Company to apply to the Railroad Commission of Texas for authority to issue said bonds and for authority to register the same and for the transaction of all such other business as may properly come before said meeting in connection with said matters.

H. S. Wannamaker, Vice-President, M. V. & P. R. R. Co. of Texas.
Attest: E. C. Gray, Secretary.

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THE MOORE COUNTY PIONEER, DUMAS, TEXAS.

Citation by Publication.

The state of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Moore county, Greeting:—

You are hereby commanded to summon and serve notice upon Joseph Nordman, by making publication of this notice and citation, once in each week, for four successive weeks, previous to the return hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but, if not, then in some newspaper published in the 69th judicial district but, if there be no newspaper published in said 69th judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to the said 69th district, to be and appear before us, as per the following notice:

Notice to Land Owner of Condemnation Proceedings:

The State of Texas, County of Moore. On this 4th day of June, A.D.1909, W. P. McKenzie and John Geary and D. A. Parker, commissioners appointed by J. H. Phillips, judge of county court of Moore county, Texas, to assess the damages to the property of Joseph Nordman, by reason of the erection and location of a line of railroad and right-of-way therefor, across the property of said Joseph Nordman, and described as follows, to-wit:

A strip of land through, over, across and upon the north half of section 235, block 3—T, 50 feet in width on each side of a center line, described as follows, to-wit: Starting at a point 740 feet south of the northwest corner of said section, station 2348.90; thence in a northeasterly direction to a point 700 feet west of the northeast corner of said section, station 2395.40, containing 10.70 acres, more or less in Moore county, Texas.

As is more fully set out in the petition of said Enid, Ochiltree & Western Railroad company, filed with the Honorable J. H. Phillips, judge of Moore county, Texas, on the 4th day of June, A.D.1909.

Said commissioners have been duly sworn to assess said damages fairly and impartially and in accordance with the law, and do hereby appoint as the place and time for hearing said parties and said matters, the office of J. H. Phillips, county judge, at Dumas, Texas, on the 8th day of July, A.D.1909. A copy of this order shall be served on each of said parties to appear at said time and place at 1 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of offering any evi-

dence they desire on the issue as to the damage to be assessed against said Railroad company; to be paid to the said Joseph Nordman, for the right-of-way aforesaid.

Witness our hands this 4th day of June, A.D.1909.

W.P.McKenzie,
J.C.Geary,
D.A.Parker.

Herein fail not, but, have you before the Honorable J. H. Phillips, county judge of Moore county, Texas, at his office in Dumas, Texas, on the 8th day of July, 1909, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

W.P.McKenzie,
J. C. Geary,
D. A. Parker,
Special Commissioners.

Citation by Publication.

The State of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Moore county, Greeting:—

You are hereby commanded to summon and serve notice upon Charles W. Cleveland, by making publication of this notice and citation, once in each week, for four successive weeks, previous to the return hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but, if not, then in a newspaper published in the 69th judicial district, but, if there be no newspaper published in said 69th judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to the said 69th judicial district, to be and appear before us, as per the following notice:

NOTICE TO LANDOWNER OF CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS.

State of Texas, County of Moore.

On this 4th day of June, A.D. 1909, W. P. McKenzie and John Geary and D. A. Parker, commissioners appointed by J. H. Phillips, judge of the county court of Moore county, Texas, to assess the damages to the property of Charles W. Cleveland, by reason of the erection and location of a line of railroad and right-of-way therefor across the property of said Charles W. Cleveland, and described as follows, to-wit:

A strip of land through, over, across and upon the north half of section 284, block 44, H.& T.C. R.R. grant, 50 feet in width on each side of a center line, described as follows, to-wit:—Starting at a point 1680 feet East of the Northwest corner of said section; thence in a southeasterly direction to a point 1775 feet south of the Northeast corner of said section, station 1540.90, con-

taining 9.22 acres, more or less, in Moore county, Texas.

As is more fully set out in the petition of said Enid, Ochiltree & Western Railroad Company, filed with the Honorable J. H. Phillips, Judge of Moore county, Texas, on the 4th day of June, A.D.1909.

Said commissioners have been duly sworn to assess said damages fairly and impartially and in accordance with the law, and do hereby appoint as the place and time for hearing said parties and said matters, the office of J.H. Phillips, county Judge, at Dumas, Texas, on the 8th day of July, A. D. 1909. A copy of this order shall be served upon each of said parties to appear at said time and place at 1 o'clock, p.m., for the purpose of offering any evidence they desire on the issue

as to the damages to be assessed against said Railroad Company, to be paid to the said Charles W. Cleveland, for the right of way aforesaid.

Witness our hands this 4th day of June. A. D. 1909.

W.P.McKenzie,
J.C.Geary,
D.H.Parker.

Herein fail not, but, have you before the Honorable J. H. Phillips, County Judge of Moore county, Texas, at his office in Dumas, Texas, on the 8th day of July, 1909, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

W.P.McKenzie,
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Citation by Publication.

The State of Texas, County of Moore.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Moore county, Greeting:—

You are hereby commanded to summon and serve notice upon August W. Lenth, by making publication of this notice and citation once in each week for four successive weeks, previous to the return hereof in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but, if not, then in a newspaper published in the 69th judicial District, but, if there be no newspaper published in said 69th judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to the 69th judicial District, to be and appear before us as per the following notice:

Notice to land owner of condemnation proceedings.

The State of Texas, County of Moore.

On this the 4th day of June, A.D. 1909, W. P. McKenzie and John Geary and D. A. Parker, commissioners appointed by J.H. Phillips, judge of county court of Moore county, Texas, to assess the damages to the property of August W. Lenth, by reason of the erection and location of a line of railroad and right-of-way therefor, across the property of said August W. Lenth, and described as follows, to-wit:

A strip of land through, over, across and upon the Northwest quarter of Section 265, Block 44, H. & T. C. Railroad Grant, 50 feet in width on each side of a center line described as follows to-wit:—Starting at a point 1830 feet East of the Northwest corner of said section, station 1620.25; thence in a southeasterly direction to a point 2640 feet east and 392 feet South of the Northwest corner of said section, station 1628.90, containing 1.99 acres, more or less, in Moore County Texas.

As is more fully set out in the petition of said Enid, Ochitree & Western Railroad Company, filed with the Honorable J.H. Phillips, judge of Moore County, Texas, on the 4th day of June, A.D. 1909.

Said commissioners have been duly sworn to assess said damages fairly and impartially and in accordance with the law, and do hereby appoint as the place and time for hearing said parties and said matters, the office of J. H. Phillips, County judge at Dumas, Texas, on the 8th day of July, A.D. 1909. A copy of this order shall be served upon each of said parties to appear at said time and place at 1 o'clock p. m. for the

purpose of offering any evidence they desire on the issue as to the damage to be assessed against said Railroad Company, to be paid to the said August W. Lenth, for the right-of-way aforesaid.

Witness our hands this 4th day of June, A. D. 1909,

W.P.McKenzie,
J.C.Geary,
D.A.Parker.

Herein fail not, but, have you before the Honorable J.H. Phillips County judge of Moore County, Texas, at his office in Dumas, Texas, on the 8th day of July, 1909, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

W.P.McKenzie,
J.C.Geary,
D.A.Parker.

Special Commissioners.

Citation by Publication.

To the sheriff or any constable of Moore county, Greeting:—

You are hereby commanded to summon and serve notice upon Richard Harton, by making publication of this notice and citation, once in each week, for four successive weeks, previous to the return hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but, if not, then in any newspaper published in the 69th judicial district, but, if there be no newspaper published in said 69th judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to the 69th judicial district, to be and appear before us, as per the following notice:

NOTICE TO LAND OWNER OF CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS.
The State of Texas. County of Moore.

