

# The Baird Star.

Our Motto: "TIS NEITHER BIRTH, NOR WEALTH, NOR STATE; BUT THE GIT-UP-AND-GIT THAT MAKES MEN GREAT."

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## "WINNING THE WAR"

The primary object of every good American should be "Winning the War." Money to carry on the war's activities on the Government's part is necessary. Just so it is necessary with us. We are endeavoring to put our business on a saving basis, in order that all of us may derive mutual benefit, and be more able to lend our aid in every possible way. Therefore we are still offering some good bargains in clean merchandise. In view of the fact that the greater part of our immense stock was bought before the recent advance in prices we know that you cannot compete with the values we are offering for the same money.

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We are still offering some splendid values in Lawns, Organdies and other fabrics for Mid-Summer Dresses.

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## B. L. BOYDSTUN

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BAIRD, TEXAS

### OIL DEVELOPMENT IN CALLAHAN COUNTY

The Richmond-Levering Company of New York, is building a rig eight miles northeast of here for a deep test on the Jess Hart place, Section 6. This is one and one-half mile east of the Roxana location, where they have a large block under lease.

The Kemp & Kell well at Putnam is down about 1,400 feet. This, as well as the Drake test south of Putnam, is expected to reach something interesting soon.

The derrick for the Moffitt & Freedland test, known as the Odom well, on the Cummings survey, is erected. This is only seven miles north of the Gray oil field and on a direct line to the Moran field. A few miles farther to the northeast on Section 12 McGinley & Lewis have most of the material on the location for the rig. This is on a big tract leased by John R. Dawkins, of Boston.

The Roxana Petroleum Company has made a contract for another well two miles south of Cross Plains and about nine miles northeast of the Gray field on the C. C. Westerman farm. The Sapulpa Petroleum Company also has contracted for a deep test nine miles south-west of Baird on the Seale ranch. It is also reported that Powell & Dawkins have let a contract for a deep test on Section 8 four miles southwest of Baird.

The Cook well on Section 13, southwest of Clyde, has a showing of oil at 138 feet. This is a shallow test, as is the Powell, Anthony, Spraws and Hayden, northeast of here.

It is conceded that geologists have given Callahan County closer attention than any other county in this region, due to the numerous outcroppings and general structure, besides the fact that there are producing oil wells on all sides of this county. The big dome or divide of the whole Central North Texas region takes a southeast course across the entire length of this county. Reference to any Texas map will readily show that all creeks and bayous in the western and southwestern part of the county empty into the Colorado River, while the creeks of the eastern part of the county are in the watershed of the Brazos River.

### A FLEET OF AIRPLANES VISITED BAIRD LAST SATURDAY

Last Saturday was a red letter day for Baird and the largest crowd of people seen in Baird in many days was here. The attraction was a fleet of four airplanes from Carruthers Field, Benbrook, near Fort Worth.

The planes, four of them, in charge of Captain B. W. Warner and Lieutenants Norton, Colmery, Holt, Osborne, Brenneke, W. S. Humphrey, M. T. Donoho arrived at 4:30 p. m. and as they appeared, like small specks in the eastern sky, the whistles at the Round House announced the coming of the first airplanes that ever landed in Baird. One plane was delayed, having to land at Eastland for gasoline, but got here all right.

The planes circled over town a few times and then landed in the Powell field just south of town. Here Capt. Warner and party were met by Mayor H. Schwartz, Judge B. L. Bussell, Secretary of the U. S. Draft Board, and other prominent citizens. After getting a supply of gasoline the airmen went up again and did a lot of stunt flying over the town and landing place. The spinning nose dive was the most thrilling, because every time it looked like the airplanes would dive straight for the earth, but each time they came gracefully out of the dive and sailed away like a bird. They turned summersaults, flew upside down and did many other stunts that were interesting to the spectators, because few of our people ever saw airships before. There was an immense crowd some say as many as five thousand people, here to see Uncle Sam's airships, coming from every part of the county. Some say there were 800 automobiles here that day.

Capt. Kuhns, Lieutenant James Clark, Lieut. Harry Zogbaum, and Mrs. Warner, wife of Capt. Warner, came in on the Sunshine Special. At night an informal reception and dance was given at the Cooke Hall complimentary to the visitors. Capt. Warner is an ex-newspaper man, having been managing editor of a leading Shreveport daily for several years. Capt. Warner expressed himself as being highly pleased with his trip here, said the

landing place was as good as they had at Carruthers Field and that they would be delighted to visit Baird again. The entire party expressed themselves as pleased with the reception given them by the people of Baird. The party were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Lones and family, but the whole citizenship of Baird vied with each other in making the visit of the airmen pleasant. The party left Sunday evening for Fort Worth and so far as we know landed safely after having made a 140 mile flight west into territory rarely visited by airplanes. There was a big crowd out Sunday evening to see them off on their return trip.

The people of Baird and Callahan county are indebted to Mrs. B. N. Leonard mainly for this visit of the airmen, Capt. and Mrs. Warner being her personal friends, she having known them in Shreveport, La., where Capt. Warner was engaged in newspaper work before entering the service of his country.

### LATE WAR NEWS

The Allies are closing in on the German army in the pocket. In the language of the street, it is, "Hot for the Kaiser." So be it.

### VOTE FOR BLANTON

Much has been said about loyalty and supporting President Wilson in this crisis of war. Prove it by voting for Judge Blanton, who has stood by the President on every war proposition. Judge Blanton neglected his own interests and remained at Washington to aid the administration in every way to prepare for war. He has held the office only one term and deserves re-election. The editor of THE STAR has had more tilts with Judge Blanton over prohibition than any other man in the county, but in this great crisis we are more than willing to forget all these things and vote for Blanton, our neighbor, for congress.

C. L. Dickey and family returned a few days ago from Bell county, where they visited relatives. Mr. Dickey says the country between here and Bell county, except a few spots, is as dry as it is here.

### OLD TIMER VISITS BAIRD

J. E. M. Hedley, of Norman, Okla., surprised the editor of THE STAR Tuesday evening by walking into the office. Mr. Hedley was the second county clerk of this county, back in the 70's and lived for many years in Baird. He moved from Callahan county near thirty years ago, living in Abilene several years, moving from there to Vernon, Texas and later to Oklahoma. His brother, John Hedley, died a few days ago at his home in North Texas.

Mr. Hedley is agent in Callahan and Taylor counties for the Great Southern Oil and Refinery Association of Dallas, of which O. B. Colquitt is president. This Company has purchased land and will erect a large refinery at Eastland. Mr. Hedley has many friends in Callahan county among the old settlers.

### VOTE FOR JOHN WOODS

We would like to say a last word in favor of John Woods, candidate for Attorney General. John Woods was raised in this county, his parents live at Putnam now. He is worthy and qualified and we ought to have some pride in electing a Callahan county man to a state office though he is a citizen of Taylor county now. Let's give him a boost.

### WORK AT BELLE PLAIN CEMETERY.

THE STAR is requested to announce to all who are interested to meet at the Belle Plain cemetery next Tuesday, July 30, and spend the day in cleaning off the cemetery.

### E. V. MAXCY, DIED AT CHAUTAUQUA.

Mr. E. V. Maxcy, father of Mrs. D. B. Cowling, died at the home of his daughter near Chautauqua, Wednesday night. The body will be shipped to Benlomod, Ark., today for burial.

Mr. Maxcy served four years in the Confederate Army, was a member of the Methodist Church for 50 years, and a Mason since the Civil War. He was in his 77th year at the time of his death.

John R. Dawkins made a business trip to Dallas the first of the week.

### MORE CALLAHAN COUNTY BOYS LEAVE FOR TRAINING CAMP.

The following boys left Monday for Camp Travis:

Alfred Franke, Charles Manton Warren, Joe Edison Jones, Walter Lee Mitchell, L. M. Grisham, Ray H. Thomas, Guss Harendt, Arthur J. Musick, William B. Crawford, Claud M. Bennett, Roy C. Gillit, Spencer Lee Price, Sullivan R. Respass, John Brown, H. C. McMillen, Ura H. Lovell, John R. Tucker, F. B. Long, John W. Slough, James T. Cole, O. H. Warren, Ed Barker, F. C. Upton, J. R. Childers, R. W. Smith, H. L. Neely, N. J. Durbin, C. H. Jobe, W. C. Holly, C. C. Jones, L. A. Tedford and W. O. Peavy.

Wylie Francis James will leave Aug. 1st.

### NOTICE.

By the instruction of the City Council in regular session, I was instructed to notify all property owners to clear the obstructions off the sidewalks, such as low limbs of trees hanging across sidewalks.

33-1t W. L. Ashton, City Marshal.

### IN LOVING MEMORY.

In loving memory of Little Ozela Grinder, age 11 months and 19 days who died at Cisco, June 26th, 1918: Gone, but forgotten you will never be. Many are left to mourn your death and prepare to follow thee. A precious one from us has gone, a voice we loved is still, A place is vacant in our home which never can be filled. You have gone before me, dearest Ozela, but I will follow thee, I know you will be at the beautiful gates, watching for me, We look around from place to place we miss you everywhere. We miss your loving face and smile and find no Ozela to meet me there. By her parents, grandparents and aunt.

Mrs. A. Zung and little daughter, Flora May, have returned to Galveston after spending two weeks with her sister, Mrs. T. B. Ragdale.

### ENTERTAINED.

Harold Wristen and Howard Farmer entertained a number of their friends at the home of the former on Wednesday evening, July 24th. The evening was delightfully spent in games, and at a late hour refreshments were served to the following guests: Glyndol Elliott, India Mae Ramsey, Grace Morrison, Jessie Lydia, Mamie Morrison, Renna Belle Hatchett, Billie Cox, Carlton Powell, Charlie Mahan, Freddie Farmer, J. T. Asbury, Murray Harris, Rylee Ray and Roy Outbirth.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Ramsey entertained their brother, Sergt. Lawrence Bowlus of Spartenburg, S. C., at supper Tuesday night, July 23, 1918. The dining room was appropriately decorated with flags and red, white and blue paper. The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Bowlus, Dr. H. H. Ramsey, Sergt. Lawrence Bowlus, M. T. Ramsey, Grant and John Bowlus. Mrs. Robt. L. Estes, Misses Jean Lambert, Esther Belle and Juanita Bowlus, Comette and Norma Ramsey, Edith and Norma Bowlus.

### NOTICE.

All owners of dogs are required to call at the Fire Station and pay taxes on their dogs. If not paid they will be taken up by the dog catcher and disposed of.

33-1t W. L. Ashton, City Marshal.

### SALVATION ARMY DAY.

Sunday, July 28th is designated as Salvation Army Day in Callahan County and all persons are requested to meet at their School Houses at 4 p. m. and to contribute according to their ability to the Salvation Army War Fund, an organization strongly endorsed by General Pershing.

Gerard O. Crosswell, Chm. Callahan Council of Defense.

LOST.—Gold chain and locket, engraved J. L. A. Return to Mrs. Frank Alvord. 34-2t.

FOR SALE—One Jersey milk cow with young heifer. See T. B. Ragdale, Baird, Texas. 34-2t.



### CROWN PRINCE IS BLOWING UP SUPPLIES

HUNS PREPARING FOR A HASTY RETREAT, WHILE MAKING DESPERATE RESISTANCE.

### HEAVY GAINS BY AMERICANS

Enemy is Having Great Difficulty in Maintaining His Communications Northward.

Paris.—Desperate efforts made by the German crown prince apparently succeeded in slowing down the advance of the allies on both sides of the Marne salient Monday, but not in stopping it altogether, judging from allied gains reported up to Monday night. The German resistance, however, does not appear to be with a view to holding the present line, but more with a view to completing arrangements for retreat. Reports indicate that the Germans are blowing up military stores far behind their lines, in preparation for hurried retreat. The crown prince has appealed to Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, for men to help hold back the allies and the appeal has been answered with some divisions. Apparently it is only through this aid that the crown prince has been able to slow down the allied drive. When Rupprecht detached men from the front in Picardy to send to the Champagne front, the British detached men farther north and sent them to the aid of the French and Americans, with the result that the allies still hold the upper hand.

The Germans still left on the north bank of the Marne are preparing to retreat. All indications point to the early evacuation of the Marne salient, at least as far as the river Vesle, which runs from Soissons to a point a few miles south of Rheims.

Gains for the allies Monday included an advance just south of the Ourcq river, an advance northeast of Chateau-Thierry and an advance along the Vesle valley southwest of Rheims, none of these advances very deep. In addition, the allies operating east of Rheims have completely restored their line to what it was prior to German gains of early last week. The heaviest gains have been made by American troops operating between the Ourcq river and Epieds, the latter place being northeast of Chateau-Thierry. The Ourcq river splits the battle line about half way between Soissons and Chateau-Thierry. The Americans here advanced to east of the Chateau-Thierry-Soissons road just south of the Ourcq.

North of the Ourcq there have been some slight gains to bring the line almost straight north and south from Soissons to the railroad junction at Breny. From Breny the new line runs southwest to the Marne a trifle east of Mezy. From the Marne to north of Rheims the line is irregular, running from east of Dormans northeast to the Vesle, where it bulges northwestward along the river valley and then turns northeast toward Rheims. Allied gains since Thursday have swallowed up approximately two-fifths of the Marne salient as it stood Thursday morning.

German newspapers assert that the withdrawal is part of the plans of the German high command. The German official statement asserts that the Germans have won a great victory.

The British have taken another little piece of ground near Hebuterne.

The Italians are advancing again in Albania in conjunction with the French, but details are lacking.

### Will Investigate Failure of Bombs.

Boston.—An investigation has been started to determine why bombs carried by naval aviators failed to explode when dropped on or about the German submarine which attacked the tug Perth Amboy and her barges off Cape Cod Sunday. Rear Admiral Spencer S. Woods, commanding the district, refused to comment on the report that the bombs dropped by the aviators were "duds." In regard to the attack, he said, "I want to correct the impression given currency by certain published stories that the Chatham aircraft were late in getting to the scene of the attack or not otherwise promptly on the job. Such stories I know to be a misrepresentation of the facts. They were there and dropped two bombs, the explosion of either one of which might have been effective in destroying the hostile craft."

### Nicholas Romanoff Put to Death.

London.—Former Emperor Nicholas of Russia has been shot by Bolsheviks, a Russian wireless newspaper announces.

