

The Baird Star

"On The
Broadway of America."

Our Motto—"No Neither Birth, Nor Wealth, Nor State, But the Git-Up-and-Get That Makes Men Great."

"Over 1750 Producing Wells
in Callahan County."

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2 Deep Tests To Be Sunk At Cross Plains

Oil and gas development in the Cross Plains and adjacent fields is believed to be now venturing on a crowning era of the industry, which will doubtless reveal greater and more important discoveries than any that have been added to the local territory since the beginning of operation some six years ago.

It has been faithfully contended by all of the older and experienced operators in the local fields that vast pools of oil exist at a greater depth than has yet, been reached by the drill, and that earlier discovery would have been made had the price of crude justified the expense of deep drilling.

Two standard derricks of unusual substantial structure and rigged with equipment for deep tests are reported ready to commence drilling. The nearest of these locations is on the Harve Vestal land a few miles north of Cross Plains. It will attract unusual interest until its completion, as it has for its goal a deeper test than was the Elmer Vestal, or first discovery well of the Cross Plains field. The latter well came in a gusher at a depth of 3,800 feet, and pipe has been placed on the ground of the new test to exceed a depth of 4,000 feet.

The other deep test mentioned is west of Cross Plains in the Opalin country and east of the famous Johnson well, which came in a gusher and created great excitement two years ago, but was abandoned on account of salt water. This test is equipped for a 4,500 foot depth.

In the proven surrounding semi-shallow fields, including new territory in the west field, Cliss Westerman, Wade McDaniel and Blake fields new producers are being completed with the passing of each week. Another good producer was discovered in a new section of the Blake field last week.

Other locations in the county are: Campbell Oil Corporation, location Mrs. J. A. Hutchison ranch, about 2 miles N.E. of Baird, Continental Oil Co., Maggie Alexander, drilling at 650 feet, Campbell Oil Corporation, I. N. Jackson, Survey 20 North of Baird, drilling at 678 feet, Burton Hartly, Will Hinds No. 1, drilling at 600 feet, Mid-West Exploration Mrs. Murray Harris, No. 1, SW of Baird, location, Drew Beams, I. N. Jackson No. 8, location, Campbell Oil Corporation, Kennard Bros, No. 1 location, Deaner Oil Co., MacDonald Bros. location, 3 miles North of Baird.

MARRIED

Mr. W. W. Crane and Mrs. Callie Windham, both of the Dudley community were married in Baird Tuesday, Sept. 24, 1929. Squire Tom J. White, officiating.

Relatives Have A Reunion

Mrs. Jane Remlin, with Mrs. Lizzie Moeglin, Mrs. Mildred Strasser, and little daughters, Gereldine and Mildred, Mrs. C. A. Green and little daughter Dorothy of San Antonio, Mrs. Mollie Tucker and daughter, Ellie of Scotland Texas and Mrs. Annie Kelly and Mrs. Hall Jarman, Miss Irma May Jarman, and Charles Jarman of Colorado were guests of Mrs. J. Y. Gilliland this week.

Mrs. Jane Remlin, Mrs. Mollie Tucker are sisters of Mrs. Gilliland, Mrs. Kelly is a sister-in-law to Mrs. Gilliland, Mrs. Remlin and Mrs. Tucker.

It was the first time that they all had been together in years. All spent Sunday at the ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gilliland where a birthday dinner was spread for little Miss Mildred Strasser in honor of her fourth birthday. Four little candles graced the cake that was served that day.

New Business to be Opened in Baird

Messers C. W. Conner and Virgil Jones will open a new feed store in the building formerly occupied by the Mitchell Motor Co. and will handle the Red Chain Feeds, manufactured by the Universal Mills of Ft. Worth. The building is being put in readiness now and they will be ready for business in a short time. See big ad in this issue of The Star.

SENIOR GIRLS ORGANIZE CLUB

The girls of the Senior class of 1929-30 met Friday night Sept. 13, 1929 at Dorothy Boydstuns and organized the Alpha Omega Club. The following officers were elected: President, Christine Settle; Vice-president, Bessie Mae Gillet; 2nd vice-president, Edith Lyle Hinton; Sec.-treasurer, Annesse Reynolds; reporter, Juanita Finch; Song and yell writer, Eva Robinson.

The next meeting which will be held on Saturday night, Sept. 21, 1929 will be the nite initiation into the club and will be held at the home of Mrs. Smedley, Elizabeth Mae Gillet acting as hostess.

The following members were present at the meeting: Christine Settle, Viletta Wylie, Leota Alexander Edith Lyle Hinton, Bessie Mae Gillet, Eva Robinson, Loye Fuller, Claribel Tabor, Lennis Varner, Jewell Mills, Anita Hart, Maggie Harp, Majorie Boren, Erma Dell Mitchell, Maurine Satterwhite, Annesse Reynolds, Ala Faye Nichols, Dorothy Boydstun and Juanita Finch.

JUNIOR GIRLS ORGANIZE CLUB

The Junior girls met at the home of Helen Mae Settle, Friday 20, 7:30 o'clock.

Miss Innon the 10th grade sponsor assisted with the initiation. The name J. G. was decided upon. The following officers were elected: Dorothy Halsted, pres.; Helen Mae Settle, vice-pres.; Lucille Jones, sec.-treas.; Mary E. Fetterly, reporter.

The others present were: Thelma Evans, Jessie Evans, Bessie Smith, Pauline Woods, Julia Cooke, Aileen Newton, Carmen Haley.

The only Junior Girl not present was Miss Mable Redding.

Refreshments were served by the hostess, Miss Helen Settle and two assisting Seniors, Misses Settle and Nichols.

American Legion Elects Officers

Engine Bell Post No. 82, American Legion met Monday night and the following officers were elected to serve the post for the coming year:

B. O. Brame, commander; Henry Nixon, Clyde, 1st V. E.; Bill Ingram, Putnam, 2nd, V. C.; W. J. Evans, 3rd, V. C.; A. L. Johnson, Adjt.; B. F. Russell, Finance officer; Hugh Pritchard, Sgt.-at-Arms.; W. C. White, Historian.

B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM FOR SUNDAY, SEPT. 29

Topic: Missions in the Mind of Jesus.

Leader—Leo Thompson.

Introduction—Leader.

1.—Home Missions in the Mind of Jesus—Maurine Satterwhite.

2.—How Jesus felt about lands afar—Bessie Mae Gillet.

3.—Jesus, The Light of Life—Glady's Thompson.

4.—Elements Easily Seen—Claribel Tabor.

5.—Missions and The Bible—Claude Smith.

All young people are urged to come and help reorganize our B. Y. P. U.

C. E. Barr and others from Cross Plains, were in Baird Wednesday morning enroute to Abilene to visit the West Texas Fair. Mr. Barr stopped at The Star office long enough to renew his subscription for another year.

Bairdites See Al Jolson At Palace, Cisco

Many Bairdites have gone to Cisco the past week to see Al Jolson, in "Say it With Songs" at The Palace Theatre. The Palace is said by those who appreciate the Talkies, to have one of, if not the best shows in this section and the managements tells us that they are getting a splendid patronage from the people of Baird. The Palace carries an ad in The Star each week. If you see a movie fan read their ad to see what good shows they offer the public.

THE JUNIOR BOYS FORM A CLUB

The boys of the Junior Class of Baird High School met Friday night September 13, 1929 at Rupert Jacksons and organized a club which was named J. B. C.

The following officers were elected: Burton Roberts, president; Rupert Jackson, vice-president; Howard Davis, sec.-treas.; Willis Cooke, reporter; Russell Warren, custodian; Harold Haley, asst. custodian.

Present members of the club are: Burton Roberts, Rupert Jackson, Howard Davis, Willis Cooke, Russell Warren, Harold Haley, Harold Starr, Weldon Black, Roland Hall, Reaves Hickman, Loel Boyd, Her-shall Phillips, Cliff Johnson, Walter Cooper.

HENRY LAMBERT HURT IN MOTORCYCLE WRECK

Henry Lambert, eldest son of Ed Lambert, was painfully hurt Monday night, when his motorcycle collided with Mrs. J. B. Cutbirth's car on the highway in front of her home. He was carried to the Griggs hospital where his injuries were dressed and he was carried to his home east of Baird by Mrs. Cutbirth and her daughter, Mrs. Gordon Phillip, who was driving her mothers car.

EULA LOCALS

Well, how is The Star force? We are all well out this way.