On this 4th day of June, A. D. 1909, W. P. McKenzie and John Geary and D. A. Parker, commissioners appointed by J. H. Phillips, Judge of the county court of Moore county, Texas, to assess the damages to the property of Richard Harton by reason of the erection and location of a line of railroad and right-of-way therefor, across the property of said Richard Harton and described as follows, to-wit:

A strip of land through, over, across and upon Section 343, Block 44, H. & T. C. R. R. Grant, 50 feet on each side of a center line described as follows, to-wit: Starting at a point 620 feet North of the Southwest corner of said section, at station 1246.81 thence in a south easterly direction to a point 1225 feet East of the southwest corner of said section to station 1250.40, containing 3.12 acres, more or less in Moore

county, Texas'

As is more fully set out in the petition of said Enid, Ochitree & Western Railroad Company, filed with the Honorable J. H. Phillips Judge of Moore county, Texas, on the 4th day of June, A.D.1909.

Said commissioners have been duly sworn to assess said damages fairly and impartially and in accordance with the law, and do hereby appoint as the place and time for hearing said parties and said matters, the office of J. H. Phillips, county judge at Dumas, Texas, on the 8th day of July, A.D. 1909. A copy of this order shall be served on each of said parties to appear at said time and place at 1 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of offering any evidence they desire on the issue as to the damage to be assessed against said Railroad company, to be paid to the said Richard Harton, for the right-of-way aforesaid.

Witness our hands this 4th day of June, A. D. 1909.

W.P.McKenzie,
J.C.Geary,
D.A.Parker.

Herein fail not, but, have you before the honorable J.H. Phillips County judge of Moore county at his office in Dumas, Texas, on the 8th day of July, 1909, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

W.P.McKenzie,
J.C.Geary,
D.A.Parker.

Special Commissioners.

Citation by Publication.

The State of Texas.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Moore county, Greeting:—

You are hereby commanded to summon and serve notice upon E. F. Sharp, by making publication of this notice and citation once in each week for four successive weeks in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but, if not, then in a newspaper published in the 69th judicial district, but if there be no newspaper published in said 69th judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to the 69th judicial district, to be and appear before us as per the following notice:

Notice to land owner of condemnation proceedings.

The State of Texas, County of Moore.

On this 4th day of June, A. D. 1909, W. P. McKenzie and John Geary and D. A. Parker, commissioners appointed by J.H. Phillips, judge of the county court of Moore county, Texas, to assess

the damages to the property of E. F. Sharpe, by reason of the erection and location of a line of railroad and right-of-way therefor across the property of said E. F. Sharpe, and described as follows, to-wit:

A strip of land through, over, across and upon the North half of section 273, Block 44, H.&T. C. R. R. Grant, 50 feet in width on each side of a center line, described as follows, to-wit:—Starting at a point 592 feet South of the Northwest corner of said section, station 2051.15; thence in a northeasterly direction to a point 1536 feet West of the Northeast corner of said section, station 2087.50, containing 8.36 acres, more or less in Moore county, Texas.

As is more fully set out in the petition of said Enid, Ochitree & Western Railroad Company, filed with the Honorable J. H. Phillips, Judge of Moore county, Texas, on the 4th day of June, A. D. 1909.

Said Commissioners have been duly sworn to assess said damages fairly and impartially and in accordance with the law, and do hereby appoint as the place and time for hearing said parties and said matters, the office of J.H. Phillips, county judge at Dumas, Texas, on the 8th day of July, A. D. 1909. A copy of this order shall be served on each of said parties to appear at said time and place at 1 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of offering any evidence they desire on the issue as to the damage to be assessed against said Railroad Company, to be paid to the said E. F. Sharpe, for the right-of-way aforesaid.

Witness our hands this 4th day of June, A. D. 1909.

W.P.McKenzie,
J.C.Geary,
D.A.Parker.

Herein fail not, but, have you before the Honorable J. H. Phillips, County judge of Moore county, Texas, at his office in Dumas, Texas, on the 8th day of July 1909, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

W.P.McKenzie,
J.C.Geary,
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Special Commissioners.

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DIFFERENT in every way is the status of the American millionaire from that of the European millionaire; and this difference has impressed me perhaps more than any other one thing during my ten weeks' stay in America.

Guglielmo Ferrero was the speaker. Few foreigners who ever visited America have had such opportunities to judge of the conditions of millionaire life here and abroad as he has had. He has talked in America with such representative members of their class as J. Pierpont Morgan, Andrew Carnegie and Jacob H. Schiff, and in Europe with such men as the Barons Rothschild of England and France. With them he has discussed the powers that millions give to a man, the dangers to which his millions expose him, the duties and the responsibilities which millions impose upon their possessors. Upon this subject he has also obtained the views of the professors of almost all the principal universities in America and in Europe, of the leading journalists, statesmen, authors, philosophers and plain, unmillioned business men. Here he has stretched his long legs under the mahogany of millionaires' dinner tables; he has lectured in universities that owe their existence to millionaires; he has studied the comments of the press upon the deeds and the words of millionaires, and he has brought to bear upon the subject one of the most keenly analytical minds of modern times.

This fatigued talk was on the eve of his departure. He was crisscrossed by strapped trunks and bulging bags, each piece labeled "hold" or "cabin," he sat waiting for the express wagons that were to take his baggage to the French liner. He was tired—"tired but happy," to use his own phrase. For he was closing a tour that had been unique. It had lasted ten weeks, and each one of those weeks had been crowded with work. This work had been threefold—lecturing, writing and being entertained, the last no less arduous than the others. He had prepared and delivered 37 lectures and addresses in English, French and Italian at Lowell Institute, Harvard, Cornell, Columbia and Chicago universities, the University of the City of New York, the University of Pennsylvania and clubs and learned societies in many cities. This alone would have kept him busy. He had been entertained at luncheons, dinners and receptions by the president of the United States, the ambassadors of four nations, the faculties of many colleges and a host of private individuals. In all of those ten weeks there was scarcely a meal except breakfast at which he had not been some one's honored guest. He had been pursued by invitations and he had accepted all that were possible. This, without any of the other work, was enough to have kept him busy. Yet with it all he had written regularly such New York World articles which displayed such powers of observation and such keenly critical ability that an unprecedentedly wide representation of the press, daily, weekly and monthly, of America, has based editorial articles upon them.

To maintain three such forms of activity simultaneously under high pressure would tax the strength of the most powerful constitution; yet this tall, lank historian did it and went away smiling like a schoolboy off for a holiday.

Admits He Has Learned Much.

"Yes, I am tired," he said, laughing, "but I am very happy, and I thank America not only for its great kind-

ness to me, but especially for what it has taught me. I have learned much while I have been here.

"They told me in Europe that I should find New York ugly. I like the beauty of the cities of Italy more, but New York has a majesty of its own that cannot be called ugly. They told me in New York that I should find Chicago ugly. The New Yorker's prediction about Chicago was no more nearly true than that of the Europeans about New York had been. Chicago, in detail, is not beautiful, but as a whole it is by no means ugly. Its lake is beautiful, and some of its streets of private residences are splendid. It is very like Buenos Ayres. One thing about it, however, is more than ugly—the smoke that fills the air. Here in New York you have solved the problem of smokeless air, and your brilliant, clear atmosphere is one of the greatest charms of the city. In Chicago they have not solved it yet."

"And of all the things you have seen here what has left the deepest impression?" put in the writer.

"Give me time to think! My brain is in a whirl. So many impressions have crowded on each other's heels. I must sort these out and arrange them before I can make up my mind what has impressed me most. But!"

Sig. Ferrero's "but" is an exclamation point; it is an explosion. He says it not only with his mouth, but with his whole face. It makes his eyes blaze and his glasses tilt forward. He says it with his whole body. It startles him out of a respectful attitude and sends his forefinger darting out at the person he is addressing.

"But—! One thing that has impressed me profoundly is the difference between your millionaires as Europe imagines them and as I have found them in their homes, their clubs, their places of business. Europe thinks the American millionaire is a tyrant. It thinks he grinds down the people under his heel. It thinks he is all-powerful. It thinks of America as groaning under his despotic sway. The American millionaire is no such thing. He is less powerful here than his kind in Europe. Europe will be surprised when I tell it this.