### Parish Praises Men in Hospital.

Paris.—"Your country is proud of you and I am more than proud to command such men as you. You have fought splendidly." General Pershing thus addressed wounded soldiers lying in the American Red Cross hospitals in Paris. In each ward of every hospital he talked to the men. He inquired if they were being well cared for, how and where they were wounded, what regiment they belonged to, and expressed his sympathy to scores of the patients.

### LIEUT. DOUGLAS CAMPBELL



Lieut. Douglas Campbell of California, first American-trained "ace," who was badly wounded in combat.

### ALLIED SUCCESSES FORCE HUN RETREAT

ARMY OF CROWN PRINCE IS NOW THREATENED WITH DISASTER.

Paris.—Under French pressure from the south and American pressure from the west, the Germans have evacuated Chateau-Thierry, in the southwest corner of the Marne salient and the troops of the German crown prince who occupied that region are in retreat northward, harassed by the French and Americans, who are in hot pursuit. The pursuing allies are capturing many prisoners as they advance, and press reports indicate that the retreating enemy is in considerable danger of meeting with disaster before he can reach a place of safety. Sunday's news indicates that the German high command has decided to retire from the entire Marne salient and thus yield up some 360 square miles of ground, all that remains of some 600 square miles occupied as a result of the gains made in the drive begun March 7.

That the retirement of the enemy from the Chateau-Thierry corner was not voluntary is shown by the report of an attack by the Americans northwest of it which resulted in an advance of over three miles, in which they captured prisoners. The Berlin official statement does not mention the loss of ground here, but tells of "particularly heavy American casualties" north of Chateau-Thierry, which is an admission that ground was lost since the Americans heretofore were northwest instead of north. The French have crossed the Marne east of Chateau-Thierry and are pursuing the retreating enemy.

On the line running southwesterly from Rheims to the Marne the French and their allies have made another sharp dent by advancing westward some three or four miles to within cannon shot of the railroad junction through which German supplies must be carried to the men in the southeast corner and center of the salient, which means that there will be no more supplies sent by that route. Railroad connection between the southeast corner, the center and southwest corner is shut off, the road supplying the southwest corner having been brought under allied guns Saturday. Apparently there is no alternative for the Germans except to get out of the whole salient, comprising some 360 square miles since recent reduction in area. And in getting out they must walk and pull their guns after them.

General Pershing reports that the Americans have captured 17,000 prisoners since the drive began. Heretofore the French have reported the prisoners of the Americans and French together, and up to Saturday night the combined totals were stated to be over 20,000. The French official statement of Sunday night does not give the number taken to date, which leaves uncertain the total captured by the allies since the counter-offensive began Thursday morning. There was no fighting of importance on the rest of the front Sunday.

### Men in Class One Urged to Prepare.

Washington.—Provost Marshal General Crowder has issued an appeal to all men of class 1 calling upon them to begin now their preparation as chosen soldiers to defend their country and not wait until they have actually been called into camp. The men are urged to interest themselves now in soldiering, to learn something of the different branches of the military service, and to fit themselves physically for the rigorous duties of a soldier's life.

### Scots Capture Meteren in Daylight.

With the British Armies in Daylight.—All dazed Germans are not on the Marne. A hungry and badly crippled division is licking its wounds in Flanders and trying to explain to the commanders of the Fourth army why it lost the village of Meteren in broad daylight. At the same time the hard-hitting Scots are smiling in their new trenches west of Ballicul. There are nearly 400 survivors of this German-regular in the prisoner's cage and they look a sorry lot.

### ALLIES STILL GAINING DESPITE RESISTANCE

SEVENTEEN THOUSAND PRISONERS AND 360 GUNS ARE CAPTURED SO FAR.

Paris.—After fighting stubbornly all morning against the reinforced German line along the front from Chateau-Thierry to the edge of Soissons, on the west side of the Marne salient, the French and Americans scored another general advance Friday afternoon, averaging a mile and a half, according to the Associated Press correspondent at the front. Earlier dispatches during the day told of the capture of towns in addition to those reported captured Thursday, but the names of few towns were mentioned. That the French and Americans have advanced again is highly important, in that it shows they were able to overcome the German lines after the latter had been reinforced.

The French official statement issued Friday night gives the total of prisoners taken by the French and Americans as 17,000 and the number of cannon captured as 360. The French official statement adds that "the French have held their positions on the plateau southwest of Soissons and have made important advances." No mention is made of the capture of Soissons in any dispatches from Europe, although there was a rumor in Washington Friday afternoon that the place had been taken.

On the front from Rheims to the Marne, on the east side of the salient, the French have recaptured Montvoison, made progress in the Roi wood and the Courton wood, capturing four cannon and 400 prisoners. Also they have ejected the Germans from Oeuilly, south of the Marne. Between Rheims and the Marne Italian troops have taken Moulins d'Ardre, northwest of Pourcy. These gains considerably reduce the amount of ground occupied by the Germans on the east side of the Champagne salient, both north and south of the Marne. As nearly as can be gathered from dispatches, the Germans have been ejected from at least half the ground gained earlier in the week when they advanced east and south.

The additional territorial gains of the allies Thursday night and during Friday, including those on both sides of the Marne salient, aggregate probably more than 60 square miles, making a total of 160 square miles in two days.

The Berlin official statement issued Thursday noon concedes loss of ground to the allies at "isolated" places, but the statement issued at 6 p. m. announces that the allied efforts to drive a wedge between Soissons and the Marne had been stopped by the Germans.

The British captured the village of Meteren on the west side of the Flanders salient near Ypres, together with 300 prisoners and a number of machine guns. German efforts to recover ground lost to the Australians near Villers-Bretonneux were unsuccessful.

### Cruiser Sunk off American Coast.

Washington.—The navy department has received reports from the third naval district stating that the U. S. S. San Diego has been sunk 10 miles southeast of Fire Island light. One officer and two boat's crews were landed at life saving station No. 82 on Long Island. Other survivors are in boats and four steamers are standing by. There appears to have been no loss of life. The cause of sinking has not yet been determined. The San Diego was an armed cruiser of 13,680 tons displacement and carried a complement of 1,114 officers and men.

### Submarine Sinks Three Barges.

Orleans, Mass.—An enemy submarine attacked a tow off the eastmost point of Cape Cod Sunday, sank three barges, set a fourth and their tug on fire and dropped four shells on the mainland. The action lasted an hour and was unchallenged except for two hydroplanes from the Chatham aviation station, which circled over the U-boat, causing her to submerge for only a moment, to reappear and resume firing. The crews of the tow, numbering 41 and including three women and five children, escaped amid the shell fire in lifeboats. Several were wounded, but only one seriously.

### Great Southern Buys Okla. National.

Dallas.—Approximately ten and a half million dollars outstanding insurance was acquired by the Great Southern Life Insurance company through President O. S. Carlton when arrangements were completed to take over the business of the Oklahoma National Life Insurance company of Oklahoma City. The Oklahoma company was a million-dollar concern.

### Certificates Are Now Oversubscribed.

Washington.—Oversubscription of the first two blocks of treasury certificates issued in anticipation of the fourth Liberty loan and increased returns from war saving certificates and from income and excess profit taxes have made it possible to reduce the third bi-weekly offering of treasury certificates to \$700,000,000. Secretary McAdoo has announced, institutions which have made arrangements for subscriptions on the basis of the \$750,000,000 may carry out their plans.

### MAJOR BARACCA



Major Baracca, the leading Italian ace, who was recently decorated with the gold military medal.

### THE AMERICANS AND FRENCH ARE VICTORS

100 SQUARE MILES, THOUSANDS OF PRISONERS, CANNONS AND MACHINE GUNS TAKEN.

Paris.—The German offensive started last Monday morning on the Champagne or Marne, salient has been stopped and a brilliant counter-attack by French and American troops on the west side of the salient has gained more ground than the Germans succeeded in taking earlier in the week on the east side. In addition, German gains east of Rheims have been wiped out and practically the old line restored. Prisoners captured by the French and Americans number several thousand, the Americans alone capturing 2,300 near Soissons, together with 50 cannon and thousands of machine guns. The French have not compiled their list, but state that "several thousand" have been captured. Twenty towns and villages have been taken from the Germans and considerable quantities of supplies captured, along with 20 or more big guns. The allied line had been pushed to within one mile of the ruined city of Soissons at last accounts, at which time the French and Americans were "still going."

The counter-attack of the French and Americans started on a front of 28 miles, reaching from Fontenoy, west of Soissons, to Chateau-Thierry, and the gain was along this front, ranging from two or three miles in the region of Chateau-Thierry, to approximately seven miles in the neighborhood of Soissons. The territorial gain on this front aggregates approximately 85 square miles. Included in the gain is some high ground, from which the Germans in Soissons can be shelled with good effect and this shelling is probably in progress. Indeed, Soissons has not already been taken. The French and Americans are on two sides of the city, west and south.

The Berlin official statement admits the loss of ground between Aisne and the Marne, saying that "the French" attacked with strong forces and tanks. "Our reserves which were held in readiness," the statement adds, "took part in the battle." It will be noted that the Berlin statement does not say that the allied advance has been stopped.

The German drive started last Monday can be considered as definitely broken up, thus inflicting on the Germans, in the view of many critics in Paris, the greatest defeat of the war.

The French and Americans are driving eastward from Soissons and westward from Rheims, an operation, which, if successful, will result in the capture of all the Germans holding the line along the Marne, probably 200,000 men. The Americans are already across the road which runs to the Chateau-Thierry region, an important highway for sending men and supplies to the more southern front.

The number of Americans involved in the drive is not definitely known, but there are evidently a great many. They are on that part of the front near Soissons where the most ground was gained. Dispatches indicate that Americans were operating as independent divisions.

The British east of Amiens and to the southeast of Villers Bretonneux advanced a mile, the Australian troops being involved. The extent of the front is not stated.

English Munition Workers to Strike. London.—A labor dispute which may lead to a serious situation has begun in Coventry and other centers, says an announcement issued by the ministry of munitions. A large number of skilled munition workers, it is stated, have handed in notices which take effect next week.

### Quentin Roosevelt May Be Unhurt.

New York.—Lieutenant Quentin Roosevelt reported missing after an aerial engagement with the German lines, probably landed unhurt and is now a prisoner in the hands of the Germans, according to a cable message received by his father, Colonel Roosevelt. Col. Roosevelt said, on his arrival here from Saratoga, that he had just received from his son-in-law a cablegram which read: "Companion aviator confident Quentin landed unhurt."

### Texas News

A dipping vat for the eradication of the cattle tick is to be built at Texas City.

Work of constructing the big floating dry dock at Galveston is to be speeded up.

Crops in Shelby county are suffering at an alarming degree from long continued drouth.

The attorney general has approved \$50,000 Anderson county bonds for road district No. 2.

Elberta peaches are moving to market from East Texas and the crop is bringing a good price.

Large oil interests have purchased 672 acres of land on the west side of the Neches river near Port Neches and Beaumont, Texas.

The Gulf Sulphur Company, operating at Big Hill, in Matagorda county, will have at least 300 men at work within three weeks placing the large plant in operation.

The gaps in the bulkhead across Turtle Bay at Anahuac are completed. The pumping plant at Anahuac began pumping Saturday after being closed down for sometime on account of salt water.

Arrangements are being made for the consolidation of the railroad offices in Brownwood. The Frisco offices will be closed and all the business will be handled from the Santa Fe depot.

A cotton pickers' association, composed of Wharton and Matagorda cotton growers, has been formed. The price for cotton picking was fixed at \$1.25 per 100 pounds, the pickers to feed themselves.

Portions of Tom Green, Sterling, Frion, Coke, Mitchell and Nolan counties have received generous rains. The above counties have suffered extremely hot weather since May, and the rains have proven a great benefit.

The Markham Irrigation Company has purchased from the receiver of the Austin dam the water impounded in Lake Austin, or so much thereof as is necessary to save the rice crop in Matagorda county. The consideration was \$20,000.

Dredgeboats are dredging the ship and launching basin at Rockport. The channel will be deepened to twelve feet from Rockport to the harbor, which is located in front of Harbor Island, eight miles south of Rockport, in Aransas Bay.

Under the rush of large government orders the cotton mills at Cuero have put on a double shift of work men and are operating night and day. With the new breech-loader looms, which work on the order of the machine gun, the output of the mills has been materially increased.

Oil fields are being developed in many parts of Texas, and some wonderful fields have been located and the production has been enormous. Straight down two-thirds of a mile into the earth in certain geological structures there may be a quantity of petroleum, and the only way to find out whether this is true is by drilling a hole to that depth.

The production of oil in Texas, amounting to about 108,000 barrels each week, is coming from more than 6,000 wells. A review of the principal producing fields, new and old fields, where there is still quite a bit of work going on, shows a total of 6,175 wells, and it is very likely that the total number of producing wells in the State will run around 6,500.

Production of petroleum in the United States in 1917 exceeded any previous year. It aggregated 341,800,000 barrels, which is 14 per cent greater than 1916, until then the record year. Production in the older fields has been declining as much as 5 per cent a year, and it has been the fields of Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas alone that saved the day and made for an increase in the output of petroleum products. The gain from these fields in 1917 was approximately 32,000,000 barrels of crude oil.

According to information received in Austin the large sulphur deposits situated in Culberson county, which were first brought to public attention a number of years ago by the bureau of economic geology and technology of the University of Texas, are to be exploited on an extensive scale. The enormous increase in the demand for sulphur and sulphuric acid, due to the war conditions, has caused large financial interests to direct their attention to the development of these West Texas sulphur deposits.

Jefferson county rice growers are facing a \$1,000,000 loss due to the presence of salt water in the Neches river and its tributaries. The Neches Canal Company is running light at its plant above Beaumont, as the water shows about 175 grains of salt. This canal supplies 30,000 acres of rice. The Beaumont Irrigation Company's plant shows 85 grains of salt. The McPadden pumping plant has shut down because an analysis shows 320 grains of salt to the gallon of water. The McPadden plant irrigates about 12,000 acres of land.