We finally got the rain we wished for so long. It sure was fine on late feed. Don't think the rain helped the cotton very much.

Farmers are planting small grain for winter pasture which I think is a good thing.

The cotton crop was awful short and farmers are sure hitting it hard, but there will be some way for us. One thing we will have plenty of buttermilk and turnip greens.

Most of us farmers are living at home, milking cows, selling cream, and butter, and raising chickens, turkeys and hogs.

The cotton will soon all be gathered if we have clear weather, then we can start our schools and start a new crop.

Homer Kennard and son, Master Billie and Dr. Bailey visited with Bob Stephenson Sunday evening. F. F. Suggs attended church at Eula Sunday.

Sheriff Hughes, of Baird was in Eula Sunday evening. Mr. Hughes is making us a good sheriff. We welcome him to Eula anytime.

Well, I see we will soon have our new court house ready to move into. I am proud of our new court house, in fact, I am proud of Baird.

I sure was sorry to learn of the death of Bob White. One more old timer gone. Mr. White was a real gentleman, a man I always liked.

Met my old friend Judge Otis Bowyer the other day. Judge Bowyer tells me he is enjoying fine health. Judge Bowyer is a good man, and I join Callahan people in wishing him continued good health.

While in Baird a few days ago, I had the pleasure of visiting with Mr. and Mrs. H. Schwartz in their beautiful new home. This home is a credit to any town and here's hoping Mr. and Mrs. Schwartz will enjoy this new home many, many years to come.

Patsie.

Abilene Fair Draws Big Crowd

The West Texas Fair at Abilene, is drawing big crowds from all this section this week. More than twenty thousand people attended on opening day. The fair is better this year than ever. Garza county won first prize, Runnells county second, Hamilton, third, Callahan, fourth and Eastland county fifth prize on county exhibits. Clyde won first prize on the best community exhibit. Tom Edwards of Eula won eight first prizes on swine exhibits. Many Bairdites have attended the fair.

MRS. W. E. MAYES DIES IN OKLAHOMA

Mrs. W. E. Mayes, a former resident of Baird and Cottonwood, died at the home of her youngest son, J. W. Mayes in Enid Oklahoma, Sunday night, Sept. 22. The body accompanied by her sons, J. W. Mayes, Arvin Mayes and other members of the family and Newt Olds, an old friend and neighbor of the Mayes family, when they lived at Cottonwood, reached Baird yesterday afternoon and were carried to the Wylie undertaking parlor, where it will remain until 1 o'clock today when the funeral service will be held at the Methodist church after which the body will be carried to Cottonwood for interment in the family plot, by the side of her husband, who died some years ago, and other members of the family.

LUTHER DUNLAP SERIOUSLY HURT IN OIL FIELD

Luther Dunlap was seriously hurt working in the Belle Plaine oil field a few days ago, having his leg broken and otherwise bruised by falling timber. He was brought to the Griggs hospital where his injuries were dressed and where he is a patient now.

JAMES A ANDERSON, EARLY SETTLER OF CALLAHAN COUNTY, DIES IN CAL.

News of the death of James A. Anderson, distinguished lawyer of Los Angeles, and one of the early settlers in Callahan and Taylor counties, has been received here by his nephew, Nat Anderson, and Will Stith, pioneer Abilene resident.

Mr. Anderson pioneered into West Texas before advent of the Texas & Pacific railroad, settling first at Eagle Cove, Callahan county. He hauled lumber for his home by wagon from Fort Worth. He moved later to Abilene, where he was in the cattle business, but left in the early 80's to join his father, the late James A. Anderson, in Tucson, Ariz., where he studied law and in 1884 was admitted to the bar.

Moving to Los Angeles in 1885, his ability as a lawyer was recognized, and for many years he held a place in the fore front of his profession.

Prominent in the civic development of Los Angeles, Mr. Anderson was chairman of the first board of Public Works in Los Angeles and was a leading authority on water rights. He was a member of the Los Angeles county Bar association, of which he was past president; of the California State Bar and of the American Bar association. He was also a member of the Sunset club, the California club and a number of other Los Angeles organizations.

The law firm of Anderson & Anderson of which his father was head, continues with his brother, W. H. Anderson, the surviving member of the original organization. A son, Trent G. Anderson, also is a member of the firm. Mr. Anderson leaves another son, Rembert C. Anderson; a daughter, Mrs. Elsie A. Watkins, of Los Angeles; three sisters, Mrs. Charles O. Middleton of Beverly Hills, and Mrs. T. O. Anderson and Miss Rie Anderson of San Diego, and another brother, C. V. Anderson of Bakersfield. A brother, Jack Anderson, is buried at Merkel, Abilene Reporter.

Mr. Anderson was cousin of Mrs. W. I. Capps, Mrs. E. Cooke and Mrs. L. L. Blackburn of Baird.

County School Board Meet In Called Session

The Callahan County School Board met Monday at the Court House, the meeting being called for the purpose of meeting with the representatives of the Scranton and Haskell School districts of Eastland county also Mr. Henry Stubblefield and Mr. Lassiter trustees of Eastland county for the purpose of considering the grouping of the schools of the east side of Callahan and the west side of Eastland county with the Scranton Independent School District for the purpose of creating a Rural High School. Upon petition of a majority of Haskell school District patrons, this district was consolidated with the Scranton district by a concurrent act of the County School Boards of Callahan and Eastland counties.

Members of the Callahan county school board present were: W. D. Boydstun, chairman; Chas Allen, com. Pre. No. 2; J. A. Moore, com. Pre. No. 4; W. H. Bryant, county-at-large.

SPANISH CLASS

The Spanish classes of Baird High School met Wednesday afternoon for the election of officers of the Spanish Club. Ola Faye Nichols was elected president, Helen Seattle, vice president, Norris Kelton, secretary, and Elaine Pratt, reporter. Miss Iverson is sponsor of the club.

Reporter.

HEAVY TRUCKS ARE MENACE TO TRAFFIC AND ROADS —STATE PRESS

Commenting on the statement of the Plainview Herald that "the heavy truck has become somewhat of a menace to traffic," State Press in the Dallas News adds some pertinent comment of his own to a question of no little interest to Texas taxpayers, saying:

Truck weights must be controlled by law and reduced to conform with the best interests of the public roads. It is practicable to build trucks that will ruin any road. The Appian Way more than 2,000 years old, withstood all the loads that horned oxen and draught horses could drag over it. But the Appian Way wouldn't last five years were it subjected to the uses of freight haulers employing the ponderous vans now coming into service.

"There is a limit to the strength of roads possible to be built with tax money. But there is no limit to the weight that commercial truckers will put upon them unless severely restrained. The fact that oversized goods vans are a menace to the minor vehicles on the highway is something to be considered. . . .

"Our point is that to allow any commercial interest to ruin roads built with the hard-earned money of taxpayers is opposed to intelligent public policy. The railroads have had to spend multiplied millions in rebuilding their tracks and bridges to accommodate the monster locomotives of today. Are taxpayers to perform a like service for the freight truckers?"

College Boys and Girls to Read The Star

J. G. Varner came in Monday and had The Star sent to his son, Weldon, who is a student at Texas Tech. Mrs. E. B. Mullican sends it to her daughter, Miss Catherine, who is a student in the State University, Misses Ruth and Elizabeth Boren, also at the State University. Miss Emogene Orr at Trinity University, and Jodie Crutchfield at A & M College, will receive weekly visits from The Star.

The Secretary: "A gentleman has called for an interview. He wishes you to tell him the secret of your wonderful success in life, sir." Millionaire: "Hm! Is he a journalist or a detective?"

Four Texas Bus Lines Merged

The largest bus transportation transaction ever made in Texas has just been announced by the Southland Greyhound Lines. This concern, formerly known as the Southland-Red Ball Motorbus Company, composed of the same officials and owners, has just purchased a network of lines over Texas for a cash consideration of \$1,150,000 will begin the immediate improvement of service and replacement of equipment at an expenditure of \$1,000,000, according to officials.

A total of 2,000 miles of lines are now controlled by this organization, and this does not include options. A total of 200 coaches, carrying from 7 to 34 passengers each, will operate over present and newly purchase lines.

There will be no immediate change in schedules.

Headquarters offices for the maintained in the new Union Bus Terminal in San Antonio. The lines, radiating from San Antonio, serve all principal population and school centers of the state. Principal cities served in addition to San Antonio, serve all principal cities served in addition to San Antonio include Dallas, Ft. Worth, Waco, Austin, Houston, Corpus Christi, Beaumont and El Paso.