Secure from Press Attacks.

"Europe also has its millionaires, many of them, but it rarely hears of them. They work in secret. They are the real power, but Europe scarcely knows it. In Europe the press cannot attack a millionaire. It dare not. If it began such an attack this would at once be silenced by the power of money. Such a crusade as has been made here against the Standard Oil Company would have been impossible in Europe.

"The European millionaire gives nothing away. He would laugh at the mere suggestion that it is his duty to give away money, or that he holds his money in trust for the people or for society at large. 'What!' he would cry, 'My money is mine! I made it, or I inherited it. It is mine, mine, my very own! To do with as I like!' And everybody would agree with him. No one in Europe would suggest that millions entail a duty to society. Yet here such a notion is quite prevalent. It is even put forth gravely by millionaires themselves. Mr. Carnegie expounded to me this very theory, which to a European sounds so extraordinary, that the community at large has an absolute right to share in a man's millions—that he is merely a trustee of his wealth.

"In Europe, as I said, millionaires do not give away their money. At least not while they are alive. When they die they may have a trifling sum

to charity; and the general public will exclaim: 'How generous!' In England this is not so much so as on the continent, for the British aristocracy, whose wealth is largely inherited from long generations, has always been taught and has always recognized that it has certain duties to society at large. This is not so on the continent. I can think of only one millionaire in Europe who is public spirited in his munificence, and this one is the French Baron Rothschild. In America your millionaires give away vast sums, but I do not believe that even they give altogether because they love giving. No millionaire likes to give up his money!"

A broad, quizzical laugh put the exclamation point at the close of this sentence.

The Fundamental Difference.

"But—! Although your millionaires are restrained in so many ways, you allow them to do some things which we would never allow them to do in Europe. You allow them to found universities! You allow them to devote their millions to founding and supporting vast establishments in which the youth of the nation is to acquire its ideals. If the millionaires themselves cannot teach the rising generation the ideals they would like them to acquire, they can at least select the men

to teach them. May there not be some method in this kind of giving?"

"Why do you say that a millionaire could not found a university in Europe?" asked the writer.

"The state would not allow it!" came the reply, like shot from a rapid-fire gun. "If a millionaire started to do anything of that sort the state would instantly step in and say to him: 'No, my dear sir; do what you like with your money, but leave the raising of our youth to me. I, the state, have charge of that. It is for me alone to say how the young men and women are to be brought up; I will place before them the ideals that I think they should have. I will allow of no interference on your part.' Such an institution as Chicago university is unimaginable in any country of Europe. It would not be tolerated for one moment. It is a beautiful place. I was glad to lecture there, but I could not help thinking what a peril to America it might become, what sinister possibilities are latent within it. Mr. Rockefeller, I understand, does not interfere at all in the management of that university; he does not dictate the professors who shall lecture there nor the curriculum that shall be followed; and from what I have been able to learn from him I don't think he ever will. But some successor to his millions might choose to wield the power which Mr. Rockefeller has thus far let alone. Think of the power such a man would have if he wanted to exercise it! Think of the ideals that might be set before the youth of America by an unscrupulous millionaire controlling a university through his donations. It is too great a power to be permitted to any man, and I am amazed that in America, where the millionaires are checked by public opinion, no question seems ever to be raised as to the possible danger of the university that is millionaire made.

"I have learned enough of American life, American politics, American institutions and American men and women to be able to follow intelligently the history of America as the news



"In Europe When We Are Opponents We Hate Each Other; in America Political or Religious Enemies Can Be Personal Friends."

of the day reports its development. Few men in Europe understand America. They cannot help judging of American affairs from European standpoints. This makes them unfair and futile in their judgments. While I have not been long enough in America to dare to say positively that I really understand it, I am convinced that I know enough about it to enable me to understand better than before what is going on and to read of American affairs intelligently. I am taking back with me four big suit cases filled with books, documents and newspapers which I have bought while here and not yet had time to read. These I shall read and digest at my leisure. When I have obtained the perspective which rest, time and distance alone can give, I shall begin writing about America."

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PHONE NO. 1.

ONLY PAPER PUBLISHED IN MOORE CO.

Not soon, but now, the watermelon is here.

The Dalhart fair is the next big event for the Panhandle, and it is up to Moore county to come to the front with the blue ribbon exhibit.

There has been some talk over the country that the nillett crop in the Panhandle is a failure this year, but the Pioneer has a bundle on exhibition for those who believe the talk and "are from Missouri."

The cool weather this week has been a source of wonder to visitors to the Panhandle, as well as a joy to those who live here. The Panhandle weather is always delightful, but this week has been one of special delight.

PANHANDLE PRESS.

Only one man in a town is more detrimental to the prosperity than the man with the hammer and he is the man with the hot air funnel.—Clarendon Banner-Stockman

Did you ever go to a "Watermelon Social" without a guardian? Well if you didn't, it would be the best to have one especially where they have so much they beg you to eat it. Of course the writer doesn't like melon so very much, he just ate what he did so it wouldn't be wasted.—Hartley Herald

W. H. Rayzor is exhibiting some beets grown in his garden that are hard to beat. They are of the round, turnip variety and measure from fifteen to eighteen inches in circumference. One of them weighed eight pounds. The beets are solid and firm and of fine flavor.—Hearford Democrat

In an interview with Judge W.

W. Pardue, a prominent attorney of San Antonio, who is spending a few days attending to business in this city, it was learned that for some reason this city was left off the list of cities with an excursion rate. Judge Pardue had obtained special tourist rate ticket to Amarillo, but was unable to make Dalhart on the same rate. The matter was brought to the attention of the Commercial Club and the secretary has taken it up with the railroad commission and railroads. It is thought here that Dalhart was left off merely on account of an oversight. The Commercial Club will attempt to get the discrimination removed as soon as possible, though, and have this city included in the number of cities on the road with an excursion rate.—Dalhart News.

Citation by Publication

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF MOORE

To the Honorable District Court of said county:

Now comes the American Pastoral Company, (Ltd.) a corporation organized under the laws of Great Britain and Ireland, and doing business in the State of Texas under a permit as required by law, plaintiff herein, complaining of the unknown heirs of Tilman Smith, deceased, defendants herein, and whose residence is unknown to plaintiff and whose respective names and the number and sex are also unknown to plaintiff and for cause of action shows to the court as follows:

That Plaintiff is the owner of in fee simple and is entitled to the possession of the following tract or parcel of land lying and being situated in Moore county, Texas, and bounded as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a mound the northwest corner of a survey of 401 acres in the name of Napoleon Jones; thence 1505 varas to the northwest corner of Chas. Ragdale survey 1646 varas to a mound in the west line of said survey; thence north crossing a creek 1646 varas to a mound; thence south 1646 varas to the place of beginning, containing 480 acres of land, more or less, and being patented to Tilman Smith, his heirs and assigns by Patent No. 530 in Volume 8, said patent being granted by virtue of Certificate No. 291206 and dated the 26th day of January 1874 and recorded in volume 1, page 221, record of Deeds of Moore county, Texas.

Plaintiff further shows to the Court that on the first day of January, 1909, defendants unlawfully entered upon and took possession of said land and ejected plaintiff therefrom to plaintiff's damage in the sum of



AND THEN SOME



It was the thrilling climax, in the third act of the play;
Before the villain's hirelings the hero stood at bay!
His look was grim, his jaw was set—oh! stern of face was he!
And his left hand gripped a six-gun and his right a snickersnee!

The villain shouted, "At him!" and forward dashed the mob
With intent to kill hero, and it looked an easy job.
But with his trusty gun he shot a hireling in the knee,
And split the skulls of several with his keen-edged snickersnee?

But did the hirelings flee appalled at this display of skill?
(As they always do in dray-mas when the hero starts to kill)—
And did toe hero wipe his brow and cry, "The world is mine!"?
And did the villain curse him as he kissed the he-ro-ine?

And did he go and marry the girl he loved so well?
And did the villain kill himself and roast his soul in—torment?
And did the hero call himself the happiest of men?
Of course you know they didn't—but they did. See? Stung again!