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### LESSON FOR JULY 28

#### OBEYING GOD.

LESSON TEXTS—Matthew 4:18-22; John 14:23-24; James 1:22-27. GOLDEN TEXT—If ye love me, ye will keep my commandments.—John 14:15. DEVOTIONAL READING—John 15:8-17. PRIMARY TOPIC—Loving God and doing his will. LESSON MATERIAL—Matthew 4:18-22; James 1:22-27. INTERMEDIATE, SENIOR AND ADULT TOPIC—Obedience: To whom? Why? How? ADDITIONAL MATERIAL—I Chronicles 16:15; Psalms 103:17-18; Matthew 6:19; John 15:12-14; I John 2:3-6, 17.

Obedience is a vital part of our religion. The obedience of the Christian is not legal but filial. Eternal life is not secured through obedience, but obedience is the tangible evidence that one possesses it.

#### I. The Call of the First Disciples (Matt 4:18-22).

1. By whom—Jesus Christ (v. 18). Jesus is the Son of God. Since he is equal with God, he has the right to call. Those who hear his call should render instant and hearty obedience.

#### 2. The circumstances of their call (v. 18).

The call came to them while they were busy with their business interests. God always calls men who are vitally engaged in some business, not those in idleness.

#### 3. The nature of (v. 19).

It was a definite call, in that definite men were called into a definite service.

(1) To follow Christ. We must follow Christ before we can serve him. Only Christians can do Christian work. We should follow him to be like him, in order to win others to him.

(2) To win men for him—"Fishers of men." Christ calls men into work of the same character as that in which they were engaged. They had been fishing for fish; now they are to be fishers of men. When Christ calls men he does not call them to a lower service. This is a fine case of promotion. Men catch fish to kill and feed upon them, but Christ's disciples catch men to make them alive and feed them.

#### 4. Response to Christ's call (vv. 20-22).

(1) They left their business interests immediately.

(2) They not only left their business, but James and John left their father also. Following Jesus sometimes means turning one's back upon business interests and dearest friends and relations. Regardless of what it costs, the true disciple will render instant obedience to the call of Christ, because he has a right to call us, and we can trust his wisdom to not call until he has need.

#### II. The Motive for Obedience (John 14:22-24).

The grand motive actuating obedience is love to Christ. The proof that we do love him is that we obey him. Even when we may not be conscious of unusual outpourings of the affection, the conclusive evidence that we love is that we obey. Keeping his commandments means such a regard for them that we highly treasure them as something precious. The reward for such obedience is to have Christ's prayer for us to God to send his Holy Spirit upon us (John 14:16, 17). Then, too, the Father will love us, and he and the Son will take up their abode with us. This abode is not temporary but permanent.

#### III. The Kind of Obedience That Counts (James 1:22-27).

1. The obedience of deeds (vv. 22-24). Hearing God's Word will do no good unless it is accompanied with obedience. Hearing and not doing is as futile as beholding one's face in a looking glass and forgetting what manner of man he is. Calling Christ Lord, and not doing what he says, will avail nothing (Matt. 7:21, 22). To pretend to know God and not keep his commandments is to lie (I John 2:4).

#### 2. The obedience of perseverance (v. 25).

We should not only look into God's Word and admire its perfections, but steadfastly and persistently do the things required. Only those who thus persevere shall be blessed in their deeds.

#### 3. The obedience of speech (v. 26).

The one who has genuine religion will control his tongue. Just as the physician oftentimes can diagnose the physical condition of the patient by an examination of the tongue, so the moral and spiritual condition of the individual can be determined by the speech of the individual. The one who does not control his tongue proves that his religion is empty and void.

#### 4. The obedience of kindness (v. 27).

Those who have received the kindness of God will manifest that kindness in their lives. This kindness will express itself in ministering to the fatherless and widows.

#### 5. The obedience of purity of life (v. 27).

The Law of God enjoins upon his children not only purity of life, but abstinence from all appearance of evil. The one who has been made a partaker of the Divine nature keeps himself from the sins of the world. It means his separation from the things of the world which corrupt.



# The Coil of Circumstance

## Notebook of an Old Detective

by Charles Edmonds Walk

And With Names and Places Hidden Published as a Proof That Truth Is Stranger Than Fiction

One morning in August, when Felix Hazard was as yet only a capable operative of the Sutherland Detective agency, he was summoned to the office of his chief, where he was surprised at being confronted by one of the guiding spirits of the city's banking and commercial activities—Mr. Howard Kendal. Only within the week had the name come to occupy an enviable notoriety in the newspapers and the public mind, by reason of its close association with a particularly atrocious murder.

Following an annual custom, the Kendals and most of their establishment had gone to their summer home near Harbor Springs, Michigan. During these summertime begins their Lake Shore mansion was left in charge of the housekeeper, a middle-aged widow of education and refinement, who had long been a trusted servant of the Kendal ménage; as a matter of fact, her position was more like a member of the family than of merely a servant. This lady's name was Mrs. Constance Fleuroy—or "Connie," as she was affectionately called by members of the family.

Felix Hazard immediately surmised the object of the millionaire's visit.

Early in the morning of Thursday, August 21, Mrs. Fleuroy's lifeless body was found by a grocer's solicitor and other tradesmen at the Lake Shore home. They had reasons for believing her to be in the house, and when repeated ringing of the door bell and a final recourse to the telephone elicited no response, they were filled with alarm. After some debate one of the party assumed the responsibility of forcing an entrance to investigate.

Their apprehensions were amply justified. Mrs. Fleuroy was discovered lying quite dead and cold at the foot of the principal staircase, clad only in a nightgown, over which she had thrown a kimono and a pair of comfortable "mules."

That she had been the victim of a brutal murder the most cursory glance was sufficient to determine. Upon the floor near the body was found a bronze statuette, a replica of the familiar "Winged Victory," which was perhaps twenty inches in height and very heavy. It manifestly had been snatched from its pedestal and used with deadly purpose, as clots of blood and wisps of the dead woman's hair were yet clinging to it, as well as the bruised and battered condition of the body itself mutely testified.

Discoveries began to crop up at the very beginning of the police examination to inculpate Mr. Kendal's nephew, Howard Gentry, a young man of twenty-six.

That so many tradesmen chanced to be present at a time when the house was ostensibly closed was accounted for by the proprietor of a neighborhood delicatessen, whose statement was corroborated by the others.

On the previous day (Wednesday) Mr. Fleuroy had received a letter from Mr. Kendal announcing that his nephew, Howard Gentry, had returned to America after a long sojourn abroad, and was expected to arrive in Chicago on the day the letter came to her hands. She was instructed to open the house, prepare a specified suite of rooms for Howard's entertainment and notify the tradesmen that the family would curtail their vacation and follow shortly.

This letter was found in Mrs. Fleuroy's room.

It also contained two other details of interest, which the housekeeper did not confide to the tradesmen, namely, that Howard would make himself known through the medium of a letter written to him by Mr. Kendal, the obvious inference being that Mrs. Fleuroy personally did not know the young man.

The second detail was found in a postscript appended by a feminine hand, presumably Margaret Kendal's, who was twenty-two and the millionaire's only child. It averred that Howard's engagement to a Miss Gladys Rutherford, whom he had met abroad, had been announced, and that he had returned to America in contemplation of the wedding.

Several sheets of the letter to young Gentry from his uncle were discovered in the bedroom occupied by him at least a part of the fatal night. This was the letter that served to identify the young man to Mrs. Fleuroy. It was unquestionably written in the millionaire's characteristic hand, suggesting that there was no typewriter convenient.

Numerous references and allusions contained therein made it clear that uncle and nephew had carried on a correspondence continuing over a considerable period of time. But the most significant feature, aside from the presence of the letter itself, was an assertion to the effect that \$20,000 had been placed in the library safe—and there the sheet broke off, the remaining page or pages being missing.

And then, on top of this accumulation of circumstantial evidence, Gentry had disappeared, nor could the police or his friends discover the slightest trace of his whereabouts.

The safe was small, but a substan-

This story throbs with realism in the words' narrowest meaning. It is a faithful rendering of an authentic experience in the career of a high official of a detective agency whose name is a household word throughout the English-speaking world. Real names of persons and places are sometimes disguised. In all other respects the amazing, often thrilling, always gripping facts are recorded just as they happened.

cial modern affair, and it had been blown open with "soup" in recognized "reiterman" fashion. If it had contained \$20,000 or any other amount, or anything of value at all, both money and valuables had vanished before the police arrived upon the scene.

The sole theory upon which the police were working, naturally enough, was that Gentry blew the safe, and the noise having awakened Mrs. Fleuroy, she stole down the main stairs and surprised him in the act of looting the money-drawer. Thereupon the burglar snatched up the statuette, the nearest available weapon, and in a twinkling became a red-handed murderer. He then had made good his escape.

Although Felix Hazard was acquainted with the published accounts of the crime, he wanted to hear the story from Mr. Kendal's own lips. Before departing, however, he supplied certain details not contained in the published report.

"Some time on Wednesday, the twentieth," Mr. Kendal averred, "Howard presented himself at the house and gave Mrs. Fleuroy my letter. A sheet or two of it was found by the police. But the portion of it that would explain away the very worst feature against Howard has not come to light. As a matter of fact, if you had the entire letter you would see at once that it constituted strong evidence in his favor. I will explain.

"His purpose in coming to Chicago was twofold—to visit me and my family, and to approve of my choice of a piece of property that was to be my wedding present to him and his wife. For this purpose I had drawn on my bank for \$20,000. The bargain was too good a one to risk any chance of somebody else stepping in and snapping it up. So I informed him in the same letter that the money had been sent to the house to be placed in the library safe by Mrs. Fleuroy subject to his demand.

"Now then, somebody—God knows it was not Howard; he never could have done such a thing—somebody during the night of the twentieth forced the safe door and took not only the money, but certain of my wife's and daughter's jewels, which were not in my safe-deposit box; mostly priceless heirlooms that we always keep by us, but none the less intrinsically worth thousands of dollars.

"A description of these has been furnished the police. Among the missing trinkets are three one-dollar gold pieces whose dates I remember—1867, 1870 and 1881.

"There was no sign that the house had been broken into; but next morning Howard was missing and has been ever since; it's four days now. Why was he not there to prevent the dastardly crime, or at least to give the alarm?"

Both Felix Hazard and his chief remained discreetly silent in the face of this outburst, and in a moment the harassed old gentleman continued.

"Now I want you to consider this: Howard did not have to force my safe nor commit murder to obtain the \$20,000; Constance had received explicit instructions to give it to him whenever he asked for it. As for the stolen jewels, they did not offer a sufficient additional inducement for him to have resorted to the graver crime. Besides, while not a man of affluence, my nephew enjoys a substantial income; he has always lived within it, and the girl he is engaged to marry is well-to-do in her own right. There is positively no motive that implicates Howard in this crime.

"I want you to find him—and find him before the police do—and try to get from him the information that will clear him. Spare no expense."

"How about this young lady to whom Mr. Gentry is engaged?" Felix Hazard inquired. "Can she throw any light upon the matter—where he now is, for instance?"

"No, none at all. She absolutely refuses to talk about it further than to maintain an unshakable belief in his innocence."

Hazard's eyes narrowed; but he didn't press this phase except to get Miss Gladys Rutherford's address.

After Mr. Kendal had departed, Hazard went through the general office, where the clicking of many typewriters blended in a rattling blur, and down a short corridor to a door marked "Private." He rapped lightly upon the frosted glass panel, and when a pleasant contralto voice bade

him enter, opened the door and went in.

At a desk sat a girl, whose striking individuality, whose cool, self-possessed poise at once would have impressed one. Furthermore, and aside from her attractive personality, she was a remarkably pretty girl, with wide, calm gray eyes, a wealth of wavy chestnut hair, and a beautiful transparency of complexion that betokened perfect health.

This was Miss Helen Bertel, one of the Sutherlands' most valued operatives. She looked up inquiringly as Hazard entered, and waited for him to speak.

"Helen," said he, "are you too busy to help me in a little matter?"

The girl sighed resignedly and laid aside several typewritten sheets which she had been perusing.

"Do I have to go anywhere?" she asked.

"Not unless you want to. Perhaps I can excite your professional real efficiently to endure the ordeal of co-operating with me."

For the first time since his entrance the immobility of her handsome face was broken. She wrinkled her nose and stuck out the tip of her tongue at him.

Rapidly he sketched the Fleuroy case and explained young Gentry's entanglement therewith. In conclusion he told her what he wanted her to do.

"See Miss Gladys Rutherford, and learn if you can whether she is keeping back anything concerning Gentry. All I know about her is—"

"Not much, of course," Helen interrupted with a grand air; "you lack my superior advantages. Her father has oodles and oodles of money, and her name is in the society columns every day. The family resides in Hyde Park."

"Well, use your own judgment as to how you shall approach her; but learn everything about Gentry that you can. I'll wait till I hear from you before I try to do anything."

The afternoon was pretty well advanced when Miss Bertel returned from her mission. She went immediately to Felix Hazard's room and seated herself opposite him with his table-desk between them.

"When," she asked, "did Howard Gentry arrive in Chicago?"

"I thought I'd told you. It was Wednesday."

"You are mistaken. It was Tuesday night. That detail is the one bit of information that Miss Gladys Rutherford can add to the case. On Tuesday night he telephoned her that, as the hour was late, he was putting up at the Palmer house, and that he would see her at ten the following morning. Since then she has heard nothing from him and all her attempts to get into communication with him have failed. She is beside herself with anxiety."

An appreciable pause signified Hazard's puzzlement, then he spoke.

"Might it not be she who is mistaken?" he began; but Helen's decisive negative headshake checked him.

"No," she added; "she loves him." Hazard considered.

"I suppose," he said presently, "we can't find anybody at the Palmer house at this time of night who was on duty late Tuesday night; we'll possibly have to wait ourselves till tonight to learn anything there. Anyhow, his arrival Tuesday night instead of Wednesday may be of no particular significance. Want to go over to the detective bureau and find out whether the dicks over there know anything worth while?"

"I'm wid yuh," mimicked the girl. "Besides, I may still prove useful. Miss Rutherford supplied me with a list of every address in Chicago she could think of where Mr. Gentry might be likely to have business or likely to call for any reason."

"Good girl! I never thought of that." His approval was so fervent that Helen breathed a deep sigh, and, with mock demureness asked:

"Dear Felix, whatever in the world would become of you were it not for me?"

To which he replied in sober earnestness:

"Heaven alone knows."

Arrived at the detective bureau, their first inquiry was for fingerprints. None had been discovered; but an accurate description of the stolen jewels and coins was obtained.