Newly purchased lines include Dallas and Ft. Worth to Lamesa via Weatherford, Mineral Wells, Breckenridge; Dallas and Ft. Worth to El Paso via Weatherford, Mineral Wells, Ranger, Eastland, Cisco Abilene, Sweetwater, Big Spring and Pecos; Dallas and Ft. Worth to San Angelo via Cisco.

San Antonio to Corpus Christi. This line is being operated by contract carriers and the Southland will operate it directly beginning about April 1 of 1930.

Other important lines include San Antonio to Houston via Seguin, Gonzales, Weald, Schulenberg, Columbus and Rosenberg; thence to Beaumont, Orange and Lake Charles, La. From Houston the lines run north to Hemstead, Navasota and Bryan. Another line is from San Antonio to Victoria, via Nixon and Cuero.

Officials of the Southland Greyhound Lines, same as of the Southland-Red Ball, namely E. C. Ekstrom, president and general manager; R. E. Ekstrom, secretary and treasurer; Guy J. Shields, assistant general manager; Walter Ring, operating manager; R. C. Bowen, formerly owner of South Texas Coaches and interested in other properties purchased by the Southland, will assist officials in operation of the lines until the reorganization is completed. M. S. Wren, is traffic manager; Alex Ekstrom, assistant traffic manager; A. E. Miller, manager of safety and welfare department; B. G. Tyler, comptroller.

The Southland Greyhound Lines maintain one of the largest motor coach service, storage and repair garages in the United States in San Antonio, the structure, recently completed, having 20,000 square feet of floor space.

As a direct result of the large transaction Ft Worth and Houston will receive new Union Bus Terminals. Plans are practically completed for consolidation of present bus terminals into a Union Terminal in Dallas, officials of the Southland announce.

V. P. EMMONS GOES TO JUNCTION AS MANAGER

V. P. Emmons of the Abilene sales department, has been transferred to District "G" where he becomes local manager of the Junction office. Mr. Emmons has been with the company three and a half years during which time he was employed both in the economic department and general offices at Abilene.

Mr. Emmons replaces Mr. W. B. May who is transferred to Mason where he will assume the local managership.—West Texas Utility News.

Vernon Emmons is a former Baird boy, and a nephew of Uncle T. Emmons.

Baird to Have Princess at The Opening Of Coleman Fair

At a meeting last night of the Board of Directors of the chamber of commerce it was decided that Baird would be officially represented at the Coleman County Fair which opens Oct. 16th, and a committee was appointed to select a Princess to be presented at the Queen's Court on that occasion. Another committee was appointed to select two delegates for the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Convention at El Paso which meets Oct. 24-25-26. The rules of the convention this year allow one delegate for each ten members, or fraction of ten, held in the West Texas Chamber of Commerce and Baird will have two votes.

The work of improving the street to the school houses was discussed and the committee instructed to proceed with the work as soon as sufficient funds could be raised. The Highway Committee reported that numerous requests had been received suggesting the calling of the County wide bond election as soon as possible. Many people believe that in addition to the obtaining a system of first class roads it will be of considerable help to the county this winter as between \$150,000.00 and \$250,000.00 would be spent for building lateral roads which would be built under the supervision of the commissioners of the county and would furnish considerable work to local people throughout the county.

Although Baird does not have an airport the citizens in general are air-minded" an din order to assist as much as possible the flyers who pass over our town, the Chamber of Commerce is to place a large sign on top of the new court house which will identify our little city to those who travel by air.

The sign will be the word BAIRD with arrow pointing North and will be painted in yellow letters on a black background. The letters will be twenty feet high.

JUNIOR CLASS ORGANIZE

The Junior Class of Baird High School, met on Wednesday last week and elected the following officers:

Carmen Haley, president; Dorothy Halsted, vice-pres.; Cliff Johnson, sec.-treas.; Harold, Haley, reporter; Helen Settle, poet Miss Inman, chaperon.

The following is the personal of the class:

Billie Henry, Rupert Jackson, Cliff Johnson, Her-shall Phillips, Mable Redding, Tom B. Smartt, Russell Warren, Bessie Smith, Reaves Hickman, Lucille Jones, Aileen Newton, Jesse Rutledge, Helen Settle, Harold Starr, Pauline Woods, Willis Cooke, Walter Cooper, Weldon Black, Burton Roberts, Jesse Evans, Carmen Haley, Harold Haley, Thelma Evans, Julia Cooke, Lowell Boyd, Howard Davis, Mary Elizabeth Fetterly, Dorothy Halsted, Roland Hall.

J. R. Jones, Former Commissioner, dies

J. R. Jones of the Atwell community, died in Brownwood on Thursday night, September 6th, after an illness extending through several years. "Uncle Dunc" as he was affectionately called by his friends throughout the entire country at an early date, settling near Atwell, where he has lived for the past forty years until about four years ago he moved to Brownwood, seeking medical aid, where he passed away. Mr. Jones was a consistent member of the Baptist church, a member of the Masonic and Odd-fellow lodges. He is county commissioner for a number of years in this county and was very progressive in his views, always for anything and everything for the welfare of the county. He will be greatly missed in the general activities of the county and community in which he lived.—Putnam News.

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Jones & Conner demonstrate their interest in the upbuilding of Baird and vicinity by taking on the exclusive distribution of RED CHAIN Stock and Poultry Feeds in this territory.

Thus Jones & Conner and UNIVERSAL MILLS now join hands to cooperate with livestock raisers and poultrymen of this vicinity in establishing more efficient management and feeding of their flocks and herds. This will mean larger profits to feeders and increased prosperity for the entire community.

RED CHAIN Feeds are made in a big modern mill at Fort Worth which SPECIALIZES in the production of the very highest quality feeds for livestock and poultry. Have any bag analyzed and you will look in vain for cheap "fillers." Every ingredient in RED CHAIN Feeds is carefully selected for its nutritional value; and all ingredients are thoroughly inspected and tested for quality and purity.

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RED CHAIN SERVICE

Through Jones & Conner livestock and poultry raisers can obtain information and expert advice on any problem. You may obtain carefully prepared literature, for the asking; if you have some special problem, the experts in the Livestock and Poultry Service Department of Universal Mills will answer your letters on the subject—and will be glad to visit and work with you when they are in this vicinity. RED CHAIN Service is FREE. Call your RED CHAIN Dealer—ask him about it—he will be glad to help you.

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Red Chain Chick Starter
(WITH DEHYDRATED ORANGE PEEL
AND PULP, BUTTERMILK and BONE)
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Red Chain Chick Scratch
Red Chain Growing Mash
(WITH DEHYDRATED ORANGE PEEL
AND PULP, BUTTERMILK and BONE)
Red Chain Growing Scratch

Red Chain Egg Mash
(WITH DEHYDRATED ORANGE PEEL
AND PULP, BUTTERMILK and BONE)
Red Chain Hen Scratch
Red Chain Chicken Fatner
Red Chain Super Fat
Red Chain Pigeon Feed
Red Chain Dairy Ration (24%)
Red Chain Ful Flo (20%)

Red Chain Moful
(Supplementary Dairy Feed)
Red Chain Calf Feed
Red Chain Alcomo
(Horse Feed)
Red Chain Beef Ration
Red Chain Pig Feed
Red Chain Wa-Mo
(Pig Supplement)
Red Chain Lamb and Sheep Feed

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Did You Ever Stop To Think?

By Edson R. Waite, Shawnee, Okla.

G. C. Jones, editor of the Daily Courier of the Oranges (N. J.), says:

THAT home buying is so much more fun. One goes out with one's money in one's pocket bent on getting the thing one wants. One walks into a store and meets a courteous salesman who wants to please us. And all the while we have a friendly little chat about things we are both interested in. If he hasn't just what we want, we go across the street to another store, and there go through much the same pleasant experience.

When I reach home I find I have acquired two things: The article I wanted and a friendly interest in the affairs of my neighbors, the storekeepers. And in addition, I am reasonably sure that they have some such interest in me. Nor am I sure which is the most important, to have had the pleasure of spending my own money for what I wanted right in town, or to have had my little local horizon broadened to include a bit

more of the community.