—N. SAULSBURY, IN BOHEMIAN.

\$1,500.00.

Plaintiff further shows to the court that it is as aforesaid, the owner of and entitled to the possession of said land, for this: that heretofore, to-wit: on the 14th day of April 1883 one J.A.W. Burris by his general warranty deed of that date sold and conveyed said above described tract of land to David T. Beals, which said deed of conveyance is duly recorded in Moore County Texas, in Volume 1 pages 260 and 261 of said records; that hereafter the said David T. Beals by his general warranty deed of date of August 19th, 1884, conveyed to this plaintiff the above described land, which said last deed is duly recorded in Volume 1 at pages 406-8 inclusive, said deed being filed for record in the office of the County Clerk of said Moore County, Texas, on the 22nd day of October, 1884.

Plaintiff further shows to the court that immediately after the date of the last conveyance aforesaid it, through its agents, servants and tenants, took actual, adverse and open possession of said land and has at all times since taking said open, adverse and actual possession of said lands been using, cultivating, grazing and enjoying said lands adverse to any and all claims of any and all persons, and especially the defendants herein, and has continuously and consecutively paid all taxes lawfully due and owing on said lands to the County of Oldham and to the State of Texas, for each and every year including the year 1885.

That plaintiff believes and charges that the unknown heir of said Tilman Smith are settling up some kind of pretended title to said land claiming the same as the said heirs of said

Tilman Smith, deceased, and are threatening to bring some kind of suit to recover said land from plaintiff, thereby clouding plaintiff's title to said land.

Wherefore, premises considered, plaintiff prays that citation by publication issue directed to the unknown heirs of Tilman Smith deceased, as required by law, and that upon a hearing the plaintiff have a decree quieting its title to said land and divesting from the said heirs of Tilman Smith, deceased, and all other persons, all the right, title and interest he or they may have in said land, and for such other orders, decrees and judgments as may be necessary to acquire the relief herein sought, both general and special, legal and equitable, that plaintiff may be entitled to, and as in duty bound it will ever pray.

Jno. W. Veale.

Attorney for Plaintiff.

State of Texas,
County of Moore.

I, F. S. MaKeig, Clerk of the District Court of Moore County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Plaintiff's original petition filed in a suit in said Court in cause No. 111 American Pastoral Company Limited, vs Unknown Heirs of Tilman Smith, deceased.

Witness my hand and seal of office at Dumas, in Moore County, Texas, on this the 19th day of August, 1909.

F. S. MaKeig.

Clerk District Court Moore County, Texas.

Two good farms in Hunt county to trade for good Panhandle lands. W. C. Collins.

Citation by Publication

STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or Constable of Moore county, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summons the unknown heirs of Owen H. Lindsey, deceased, by making publication of this citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day thereof, in some newspaper published in your county, to appear at a regular term of the District Court of Moore County, Texas, to be holden at the court house thereof in Dumas, Texas, on the Fourth Monday January, 1910, the same being the 25th day of January, 1910, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 19th day of August, 1909, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 112, wherein Amercian Pastoral Company, Limited, is plaintiff and the unknown heirs of Owen H. Lindsey and G. W. Gann for himself are defendants, said petition alleging that the plaintiff is the owner in fee simple and is entitled to possession of the following described lands situated in Moore County, Texas, and described as follows: Being 17,663,205 square Varas of land (comprising about 3,129 acres) situated in Moore County, in the State of Texas, on the water of the Big Blue Creek, a tributary of the Canadian River, about 8 miles northwest of said river, patented to Owen H. Lindsey on the 14th day of January, 1878, by patent No. 355, Vol. 22, and bounded as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at the Northwest corner of a 480 acre survey for Tilman Smith; thence North, crossing creek 5504 Varas to a mound; thence West 3209 Varas to a mound, thence South crossing creek 5504 Varas to a mound, thence East 3209 Varas to the place of beginning.

Plaintiff alleges that on June 1st, 1908, defendant unlawfully entered and took possession of said land and ejected plaintiff therefrom.

Plaintiff alleges further that it is the owner and entitled to possession to said land for this; that on, to-wit, the 27th day of November, 1884, one Jonathan S. Collard by his warranty deed of that date, sold, transferred and conveyed to the Plaintiff the land hereinbefore described, which said deed was duly acknowledged, and was filed for record in the office of the County Clerk of Oldham County, Texas, and duly recorded in the deed records of said County in Vol. 2, Page 116 and 117 thereof, on the 27th day of December, 1884, said Moore County at and on said last

named date being attached to said Oldham County for judicial purposes, and where under the registration laws it was necessary to file and record deeds, affecting the title of lands in said Moore County Texas; that after the organization of said Moore county, and the transcription of the records of said Moore County, from the records of Oldham county, Texas, said deed appeared and still appears of record in the deed records of Moore county, Texas, in Vol. 1 and Page 453 thereof: That said Collard, at the time of the sale to plaintiff, was the owner in fee simple of said lands under a regular chain of transfers of the certificate, by which said land was located.

Wherefor, Plaintiff asks that it have a decree quieting its title to said land and removing cloud from its said title, and for general and special relief.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your returns thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness F. S. MaKeig, Clerk District Court of Moore County Texas.

Given under my hand and Court, at office in Dumas this 19th day of August, A. D. 1909.

F. S. MAKEIG,
District Clerk, Moore County, Texas.

HEDGES AND GENTLEMEN.

A box hedge takes as long in the making as a gentleman, and when they are done the two are much of a sort. No plant in all the garden has so settled an air of breeding, so gentle a reserve, yet so gracious a message of sweetness for all of the world, who will stop to learn it. It keeps a firm dignity under the stress of tempest when lighter growths are tossed and torn; it shines bright through the snow; it has a well-bred willingness to be background, with the well-bred gift of presence, whether as background or foreground. The soul of the box tree is an aristocrat, and the sap that runs through it is the blue-blood of vegetation.—Mary R. S. Andrews.

NOTHING ELSE.

"You big, lazy loafer," said the brisk little man, spiritedly, to the tramp who wanted "a dime for a bed," "why don't you beat it to Panama and help dig the canal?"

"Ah, sir, dat's de unkindest cut uv all!" sighed the never-worker.

"What is?" demanded the other, puzzled.

"De Culebra!" chuckled the vagrant wit, slouching away.—Illustrated Sunday Magazine.

LAND TITLE TALK--

The building of the Enid, Ochiltree & Western Railroad now seems to be a positive certainty. When it comes into Dumas, every body will be busy, even to the abstracters. Possibly, back in the history of your title some one made a deed and was not joined by his wife, or there might be a dozen other little things easily fixed now. When you want to borrow money on your land, or sell it, the attorney passing on the title wants affidavits correcting these little defects, and there are people in Moore County now who could make such affidavits. They may die or move away where they will not be easily found. Now is time to fix these things, and there is no one who can do it better than we can.

BOB POWELL

IS LONG PAST CENTURY MARK

Samuel Salyers, Living Near Norton, Va., in Fair Health Although 117 Years Old.

One of the most notable instances of longevity in modern times is that of Mr. Samuel Salyers, now residing near Norton, Va., at the advanced age of 117 years, says *Leaflet Weekly*. He has been living in a little log cabin for 35 years in succession. Mr. Salyers was justice of the peace for 25 years in Wise county, and served in that capacity after he had passed his one hundredth birthday, being, it is believed, the oldest incumbent on record of such an office. He was so competent in his position that there were not two cases in which his decision was reversed. But for the fact that he is afflicted with rheumatism, Mr. Salyers would be quite an active man. He walks around yet very well with the aid of a cane and a crutch. He has several children living that are as gray-headed as he is. Mr. Salyers, although he continues to take an interest in affairs, says he does not understand why he has been kept on the earth so long and that he is pretty tired of staying here. Many people have enjoyed his relation of events of the distant past, and especially his reminiscences of the war of 1812.

EASIER.

"I'm going in for poetry."