"Why are you hounding in on this case?" the detective sergeant demanded of Hazard—meaning, by the pronoun, the Sutherlands.

Hazard regarded him speculatively. In a moment he smiled pleasantly.

"To see that there is no miscarriage of justice. It's a serious matter, you know."

The other was frankly suspicious and skeptical, and expressed his doubt of the good faith of Hazard's intentions by a grunt.

"Well, don't forget," warned the detective-sergeant, "we have the Indian sign hung on that young swell; he's our meat."

"I'll not forget," was Hazard's smiling reply, "that you say so."

As he and Helen left the detective bureau and proceeded south in La Salle street, the girl observed:

"One thing sure: the police really haven't the slightest idea where Howard Gentry is."

"No, they haven't. And they are afraid we'll tag him before they do." His thin face widened in a grin. "It would be a joke if they didn't know what to do with him—if they do make the pinch."

"What do you mean?"

"I've an idea the young man can keep them guessing. Right now, though, it looks pretty dark for him; yet there is one factor in his favor that made me say what I just did."

"It is: he was not obliged to frisk his uncle's safe to get the \$20,000—if his uncle didn't tell that simply to speak."

"Or," appended Helen, "there may be something behind this affair that forces him to remain under cover. Something unforeseen may have turned up unexpectedly that caused him to make a hurried getaway."

"We haven't a hint of anything of the kind yet. . . . We might as well go round to the Palmer house. It's a bit early for the night force, but we might pick up something."

As Hazard had guessed, they did not see any of the night clerks who might have remembered Howard Gentry, but instead one of the young men on duty.

As soon as he heard the nature of their errand and who Felix Hazard and Miss Bertel were, he beckoned to the day house detective, who at that instant was crossing the lobby.

Immediately the circumstance that Howard Gentry had arrived Tuesday night instead of Wednesday was confirmed. Then, as an interesting addendum to this, the clerk averred that about 7:30 o'clock on the morning of Wednesday, the twentieth, a man had applied at the desk to see Gentry on a matter of pressing importance. In a few minutes the man was invited up to Gentry's room. Shortly the young man, accompanied by the stranger, came down in one of the elevators and went hurriedly away. Neither had been since seen about the hotel.

"As long as it will take me to phone Levinski's pool room and pass the word for him to come in. That's his hangout, you know. What's the hurry?"

"Go ahead, then, and do it. I have a hunch that he knows a whole lot about the Fleuroy murder."

The officer studied him an instant, as he reached slowly for his desk instrument.

"I'll do it," he acquiesced without enthusiasm; "but what's the use? We know pretty much all we need to about that case."

"What do you mean?" Hazard quickly demanded.

Helen's eyes took on a more alert look, because she was beginning to see the drift of her companion's hypothesis and could not understand McInerney's manner.

The captain finished with the telephone and shoved it away from him. Said he:

"Purcell hasn't been at his old hangout today."

"I knew he wouldn't be," Hazard brittly broke in. "Get him, cap, before he makes a clean getaway."

"Oh, we can get him if necessary. But I ask: what's the use? Not more than twenty minutes ago the man who did the killing was brought in."

Hazard could not restrain a start. He and Helen exchanged surprised glances.

"You mean Gentry?" he demanded.

"I mean Gentry. Right now he's sleeping off as beautiful a jag as you ever laid your two eyes on. And if you are interested in the sort of company he keeps, he was found in a room up over this same Levinski's."

Again Hazard's eyes gleamed. Both he and Helen relaxed from their strained attitude and the latter appeared to lose interest.

"Go on, cap," Hazard softly urged. "You interest me strangely."

"Well, if you need any further evidence that he's the man, we found it on him—the three gold dollars taken from Kendal's safe."

Helen interposed. Said she:

"I have very good reasons for believing that Mr. Gentry is not a drinking man. A man's fiancée is pretty



Who Was This Impressive, Beautiful Girl, Who Might Have Symbolized Justice?

where the young man's baggage still remained.

At this juncture the house detective took up the recital.

"I was just relieving the night man when they left. The fellow with Mr. Gentry was—this is why I came to notice them—was 'Gyt' Purcell."

Felix Hazard's eyes took on a peculiar gleam.

"That crook!" he exclaimed under his breath. "Excepting for two short stretches at Joliet he's never been out of Chicago. How did he come to be asking for—?" The question trailed off into deep reflection.

"You're right," confirmed the house detective, when Hazard did not continue. "He's had clear through; an unpleasant reminder of the old days when I walked beat."

A moment longer Hazard remained plunged in thought, then all at once came out of his reverie, and with a mumbled "Thanks!" he and Helen departed.

"What next?" queried the girl.

"Police headquarters. I believe I see a glimmer of light. 'Gyt' Purcell—why, that name's a gold mine of suggestions."

As they hurried along Hazard remained thoughtful, seemingly surveying the case from a new angle. Helen refrained from breaking into his cogitations and herself reviewed the facts in an effort to grasp whatever fresh development was suggested.

The phase that perplexed her was the implication that Gentry was in league with a crook as notorious as "Gyt" Purcell.

Their destination was the old Harrison street headquarters, where Hazard asked for Captain McInerney, and he and his companion were immediately ushered into the captain's presence.

Hazard began without preamble.

"How long will it take you to lay your hands on 'Gyt' Purcell?"

ney at police headquarters. Most of the time they sat with heads bowed together, talking in low tones. Shortly before noon Mr. Howard Kendal appeared in company with Helen who had been sent to fetch him.

At the hour mentioned "Gyt" Purcell, haggard from loss of sleep and hunger, handcuffed and closely guarded by two uniformed men, was brought into the room. He tried to maintain an air of bravado, but it died away before the austere demeanor of the men he knew to be his judges. They sat watching him in a stony sort of silence that was more terrible than open accusation.

He seemed, however, more apprehensive and doubtful of Helen than of the rest. Who was she? Who was this impressive, beautiful girl, who might have symbolized Justice, stern and unrelenting? His shifty glance wandered furtively to her again and again; but the purposeful regard of her clear, serene eyes never wavered; they never altered their expression.

At last the fellow could no longer hide his disquiet. He dropped heavily upon a chair, which the officers had placed for him.

With a sudden, noiseless, catlike movement, Felix Hazard crossed the room and bent over the prisoner. His face, set in hard lines, was thrust close to the other's; his look, cold, purposeful, menacing, for perhaps a full minute bored into the wretch. By and by Purcell began to tremble and shift uneasily in his chair.

Then Hazard spoke. His voice was low, restrained, but vibrant with a metallic incisiveness and determination.

"Purcell, you know why you are here, so we shan't waste words or time on you. I mean only to tell you that you have one chance—a slim chance; I'm making no promises—but a chance to save yourself from the rope. We'll give you just five minutes to come through; if you don't, you'll take the consequences."

With startling suddenness Hazard brought his right fist forcibly down into the palm of his left hand within an inch of Purcell's nose. He raised his voice to a thunderous command.

"What have you done with the stuff stolen from Kendal's safe?"

No answer. Again the purposeful fist cracked under Purcell's nose. He jerked back his head to avoid it. Hazard's jaw shot forward and his eyes were merely two pin-points of light.

"Which of your gang was it that croaked Mrs. Fleuroy?"

Still there was no reply. The prisoner sat pale and trembling, his head and body weaving this way and that as if he would avoid the terrible figure confronting him. But Hazard ruthlessly pressed him.

"Just to show you this is no bluff or police frame-up, I'll lay a few cards on the table."

"Tuesday night some time—on the train or at the depot, it doesn't matter where—Howard Gentry's pocket was picked; his leather was reeled and the contents brought to you because they promised rich possibilities and the duller-witted crooks needed an abler brain to plan for them. So you evolved the scheme of selecting a man of some address and not unlike Gentry to impersonate him."

"But first Gentry had to be gotten out of the way. You took it upon yourself to ditch him. How? Easiest thing in the world."

"There were papers and letters in that poke that Gentry would have given his right hand to recover, and you know it. So you went to his hotel, represented yourself to be a dick, and told him that somebody had been pinched with the pocketbook on him. You wanted him to come along to identify it."

"Then you got him up over Levinski's, doped and slugged him, and left him there to be disposed of later."

"Armed with the letter of identification, your tool had no difficulty persuading Mrs. Fleuroy that he was Gentry."

"But somewhere along the line you crooks always fall down. With all your cunning you have no more foresight than little children. Instead of carrying out the grim masquerade and having the money handed to him, your tool committed the incredible blunder of looting Mr. Kendal's safe."

"What was the result? Why, just what might have been expected. Mrs. Fleuroy, knowing all that money was in the house, and that she was in a way responsible for it, was lying awake, waiting for burglars. Of course she heard the noise, poor lady, and in the panic at being caught the crazy fool beat her to a pulp."

"Now, then—"

But there was no need for Felix Hazard to continue. The wretch had fainted.

Before the gathering broke up, Purcell, fully awake to his desperate plight and only too willing to clutch at straws in the hope of saving his worthless life, not only verified every detail of Hazard's theory, but told where the stolen money and jewels might be found. He moreover supplied information respecting his confederates that led to their immediate arrest.

Further, he accounted for the coins in Gentry's pocket, as well as the letters found at the Kendal home, as being parts of an elaborate "evidence" planting scheme to fasten the crime upon the young man.

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Saving Himself.

"What are your objections to me as a son-in-law?"

"To tell you the truth," replied Mr. Cumrox, "I haven't any serious objections. I may seem a little reluctant. But if you get into our family and don't like us, I don't want you to blame me."

Five minutes later Felix Hazard was again in the young man's cell. The talk lasted until long after midnight, at which time the detective left. The early hours of the following forenoon Hazard spent with McIner-



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I never could have any respect for a candidate who did not have the moral courage to make his fight on his own merits rather than tie on to some popular political fad or hang on to the coat tail of some other candidate. We see more bluntness of this kind in this campaign than ever before.

They lay all the blame for the turmoil in Texas politics at this time, on Ferguson. Well he is partly to blame of course. Had he tamely submitted to the decision of his personal and political enemies in the legislature of course everything would have been lovely and the goose hanging high, but he refused to submit to what he and his friends believe to be an unjust prosecution, as he had a right to do. It is up to the people to say whether or not they endorse the present method of impeaching a governor or other state officer wherein the official can be indicted, tried and convicted by personal enemies. The Bill of Rights guarantees a speedy public trial by an "impartial jury." Ferguson got the benefit of the "speedy" party alright. He was railroaded out of office by a legislative body, two-thirds of whom would have been disqualified under the law from serving in any court civil or criminal against Ferguson, because both branches of the legislature is made up of personal and political enemies, that, good men as most of them no doubt are, could not give him an impartial trial. Some people think it sacrilegious for Ferguson even to appeal from this decision to the people. Why so? If it would be reflection upon the House or Senate for the people to nominate Ferguson for the office from which they removed him then the legislature and not to people of Texas are masters, and the Bill of Rights is only joking when it says "All political power is inherent in the people." High courts overrule decisions of lower courts, but if we accept the argument that to question the decision of the senate is lese majestie, the higher courts should not disturb the decision of the lower courts though a flagrant wrong may have been committed lest we offend the sensibilities of some ignorant or partisan Judge. The people of Texas are the High Court of last resort. We do not know what will be the outcome should Ferguson be nominated, but regardless of the primary result, we believe that the people will see to it that hereafter a state official shall in truth and in fact be granted a fair and impartial trial by an unprejudiced tribunal. This was not done in Ferguson's case and everyone in Texas that read the proceedings of the trial know.

EULA LOCALS.

July 22nd.—Well Uncle Bill, how are you and The Star force? I was in Baird, Saturday but did not get to see you. I enjoyed looking at the airplanes, which was something grand for we Western people to see. News is scarce and we have the same old story, dry as h— We are

blowed up, but there will be some way I guess if we can only win the war and get our boys home we can stand more yet.

Cotton has almost done it's do. Some have a little feed.

I met my old friend, Uncle Phil Yost, who is true blue. You know I like to meet up with the old men of our county for they are the ones that have had to fight the battels of of hard times. We boys don't know what hard times are, and I, for one, am willing to take my hat off to the grand old men of our county, and to the young boys who have gone and are going to the front to save the good name of our country. May God bless them and I hope it will only a short time till they are at home again with their loved ones.

Miss Gertie Harris is spending a few days with Mrs. Bowman and Miss Smith at Clyde.

Well, Saturday will finish up the campaign and we will all be better off. I hope every one will vote as he or she thinks best and let the chips fall where they may.

Best wishes to everybody.

"Patsie."

ANY AMERICAN PARENT.

I have a boy—and I am proud That he may stand, unchained, uncowed,

And see in Europe the darkened sky The Stars and Stripes above him fly! Yes, I am proud that his true lance Fights under flags of Britain, France Italia, Belgium and Japan— The federated flags of man!

I have a boy—thank God that he Fights with the standards of the free Thank God that in "Old Glory" gleams

The splendor of his deeds and dreams Thank God, his flag, from age to age Shall be his nation's treasured page To tell he lived—or died—to be A savior of Democracy!

—Daniel M. Henderson.

WOMEN VOTERS.

The following is the number of women voters who registered at the various voting boxes:

Baird	255
Belle Plain	14
Cottonwood	85
Tecumseh	20
Clyde	205
Cross Plains	95
Admiral	46
Putnam	86
Erath	16
Eula	58
Caddo Peak	8
Eagle Cove	30
Atwell	26
Gilliland	11
Dressy	22
Oplin	9
Pilgrim	21
Denton	38
Hart	8
Total	1054

AN OLD SETTLER GONE.

Mrs. Belinday Elizabeth Gibbs, a resident of Callahan County since 1880, died at the home of one of her children at Rowden on July 18th, and was buried at the Cottonwood cemetery on July 17th, the Rev. R. D. Carter, an old time friend of the family, conducting the services. She was born in May, 1850, and was sixty-eight years old. She joined the Baptist Church at an early age, and has lived a consistent Christian for more than half a century. The deceased is survived by eight children, two sons and six daughters and forty-eight grandchildren. All the children were present at the funeral except two daughters. The sons are H. J. and W. G. Gibbs of Rowden; the daughters are: Mrs. W. D. Anderson of Brownsville, Mrs. O. A. Taylor of Potosi, Mrs. J. F. Coffee of Cottonwood, Mrs. Mattie Holley of Jayton, Mrs. George A. Burks of Tye and Mrs. Norbon Sikes of Rowden. The deceased was a loving mother and good neighbor and good neighbor and friend, and was loved and honored by all who knew her. It is a consolation to know that the Bible teaches us that "Blessed are those who die in the Lord." And we can say with the old patriarch, "Though we can-

not call her back we can go to her." A Friend.