The odd part is that I find Mrs. Jones has exactly the same reactions. "Why," say both of us, should we go miles and miles and miles to the big city to buy the same standard brands that we can get for the same price much more comfortably from nice people at home who are as much a part of this community as we are? These people own property, pay taxes, employ help, support our welfare work and our lodges and churches and civic societies, are members of the chamber of commerce and are always seeking to boost our community. Why, then, should we mail a check to a mail order house for something we can't see till we get it, when our own friends can hand us just what we want when we want it? Or why should we spend so much time and money to the big city?

The answer is, we buy at home from our own neighbors, and its lots more fun!

Desirable Immigrant

The first chrysanthemums were imported from China into England in 1790, and soon made their way to other parts of the world.

A Lesson

A day begun with hope should end with achievement.

DO YOU HAVE TALENT?

The third annual Atwater Kent Audition will begin with local contests, in the various cities of each State. The preliminary contests, are to be completed by the last day of September, and that of the Abilene territory will be held in the Crystal Ballroom of the Hilton Hotel, beginning at four o'clock, Sunday afternoon, September 29, 1929.

These Auditions are for the purpose of discovering and developing vocal talent throughout the country. The winners are given the opportunity for further vocal instruction at the expense of the Atwater Kent Foundation, as well as receiving increased financial rewards. Any non-professional singer between the ages of eighteen and twenty-five years who has ambition to become a trained singer, is eligible, and urged to enter the contest. Voices are judged according to quality only and not training.

Those interested may communicate with Mrs. Ellis Deuthit, Hilton Hotel, Abilene, Texas, chairman of the Abilene District Audition. Mrs. Deuthit will gladly furnish application blanks and give any further information concerning the contest.

AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday was another good day with us. We have had 15 additions to our church since the Winsett meeting closed. Our work is going right along. We invite all, and especially those who have recently moved to Baird, and others who are Baptist and who have not yet taken membership with us, to come and be with us. You need a church home and we ask you to come and make our church that church home.

Our Sunday school meets at 10 o'clock and Judge B. L. Russell is our efficient superintendent. You will enjoy being with us.

Our women meet in their work Mondays at 3 p.m. Mrs. H. F. Foy is the splendid president and all the sisters will find a soulful group to work with.

Our Juniors and Seniors meet in their Unions at 7 p.m. Sundays. We invite all the young people and children to come into these meetings.

Our preaching services at 11 a.m. and 7:45 p.m. are occasions when the old gospel is preached and sinners are called to turn from sin and take up the "straight and narrow way." Our mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:45 p.m. are soul feasts to all who come.

You are invited and urged to

attend all these services if you will and we will show you that we are glad you are here, come try us.

BAIRD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

S. F. McCafferty, Pastor

All the regular services held Sunday Sept. 25, and the week following.

Sept. 25 is Rally Day in the Sunday school and every one is urged to be present with a new pupil or visitor. It would be a fine thing for the Home Department to be present. You are urged to be present if you possibly can, we trust you. Also the parents—all of them—of the Cradle Roll are urged to bring the babies to Sunday school if possible. It will be promotion day for all intitled to it. Let every one come and assist in this day program and worship. The offering goes to the work of Sunday school missions. We have 5 S. S. Missionaries in Texas Synod.

The morning sermon will be on "The Flag We Are fighting under" and the evening subject will be "Our Own Church."

All are cordially invited to worship with us.

GRAND CANYON TO DISAPPEAR

Scientist Says That Erosion Is Tearing Down Its Great Walls.

Los Angeles.—People who have never viewed the wonders of the Grand Canyon of the Colorado are urged to do so without delay. For Dr. William Morris Davis, emeritus professor of geology of Harvard University, in a lecture at the University of California at Los Angeles declares that the Grand Canyon is disappearing so rapidly that it will be only a few more million years until the deep chasm will have entirely vanished, together with the high plateau for a hundred or so miles on either side of it.

The Boulder dam will not be to blame for this vast effacement of one of the true wonders of the world. Doctor Davis did not even mention the Boulder dam in his lecture. Geologists say, however, that the Boulder dam might delay for a year or two the destruction of this wonderful specimen of nature's handiwork. But this cannot be foretold with any degree of accuracy for another several thousand years.

Fifth of Great Canyons. Moreover, Doctor Davis stated that the present Grand Canyon is the fifth wonder of the kind constructed by the forces of nature in that general neighborhood. The other four have all been destroyed by the same forces of nature, and the fifth, now at about the zenith of its glory, is doomed to go the way of its four predecessors.

The method of destruction of this canyon, as well as that of its predecessors, is quite easy to determine, he stated, but some features of the formation remain a mystery. In his explanation he said in part:

"The Grand Canyon of the Colorado is one of the true great wonders of the world. Few people who go there have any idea of what they will see. A visitor immediately wonders, upon his first view of the canyon, what enormous world disturbance could have happened to open this great 'crack.' But study will reveal that it was not a crack. It is opened into a V shape but the walls and formations on either side quickly dispute that it has been formed by the stone being cracked apart.

"The Colorado river has builded the Grand Canyon. It is purely the work of the river, cutting away continually through thousands of millions of years, that has caused it. The V shape we now see is largely the work of erosion. The action of the elements on these sturdy walls is gradually flattening them out. The river cannot cut much deeper for it will approach sea level, but the work of erosion will go on until those plateaus now rising in many places to a height of 5,000 feet, will disappear for a 100 miles on either side of the river.

Plateaus Are Mystery. "It is an enormous task thus far accomplished over a period of many millions of years. But really, it is only a beginning.

"I refer to this vast period of time required to build and destroy the canyon as a 'cycle of erosion.' There is evidence to support the theory that five such cycles have passed during the life of the world. Judging by the past, we can allow our imagination much latitude in guessing the future duration of the world."

"The throwing up of the high plateau is the mystery unsolved by geologists, stated Doctor Davis. After the plateau is once thrown up, the river cuts the canyon, then, joined by the forces of erosion, it eats away the entire plateau. Five such plateaus have been builded he stated, and four of them have disappeared. The fifth is now becoming the prey of the elements.

Monkey Husks Corn

Kirksville, Mo.—A fortune awaits the man who will train monkeys as corn huskers and sell them to Iowa farmers, two Kirksville police officers believe. Called to the home of Bob Wilbur, Roy Pierce and Hugh Warden found a neighbor's pet monkey in the Wilbur corn patch. Astonished, they saw the monkey seize cornstalks, break them with ease, husk and shuck with speed that would put a champion corn husker to shame.

Viking Grave Found

Oslo.—While digging in his garden, an infantry officer in the district of Asker struck metal. He unearthed what proved to be a Viking grave of the early Tenth century. It contained a large sword.

4,000 Wild Horses

Make Food for Foxes

Washington.—According to a report from Trade Commissioner J. Bartlett Richards of Winnipeg, foxes in Canada are getting even with horses, which have been used for centuries to chase them. Richards says wild horses are being slaughtered and the meat fed to foxes.

The first consignment of 400 horses arrived at Winnipeg, Mr. Richards reported recently, and the animals are being killed at the rate of fifty a day. More than 4,000 horses have been contracted for by fox fur farms. The prices run from \$20 to \$25. These horses come from the hill country about Alberta. A fox skin, when made into a neckpiece, may bring \$1,000 or even more.

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Term of Reproach

The expression, Indian gift, is applied to anything reclaimed after being given. An Indian giver is one who makes such a gift. It refers to the fact that an Indian, according to a common belief, when he gives anything away expects to receive an equivalent or to have his gift returned. The term "Indian giver" is applied especially to a child who wishes something back after he has given it away.

Egyptian Metropolis

Cairo, with a population of about 800,000, is the largest city in Africa.

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MICHIGAN SETS ASIDE TWO FORESTS FOR FIRE TESTS

Explosives, Gas and Other Flame-Fighting Methods Will Be Tried Out.

Lansing, Mich.—In two gigantic laboratories, one of them containing 2,700 acres and the other 1,400 acres, the state of Michigan and the federal government will learn how to combat the red menace of forest fires.

Fire-fighting apparatus and methods will be tried out under conditions as nearly as possible duplicating reality; weather conditions will be recorded, explosives and gas will be given trials and new methods of "back firing" under varying conditions will be tested.

When the work is completed—probably in two or three years—long strides will have been made towards curbing timber losses due to fire. H. J. Andrews, head of Michigan's fire fighting forces, is confident.

"When we have completed our work," the warden said, "we will have burned over about one-third of the area which was set aside for the purpose by the conservation commission. Our work this fall will be the division of the land and timber into lots. We shall probably work in units of two, burning one block of timber and saving the other adjacent to it for comparison. We will also burn similar pieces of timber at different times of the year to compare damage and regrowth."