"Indeed! Let me see some when you have it written."

"I'm not going to write any, you goose! This is a book store; I am going in to buy some."

HADN'T TALKED.

"Do you enjoy talking to Mr. Gabbey?"

"I think I might if he ever gave me a chance. So far I've only been able to interject to him occasionally."

EASY TO GET RID OF WARTS

Single Application of the X-Ray Guaranteed to Remove the Unsightly Spots.

The very simplest way of getting rid of a wart is by a single application of the X-rays. The wart does not fall off during the actual application, but within a week or ten days afterwards it simply drops off, leaving the smooth and healthy skin behind it.

The time occupied by each sitting is something between 15 and 30 minutes, and no dressings or other applications are required. The procedure gives a minimum amount of trouble to the patient, a maximum of certainty of immediate cure, and no scarring.

One kind of wart which is particularly annoying to its possessor is that which grows upon the scalp. These warts may occur in people who are quite grown up or even past middle life. It is as easily cured by an application of the X-rays as are the warts upon juvenile hands.—Hospital.

BACK TO GOD'S COUNTRY.

This happened in the days when history was made, at a frontier post 40 miles from a railroad. The officer of the day had just joined from graduation leave, and the recruit or post had arrived a week earlier from the depot at David's Island. And he was one thoroughly disgusted recruit; sick of sage brush and jack-rabbits; longing for the sights and sounds of his native Manhattan. The young officer was in a bantering mood, and after having asked our recruit what action he would take in every possible (and impossible) contingency, finally asked: "What would you do if you saw an express train crossing the parade ground?" Instantly came the answer. "By G—, lieutenant, if it was going east, I'd jump right on it."—Uncle Sam's Magazine.

IN VOGUE

TWO NEAT DESIGNS

PRETTY DRESSES APPROPRIATE FOR THE SEASON.

Illustration Shows One Made Up in White Cambric—Sap Green Voile Best Material for the Second Gown.

The first design is made up in white cambric, and has a panel front edged with cambric embroidery. The



sides of skirt are slightly full into an insertion waistband, so also are the sides of bodice; the back of dress is arranged to match front, which has

FORMING A WINDOW GARDEN

Hanging Baskets the Best Scheme That Has Yet Been Devised for Decoration.

Nothing but praise can be awarded to the charming scheme of hanging window baskets which is being resuscitated once more. In a large window two, or even three, flower baskets are suspended, so as to form an arch, and charming effects are gained by filling the tin linings with plants or ferns and hanging greenery.

The best idea is, however, to use tins instead of baskets. These consist of flat tin boxes enameled green, and which are supported on neat brass rods suspended from brass chains, which in their turn are slipped over the nails from which they hang. To facilitate renewing the contents each hanging tin is supplied with a removable tray, which is made with sufficiently deep sides to hold earth or water, so that either growing or cut flowers can be used according to the taste of the moment. If the hangings of the room are yellow, the flowers chosen would be golden broom or yellow marguerites, while a pretty effect is gained when the window boxes outside are carried out to match.

Hanging festoons of ivy geranium look particularly well in a room in

a little yoke of piece embroidery Tucks and insertion arranged alternately form the sleeve, which has a lace frilling as a finish at the wrist.

Hat of old rose chip, trimmed with feather and a chou of silk.

Materials required: 6 yards cambric 44 inches wide, 1 dozen yards insertion, 1/2-yard piece embroidery, 1 dozen buttons.

A simple but effective style is shown in the second illustration, carried out in sap green voile, the skirt is slightly high-waisted at the back, and is trimmed near the foot by a strip of embroidered galloon, it also trims the bodice across front and back and on the sleeves; four narrow lace frills are taken over each shoulder to waist back and front. Tucked chiffon forms the yoke and undersleeves.

Hat of green stretched silk, trimmed with masses of roses.

Flower Rosettes.

Instead of ribbon or chiffon rosettes on the satin mulls now so popular for bedroom use, tiny nosegays of imitation rosebuds make a most attractive finish to the dainty slipper. These flower rosettes are easily made and cost far less than any rosette to be purchased in the shops. The flowers should first be carefully tied together and then sewed to a foundation of lace as a border is most attractive or a band or gathered sash ribbon will give the same effect.

Itemized Packing.

Much future time and labor is saved by taking a little pains when a barrel is packed for storage or clothing of any kind is laid away in bundles to await the return of its proper season. As the articles are packed into the bundle make a complete list of what goes in, and baste or tack this on the lid. In packing away blankets or woolen goods in sheets have a full inventory of each bundle. The sheet can be neatly basted into place and the list sewed upon it.

which the predominant coloring is pink, whilst scarlet geraniums and ferns are economical, and will outlast many other combinations.

Coquettish Mourning.

The coquetry of mourning clothes worn by French women is astonishing, according to a Paris Letter to Vogue. So insistent, so complete, it attracts notice before a costume of the gayest colorings. The quality was clearly evidenced that day at Bagatelle, in a charming mourning costume of black silk voile. The striking feature of the toilette was a long veil that started from under the hat brim, at the back, passing across under the chin it was dropped over the opposite shoulder to fall nearly to the ground. The guimpe with its long tight undersleeves, and high curved stocks, was of white mousseline de soie laid under the black of the gown, barely suggesting itself.

One Color Effects.

Never was the vogue so great for harmony of the whole costume and the most stylish women appear with gown, hat, shoes and accessories of the same hue.

Embroidered net blouses in white or the color of tailored suits are daintily. In order to embroider successfully on it it should be backed with soft silk.

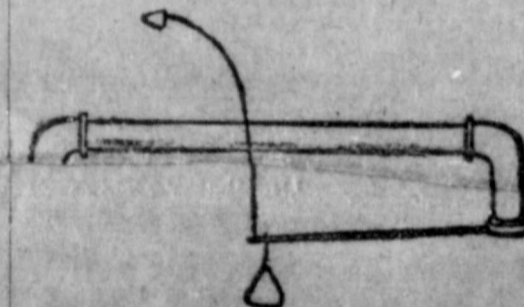
FARM GARDEN

MAKING OF CONCRETE TANKS

Not a Difficult Matter for Farmer to Do His Own Work, After a Little Experimenting.

Concrete is rapidly taking the place of lumber for many uses upon the farm. While its first cost, in some instances, is higher, it is not only cheaper but very satisfactory when durability is considered. It is not at all a difficult matter for any farmer, after a little experimenting, to do his own concrete work and thus save a considerable part of the cost of construction. The price usually charged in this locality for making a circular tank 10 feet in diameter is \$40. I have been able to build three rectangular tanks with very moderate cash outlays, writes C. C. Pervier in American Agriculturist. For several years I have been doing my own work on the farm and have made a storage tank 8x12 feet, 6 feet deep. Two stock tanks, each 7 feet square and 2 feet deep. A concrete hog waterer, a feeding floor 48x12 feet, corn crib floors each 48x9 feet, cow stable floors, walks and foundation walls.

The two most important considerations are clean, coarse sand or sand and gravel mixed, and thorough mixing. Earthy matter or lumps of clay are likely to cause soft, crumbly spots



Float Valve for Tank.

in the concrete and insufficient mixing will result in the same defects.

In foundation walls, walks, floors, etc., I used a mixture of one part portland cement to seven of gravel, and for tanks a mixture of one to five. When crushed rock and sand are used, mix in the same proportion, using one-half as much sand as rock.

In mixing use a long box, an old wagon box will do, and fill with three-fourths of a yard of gravel, leaving a space at one end. On top of the gravel empty, evenly, three bags of portland cement. Begin at one end and hoe down and mix until the whole mass has been moved. Then reverse and hoe back to the other end of the box. Repeat until thoroughly mixed, when it will be of uniform color.

When putting in a water system on the farm, it is advisable to build a storage tank in addition to the drinking tanks. Where considerable live stock is kept, a large amount of water is required, and as there is frequently a week or more at a time when the windmill will not run, a scarcity of water will result unless provision has been made for a reserve supply.