REUNION.

John R. Dawkins recently made a trip to Bronte, San Angelo, Robert Lee and Brownwood. He was accompanied as far as Bronte by his mother and Aunt Mary Pool, who after a visit with their sister, Mrs. S. E. Scott and other relatives returned to Callahan county, Mrs. Scott returning with them for a visit. Another sister, Mrs. Melton and daughter of Temple, and Mrs. Mary Pool and husband came to join the happy family at Mrs. R. C. Dawkins. This was the first time the four sisters had been together in fifty years, and it was a very happy reunion. Mrs. Scott is 74 years of age, Mrs. Melton is 69, Mrs. Dawkins is 64 and Mrs. Pool is 61. This is a visit that will long be remembered by all who attended, and the dinner which was prepared by Mrs. Dawkins was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Monroe Dawkins and little daughter, Helen, of Fort Worth also attended the reunion.

In the afternoon Mr. Dallas of Baird came down and made some pictures of the four sisters.

Emily Ann.

Admiral, Texas.

ONE DELIVERY EACH DAY.

In compliance with the Government's plan to inaugurate the delivery system to only one delivery a day over each route throughout our country and thus save men and equipment for the nation and at the same time curtail delivery expenses and increase efficiency, with the co-operation of the public in general, we the undersigned merchants of Baird, beginning August 1st will only make three deliveries per day as follows: 9 a. m., 11 a. m. and 4 p. m.

It is the government's wish that we do not travel the same route more than once each day and we ask that you make all orders for the day at one time as we are requested not to go to the same house more than once each day.

We ask your co-operation in compliance with this plan.

E. M. Wristen.  
Chambers Bros.  
By T. B. C.  
B. L. Boydston.

TRANSFER NOTICE.

All parents who reside outside the Baird Independent School District and expect to send to school at Baird next year should attend to having transfers made before the first of August. The law provides that transfers shall be made before that time.

The Baird school ranks as a High School of the First Class, and has 15 units of affiliation. Our graduates may enter the colleges and universities of the state without examination and receive credit for the work done in high school.

All teachers for next year have had several years of successful experience in teaching. Our library and laboratories are far above those of the average high school, and afford splendid opportunities for the student who wishes to do through work.

Yours truly,  
J. F. Boren,  
Supt. Baird School.

WE NEED MONEY.

The time has come when we must collect or quit selling on credit. We are trying as best we can to help in winning the war by buying Liberty Bonds and War Saving Stamps and contributing to the Red Cross and Y. M. C. A.

Then there are those in our county who must have medicine and haven't the money to pay. We can't refuse them, hence we must collect close to be able to help these good causes.

The price of everything is going up almost daily and the Wholesale Houses must be paid at least once a month and most of them require settlement every 15 days.

Please help us by coming in and paying now. Then pay cash, or at least pay once a month.

After AUGUST 1st will be CASH or 30 days ONLY.

34-1 HOLMES DRUG CO.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce the following named candidates for office subject to the action of the Democratic primary:

DISTRICT OFFICES

For Representative, 110 District, Callahan and Brown counties:

J. C. Alleorn  
of Brown county

J. T. Hamilton  
Brown County

H. P. Taylor  
Brown County

For District Clerk:

Thos. H. Floyd,  
Baird

Mrs. Katie Burkett-Grubba  
Clyde

Roy D. Williams  
of Baird

COUNTY OFFICES

For Tax Assessor:

C. W. Conner  
Baird

Jack Jones  
Baird

Melvin G. Farmer  
re-election  
Cottonwood

W. E. Robbins,  
Cottonwood

V. L. Fulton  
Cottonwood

H. C. (Claud) Ncsworthy  
of Clyde

For Tax Collector:

W. P. Ramsey  
Baird

Roy Kendrick  
Denton

W. A. Everett  
of Cottonwood

J. A. Kerley  
of Clyde

For County Clerk:

Chas. Nordyke  
re-election

For Sheriff:

C. H. Corn  
of Putnam

Geo. W. Williams  
of Clyde

Pete Fulcher  
of Baird

S. B. Stansbury  
Atwell

For County Judge:

R. L. Surles  
of Baird

J. R. Black  
of Admiral

For County Treasurer:

J. S. Yeager  
of Putnam

W. C. Martin  
Admiral

For Superintendent Public School:

S. Ernest Settle  
Re-election

For County Attorney:

J. Rupert Jackson

For Co. Commissioner Pre. No. 1:

A. E. Kendrick

For Commissioner Pre. No. 2,

H. Windham  
Tecumseh

For Commissioner Precinct No. 3.

J. B. Eubank  
Putnam

E. R. Sprawls

For Justice of the Peace Pre. No. 4:

H. Windham

Dipping Vat.—Everyone is welcome to dip at my vat. Owing to high cost of material and labor, I will have to charge 10c a dip.

32-2t. H. W. Ross.

Lame Shoulder.

This ailment is usually caused by rheumatism of the muscles. All that is needed is absolute rest and a few applications of Chamberlain's Liniment. Try it. For sale by all druggists. Advt.

DENTAL NOTICE.

I will be in my office in Baird, on Thursday and Friday, July 18th and 19th, which will probably be my last week in Baird for some time.

32-4f. H. H. Ramsey.

DENTAL NOTICE.

My books are left with Hal Ramsey at W. D. Boydston's dry goods store. Please call and pay him, don't wait for a statement if you know you owe me. Please pay up for I need the money.

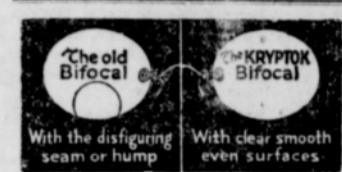
Dr. H. H. Ramsey.



SENATOR W. A. JOHNSON  
Candidate for Lieutenant-Governor.

RAILROAD COMMISSIONER  
When you go to vote mark your ballot for Railroad Commissioner this way:

For Railroad Commissioner:  
C. H. MURKIN  
of Travis County  
CLARENCE E. GILMORE  
of Van Zandt County  
JOHN L. ANDREWS  
of Dallas County



Fit by  
**C. E. Walker**  
the Optician who stays here  
365 days in each year,  
With Holmes Drug Co.

FOUND.—A man's low quarter shoe on road near ice plant, owner can get same by proving property and paying 20c for this notice.

Alba Chambers and family returned, last week, from a visit up in Oklahoma. Alba got snake bit while up there, but is alright now.

**Groceries and Fresh Meats**

We carry a full line of staple and fancy groceries and are prepared to supply you with the best. We also carry a full supply of Fresh Meats, which makes it very convenient to order your groceries and meats at the same time. Prompt attention given all orders

**E. M. WRISTEN**  
Phones 4 and 26 Prompt Delivery

**HABIT OF SAVING**

People who succeed in saving money do so by first forming the good habit of saving. It is easy to form a habit. It is more than easy to form the habit of spending but to save requires determined cultivation, but when well rooted it grows fast. Our bank will help you start the saving habit and assist you to cultivate it. Our purpose is to make this bank a material benefit to the community in general and its patrons in particular. We would be pleased to have your name on our books.

**The First National Bank**  
The Old Established Bank. Organized 1884.

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS.  
J. F. Dyer, President. Henry James, Vice President.  
W. S. Hinds, Cashier. J. W. Turner, Asst. Cashier.  
W. A. Hinds Tom Windham J. B. Cutbirth.

**Life Was a Misery**

Mrs. F. M. Jones, of Palmer, Okla., writes:  
"From the time I entered into womanhood . . . I looked with dread from one month to the next. I suffered with my back and bearing-down pain, until life to me was a misery. I would think I could not endure the pain any longer, and I gradually got worse. . . Nothing seemed to help me until, one day, . . . I decided to

**TAKE CARDUI**

**The Woman's Tonic**

"I took four bottles," Mrs. Jones goes on to say, "and was not only greatly relieved, but can truthfully say that I have not a pain. . . ."

"It has now been two years since I took Cardui, and I am still in good health. . . . I would advise any woman or girl to use Cardui who is a sufferer from any female trouble."

If you suffer pain caused from womanly trouble, or if you feel the need of a good strengthening tonic to build up your run-down system, take the advice of Mrs. Jones. Try Cardui. It helped her. We believe it will help you.

**All Druggists**  
L. O.

**DR. LEVEY COMING**

Dr. A. Levey, the well known optician, from San Antonio, will be in Baird the latter part of July. See date later. 29-t



# SUMMER GOODS

Our Dress Goods Section presents fabrics that are marvels of daintiness and sheerness that give assurance of the prettiest summer frock you ever had. We have a very complete stock bought early and marked much below present price levels and we offer some very attractive prices on summer fabrics.

## READY-TO-WEAR DEPARTMENT

In this department you will find everything in Ready-to-wear for Ladies, Misses and Children. See our display of Dresses in Silk, Voile, Gingham, etc. We are sure that you will be pleased with these garments if you need anything in this department.

## MY STORE

H. SCHWARTZ, Prop.

"The Store of Service"

BAIRD

TEXAS

### Cisco Laundry

First-class, laundry work of all kind. Work called for on Tuesday, delivered Friday

Mrs. Emma Ashton, Agt.

### SPIRELLA CORSETS

I have my new spring samples and will be glad to show you same and take your measure for a Spirella the best made-to-measure corset to be had. Phone me and I will gladly call to take your order

Mrs. J. R. Price, Phone 6.

### OFFICERS INSTALLED.

The following officers were installed July 22 by Baird Chapter, No. 182, R. A. M.:

V. E. Hill, H. P.  
E. D. Driskill, King.  
C. E. Walker, Scribe  
R. E. Bounds, C. of H.  
A. D. Williams, P. S.  
H. Schwartz, R. A. C.  
C. B. Holmes, M. 3rd V.  
J. F. Greenrock, M. 2nd V.  
W. D. Boydston, M. 1st V.  
T. E. Powell, Treasurer  
Martin Barnhill, Secy.  
G. W. Hamm, Guard

Mr. and Mrs. John Boen of Rowden were pleasant callers at this office Saturday, and ordered THE STAR sent to their son, Ray Boen, who is now with the American Expeditionary Forces.

Mrs. C. A. Curry and daughter, Mrs. Counts and little son have returned Tuesday from Fort Worth where they spent a few days with Mrs. Curry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McChristian.

Sheriff J. A. Moore surprised THE STAR force this morning by presenting them with a box of the finest Elberta peaches we ever saw, a present from Mrs. Moore. These peaches were grown in Mr. Moore's orchard, near Caddo Peak and are certainly appreciated. We had no idea that such fine peaches were grown anywhere in this county this year.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Lones and daughters, Mrs. B. N. Leonard, and daughter, Miss Ruth, of Shreveport La., Mrs. J. R. Copeland, of Big Springs, Mrs. Wm. Kerahner, Miss Noma Lee Lones, Miss Annie Williams and John Knott left Thursday for Fort Clark, Bracketville, to visit their son, John Lones, who is stationed there. He belongs to the U. S. Cavalry. The party is making the trip in automobiles and will be gone two or three weeks.

## PERSONALS

T. F. Mercer and family of Atwell were Baird visitors, Monday.

Miss Lillie Hirt has returned from a visit with friends near Cisco.

L. M. Hadley returned yesterday from Fort Worth.

Miss Lucy Fay Alvord is spending this week with relatives in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. T. Baum and children, from Burnt Branch, were in town, yesterday.

Claud Terry of Duncan, Okla., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Terry.

H. C. Norsworthy will appreciate your active support for Tax Assessor 32-2t. Political Advertisement.

Mrs. Fannie Price and daughter, Maude of Midland, are visiting T. R. Price and family, west of Baird.

Mrs. W. L. Ashton and little son, Oliver, are spending a few weeks with relatives near Cameron, Texas.

Miss Irene White spent a few days in Abilene the first of the week with her sister, Mrs. Ed Barker.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lambert of Strawn spent a few days here this week with relatives.

Mrs. R. E. Bounds and children left the first of the week for Royce City where they will visit relatives.

Miss Myrtle Boyd of Albany, spent a few days here last week with Misses Ora and Aetra Terry.

Vote for H. C. Norsworthy for Tax Assessor of Callahan County. 32-2t. Political Advertisement.

Miss Fay Johnson of Brownwood, is the guest of Miss "Boots" Boydston.

Miss "Boots" Boydston and Ellen Bell spent Tuesday with Miss Beulah McWhorter at her home on the Bayou

Miss Kate Darby, who underwent an operation for appendicitis last week, is, we are glad to learn, improving.

Mrs. D. Orr and children and Miss Clover Irion spent Monday in Clyde, the guests of Mrs. J. D. Irion and family.

Mrs. M. Sexton, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Frank Alvord, left last week for her home at Humble, Texas.

## NOTICE

Dr. Simmons of Abilene will be in Baird, Saturday, July 27th. Practice limited to diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, and fitting glasses. Office with Dr. Griggs.

Advt. 34-1t.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Baker, of Abilene were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Smrekar, Saturday and Sunday. They came down to see the airplanes

Mrs. V. H. Cowan, daughters and son, Misses Josephine and Wilhe and Master Vance, attended the Old Settlers Annual Reunion at Eastland last week.

Mrs. Gordon Phillips of Big Spring is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cutbirth, and with them spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cutbirth on Burnt Branch

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. McWhorter, son and daughter, Alex Jr. and Miss Opal, of the Bayou and Miss Jean Lambert of Baird returned Monday from an auto trip to Granbury where they spent a few days with relatives.

# FREE ALUMINUM WARE

With every cash purchase you make at our store we give you a Coupon with which you can secure Premiums of all kind of Cooking Utensils in guaranteed Aluminum Ware Premiums are now on display. Come in and see the many useful things shown

## DRY GOODS

We have a nice line of Dry-Goods, Notions, Shoes, Ladies Hats, and Ready-to-Wear. Come in see our stock.