Assistance of the federal government was assured the project through the interest of Crosby A. Hoar, district forest inspector at Duluth, who promised that if the state of Michigan would set aside the land his department would furnish technical help and equipment. The cost of the work, it is estimated, will be less than \$5,000 to be divided between the state and federal service.

Forest fires in Michigan, while they have not been completely stamped out, have been cut down appreciably in recent years, Andrews reports, and his report for 1929 may show the smallest loss on record.

Careless cigarette smokers still are blamed for more forest fires in the state than any other cause. Last year they were responsible for 324 fires, the others being blamed as follows: land clearing, 190; campers, 22; railroads, 178; incendiary, 37; unknown cause, 72.

Nurse Robbed by Her Fiance, Once Patient

Denver, Colo.—Romance came into the life of Marie Styer, nurse at the National Jewish hospital here and then with the same startling fleetness—fled out the front door of the little apartment which was to be her home, and at a cost of \$1,000.

Miss Styer had recently met Benjamin Mandel, a patient at the hospital. They wanted to get married, but Mandel had no money. So Miss Styer sold a bond for \$1,000. She would loan it to her sweetheart to be paid back at his convenience. He gave her a \$10,000 insurance policy for security.

After selling the bond Miss Styer and Mandel went to the apartment. She placed the \$1,000 in her trunk along with the insurance policy.

They were to be married that evening. "You'd better go out and get your hair marcelled for the wedding," he suggested.

She left the apartment and was gone about two hours. When she came back she found this note: "I have gone out to get my hair cut."

He took along for safekeeping the \$1,000 and the insurance policy—and he hasn't yet returned from his hair cut.

Old Inscription Is Found on a Boulder

Anabel, Mo.—Amateur scientists and historians are speculating over the meaning of some figures on a boulder on Joe Long's farm south of here. Long had known the boulder was there all the time, but the protracted heavy rains in the spring washed off the face of it, and some of the figures and letters were easily made out by W. L. Magruder, vocational agricultural instructor, who came over to examine the stone. Magruder made out the Roman numerals, MDCXLIV—1644. Below that, in Arabic, are the figures, 1732.

Magruder pointed out that if those were dates they covered the period of active French exploration in this country. If they are to date the birth of some man the Roman numerals are fairly contemporaneous with the birth of LaSalle, 1643, Hennepin, 1640, and Marquette, 1637. The activities of these explorers in America were in the latter part of the Seventeenth century.

Bantam Rooster Cares for Little Turkeys

Wellington, Ohio.—"Mike" the bantam rooster on the Robert Hemphill farm, is raising a family of young turkeys.

Another hen hatched the turkey eggs early in the spring, but after the turkeys were about five weeks old she disowned them. "Mike" was engaged, and he promptly took over the care of the orphans.

The turkeys are now about three times as large as their kind foster-parent, but "Mike" still hovers over them at night with an authoritative aim.

Interests Dentists.

Cedar Rapids, Ia.—Every dentist in town is interested in the mouth of Katherine Lorraine Hodge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Hodge of this city. Katherine is three weeks old and her mouth contains four tiny teeth.

Can Overdo Exercise

One's health may be affected by overdoing exercise as well as by not exercising sufficiently. In the former case fatigue substances are formed which are not eliminated properly because they accumulate too fast.

Useful Emery

Emery is a mineral. It is a common dark granular variety of corundum, containing more or less magnetite or hematite. On account of its great hardness, it is used in the form of powder, grains or larger masses for grinding and polishing.

All's Fair

Lying has always been accounted a legitimate weapon in war and politics.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Niagara Outclassed

The Marquesas islands which lie east of Samoa are rich with natural beauty. There are beautiful bays walled in by lofty cliffs. The slopes are covered with noble growths and the valleys are beautiful in their fertility. On the island of Nuku Hiva there is a stream of water which falls a distance seven times greater than that of Niagara falls.

That's Evolution

When christened she was named Mary. As she grew up she became May. When she began to shine socially she signed her name "Mae." Some years later she married, and now she is just "Ma."

One Point of View

All wants, beyond those which a very moderate income will supply, are purely imaginary.

Childish Progress

Starting at infancy, a child's community is his mother. After the age of two, other children form his community. At six the real imaginative age of a child is shaped. From then on the child needs guidance at his games at all times. As the child grows to the teen age he forms companions and makes his community. The father has as great a responsibility in making a fine community for the child as the mother has.—Dr. Joseph Lee.

First Illustrated Book

The "Biblia Pauperum" was published between 1430 and 1450. It was a small work of some 14 pages illustrated with wood cuts and so called because it was for the poor preachers who could not afford to own a copy of the Bible. It can be seen at the British museum.

Bravery Approved

There's a brave fellow! There's a man of pluck! A man who's not afraid to say his say, though a whole town's against him.—Longfellow.

Mouse Brought Death

Frightened at a mouse, Mrs. John Shillan stepped back into a threshing mill at Garlestone, Scotland, recently, and was killed.

NOTICE OF BANKRUPT'S PETITION FOR DISCHARGE

In the District Court of the United States for the Northern District of Texas.

In the matter of William Ritter Hamlin, Bankrupt, No. 1308 in Bankruptcy.

OFFICE OF REFEREE
Abilene, Texas, September 20th, 1929.

Notice is hereby given that William Ritter Hamlin, of the County of Callahan, and district aforesaid, did, on the 19th day of September, 1929, file in the Clerk's office of said Court, at Abilene, a petition setting up that he has been heretofore duly adjudged a bankrupt under the act of Congress approved July 1, 1898; that he has duly surrendered all his property and rights of property, and has fully complied with all the requirements of said acts and of the orders of the Court touching his bankruptcy, and praying for a full discharge from all debts provable against his estate in bankruptcy, save such debts as are excepted by law from such discharge.

On considering the above mentioned petition, it is ordered that any creditor who has proved his claim, and other parties in interest, if they desire to oppose the discharge prayed for in said petition, shall, on or before the 30th day of October 1929, file with the Referee for the Abilene Division of said district, a notice in writing of their opposition to a discharge in the above entitled cause.

D. M. Oldham, Jr.
Referee in Bankruptcy.

Not Always Derogatory

The word "mugwump" is derived from the Algonquin Indian. It meant "a great man."

French Cooks Are Economical And Possess No Power Of Legerdemain

By: CHARLES SCOTTO, Chef, Ambassador Hotel, Park Avenue, New York City.

FRENCH cooking has a magical sound in the ears of most American women, but there is, in reality, nothing magical about it. The French cook possesses neither the power of legerdemain, nor special ability that is beyond the reach of any woman of ordinary intelligence who is willing to admit that cooking is an art worthy of both care and study.

Nor is French cooking a strain upon the pocket-book. The French are among the thriftest people in the world, and their cooks share the national characteristic. Out-of-season delicacies seldom appear in the French household. The French housewife concentrates upon achieving the best possible results with what the market can supply at reasonable prices, and her only magic lies in her ability to do this to perfection.

In her use of vegetables for a wide variety of tempting salads, the French cook reaches one of her highest peaks of achievement. To reach a like peak of excellence it is necessary to take great care that the principal qualities of every salad—flavor, crispness and freshness—are not destroyed. With few exceptions, salads should be served very cold, and all greens should be well dried before serving. A little sugar, in the dressing or added to the vegetable ingredients while cooking, accentuates the flavors.

Asparagus Salad—Cook the asparagus in salted water. The dressing consists of one-half teaspoon salt, a quarter teaspoon pepper, a half teaspoon sugar, a quarter teaspoon onion juice, one tablespoon vinegar, and five tablespoons olive oil. Mix and beat until thick and white. Keep the asparagus in the refrigerator until ready to serve. When arrange the stalks on salad plates and serve the dressing in a sauceboat.

Frozen Tomato Salad—Peel and cut into fairly small pieces two cups of ripe tomatoes. Add two cloves, two peppercorns, two tablespoons sugar, one teaspoon salt, one-quarter teaspoon celery salt, one sliced onion, a few grains of parsley, and two tablespoons vinegar. Boil for ten minutes, then press through a sieve. Freeze to a mush. Beat a half cup of cream until stiff and add to the mush. Then complete freezing. Serve on crisp, thoroughly dried lettuce leaves with mayonnaise dressing.