A very handy arrangement for drawing water from the storage tank is made by placing an inch pipe about 2 1/2 feet long through the forms high enough above the ground to permit a pail or tub to be placed under the outer end. The inner end should be an inch higher than the outer and project into the tank about 18 inches.

Winter Radishes.

Winter radishes may be sown now. There are a number of excellent varieties, but large white Spanish is one of the best. Sow in deep, rich, moist soil.

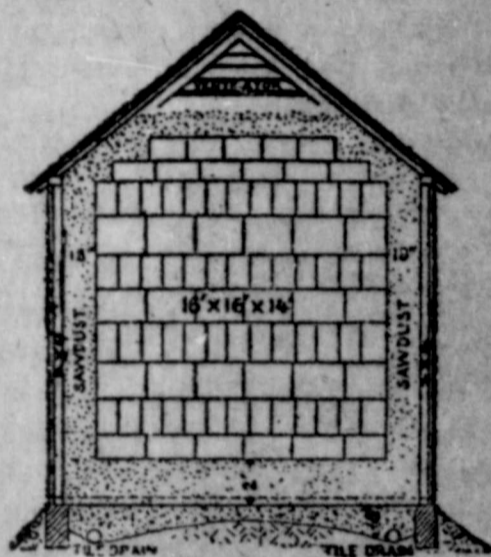
ICEHOUSE IN THE COUNTRY

Important Adjunct to the Up-to-Date Farm—How to Construct to Conserve Ice.

(By Prof. Oscar Erf, Ohio Agricultural college.)

In this age of advanced farming the icehouse is an important adjunct. The most economical building is the one so constructed that it will preserve the greatest amount of ice stored. Waste in an icehouse is largely caused by meltage from the top sides and bottom. In a properly constructed icehouse and when the ice is properly packed and cared for no waste should take place from the inside of the pile of ice. The melting from the sides, bottom and top is caused by insufficient insulation.

To insulate to such an extent that no meltage would take place would be



Cross Section of Icehouse.

impracticable, but with a thorough understanding of the construction of an icehouse a minimum amount of meltage can be obtained. The waste from the bottom is generally considered to be the greatest. The amount of ice melted in the bottom of the icehouse varies from one to six feet during the year, depending upon the construction of the floor. It is best provided with an air tight floor, with the ice laid on at least 18 inches of dry sawdust, the bottom waste rarely exceeds 12 inches during the year. On the other hand, if the ice is piled in the icehouse on the bare ground without any insulation under it or any provision made for drainage the meltage frequently is six feet. The side and top meltage is not so great, but it frequently ranges from one to three feet, depending upon the insulation. The manner of insulation is shown in the cut of cross section.

CONCRETE BASE FOR POSTS

Illustration Giving a New Idea in the Construction of Fences for the Farm.

The difficulty of fastening the fencing material to cement or stone posts makes this kind of post objectionable. Herewith is illustrated a new idea in making fence posts. This post consists of a root or bottom of the post made of cement and the main post of wood. The wood is kept up from the ground and is not liable to decay, and if it does, another can be substituted easily, says a correspondent of the Rural New Yorker. The cement part is cast with a corner out, as shown, into which the wood post is placed and bolted with two bolts. When molding the concrete, run two smooth round sticks through the mold to make holes for the bolts.

Bar yard manure, cotton seed meal and acid phosphates are excellent fertilizers for Irish potatoes.

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WASN'T SKEPTICAL.

Miss Olden—You know, Mr. De Scadds, we are an old Knickerbocker family.

Mr. De Scadds—Yes. Grandfather says he remembers you as a girl.

HER INTEREST IN THE GAME.

"Charley dear," said young Mrs. Torkins, "what do they mean when they say a man tore off a hot one to left field?"

"It's a scientific phrase," was the weary rejoinder. "You can't explain it precisely unless you have a centigrade thermometer to measure the temperature accurately and a set of surveying instruments to ascertain direction."

"Oh!" she answered contentedly. "That makes it quite clear. But do you know, I thought it had something to do with base ball."

WHERE WOMEN ARE SUPREME.

Down in the Great Painted desert of Arizona the Hopi women do not vote, but they build the houses and they own them, too, and the children take the mother's and not the father's name. When a girl wants to get married she does not ask the man nor wait for him to ask her. She asks his mother, and woe betide the young man who dares to refuse if his mother bids him marry. She builds a house for her husband and takes him in, ordering him to till the garden. Then anything that he raises that is stored in her house is hers. The men do all the religion and pass about half the month in ceremonials.

SOME EXCUSE FOR THE SUN.

Artist—There, sir, is my latest picture.

Ingenuous Friend—Well, you haven't economized paint on it, have you? What title have you given to it?

Artist—What do I call it? Why, sir, that is an autumn sunset.

Ingenuous Friend—You don't say so! Well, I don't blame the sun at all for setting.—Stray Story.

JUST, BUT NOT GENEROUS.

The barefoot boy had carefully broken his fishing pole across his knee and tossed it into the stream.

"What's the trouble?" asked the passing stranger.

"Been fishin' all afternoon. Didn't get a bite. If I could have brought home a mess o' fish I might have squared it for shakin' that hoss an plow."

"But why did you break the fishing pole?"

"I'm willin' to take what's comin to me, mister, but I don't see why I should save dad the trouble of cuttin' his own switch."

THE GREATEST WEALTH.

Is there any compensation in money for a starved, stunted, dwarfed mind? Can lands and houses, stocks and bonds, pay a man for living a narrow, ratty, sordid life? How much money would match the wealth of a trained mind, of unfolded possibilities? Is the capacity for the appreciation of the meaning of life, of the lessons of civilization, worth no more than one's bread and butter and roof? Can anyone conceive of greater possessions than an intellect well trained and disciplined, than a broad, deep, full-orbed mind responsive to all beauty, all good?—Orison Swett Marden, in Success Magazine.

AT THE GLEE CLUB.

Director (in a thundering voice)—Why on earth don't you come in when I tell you to?

First Bass (meekly)—How can a fellow get in if he can't find his key?—Yale Record.

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TEXAS NEWS ITEMS

Hillsboro's second annual horse show will be held on September 30.

Friday, during a heavy rain, lightning struck and killed four horses on the McNatt farm, ten miles northwest of Greenville.

Fire early Sunday morning destroyed a block of buildings in Decatur, Ill., causing a loss estimated at \$1,000,000.

Josh Roach, a Cherokee boy, twelve years old, was instantly killed at Hulbert, Okla., Saturday, while engaged in a steer roping contest.

Chinatown boiled over again early Sunday morning over the murder of the most beautiful Chinawoman in New York, Bow Kim, 21 years old.

Engineer P. G. Burns of the Stamford and Northwestern Railway, says that road would be completed into Girard by Sept. 1, a distance of sixty-eight miles from Stamford.

In Galveston Sunday there were 8,000 visitors. The beach amusement front was crowded all during the day and until late at night.

Oak Grove, a town five miles west of DeKalb, was destroyed by fire Sunday night. Origin of the fire unknown at this time.

Mrs. Marie Handzel, in Chicago, Sunday committed suicide and at the same time asphyxiated her three boy babies.

Palmer Webling, cashier of the Kiefer, Okla., Bank, who was wounded Monday night by robbers who attempted to rob the bank at Kiefer, died Tuesday evening.

Fire in the business section of Altus, Ok., Thursday, for a time threatened to destroy the city, but it was extinguished with damage of \$25,000.

The river at Brownsville remains at a standstill with nearly all the land west of the railroad and out to West Brownsville, under water.

Harry B. Abbott, who was badly burned late Tuesday night in the destruction of his home in Dallas, when he endeavored to save his crippled son, Thomas, died Wednesday night.

Pompeo Copini of San Antonio will erect the monument over the grave of Gen. Sam Houston at Huntsville, he having been Tuesday awarded the contract. The consideration is \$9,000.