## THE COMADOT

W. D. BOYDSTUN

MANAGER

# Men's and Boys' FURNISHINGS

"We Can Save You Money"

H. SCHWARTZ & CO.

## HOME LUMBER CO.

ALL HOME PEOPLE

We carry a full stock of Lumber, Shingles and Builder's Supplies See us before you buy anything in this line

W. M. COFFMAN, Manager

## FURNITURE

I have a splendid stock of Furniture, Rugs, Art Squares, Matting, Window Shades, Mattresses, Pillows Repairing and Picture Framing. Firstclass work.

GEO. B. SCOTT

## Kodak Work

a specialty. Finest finish and print at lowest price: Prints 2-4 x 3-1-4 and 2-1-2 x 4-1-4, 3 cts. each; 3-1-4 x 4-1-4, 4 cts each; 3-1-4 x 5-1-2, 5 cts each. Films developed 10 cts. Cash with order.

J. D. DALLAS, Baird, Texas

FOR SALE—Farm Wagon and a set of heavy harness.—M. M. Terry, Baird Texas.

### Chamberlain's Tablets.

These tablets are intended especially for stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation. If you have any troubles of this sort, give them a trial and realize for yourself what a first class medicine will do for you. They only cost a quarter. For sale by all druggists.

## If Only as an Example to Your Boy

you should bank your money and pay all bills by check. It will teach him business methods which will be of value to him in his career. We will open an account with you and assure you that you will benefit by it as much as your boy. Call and talk it over

## The Home National Bank

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS:

C. C. Seale, Pres. H. Ross, V. P.  
T. E. Powell Cashier. F. L. Driskill, Asst. Cashier  
E. L. Finley M. Barnhill C. C. Seale





The Strong Withstand the Heat of Summer Better Than the Weak... Old people who are feeble and younger people who are weak will be strengthened and enabled to go through the depressing heat of summer by taking GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC.

World is Awakening. The two greatest discoveries of recent times are the value of children and the importance of open air. HEADACHES This distressing Allment should be relieved at once and save strain on Nervous System. CAPUDINE gives quick relief. It's a liquid—Pleasant to take.—Adv.

The man who thinks of nothing but money usually gets nothing but money out of this life. Dame fortune is too old to be caught by flattery of false jewels.

FRECKLES Now is the Time to Get Rid of These Ugly Spots There's no longer the slightest need of feeling ashamed of your freckles, as Othine—double strength—is guaranteed to remove these blemish spots. Simply get an ounce of Othine—double strength—from your druggist, and apply a little of it night and morning and you should soon see that even the worst freckles have begun to disappear.

Puzzle. "How old is Ann?" "Well, she gets more frantic for the vote every year."

One bottle of Dr. Peery's "Dead Shot" will save you money, time, anxiety and health. One dose sufficient, without Castor Oil in addition. Adv. New York will pay school teachers a minimum of \$1,000 a year.

Save the Babies

INFANT MORTALITY is something frightful. We can hardly realize that of all the children born in civilized countries, twenty-two per cent., or nearly one-quarter, die before they reach one year; thirty-seven per cent., or more than one-third, before they are five, and one-half before they are fifteen! We do not hesitate to say that a timely use of Castoria would save many of these precious lives.

Pa Knows. "Say, pa, what is the national air of Germany?" "Must be the smell of Limburger cheese." Frank Admission. "Where are you going to spend your vacation?" "Oh, pestering some farmer, I suppose."



Libby's Vienna Sausage A Refreshing Change

THE tenderness of the meat, the delicacy of the seasoning are noticeable the moment you taste Libby's Vienna Sausage. For it is made from morsels of choice meats, seasoned with the greatest care—to bring out all the rich, savory flavor. Serve Libby's Vienna Sausage today. Not only is it a refreshing change, but a hearty and inexpensive meat.

Libby, McNeill & Libby, Chicago

Desertion. She—"Tommy has been arrested for desertion." He—"You don't say so! Wife or army?" For Sale, Farm 30 acres rich bottom above overflow; 5 miles from nearby County seat. White (Caucasian), population 4,000; best farming section in Arkansas; good school on farm; no Negroes. \$25 per acre, terms. Come where it rains and crop failures are unknown. BRIGHT & GABLE, Sevier, Ark.

NO WORMS In A Healthy Child

All children troubled with worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule, there is more or less stomach disturbance.

Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic

contains just what the blood needs, Iron and Quinine in a form acceptable to the most delicate stomach and if given regularly for two or three weeks will enrich the blood, improve the digestion and act as a general strengthening tonic to the whole system. Nature will then throw off or dispel the worms, and the child will be in perfect health. It is pleasant to take. Price 60c.

PERFECTLY HARMLESS. CONTAINS NO NUX-VOMICA OR OTHER POISONOUS DRUGS.

When A General Strengthening Tonic is Needed in the Home For The Child, For the Mother or the Father, Take Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic

Grove's chill Tonic Tablets You can now get Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic in Tablet form as well as in Syrup, the kind you have always bought. The Tablets are intended for those who prefer to swallow a tablet rather than a syrup, and as a convenience for those who travel. The tablets are called "GROVE'S CHILL TONIC TABLETS" and contain exactly the same medicinal properties and produce exactly the same results as Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic which is put up in bottles. The price of either is 60c.

HARVESTING SOY BEANS IN SOUTH

Mechanical Seed Pickers Now Being Used Successfully in Many Localities.

NEW MACHINES ARE BIG AID

Growers in Many Districts Now Consider It No More Trouble to Gather Crop Than Oats or Wheat—Time for Work.

The difficulty soy bean growers have experienced in harvesting their crop has been the greatest handicap in increased production, but the development of new machines and accumulated experience with the crop have overcome most of the troubles previously experienced. Growers in many districts now consider it little if any more trouble to harvest soy beans except for hay than it is to harvest oats or wheat.

Harvesting soy beans for hay is practically the same process as harvesting cowpeas for hay. Any difference is in favor of the soy beans, for the vines grow more erect and do not become tangled like cow peas. Soy bean hay is usually made by cutting when the pods are half filled and partially curing in the swath before raking. Sometimes a tedder is used for curing, but not often. After the soy beans are raked into a windrow they may be hauled directly to the stack or barn, but the usual custom is to shock them on hollow racks made of poles. When the soy beans are shocked on these racks there is a hollow space on the inside which allows a passage of the air and causes more rapid and thorough curing. The hay is so thoroughly cured on these racks that it



Soy Beans Shocked on Racks—Hollow Space on Inside Insures Ventilation Essential for Proper Curing.

can be baled out of the shock, which frequently is done. The usual custom, however, is to store the hay loose in the barns.

Harvesting for Seed. In harvesting soy beans for seed mechanical pickers are used quite extensively. These pickers are of different makes, but all have the same general principle. They run astride the rows and knock out the beans, leaving the stems, leaves, and hulls on the land. The machine is drawn by two mules and operated by two men. One man drives and another throws out the excess trash that accumulates in the back of the machine. The picker will hold from 4 to 6 bushels of beans. When it is full, the beans are emptied and handled in different ways. In one common method the beans are run through a half-inch mesh sieve to remove the coarse trash and then are sacked. One or two men handle the sieve. These men may be the same who operated the machine or they may be extra men. After this the beans are cleaned with a fanning mill.

Time for Harvesting. Harvesting with a picker begins some time after the leaves of the plant have fallen. The time to begin is when the first pods pop open and throw out the beans. As the picker works best only when the beans are dry, the machine is not started in the morning until the dew is off, which is usually from 9 to 11 o'clock. When the day's work is once started, it is customary to continue work until nightfall without stopping for dinner. In the soy bean district picking usually begins about the last of October and lasts through approximately 10 days of good picking weather. If it rains, the maturing of the beans is checked and picking is resumed when the weather again becomes dry. A machine will pick from 3 to 6 acres per day.

Waste in Picking. The waste of beans in picking usually varies from one-twentieth to one-fourth, and, as a rule, averages about one-eighth. If the plants are blown down or have long branches so the machine cannot handle them well, the waste may be more than this, or if the beans are left on the vines too late, so that many of them pop out, the waste may be higher. Varieties of beans that begin fruiting some distance from the ground can be harvested with the least waste by a picker, and this is one advantage of the mammoth yellow soy bean. Hogs are usually turned in to clean up the waste beans, so that in fact there is a very little loss.

WASTE ELIMINATED BY MEANS OF SILO

Saving of \$37.50 Per Acre on 50-Bushel Crop of Corn.

Farmers in Many Sections of Country Husk Crop in Field and Leave Stover—Contains One-Third of Food Nutrients.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

By making as much silage as can be used stockmen will do much to conserve the feed supply. At least 37 per cent of the digestible material of the corn plant is left in the stover when the ears only are used. When corn is ensiled this 37 per cent goes into the silo with the 63 per cent in the ear. The importance of this saving will be more apparent when given a money value. With a yield of 50 bushels an acre, the value of grain is \$75, at \$1.50 a bushel. Since the stover contains



Concrete Silo in Course of Construction.

more than one-third of the food nutrients it is worth at least one-half as much as the grain, or \$37.50. How many farmers will willingly leave in the field \$37.50 an acre? Yet this is done in many sections of the country where the corn is husked and the stover left in the field.

But suppose the dry stover is fed as roughage. Even then it is not well saved as completely as in silage. When, under ordinary farm conditions, corn is cured in the shock the loss of dry matter is approximately 25 per cent and may be as high as 45 per cent. These losses are due to the breaking off of leaves by the wind and in handling, and to destructive fermentations. The loss of dry matter in the silo is very slight when the silo is tight and the silage well packed at the time of filling. As silage the corn-stalk is all consumed, but as stover only the leaves are eaten unless it is shredded, and even then a great part of the stalk is discarded. Some feeding experiments show that even in shredded stover the portion discarded is as high as 31 per cent. This is in addition to the loss of dry matter during the curing process.

Too frequently an unfavorable season like last year, results in the loss of the whole corn plant or in immature soft corn that is of little value. By far the best method to utilize corn which is immature at harvesting time is to put it into the silo. Even frost-dried corn will make satisfactory silage if harvested at once. If it becomes dry, it may be saved by adding water during the filling process.

GOVERNMENT AND LABOR

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.) No department of government has any authority under the law to seize labor nor can the government create labor. The best we can do is to study each situation and to furnish information and every possible assistance in shifting labor from one neighborhood or region to another, and if that is not possible in a given case to call upon the towns and cities dependent upon agriculture to mobilize all town men of farm experience for aid to farmers, if need be, by substituting women in stores and shops in order to relieve the temporary emergency.—Clarence Ousey, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

GARDEN TOOLS NOT COSTLY

Large and Expensive Assortment Not Necessary in Home Garden—Three Indispensable.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

In order to have a home vegetable garden it is not necessary to acquire a large or expensive assortment of tools. A spade, hoe and rake are the only tools that are indispensable. A garden line can be improvised from pieces of twine, and two sharpened sticks will serve as stakes. A trowel can be fashioned from a piece of thin board or from a shingle, while a serviceable scratcher or weeder can be made by driving three slender nails through the end of a piece of lath. Another kind of good weeder can be made from a piece of hoop iron bent into a loop and one edge sharpened. A wheel hoe, or combination wheel hoe and seed drill, is a splendid tool, and there are a number of small hand tools that are useful in the garden, but these are not essential.

Develop Milk Capacity. The capacity to give milk is developed in cows by breeding early.

Calomel Loses You a Day's Work! Take Dodson's Liver Tone Instead. Read my guarantee! If bilious, constipated or head-achy you need not take nasty, sickening, dangerous calomel to get straightened up.

Every druggist in town—your druggist and everybody's druggist has noticed a great falling off in the sale of calomel. They all give the same reason. Dodson's Liver Tone is taking its place. "Calomel is dangerous and people know it, while Dodson's Liver Tone is perfectly safe and gives better results," said a prominent local druggist. Dodson's Liver Tone is personally guaranteed by every druggist who sells it. A large bottle doesn't cost very much, but if it fails to give easy relief in every case of liver sluggishness and constipation, you have only

Hot Weather Hits Us Hardest in Stomach

Keep a close watch on your stomach this summer. We need all our fighting strength. War work—change of diet—will make us all easier prey to stomach and bowel trouble than ever before. It is so easy to become overheated on a blazing hot day, especially after eating a hearty meal. And then the excessive heat makes us flood our stomachs with all kinds of cold drinks. That's bad at any time; much worse—even dangerous—when there is the slightest feeling of stomach trouble. Keep the stomach sweet and cool and free from too much acid—that's about all that is necessary. It's not so much the diet as to keep the poison from starting trouble. You can easily do this if you will just take a tablet or two of EATONIC after your meals.

EATONIC is the wonderful new compound that absorbs the harmful gases and juices and almost instantly drives away stomach misery. Instead of sudden and painful attacks of indigestion, after you begin using EATONIC you'll forget you have a stomach. And there will be no more heartburn, food repeating, sour stomach, gas pains, or that lumpy, bloated feeling you have so often experienced after eating. Then your appetite—you know how hard it is to satisfy in hot weather—eat one or two EATONIC Tablets a half hour before meals—and you will enjoy the results and feel better in every way. These are a few reasons why you should start using EATONIC today and fortify your stomach against the chance trouble this summer. It costs only 50c for a big package. Your druggist whom you know and can trust, will promptly refund your money if you are not more than satisfied.

In Sheol.

Satan banked the furnaces of everlasting torment, saw to it that there was plenty of red-hot brimstone on hand and told his friends that if the temperature went down to less than 6,000 in the shade to turn on the forced draft. Then he went to preside at a conference he had called on the banks of the Styx.

Roll call showed that Lucifer, Ahriman, Belial, Samuel, Bezelebul, Titan, Shedim, Mephistopheles, Asmodeus and Moloch were on hand.

"Now, gents," said the original heat administrator, "we have come to confer on the matter of punishment for one Bill Hohenzollern and his six trifling and healthy sons who have been abominating the earth. What shall we do to 'em?"

"Six billion years in the heated hereafter without their medals," they shouted, as with one voice. Whereat the conference closed.

A Hazardous World.

Kind Old Gentleman—My boy, I am surprised to see you idling away your time in this manner. Don't you realize that there is a possibility of your becoming president some day? The Youngster—Well, I notice pa and you and some others escaped, so I guess I can take my chances, too.