Vegetable Salad Melange—Cook one cup of shredded string beans until tender in boiling, salted water, with one-half teaspoon of sugar. Do the same with one cup of shelled peas. Mix the peas and beans with one cup of shredded cucumber and one-half cup of thinly sliced radishes. Add French dressing and let stand a half hour. Meanwhile, hard-boil six eggs, halve, then, and cut off the ends so that they will stand upright. Arrange the halves of the eggs on salad plates. Arrange crisp lettuce leaves around each egg half, and place some of the vegetable mixture on the leaves. Serve very cold with mayonnaise.



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CRACKERS	Saltines, 15c seller	10c
COFFEE	Brazos, 3 lb can	\$1.39
SHORTS	100 lb sack	\$1.89
BRAN	100 lb Sack	\$1.70
HEN SCRATCH	100 lb sack	\$2.69
HEN MASH	100 lb sack	\$3.15
DAIRY FEED	Best Grade	\$2.69
JELLY	Pure Grape, Armor's Veribest, 16 oz. glass	27c
SPINACH	S&S, No. 2 can	11c
CORN	Tender and Sweet, No. 2 can	11c
BREAD	All standard size loaves, per loaf	7c
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COFFEE	Ready Money in 3 lb zinc bucket	\$1.29
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STRING BEANS	Per lb	9c
PEACHES	Nature Made, No. 1 can, each	10c
EGG PRODUCER	Martin's 50c Seller	25c
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**A PRINCESS OF TEXAS
PASSES AWAY**

Celisia, Princess of the Alabama Indians, is dead, the Livingston Enterprise informs us. She had another name among her own people, but to the white neighbors she was known as Celisia. Her father was Co-La-Be, and it is in the history of the Alabamas that he was among the chiefs who went to Austin in 1822 to make a treaty with Gov. Sam Houston whereby the Alabamas were confirmed in the occupation of the land they hold to this day.

Celisia remembered Sam Houston, and well she might, for he saved her people, two coins which the great white brother gave to her as a little girl she kept until the day of her death. She took the same pride in guarding them that the Alabamas have maintained in keeping faith with the people of Sam Houston through all the years. Celisia, we are told, was skilled in working with beads and in the weaving of baskets. Her name was widely known, and many came to her because she was wise in the herbs that the red man uses for healing. When at last illness came to her it dealt with her gently, and after four days she closed her eyes and joined the company of them that have gone on before.

One hundred and seven years old she was, this Princess and matriarch of Texas. May she find in the Happy Hunting Ground of her race a goody wickup in the midst of lush grass hard by the banks of an everlasting stream. Texas can wish her no less, for among those who have had a part in the making of this land we call ours, Celisia and her fathers had their place, and none more truly so than they.—Dallas News.

CHILDHOOD GEMS

One of the first "thrillers" of my youth was a story, wherein a boy of about my own size killed a ferocious giant with a small round pebble hurled from his sling. This giant was a double-eyed villain, and, needed killing. The boy became a king, and a hero; his name is, even yet, among the best known of earth. . . . My mother told me this story first; and, she assured me of its absolute truth, I have never questioned it to this day. She told me God was with young David; that I must keep Mim with me, so that giants could not harm me.

Another favorite was the story of an American boy, who thoughtlessly hacked down his father's prize cherry-tree; it, too, will stay with me always—just as true as when my mother read it to me. Its wonderful moral lesson, fore potent for good than most of modern teaching—"I cannot tell a lie!" O liar is just a thief in other dress—and more to be despised. You can unlock against the thief, not the r.

Those dear old books! There were only about four of them; we read them over and over again, committing much of their content to memory. One had to be careful handling them; many a time I

washed my hands before being entrusted with the treasured volumes.

Now comes the—what shall I call him? Critic? Modernish?—who tells the world those stories are false! I do not know what he expects to gain by such allegations. Certainly he cannot make the world better with such heresy, for it is nothing else! I could excuse a political muck-raker, but not the inspiring ideals which my dear mother implanted within me to stay. I am writing just as I feel: If more of our boys were fortified against lying—if more of them were given practical illustrations of God's power, we might have a more law-abiding people for our future. Shame on the defamer of ideals.—Dr. John Joseph Gaines in "Heart to Heart Talk."

Sunset Musings

By J. Marvin Nichols.

The wings of slander are borrowed from demons.

Anger is the welding of all the baser passions.

Unrequited love—the fang that tears deepest in the human heart.

When a man seeks good he has not far to go; it is already within his reach.

Cheerfulness is a coinage good in any realm, and will pass at par in every land.

The world will immortalize the dreamer who invents an airship that will lift us above our troubles.

That man who willfully neglects his own, or that woman who deliberately refuses the crown of motherhood—these are the shoals upon which the American home is sure to wreck. It has never failed. It cannot fail.

The mystery of the great soul is to be found in that dramatic crisis—the moment when the action of brain and heart would be a torment to the common rabble.

There are some things money cannot buy. It won't buy the rich afterglow that comes to him whose life sun is going down in glory behind the western hills.

We detest negative characters—these silent figures in a restless, bustling world. We despise the sort that are content with the mummy life. Somehow we like the fellow who does something, and does it wrong, far more than we do the fellow who does nothing for fear he will do that something wrong. Start something! There's tonic in a dare. Scare somebody—antagonize something. Only the dead keep quiet. They are very quiet.

Texas and Texans

By WILL H. MAYES

State Bond Issue

The American Automobile Association announces from Washington that Texans will vote on a \$225,000,000 road bond issue this year. If the association is not more reliable in other matters than in that announcement it should retire from business. Texas is not rushing headlong into any bond issues either this year or next year, and before the huge road bond issue is submitted by the legislature and favorably voted on there will have to be a wonderful change in public sentiment throughout the State.

Opposition Outspoken

Those who are pushing the State bond issue for roads should get out among the people who do most of the voting. They are not having much to say in the press, but most Texans would as soon vote for dividing the State as for issuing bonds that will pledge its credit for years to come.

Fred B. Robinson of Waco, who is being solicited to run for governor, says this will be an issue in the race, and that if he runs he will oppose the bonds in the interest of the people. Should the matter be pushed, candidates for the legislature in every county in Texas will find it an issue in their campaigns.

Automobile Business Increases

Figures compiled by the State Highway Department show that sales of new automobiles during the first seven months of the year increased 45 per cent over a corresponding period of last year. An interesting feature of the figures is that the increase was larger in rural districts than in the cities.

Automobiles can't be bought without money, and the large increase in sales indicates that the people of Texas are prospering.

Texas First in Oil

Texas has taken first rank in oil production of the country, with a total of 257,320,000 barrels for 1928. The total production for the entire country was 901,474,000 barrels, the Texas output being slightly more than 28 per cent. Nearly one half of the entire Texas production was in the famous West Texas pools. It is said that the oil resources of the State have hardly been touched.

The Lower Rio Grande Valley is expecting more prospects in the next few months than have ever before come into that section. It is stated that the average will probably be between 1,500 and 2,000 weekly, this being based on the activities of the leading agencies in sending their agents throughout the State from which the prospects are expected.

Cities Are Expanding

In their efforts to make showings in the next census as to population, the larger cities of Texas, especially Dallas, San Antonio and Houston, are taking in as much surrounding territory as possible. San Antonio is adding territory by the square mile, and Dallas has annexed 34 outlying districts in the last four months. Houston has already annexed about all the earth and surrounding water in its territory. Evidently these cities think that everybody wanting to locate in the place can show the greatest number of people and make the most noise.

Building For Teachers' Officers

The teachers of Texas may not have very good salaries or homes for themselves, but the board of directors of their state association has decided to erect for its officers "a cream colored, two story building of classic Italian Renaissance design," a structure that will be the pride of every teacher who visits the headquarters in Fort Worth.

Hiking Barbers' Prices

Visitors to Dallas are advised to get hair trims and shaves before leaving home, and also to pack safety razors in their grips. Nearly 100 barber shops in that city have raised prices to 35 cents for shaves and 65 cents for hair trims. It is explained that the raise is not the work of an association, but that the barbers had discovered for themselves that they were not making enough money.

Uvalde City Hall

Uvalde is to have a modern city hall, in which there will be room for a public library and for club rooms of local organizations. That city has paid \$200,000 for its water-works plant and improvements thereon. All this without raising the tax rate, which is \$1.30. Evidently Uvalde has some financiers in its council who are as public spirited as they are economical in the administration of city affairs.