While a Houston and Texas Central northbound freight train was moving through Chambers Creek bottom near Corsicana, Wednesday, and while it was on the bridge across Chambers Creek, a gasoline tank exploded. The force of the explosion threw some of the cars from the track. One man was badly burned, a car of hogs was burned and other freight was also burned.

The locating committee of the West Texas State Normal Thursday in Ft. Worth, completed the opening of the sealed bids filed by the various towns and was not only gratified, but astounded, at the liberality of many of the offers. Excellent sites for the school were offered in every instance and in several cases cash bonuses, to be expended in improvements, in amounts ranging from \$50,000 to \$100,000 were offered.

SUMMARY OF THE WEEK

A RESUME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT NEWS AT HOME AND ABROAD.

ITEMS FOR BUSINESS PEOPLE

A Carefully Digested and Condensed Compilation of Current News Domestic and Foreign.

Before 40,000 people a tragedy occurred on the new Indianapolis motor speedway Saturday which claimed the lives of three persons and brought the automobile races to an abrupt close.

The new town of Hester, ten miles southeast of Mangum, Okla., will be opened about September 20. The townspeople have secured about 160 acres.

A severe electrical storm passed over Trion, in Chatta County, Ga., Monday, and as a result, two men are dead, and five injured, one seriously, from a stroke of lightning.

Lying on the bank of the North Concho River, about 100 feet from the causeway, near San Angelo, the decomposed body of a man supposed to be William A. Bell was found by a negro Wednesday.

It was announced in New Orleans Monday that Nov. 1, 2 and 3 had been definitely decided on as dates of the Lakes to the Gulf Deep Waterways Convention, to be held there this fall.

E. H. R. Green of Dallas is in New York and will go to Mineola, L. I., to witness demonstrations of an aeroplane which he may purchase and take to Dallas for use during the State Fair, the last two weeks in October.

Sixteen Governors have accepted invitations to join the party of President Taft on his trip down the Mississippi River next October, according to an announcement made by the Lakes to the Gulf Deep Waterways Association Saturday, in St. Louis.

George Gibson, for years foreman at the Missouri, Kansas and Texas coal chute in Muskogee, at a salary of \$60 a month, has been left an estate valued at \$450,000.

An organized gang of mailbox thieves in St. Louis, said to have secured thousands of dollars and thrown thousands of letters into sewers, has been broken up, the police declare, by the arrest of four men and a woman, there Saturday.

Two more American dreadnaughts, the Wyoming and the Arkansas, authorized by Congress, took their first shape Wednesday when bids for their construction were opened in Washington. The vessels each will cost \$6,000,000 exclusive of armor and armament.

Nine persons are dead and others are expected to die, between forty and fifty are injured, three engines are in the ditch, two baggage cars, including the contents, are smashed to kindlingwood, as the result of a collision near Colorado Springs, Colo., Saturday.

John D. Lamar Jr. and John F. Horsfull, assistant postmasters, respectively, of Rosebud and Waco, joined in a call for a meeting of assistant postmasters of Texas to take place in Waco Monday, Aug. 23. The object of the meeting is to organize a State Association of Assistant Postmasters.

About forty assistant postmasters met in Waco Monday and organized the Texas State Association of Assistant Postmasters. Officers were elected.

Justice of the Peace W. D. Hutcherson of Canton is dead and his wife is probably fatally injured as the result of a shooting in the Day Hotel, which they owned, Monday night.

Farmers in the Dixie community, fifteen miles east of Kaufman, have formed a stock company and erected a gin plant, which is to be operated by one of the stockholders, J. H. Hill.

Battling desperately for their lives, two small boys, Winford Miller, aged 9, and Brenard Dodson, aged 5 years, were drowned Tuesday in the Clear Fork of the Trinity, near Ft. Worth.

El Paso has ordered two noiseless motorcycles equipped with speedometers and stoplocks, to be used by the police in driving and arresting those who violate the speed ordinances.

A slight earthquake shock was felt in Mexico at an early hour Monday. It is believed to have been the same as that registered by the seismographic instrument at the University at Washington.

Farm products of the year of 1908 in the United States reached the astounding value of \$7,778,000,000, says Secretary of Agriculture, James Wilson, in his annual report, just made public.

While the children of G. H. McAnally, of Iredell, were gathered around the supper table Sunday, the lamp exploded and seriously burned two of the older girls. They are 10 and 12 years old.

From a reliable source in Monterey, Mexico, it is denied that there has been any concerted movement of Federal troops looking to the arrest of Gen. Bernardo Reyes, Governor of Nuevo Leon.

The San Angelo Fair Grounds association met Saturday and decided to build immediately a \$2,000 exposition hall, in order that the exhibits of the fall fair may be accommodated.

Bonnie Fields, the 11-year-old son of T. M. Fields of Maxey, near Paris, was kicked by a mule in the face and seriously injured Friday evening while leading it to water with a rope.

President Ripley of the Santa Fe, in response to a telegram sent from San Angelo, states that the report to the effect that the Santa Fe will build to Sterling City and connect with the Coleman cut-off, is true.

Three young women and one man, the driver of the car, met death and two young women narrowly escaped a similar fate in Seattle, Wash., Friday, when a large touring care, going at a high speed, crashed through the railing of the long trestle over the tide-flats at the point known to automobile drivers as "Dead Man's Curve."

Texas corporations, like those of the entire country, are to be subjected to a close examination by the Federal Government, preparatory to a searching inquiry into their income and method of doing business. The first step was taken Saturday when the Bureau of Internal Revenue at Washington sent out circular letters to all revenue collectors, instructing them to report on the various corporations in their districts, the amount of their capital stock, their earnings and all other information obtainable.

SHIP SINKS; 300 LOST

COLLISION BETWEEN EXCURSION STEAMERS OCCURS IN MONTEVIDEO HARBOR.

ONE EN ROUTE TO FESTIVAL

Argentine Steamer Colombia, Carrying Passengers, and German Local Boat Strike.

Montevideo, Aug. 25.—In a driving rainstorm about 6 o'clock yesterday morning the Argentine excursion steamer Colombia and the North German Lloyd steamer Schlesien collided at the entrance of Montevideo harbor. The Colombia was entering port and the Schlesien was outward bound for Bremen. The Colombia sank almost instantly. Between 150 and 200 persons were drowned.

The Colombia carried about 200 passengers and a crew of forty people. Most of the passengers were asleep and panic followed the collision. Almost immediately small boats put out to the sinking steamer, but the work of rescue was rendered very difficult by the high seas. About seventy persons were brought ashore. Most of the dead are women and children. Most of the survivors are men.

The Colombia was carrying excursionists from Buenos Ayres on a festival at Montevideo and the disaster has caused the keenest emotion.

NEGRO RUNS AMUCK.

Infuriated African Fires On Everybody in Sight.

Monroe, La.: Angered because two of his friends had recently been shot by local policemen, William S. Wade, a negro, Tuesday ran amuck on the principal business street of Monroe with a double-barreled shotgun, shooting first at every white man he saw and then firing indiscriminately at every object before him. Wade was returned and the negro fell dead with a bullet through his heart, but not before twenty-nine men, three members of his own race, had been more or less seriously wounded.

Three Sea Storms Appear.

Galveston An unusual large crop of hurricanes seems to be hatching in the West Indian waters and in the Gulf within the last few days. There are now three storms being watched by the Weather Bureau officials, two of these having originated in the West Indian waters to the south of Porto Rico, and the third in the Gulf to the south of the Louisiana Coast.

Ruling in Prohibition Precincts.

Austin: The Attorney General rules that beer left over in a precinct which has voted prohibition can not be sold in that precinct; that it must be shipped out before it can be sold. It can not be contracted for while in the precinct, even though it is to be sold to a purchaser who resides in another place.

Warehouse Stocks \$181,000.

Houston: Affidavits filed with the Commissioners' Court by non-resident citizens who on Jan. 1, 1909, had goods and wares stored in Houston warehouses revealed that the stock paid r

MERELY MISTAKEN IDENTITY

As from the shelter of the trees we watched the youngsters on the lawn, Mrs. Veralour gave a sigh.