Between the spendthrift and the tightwad there is plenty of room for the decent-hearted to work.

Cuticura For Baby's Itchy Skin. All druggists; Soap 25, Ointment 50 and 75, Tablets 25. Sample each free of "Cuticura, Dept. 2, Boston."

BLACK LEG LOSSES SURELY PREVENTED BY CUTTER'S BLACKLEG PILLS. Write for booklet and testimonials. 10-dose pkg., Blackleg Pills, \$1.00. 50-dose pkg., Blackleg Pills, \$4.00. Use any injector, but Cutter's simplest and strongest. The superiority of Cutter's pills is due to over 15 years of specializing in VACCINES AND SERUMS ONLY. TRUST IN CUTTER'S. If unobtainable, order direct. The Cutter Laboratory, Berkeley, California.

WINTERSMITH'S CHILL TONIC. Sold for 50 Years. FOR MALARIA, CHILLS AND FEVER. Also a Fine General Strengthening Tonic. At All Drug Stores.

PARKER'S HAIR BALM. A toilet preparation of merit. Helps to eradicate dandruff. For Restoring Color and Beauty to Gray or Faded Hair. 50c and \$1.00 at Druggists.

PANTS SEEMED SMALL THING

Fair Driver of Electric Buzz Wagon Had Other Matters That Were Weighing on Her Mind.

A smart electric zigzagged rather uncertainly to the curb in front of the Majestic theater. The driver was a young woman with a Madonnalike face, daintily veiled. Before she could quite stop the car she managed to bump into a pedestrian and tear his trousers slightly. He was by no means a prepossessing specimen, but of the type of human flotsam generally found along South State street. Before a crowd could gather, however, the Madonna of the car opened the door, pulled her victim inside, and was off again.

"My pants! My pants!" he wailed; "you've ruined 'em. You've tore 'em all to tatters." "Never mind about your pants!" snapped the Madonna.

"But I tell you you've ruined 'em. Them pants cost me ten dollars." "Forget your pants, I say," repeated the Madonna. "I'll buy you a dozen pairs. They're the best you'll find. If my husband ever hears of this, it's all off."

The car stopped a few minutes later at a clothing store.—Chicago Examiner.

His Enemy. "You ought to do something for that cold." "What! After the way it has treated me?"

One of the ideas born of this war is that the other fellow's burdens are worth sharing.

Combine The Grains. That's what is done in making Grape-Nuts food—barley and other grains are used with wheat. This adds to food value and flavor, and the sum total requires less wheat. The malted barley in Grape-Nuts also helps digest other foods. For an economical, nourishing and delicious food, try Grape-Nuts.

When Your Eyes Need Care Try Murine Eye Remedy. No Stinging—Just Eye Comfort. It costs only 10c a bottle. Write for Free Eye Book. MURINE EYE REMEDY CO., CHICAGO



# HOME TOWN HELPS

## DEVOTE STUDY TO GARDEN

Properly Planted Land of Value Both to the Owner and to the Community.

It is a wise course to plan food production in a systematic way so that the garden will give satisfactory results. Study methods of cultivation on all products. When buying onion sets, for example, see if there are other food crops which are better suited in a state of growth than in seeds. All gardens need horseradish and rhubarb, which are best started from roots, and these can be bought from almost any dealer. Rhubarb will thrive in any odd bit of ground. It will be ready for use the second year. It is a valuable crop as well as being hardy and prolific.

Horseradish also is commonly grown from roots or sets and not from seed. Some claim they have the best success growing it after the early cabbage, beets, etc. The crop is dug in the fall, the small roots being removed and cut into sets four to six inches long. The top end is cut square and the bottom slanting so there will be no mistake in planting. These are tied in bundles and kept over winter in sand. When planting time comes small holes are made with a light crowbar or long stick and the sets dropped in and covered two or three inches deep so that they do not come up until midsummer. Any deep, rich, well-drained soil will answer for horseradish.

## HINT FOR LATE GARDENER

### How Loss of Seedling Plants Through "Damping Off" May Be Avoided With Little Trouble.

Many millions of seedling plants are lost annually by what is generally termed "damping off." It may be observed in the sudden collapse of the little plants at the neck or ground level, and usually occurs while the seedlings are still in the seed pan, though it also may happen even after they have been transplanted. It is due to the work of a minute fungus, and brought about by excessive moisture in the soil or atmosphere, a condition the fungus quickly takes advantage of to get in its deadly work.

To prevent such conditions, the soil must be sufficiently porous so that water will soak into it quickly. Water is given only when needed, and so early in the day that the foliage of all tender seedlings will be thoroughly dry before night; ventilation to keep the air pure also will tend to ward off disease. "Damping off" also may be checked by placing a thin layer of sharp sand over the surface of the soil, or a light dusting of flowers of sulphur also may combat the evil.

Guard against sowing seed too thickly, for, should the majority germinate, the seedlings will be so close to one another that they will not dry out readily.—Country Gentleman.

### Old Plea for Gardens.

Plantations have one advantage in them which is not to be found in most other works, as they give a pleasure of a more lasting date, and continually improve in the eye of the planter. When you have finished a building, or any other undertaking of the like nature, it immediately decays upon your hands; you see it brought to the utmost point of perfection, and from that time hastening to its ruin. On the contrary, when you have finished your plantations they are still arriving at greater degrees of perfection as long as you live and appear more delightful in every succeeding year than they did in the foregoing. But I do not only recommend this art to men of estates as a pleasing amusement, but as it is a kind of virtuous employment, and may, therefore, be inculcated by moral motives; particularly from the love which we ought to have for our country, and the regard which we ought to bear to our posterity.

The extract is from an essay by Joseph Addison, which appeared in the London Spectator August 29, 1714. England did about as Addison suggested, with the result that English gardens are noted the world over, and Englishmen are better for them.

### Not True to Type.

"Smell anything, grandmother?" asked the youngster who was lying on the floor drawing. Grandmother assured him she did not. The young artist gave a few finishing touches and repeated his question. Grandmother sniffed the air and again declared she smelled nothing. "Well," said the boy, "you ought to have just drawn a skunk!"

### Only Real Test of Garden.

After all, the true test of a garden is its actual beauty, and if this quality is not there in fullness and sufficiency the garden is largely a failure, no matter what "ideals" are attained.

### Art and Nature in Garden.

Art in garden is in reality but fidelity to nature, yet both the mind and the hand of man must place their marks on the place or we should have but one uninteresting bit of the wilds.

# ORCHARD GLEANINGS

## MAINTAIN FERTILITY OF SOIL

Cover Crops Are Used to Supply Humus and Improve Physical Condition of the Land.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Thrifty trees produce the best yields, and in order that the trees may continue to thrive it is necessary that the fertility of the soil be maintained. This is done by the use of cover crops which are used to supply the amount of humus in the soil, and by the application of fertilizers either in the form of barnyard manure or commercial fertilizer. Cover crops improve the physical condition of the land, prevent washing and hardening of the soil, hold the rains and snows until they have time to soak into the land, cause the soil to dry in the spring making further tillage possible, and sometimes serve as a protection from frost. When a leguminous crop is used plant food in the form of nitrogen is added to the soil.

Good tillage and the maintenance of an ample supply of humus or decaying vegetable matter in the soil will do much to keep it in a sufficiently productive condition for peach growing. But continuous tillage of the soil tends to deplete its content of humus unless it is renewed from time to time.

Where stable or barnyard manure is abundant there is probably no more satisfactory way of supplying humus to the soil than by a liberal use of it. Manure is seldom obtainable, however, in sufficient quantity to meet any far-reaching needs. In its absence the use of cover or green-manure crops is to be advised.

The plants commonly used for cover-crop purposes fall into two groups—leguminous (or nitrogen-gathering) and nonleguminous. The former group comprises red clover, crimson clover, bur clover, field peas, vetch, cowpeas, and others; the nonleguminous group consists of rye, oats, buckwheat, millet, rape, turnips, and various others. Sometimes the growth of weeds or other more or less spontaneous growth is encouraged after the seasonal cultivation is ended, as a means of obtaining a cheap supply of vegetable matter for the soil.

Red clover is more commonly used in apple orchards than in peach orchards, and especially when it is intended to omit tillage for a season. Vetch is apparently being used more and more as an orchard cover crop in the northern fruit districts. Crimson clover is especially satisfactory in some of the light soils in New Jersey and Delaware in seasons when there



Eight-Year-Old Peach Tree Pruned With View of Developing Strong, Stocky Branches and an Open Top.

is a good supply of moisture in the soil at the time of seeding. Cowpeas are very widely used for this purpose in middle and southern latitudes.

Probably rye is the most widely used nonleguminous plant. It can be sowed late in the season, and it lives over winter and starts into growth early the next spring. All of these points are important considerations in many instances. But oats in combination with vetch have been especially satisfactory in some cases, and German millet has been shown to be almost an ideal nonleguminous cover crop under some of the conditions that prevail in Nebraska.

When a cover crop is used in a peach orchard it should be plowed under as early in the spring as practicable, unless the growth that is on the ground can be worked into the soil effectively and more conveniently by the use of a disk or cutaway harrow. However, if there is an abundance of moisture in the soil, the turning under of the cover crop is delayed in many cases until after it has made considerable growth in the spring, in order to obtain as large a quantity of vegetable matter to be worked into the soil as is possible.

## NEGLECT OF CIDER VINEGAR

Bushel of Apples Will Make Four Gallons and No Other is as Good for Family Use.

Cider vinegar is being neglected. A bushel of apples will make four gallons of cider or vinegar. No other type of vinegar is so good for family use. It brings 12 to 15 cents per gallon wholesale. It is not difficult to make if one learns what to do and when to do it.

# A CHILD DOESN'T LAUGH AND PLAY IF CONSTIPATED

LOOK, MOTHER! IS TONGUE COATED, BREATH FEVERISH AND STOMACH SOUR?

'CALIFORNIA SYRUP OF FIGS' CAN'T HARM TENDER STOMACH, LIVER, BOWELS.



A laxative today saves a sick child tomorrow. Children simply will not take the time from play to empty their bowels, which become clogged up with waste, liver gets sluggish, stomach sour.

Look at the tongue, mother! If coated, or your child is listless, cross, feverish, breath bad, restless, doesn't eat heartily, full of cold or has sore throat or any other children's ailment, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," then don't worry, because it is perfectly harmless, and in a few hours all this constipation poison, sour bile and fermenting waste will gently move out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. A thorough "inside cleansing" is oftentimes all that is necessary. It should be the first treatment given in any sickness.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Look carefully and see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company."—Adv.

### Ability Recognized.

"Noni had the whole ocean to himself. He didn't have to be much of a navigator."  
"Maybe. But you will admit he was a wonder as an animal trainer."

## KIDNEY TROUBLE OFTEN CAUSES SERIOUS BACKACHE

When your back aches, and your bladder and kidneys seem to be disordered, go to your nearest drug store and get a bottle of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root. It is a physician's prescription for ailments of the kidneys and bladder.

It has stood the test of years and has a reputation for quick and effectively giving results in thousands of cases.

This preparation so very effective, has been placed on sale everywhere. Get a bottle, medium or large size, at your nearest druggist.

However, if you wish first to test this preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention this paper.—Adv.

A bachelor always looks at a woman's hat and shoes, but pays no attention to the rest of her wearing apparel.

### Cuticura Stops Itching.

The Soap to Cleanse and Ointment to soothe and heal most forms of itching, burning skin and scalp affections. Ideal for toilet use. For free samples address, "Cuticura, Dept. X, Boston." Sold by druggists and by mail. Soap 25, Ointment 25 and 50.—Adv.

### The Reason.

"Stimpkins is a bluff man, isn't he?"  
"Yes; that is why I was calling him."

If your eyes smart or feel scalded, Roman Eye Balm applied upon going to bed is just the thing to relieve them. Adv.

Steel that will resist corrosion is being made; it contains 12 per cent of chromium.

# WHY WOMEN DREAD OLD AGE

Don't worry about old age. Don't worry about being in other people's way when you are getting on in years. Keep your body in good condition and you can be as hale and hearty in your old days as you were when a kid, and every one will be glad to see you.

The kidneys and bladder are the cause of senile afflictions. Keep them clean and in proper working condition. Drive the poisonous wastes from the system and avoid uric acid accumulations. Take GOLD MEDAL Haarlem Oil Capsules periodically and you will find that the system will always be in perfect working order. Your spirits will be enlivened, your muscles made strong and your face have once more the look of youth and health.

New life, fresh strength and health will come as you continue this treatment. When your first vigor has been restored continue for while taking a capsule or two each day. They will keep you in condition and prevent a return of your troubles.

There is only one guaranteed brand of Haarlem Oil Capsules, GOLD MEDAL. There are many fakes on the market. Be sure you get the Original GOLD MEDAL Imported Haarlem Oil Capsules. They are the only reliable. For sale by all first-class druggists.—Adv.

St. Paul railway terminals will shortly be enlarged at a cost of \$1,000,000.

## Lemon Juice For Freckles

Girls! Make beauty lotion at home for a few cents. Try it!

Squeeze the juice of two lemons into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white, shake well, and you have a quarter pint of the best freckle, sunburn and tan lotion, and complexion whitener, at very, very small cost.

Your grocer has the lemons and any drug store or toilet counter will supply three ounces of orchard white for a few cents. Massage this sweetly fragrant lotion into the face, neck, arms and hands and see how freckles, sunburn and tan disappear and how clear, soft and white the skin becomes. Yes! It is harmless.—Adv.

Life isn't a question of how much you can make but of how much you can do.

An Over-ripe Tomato and other over-ripe vegetables or fruits often cause very serious Bowel Trouble in hot weather. Check it as quickly as possible. Get a bottle of GROVE'S BABY BOWEL MEDICINE safe and sure remedy for Summer Diarrhoea. It is just as effective for Adults as for Children.

### At the Boarding House.

"Mrs. Haskleigh, my egg is bad again this morning! I cannot positively eat it."  
"Have you tried the other end?"



# Don't Neglect a Bad Back!

It's Mighty Poor Policy to Worry Along Thus Handicapped When Health and Strength is So Needed

THE man or woman handicapped with a bad back in these times when physical fitness is so necessary, is indeed crippled. It's mighty poor policy to worry along with an aching back day after day; work is neglected and the simplest duties are a burden. Plowing, planting, harvesting, churning, the daily housework all throw a heavy strain on the kidneys and kidney ills, with attendant backache, are a common result. Don't wait! Neglect may mean gravel, dropsy or Bright's disease. Get a box of Doan's Kidney Pills today. They have helped thousands. They should help you.