Menard Airport

Menard is planning to build a combination airport, country club and golf course, through a corporation organized with \$50,000 capital stock. Menard is showing its progressive spirit in this movement. While airplane transportation may as yet be a bit hazardous, it will be so common in the near future that every town that wants visitors will have to have an airport. The country club-golf course combination should enable the corporation to be self sustaining.

Laredo Onion Figures

Laredo onion growers have secured Bermuda onion seed to plant about 4,000 to 5,000 acres in onions this fall. The Laredo onion district includes Webb, LaSalle, Frio and Dimmitt counties. With a favorable growing season, about 1,750 to 2,000 car loads of onions should be marketed next spring. It is hard for people anywhere else than in the Laredo section to think of that many onions, but it is easy for that district to grow them.

Wants City Plan

Mount Pleasant isn't a large city as cities are now counted, but Mount Pleasant wants to grow in the right way, so the chamber of

commerce has requested the city council to employ a city planner to prepare a comprehensive city plan, in view of the fact that about \$75,000 are to be spent soon in city improvements.

Melons at Weatherford

In addition to the largest truck shipments ever made, Weatherford has shipped more than 500 cars of watermelons during the season now closing. Prices ranged all the way from \$150 to \$40 a car, and the melon growers have made money. Not all of them did as well, but some realized from \$200 to \$300 an acre.

Weatherford is also shipping large quantities of cantaloupes and tomatoes, but the city will, at least for a long time, be most famed for its watermelons.

Jasper Diversification

Jasper county is getting away from the one-crop system of farming. A successful campaign has been made to secure the planting of a large acreage in grain as an initial step to making the town of Jasper a dairying center. It is now proposed to put in a large tomato crop next spring on land that has been in grain and grazed during the winter. Jasper county tomatoes mature about two weeks ahead Jacksonville crop and should find a ready market.

Some Cucumber Crop

The Powderly community in Lamar county has grown about 125 acres of cucumbers this season, from which 10,000 bushels were sold. One grower cleared \$380 from two acres. The success with this year's crop will likely result in a larger acreage next season. The cucumbers are sold on contract before the seed are bought.

Brownwood Water Supply

During the long drought, recently ended, Brownwood had to take unusual precaution to conserve its water supply, but the big water project, now well under way, will insure the city enough water even though it may grow to five times its present size, and some will be left with which to irrigate the rich valley lands with which Brownwood is surrounded.

Think On These Things

There be three things which are too wonderful for me, yea, four which I know not:

The way of an eagle in the air; the way of a serpent upon a rock; the way of a ship in the midst of the sea; and the way of a man with a maid.—Proverbs.

The East Texas tomato crop yielded producers from \$400 to \$600 an acre with total shipments falling little short of 3,000 cars against 2,836 in 1928.

An aggressive campaign to attract colonists to East Texas from the States of the South and Southeast is planned by East Texas Chambers of Commerce, more than 50 of which were represented at a meeting at Nacogdoches recently for the purpose of organization. It is proposed to make agricultural exhibits of East Texas products at State and county fairs in Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee, Georgia, and the Carolinas this fall, under supervision of the East Texas Chamber of Commerce.

FOR SUNDAY DINNERS

Try our Silver Slice Cake in the following flavor: Orange, pineapple, cherry, maple nut and coconut. They are fresh, because we make them here. City Bakery

**HORNS OF FAMOUS BELL
STEER OF JA HERD DISPLAYED IN MUSEUM**

The horns of the longhorn steer, Old Blue, the famous bell steer that led so many JA herds north to Dodge City, Kansas, have come to rest in the museum of the historical society at Canyon, thru the loan of the executors of the Adair estate, T. D. Hobart of Pampa and Henry C. Coke of Dallas.

For years they have hung above the door of Clinton Henry's office, the present manager of the ranch.

Old Blue was born in the Uueces country of Texas. He was brought to the Panhandle as a young steer and was selected by Colonel Goodnight as a lead steer. Every night upon the trail, the bell which had rattled around his neck all day long, guiding the steers that followed him, was muffled. The clapper was released by a cowboy of a morning and as soon as the bell started ringing the her knew that it was time to move and set upon the trail of Old Blue.

He accommodatingly led these herds into the shipping corrals of Dodge City, but always turned back down the trail with the cowboys when they again started for the ranch. His last years were spent of usefulness which had earned him these rights.

The horns measure four feet from tip to tip.

"Do you want a divorce, Rastus?"

"Yes suh, jedge, yo' honah—Ah sho'ly does."

"What's the trouble?"

"Count of ma wife makin' an ironical remark."

"An ironical remark?"

"Yes, suh—she says: 'If you don't go to work, I'll hit you in the face wid dis flat-iron.'"

He: "Do you want to marry a one-eyed man?"

She: "No; why?"

He: "Then let me carry your umbrella."

A: "What keeps the moon from falling?"

B: "I guess it must be the beams."

Professor's Wife—Why, dear, you've got your shoes on the wrong feet.

Professor—Why, Mary, they're the only feet I've got.

Wife—"But, my dear; you've forgotten that today is my birthday."

Husband—"Er—listen, love, I know I forgot it, but there isn't a thing about you to remind me that you are a day older than you were a year ago."

Two Scotchmen were fishing, when one of them fell overboard. The drowning man came to the surface the second time, and Sandy yelled:

"Denny, if ye dinna come up the third time, kin I have the boat?"

"Turn your trouble clouds inside out and show the silver lining. People will like you better and patronize you more. More friends and more business, the two things most men are looking for and working for."

Japan has 51 active volcanoes, a greater number than any other country.

NOTICE, EVERYBODY

All persons are hereby notified to stop unloading trash on my place south of town. This is private property and no one has been given permission to unload trash, etc., on my premises. Keep out, Mrs. Murry Harris, 43-1t

Bip Removal Sale on everything in our store will close, Monday night, Sept. 30. Buy while you can save money. Baird Drug Co.

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How Come?

Why is it that the boys win a great majority of debates with girls in high school and invariably lose their skill after marriage?—Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

WHY SAVE?

Why not spend it while you have it? The answers are to be found in the personal histories of the folk who succeed and those who fail. Monied men almost without exception have built the nucleus of their fortunes by steadily feeding a savings account. And it is a safe bet that Mr. Down-and-outer isn't the sort who saved when he was earning. Yes, save!

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ABOUT YOUR FRIENDS

Please Phone News Items To Number 8

Editor Butler, of the Clyde Enterprise, was a Baird visitor Wednesday.

Rev. Cal C. Wright is visiting his father and sister, at Spur this week.

Mrs. G. L. Albin is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Richard Paschal, in Fort Worth, this week.

Mrs. W. G. Bowlus and Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Rice, made a trip to Santa Anna Wednesday.

Mrs. Gorden I. Phillips, of Big Spring is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. B. Cutbirth, this week.

Russell and Julian Harris, of Big Spring, spent the week-end with their cousin, Sam Driskill, returning home Sunday night.

Miss Ella Louise Sheridan, is attending St. Josephs Academy, at Abilene again this year, which is her third year there.

Mrs. M. E. Moon and daughter, Miss Goldie, and Mrs. A. Horn, of Fort Worth, were Baird visitors one day this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Springer, of Eastland spent the week end with Mrs. Springer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Foy

Mrs. T. R. Price is visiting her son, George Price and family in Abilene this week, and attending the West Texas Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Presler, of Eastland, and Mrs. H. Windham, of Oplin, were in Baird Sunday enroute to Oplin.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Rice, and daughter, Miss Verna, of McLain, are visiting Mr. Rice's sister, Mrs. W. G. Bowlus, and family, this week.

Mr and Mrs. W. D. Ferguson, and little son, Donald David, of Brownsville spent the week end with Mrs. Ferguson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Boydston.

Rev. and Mrs. S. F. McCaffity, returned Tuesday evening from Waxahachie, where they accompanied their daughter, Miss Barbara, who will attend Trinity University.

Mrs. Cecil West and children, of Big Spring, are visiting Mrs. West's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Bowlus and other relatives in Baird, this week.

Mrs. Homer Walker, who recently underwent a serious operation at the Sealy Hospital, Santa Anna and who has been at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. G. Bowlus, in Baird for the past three weeks, was able to return to her home at the Cutbirth ranch, Wednesday.

Joe Prew, left Sunday evening for San Antonio, where he will be joined by his wife and son. They will visit relatives in Callahan county before they return. Mrs. E. P. Stuckler has charge of the Cafe during their absence.—Madera Valley News, Balmorhea, Texas.

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STILL LENDING
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Doctor: "Yes, I shall soon have you on your last legs now."