"Youth!" she apostrophised, "golden youth!"

I, too, sighed—Mrs. Veralour seemed to expect it of me. Besides, one must conform to the customs of the society in which one lives. As a matter of fact, I had no particularly painful yearning to resume the somewhat clumsy and distressing habit of youth.

"Youth," I felt it my duty to point out, "is not properly a phase of time. It is not a possession, it is a feeling. One has only to desire, and one has. Seek, and one has found. The spirit of youth is within reaching distance of everyone." Then it struck me that Mrs. Veralour was quite near to me, so I ventured a slight bow.

Mrs. Veralour tried to suppress a laugh.

I raised my eyebrows.

"It was such an obvious afterthought," she explained.

Before I could protest Miss Seymour detached herself from the others and came over to us.

"Aren't you going to play, Mr. Blake?" she inquired.

I shook my head regretfully.

"I am too old for your games," I informed her.

Mrs. Veralour turned a critical glance in my direction.

"A man is as old as he feels," she said sententiously.

"And a woman is as old as she looks," said Miss Seymour, finishing



"I Hate Boys," She Went on; "They're So Uninteresting."

the tag with all the tactlessness of youth. Nobody had asked Mrs. Veralour to join in the game.

"Nonsense," I corrected; "a woman is as old as she—says."

"Well, anyhow, I'm sure you don't feel old—not now." She smiled at me brightly. "Do come. It's hide-and-seek."

"But I shan't know where to

I objected. "I've forgotten

me." She swung on her heel and looked invitingly over her shoulder.

I avoided Mrs. Veralour's eye as I rose and followed her. But a sarcastic chuckle which reached me straightened my shoulders and added a springiness to my gait.

My arrival was hailed with a shout of joy, and I was promptly elected to the post of seeker. I looked at Miss Seymour appealingly. She gave me a reassuring smile.

"He's not going to be anything of the sort," she said authoritatively. "You will, Mr. Miles, won't you?"

For a moment I failed to recognize Jack under this title, until his scowling face revealed his identity.

"All right," he said surlily. At Christmas they had been Mollie and Jack to each other. Since then, however, Mrs. Seymour had decided that Mollie was grown up. Pretty girls always grow up sooner than plain ones.

Miss Seymour seized my hand and waved off the youngest members of the party, who came crowding round.

"No, you can't hide with me. You'll have to find places for yourselves. I'm going to hide with Mr. Blake. Come along, Mr. Blake."

"Where shall we hide?" I asked, as we reached the shelter of the rosery. "There used to be a little nook among the laurels. I wonder if it's still there?"

"Yes," said Miss Seymour. "Don't let's hide there, though."

"Oh, you know it, too, do you?" I said. "Why not hide there? Nobody could possibly find us unless they knew of the place; and not

Miss Seymour shrugged her shoulders protestingly.

"Of course, if you're very keen—" she began.

"My dear girl," I cried hastily, "where you please. Heaven forbid that I have reached the age when I can insist with ladies."

Accordingly we sought shelter among the rose trees, and, seating herself upon an upturned bucket, Miss Seymour smiled up at me. I know no more pleasurable sensation than that which comes from being smiled at by a pretty girl. Although something under 40 is the ideal age for a man, at that moment I would willingly have retreated 20 years from this perfection.

I mentioned something of my desire to my companion.

"You're not old," she protested—"that is, not very."

I shook my head sadly.

"I hate boys," she went on; "they're so uninteresting—and conceited."

"Youth," I said wisely, "is the only age at which conceit is possible. Then one can be conceited over what one is going to do."

"Pook!" said Miss Mollie. "I think a man ought only to be conceited over what he has done."

"Alas!" said I sadly, "that is exactly what he shouldn't be." A remark altogether beyond Miss Mollie's comprehension.

She reflected over it for a moment, and then gave it up.

"You're the same age as Mrs. Veralour, aren't you, Mr. Blake?"

"I was once," I replied, "but that was many years ago."

"We used to play hide-and-seek,"

I continued, "in this very garden."

"That does sound funny," declared Miss Mollie, with a sudden smile. "You and Mrs. Veralour!"

"Hey!" said I. Hide-and-seek is a most innocent game—or it used to be in my young days. "What does that mean?"

"Nothing," she replied, looking at me with innocent eyes. (Her mother had just such eyes—so I had reason for my doubts as to their trustworthiness). "Did she show you the place in the laurels?"

"We found it together," I said.

"Were you ever discovered?"

"I don't remember," I replied. "Probably not, for we always hid there."

A look of some appreciation came into the young lady's face, and she shook her head at me reprovingly.

"Young Master Jack doesn't appear to have found anybody yet," I said, some minutes later.

"I expect he's only troubling to look for us," she replied.

"Why?" said I, though I knew well enough.

Miss Mollie flushed, ever so slightly.

"Wouldn't you?" she asked, her lips pursed impudently.

Then I knew that my theory was correct. For my youth was almost within reaching distance; another inch, and I should be able to seize it.

It capered in front of me, beckoning. It was beckoning me—oh, for many reasons, none of which have anything to do with this story—toward that hiding-place that I knew, and that Mollie knew.

But when we went there I didn't find my youth. Instead, I found Master Jack, very surlily smoking a cigarette.

"Well," said Mrs. Veralour, "so you sought your youth. You found it, of course?"

"I saw it," I said gruffly.

"Yes," said Mrs. Veralour, with a smile which was sympathy and half malice.

So then I told her all about it.

"You silly man," she said, as I finished, "that was not the spirit of youth you saw; that was a ghost."

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HER DOINGS.

"His wife has made a fool of him."

"What reason have you for saying that?"

"I have his own word for it."

"Get out!"

"I have. He says that all he is he owes to his wife."—Houston Post.

GAVE MOTHER COUNTRY SHIPS

New Zealand's Contribution to British Navy by No Means the First in History.

The definite decision of New Zealand to present the navy with a battleship makes the thirteenth gift of the kind that Great Britain, or the British fleet, has received, says the London Chronicle. First in Charles II's reign the city of London presented a battleship called the *Loyal London* to the navy. Then in George II's reign the American colonists, loyal subjects of the empire then, presented a fine 32-gun frigate to the navy, which was called the *America*, and fought in the war which won Canada for the empire. In the war of American independence the East India Company built and presented to the navy three fine 74-gun battleships, the *Ganges*, *Caruatic* and *Bombay Castle*.

In the Napoleonic war the West Indian colonies built and equipped and presented to the navy six fast corvettes or small cruisers, which were named the *Barbados*, *Jamaica*, etc., after the donors. In the year before Queen Victoria came to the throne the Imaum of Muscat, on the Persian gulf, in return for British protection, built of teak and presented to the royal navy a magnificent 74-gun battleship, which was named by us the *Imaum*, and was in existence as a training ship until quite recently. Now as thirteenth "gift ship" we have New Zealand's *Dreadnought*.

Wheat is a plant, and whoever is at all conversant with the machinery of speculation knows what a plant is. There are many kinds of plants, variously successful in catching suckers, but wheat is about as sure as any to land the game. Contrary to what you sometimes hear, wheat doesn't exhaust the soil. At all events, these United States have been cropped and cropped with no seeming diminution of the harvest. Wheat may be planted any time, there being a delivery every month. When wheat has served the main purpose for which it is planted, it is by no means thrown away, but goes to feed the world.

A GIRL OF FOUR NATIONS.

"I've been trying to figure out what this girl looked like," said a mere man to his sister. "I was sitting on the cross seat of an elevated train and two girls with their backs to my back were talking. One said she had a Dutch neck in her Irish lace gown and that she thought she would wear her white French beehive slippers and do her hair in an English bun. What with French, Dutch, Irish and English I imagined she might as well wrap herself in the flags of all nations and let it go at that."

TROUBLE AHEAD.

"Now the women are refusing to marry until they can vote."

"Then I guess we politicians will have to get 'em the ballot."

"And invite more trouble? Then they'll probably refuse to vote until they can marry."—Washington Herald.

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