## Personal Reports of Real Cases

### A TEXAS CASE.

Mrs. J. F. Anderson, 390 1/2 Avenue M, Galveston, Tex., says: "When I think of what I went through from kidney trouble it makes me shudder. If it hadn't been for Doan's Kidney Pills I wouldn't be the healthy person I am today. They certainly worked a miracle in my case. When I was in that awful condition from kidney trouble, I thought I would never be healthy again and I wouldn't have been if I had not been fortunate enough to learn of Doan's Kidney Pills. Since they cured me I have never had the slightest return attack of kidney trouble. I am very thankful that I used Doan's and am always glad to say a good word for them."

### ANOTHER TEXAS CASE.

W. E. Carroll, farmer, 215 Walnut St., Hillsboro, Texas, says: "I suffered from kidney trouble for a long time. I was hardly able to get about on account of the pains in my back and the sharp twinges which would dart through my joints. I had no strength or energy. An annoyance from the kidney secretions kept me in misery for a long time and I couldn't get relief until I got Doan's Kidney Pills and they soon benefited me and my health was improved." Mr. Carroll gave the above account of his experience with Doan's Kidney Pills in 1911 and some years later he added: "I haven't had the slightest return of kidney trouble since I recommended Doan's Kidney Pills some time ago."

# DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS

60c a Box At All Stores. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., Chemists

### Mixed.

Knicker—Did Smith get things mixed?

Bocker—Yes, he announced a bouncing wheat crop and a bumper baby.

### MILLIONS USE RED CROSS.

Millions of good housewives use Red Cross Ball Blue. Each year its sales increase. The old friends use it and tell others. Red Cross Ball Blue will make your old clothes look like new. Ask your grocer.—Adv.

### Similarly Situated.

"Our boys at the front do not find life a bed of roses." "I don't know; beds of roses are usually mud."

## Every Woman Wants

# Paxtine

## ANTISEPTIC POWDER

FOR PERSONAL HYGIENE Dissolved in water for douches stops pelvic catarrh, ulceration and inflammation. Recommended by Lydia E. Pinkham Med. Co. for ten years. A healing wonder for nasal catarrh, sore throat and sore eyes. Economical. Has extraordinary cleansing and germicidal power. Sample Free. 50¢ all druggists, or postpaid by mail. The Paxtine Toilet Company, Boston, Mass.

W. N. U., DALLAS, NO. 30-1918.

# Tired Nervous Mothers

Should Profit by the Experience of These Two Women

Buffalo, N. Y.—"I am the mother of four children, and for nearly three years I suffered from a female trouble with pains in my back and side, and a general weakness. I had professional attendance most of that time but did not seem to get well. As a last resort I decided to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound which I had seen advertised in the newspapers, and in two weeks noticed a marked improvement. I continued its use and am now free from pain and able to do all my household work."—Mrs. B. E. ZIELINSKA, 202 Weiss Street, Buffalo, N. Y.

Portland, Ind.—"I had a displacement and suffered so badly from it at times I could not be on my feet at all. I was all run down and so weak I could not do my housework, was nervous and could not lie down at night. I took treatments from a physician but they did not help me. My Aunt recommended Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I tried it and now I am strong and well again and do my own work and I give Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound the credit."—Mrs. JOSEPHINE KIMBLE, 935 West Race Street, Portland, Ind.

Every Sick Woman Should Try

# LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND

LYDIA E. PINKHAM MEDICINE CO. LYNN, MASS.

## GROVE'S BABY BOWEL MEDICINE

This valuable and harmless Baby Medicine is composed of the following:

BISMUTH, LIME, PEPSIN AND CATECHU WITH PURE SIMPLE SYRUP

Bismuth is healing to the mucous membrane of the stomach; the Lime neutralizes the acid where there is a sour stomach; the Pepsin digests any indigestible food that may be in the stomach, and the Catechu acts as a mild astringent to control the bowels where there is a disposition to Dysentery, Diarrhoea, Flux or Sick Stomach.

GROVE'S BABY BOWEL MEDICINE is not a patent medicine. We give the ingredients and tell the effect of each ingredient so that you can judge for yourself.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—This preparation does not contain Morphine or Opium in any form and we don't advocate the giving of Opium unless it is absolutely necessary.

RELIEVES SOUR STOMACH

For Dyspeptics who are Troubled with Sour Stomach

AIDS DIGESTION

It Relieves Stomach and Bowel Trouble and is Just as Good for Adults as for Children

We have numerous letters on file from parties claiming that this preparation relieved their babies of Chronic Dysentery, where everything else had failed and where they had been troubled in this way for several years. Children like to take it.

For sale by all Dealers in Drugs.

Made and recommended to the public by PARIS MEDICINE CO., Manufacturers of LAXATIVE BROWN QUININE and GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, St. Louis, Mo.



# Announcement

## THE BAIRD LIGHT & ICE COMPANY

regrets to have to announce to its customers that it is compelled to increase its Electric rates for lighting and power purposes beginning with August period.

The cost of material, labor and supplies used in the operation of our business as one must know, has increased from 25 to 200 per cent. As a result, the cost of providing service has increased to a point where our gross earnings are not sufficient to pay operating expenses and taxes, not to say anything of a return upon our investment. It can be plainly seen that under such conditions the Company cannot maintain its credit, and unless we are able to do so, obviously, our service to our customers will be seriously impaired.

In this connection we might point out here that as of July 1st, the Company's cost of gas for fuel purposes has been further increased. The new Electric rate for lighting purposes will be as follows:

First 50 K. W. H. used per month 19c per K. W. H.  
Next 150 K. W. H. " " " 17c " K. W. H.  
Excess 200 K. W. H. " " " 13c " K. W. H.  
Discount 1c per K. W. H. if bills are paid on or before the 10th of the month. Minimum charge \$1.50 per month per meter.

We are sure the people of Baird will be interested in learning that high operating costs are seriously affecting public utilities throughout the entire country, but the people and regulatory bodies realize that these hardships are caused by the war and are therefore not within the control of the utility companies. They have therefore, readily granted relief to upwards of 600 towns in the U. S.

The necessity of maintaining the credit of the public service companies during the period of the war was very clearly set forth by the President of the United States in his letter to Secretary McAdoo under date of Feb. 19, 1918, an extract of which is as follows:

"It is essential that these utilities should be maintained in their maximum efficiency and that everything reasonably possible should be done with that end in view. I hope that state and local authorities where they have not already done so will, when the facts are properly laid before them, respond promptly to the necessities of the situation."

We are sure that the people of Baird will appreciate the need of the company in making these increases and will give it their support in its efforts to give the high quality of service that it has always given.

## The Baird Light & Ice Co.

### TYPEWRITER FOR SALE.

Second-hand Oliver Typewriter, No. 5, in good-condition, for sale, price, \$35.00.

Typewriter desk for sale, Price \$7.50. Will make a price of \$40.00 for typewriter and desk if sold together.—Miss John Gilliland, at Baird Star office.

### The Joy of Living.

To enjoy life we must have good health. No one can reasonably hope to get much real pleasure out of life when his bowels are clogged a good share of the time and the poisons that should be expelled are absorbed into the system, producing headache and indigestion. A few doses of Chamberlain's Tablets will move the bowels, strengthen the digestion and give you a chance to realize the real joy of living. Try it. For sale by all druggist, Advt.

### Mrs. Burn's Letter.

Here is a letter that is certain to prove of interest to people in this vicinity, as cases of this sort occur in almost every neighborhood, and people should know what to do in like circumstances:

Savannah, Mo., Oct. 12, 1916.

"I used a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy about nine years ago and it cured me of flux (dysentery) I had another attack of the same complaint some three or four years ago and a few doses of this remedy cured me. I have recommended Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy to dozens of people since I first used it." For sale by all druggists.

As the individual prospers, so does the community. The War Savings Campaign is our opportunity.

**Ford**  
THE UNIVERSAL CAR

Touring Car \$503.38  
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Raise in price on cars includes difference in Freight and War Tax

Also Handle Supplies. Ford Repairing

**HARRY BERRY**



## FROM A SAILOR BOY.

Editor Baird Star,

Dear Sir: I have received and have been reading articles in your paper for sometime from boys in the service of Uncle Sam. I feel it my duty to respond as have other boys, with a short letter to let the home town know some of my experiences. In short, I am enclosing a roughly constructed poem by one of the boys on this ship telling of our trip from San Francisco and also how we pounded upon the rocks at Silver Banks reefs, some seventy miles from nearest land.

I sincerely hope you will find space in The Baird Star for this poem, you may not understand all of it, but it means a great deal to a sailor.

Hoping this will serve as a letter to all at home. I will close for this time.

As ever, a boy from Baird,  
Robert L. Cochran,  
U. S. S. Albatross,  
Care Postmaster, New York City, N. Y.

### THE RHYME OF A MODERN MARINER.

When the Albatross left Mare Island  
Bound for the Southern Seas,  
She was as proud as a peacock,  
Till she anchored off Florida Keys.

Our captain was gallant and Irish,  
Our first luff from the Vicksburg came,  
Our crew a motley mass of men,  
But never was a crew more game.

A few, 'tis true were sea sick,  
As the "Cliff House" faded from view,  
Twas then that the deep-sea denizens  
Had a treat of Com. Culp's stew.

San Diego was our first port,  
To us, like a squirrel, his hole  
Where we said Good Bye to U. S. A.  
And took on twenty days of coal.

The airplanes hovered o'er us  
As the fair city was lost to view  
And bid us all a fond farewell  
On our cruise to countries new.

The Western coast of Mexico,  
Did set our hearts to aching  
I think that it is a part of Hell  
Still left on earth a-baking.

Around a point, one evening,  
We skipped like a Bonita,  
When we almost ran right square into  
His Majesty's ship Orbits.

Old Captain "Han," he was the man,  
To General Quarters sent us,  
If a shell from His Majesty's ship had hit us  
It would have badly bent us.

A steaming South, we still sailed on  
Till one day we did turn "haw,"  
And if we hadn't stopped just when we did,  
We would have hit "Panama."

Through Goethals ditch, we did a hitch,  
And evening found us on  
The eastern side of the neck of land  
Near the city of Colon.

At seven o'clock we steps ashore  
For the first time since San Diego,  
And a few days later found some of the crew  
On the sick-list with the "ague."

We hoisted anchor next day, and sailed away  
For ports unknown, we thought then,  
Until we anchored in Guantanamo Bay  
Then we knew where we were at again.

For four days across the Caribbean,  
We did roll and pitch,  
'Twas then I swore by the Saints above  
It would surely be my last hitch.

Next we sailed away from Guantanamo Bay  
With a target raft in tow,  
Six days later we saw Key West,  
But not a bit of snow.

Now Key West is a very nice town,  
All around it the sea is near,  
But to the tales you must go,  
To get a glass of beer.

'Twas here we lost our genial host,  
Cap. Hannigan, yes it's true,  
There came aboard a Coast Guard horde,  
And then we were a Coast Guard crew.

Then we got underway for Guantanamo Bay,  
The crew was getting ill oh!  
From there we took on a cargo of buoys,  
To plant at Manzanillo.

Soon we sailed away for the Southern Seas,  
To find the missing Cyclops,  
Into a sea where the wind blows free,  
And shoals are as thick as hops.

Onto a shoal we chanced to stroll,  
'Twas near the hour of seven,  
'Twas then the crew expected to get,  
Their first glimpse into heaven.

The ship pounded, as she naturally would,  
Like an Indian beating a tub,  
At the first big crash all hands did think  
That we had been hit by a German "sub."

Our ship did grind upon the rocks,  
Like a miller grinding corn,  
But at the dawn of another day,  
All hands had ceased to moan.

But Silver Shoal was not our goal,  
In our crew not a streak of "yeller,"  
Although we limped to Guantanamo Bay,  
With one seriously ill propeller.

Now the rest of the fleet, most indiscreet,  
Do class us as being "dippy,"  
Our uniform now should be swallow-tail coats  
For we'er valet for the Mississippi.  
Most every day we get underway,  
And shift to a new position,  
It is most remarkable what we can do,  
In the line of rapid transition.  
But we'll put our crew against any crew,  
In the art of handling hawsers,  
Nor will they yield with our old Springfield,  
To a line of Tueton Mausers,  
General Sherman was undoubtedly right,  
When he said that "War is Hell,"  
I, too, believe the same as he,  
When I see the splash of a 14 inch shell.  
We see a flash, and then a splash,  
That looks to us like "Old Faithful" geysers  
But you will surely agree with me,  
That they will look different to the Kaiser.

### C. W. CONNER FOR TAX ASSESSOR

1st. I have never held the office of Tax Assessor nor any other office since I retired as County Treasurer four years ago.

2nd. While County Treasurer I was connected with the Assessor's and Collector's office and became familiar with the Tax Rolls, Abstracts and Survey Numbers, etc., which is an essential qualification for Tax Assessor.

3rd. I have lived in Callahan County for the last thirty years and know the county very thoroughly.

4th. My past record has not been questioned, most of my life being behind me. I'm asking my friends to give me this office, because not being able to serve my country in a physical way, I am better qualified to do this work. At this time when competent men are needed, I promise the best service of which I am capable of giving and that my entire time and attention will be given to this work.

### RED CROSS NOTICE

We are requested to say that the sheep donated to the Baird Red Cross Chapter, will be auctioned off on the street Saturday afternoon.

### A LETTER

Houston, July 15, 1918  
Mr. H. P. Taylor, May, Texas.

My Dear Mr. Taylor: I learn that you are a candidate for re-election from your District to the Texas Legislature. The people who love humanity and who toil and produce, have in you a true friend. Your rare faculty of explanation and conciliation, was of inestimable value to the representatives of the toiling masses of Texas in the recent session of the Legislature. I found in you, a friend with a big heart and true and consistent to the needs of mankind.

I hope for you success in your campaign and hope that no true, loving person will hesitate or falter in rendering you full support. You have my permission to exhibit this letter to the workers in your county.

As a representative of organized labor, in the Legislature, I recommend you to your constituents.

Very respectfully,

Charles Murphy,  
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