Patient: "Yes, I know, I'm selling the car to meet your bill."

Want Ads

SHEEP FOR SALE—500 head of Ewes and Lamb will sell eWes in small lots; See F. D. Miller; 5 miles N. Baird on Albany Road, 2-4p

FOR RENT—New furnished apartments, all conveniences. Mrs. E. M. Wristen, Phone 30. 40-if

FOR RENT—Two room apartment all conveniences, Garage, Adult only. Mrs. J. H. Terrell.

FOR RENT—The building just south of the Self Serve grocery, also the building in the rear of the Leach store. See Mrs. J. H. Terrill, Phone 112. 40-if

OATS FOR SALE—Red oats, free from Johnson grass seed. See or Phone J. P. Smedly, H. A. McGowen, Baird, Phone 243. 41-1p

LAND FOR SALE—One 10 acre tract and one 44 acre tract southwest of Clyde, good fruit and vegetable land. Some improvement on the 44 acre tract. Good easy terms. See S. D. Jobe, Clyde Texas. 4-3p

COAL-COAL; That fine big lump Niggerhead Colorado washed coal only \$11.95 at the car at Clyde. Let me know how much you want before all gone. W. Homer Shanks, Clyde, Texas. 43-2t

RESIDENCE FOR SALE—My residence in Baird; A. J. Dubberly.

WANTED TO TRADE—A new two wheel-trailer and a piano. Will trade either one for a cow, J. G. Varner, Baird. 40-6tp

APARTMENT FOR RENT—Nicely furnished; all conveniences; See or phone Mrs. Estherbell Haley. 43-1f

LOST—White face Hereford bull, yearling, branded, J-E on left hip; Strayed from J. N. Brown ranch on Bayou; \$10 reward for return of bull or information as to whereabouts; Ed Alexander, Baird Tex. 43-2t

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I had pains in my side for three years and they were so bad I could hardly stand them. My blood pressure was low and people my age know what that means, because it brings on all sorts of complications like headaches, shortness of breath and low vitality. That's not worrying me any more for my blood has been built and even though I am 52 years old, I feel fine and full of energy all the time.

"I'm through now with losing lots of time and spending lots of money on useless medicines. I know Sargon does the work and I'm not going to be without a bottle handy from now on."—H. M. Curtis, 725 Frey Ave., Fort Worth.

Not Often—Usually

A woman always hopes, often against fearful odds, that strangers who see her husband will say: "Who is that fine-looking man?"—Ohio State Journal.

Important Point

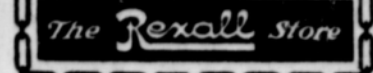
One little defect in a circular we have received telling us how we can double \$10,000 in a year is that it doesn't contain the slightest hint as to where we are to get the ten thousand.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Settlement Days

Lady day (March 25), Midsummer (June 24), Michaelmas (September 29) and Christmas are the old quarterly rent payment dates in England and were commonly used as payment dates for various types of regular income.

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CITY PHARMACY

Ease Comes as Reward

Royal Arcanum Bulletin: Soft jobs come to those who have done hard jobs well; and money is postponed dividends that come to the man who in the past earned hard money.

Too Weighty for Autos

The bureau of standards says that automobiles could be run successfully on natural gas, but the gas would have to be compressed into steel cylinders which would add considerable weight. The amount of natural gas equivalent to five gallons of gasoline would require enormous containers if it were not compressed.

Mixture of Races

What are popularly called the Finnish people are actually three divisions of a mixed race, the eastern Finns inhabiting parts of Russia and Asia exhibiting strong Mongolian traits. The western Finns appear almost entirely Caucasian with slight Tartar ancestry. The Finns of Finland show a mixture of Caucasian and Mongolian blood. All Finns are classed as white people.

Land of Beekeepers

One family in every 25 in Switzerland keeps bees. More than 300,000 hives were counted in a recent census.



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The TRAIL OF 98

A Northland Romance by Robert W. Service

ILLUSTRATIONS BY IRWIN MYERS

SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Disappointed with the quiet life in his home surroundings, Athol Meltrum, young Klondiker, man who tells the story, leaves his mother and brother, Harry, to seek his fortune. At San Francisco, practically penniless, he takes a laborer's job, and meets a fellow adventurer whom he dubs, and who is hereafter known as, the Prodigious.

CHAPTER II.—The Prodigious is anxious to join the rush of gold seekers into Alaska, and Meltrum agrees to go with him after he (the Prodigious) comes back from a visit to his wealthy father in the East. Athol, in great need, is befriended by Jim Hubbard (Salvation Jim), who when the Prodigious returns, the three men join the stampede into the Frozen North, the Prodigious and Hubbard financing the outfit.

CHAPTER III.—Among the motley crowd on the boat is a young girl obviously out of place. She is traveling with her grandfather and a hard-looking couple named Winklesstein, who behave as her uncle and aunt. Athol has an opportunity to befriend her, and she tells him a sad story of her life. She is mourning for her father, who is obsessed with the idea of getting rich in Klondike. Her name, she tells him is Berna.

CHAPTER IV.—Landing at Skagway, Athol's party at once takes the trail. In a snowslide on the Chitcot trail, Berna and her companions had taken hundreds of lives are lost. Fearful for Berna's safety, Athol hastens to the scene. He finds the girl dead, and learns that Berna is prostrated. Madam Winklesstein refuses to let him see the girl, but he leaves a letter for her, and Berna begs him to marry her to save her from the harsh fate she foresees. He is unwilling to take such a decisive step, and tells her they must wait.

CHAPTER V.—Some days afterwards Berna tells Athol Madam Winklesstein plans to sell her to "Black Jack" Locasto, millionaire miner of evil reputation. Athol, realizing how greatly he loves the girl, Meltrum, in a mixture of emotions, flinches from the idea of immediate marriage, and they agree to wait a week. Berna is fearful. Beaching the gold fields, Athol and his party find the claims all taken.

CHAPTER VI.—Athol's next adventure is to find out about Berna. Unable to locate Berna, Athol seeks information from Locasto. "Black Jack" Locasto, a knowledge of his whereabouts, and later, evidently aware of the rivalry between them, leads Meltrum to a lonely spot and hints him into unscrupulousness.

CHAPTER VII.—Athol has a lucky chance when he finds Berna. She has been rescued by a party of men, and will do before she starts to him. They go to her, but she says she has no money. Athol, hoping to buy her a shawl by the river bank.

CHAPTER VIII.—Athol's friend, the Prodigious, had a "good thing" after months of prospecting labor the "strife" in search of the fame men have won a great fortune. But the Prodigious' work had nearly killed him. Berna has watched Athol on the fatal first of June, the day set for his union with Berna. He has been conscious in the clutches of a fever.

CHAPTER IX.—Athol is in a quandary. He must leave her alone. You want me to laugh? Ha! Ha! There! Is that all right now? "No, it isn't all right. It's very far from all right, my boy." It was in the big cabin on Gold hill, and the Prodigious was addressing me. He went on: "Now, look here, kid, I'm giving you a straight line of talk. Ever since the start I've taken a strong notion to you. We've been in tight places together; we've been stacked up against hard times together; and now I'll be god-darned if I'm going to stand by and see you go down hill, while the devil does his share of the work." "That's no nice man's dream. You should be in bed. Typo! It's a serious proposition at the best, but when you take a crazy streak on top of it, make a midnight run away from the sick ward and land up on the Slide looking as if you'd been run through a thrashing machine, well, you're sure letting death get a short option on you. And you give up. You didn't want to fight. You shirked, but your youth and constitution fought for you. They were a great team, and they pulled you through. And you wouldn't see one of the best of doctors. They had no better." "If it hurts me, it hurts you."

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you took it into your head to go funny, you should have seen the way I did. Oh, sorry, why didn't you tell your uncle? Why didn't you put me wise? I could have given you the right steer. But you kept mum as a mummy. Wouldn't even tell your old pard. Now you've lost her."

"Yes, I've lost her."

"Did you ever see her after you came out of the hospital?"

"Once, once only. It was the first day. I dragged along wearily, leaning on a stick. I was thinking of her, thinking, thinking all ways. Then suddenly she was before me. She looked like a ghost, poor little thing."

"Yes, what did she say?"

"Say! She said nothing. She just looked at me. Her face was cold as ice. She looked at me as if she wanted to pity me. Then into her eyes there came a shadow of bitterness, of bitterness and despair such as might gloom the eyes of a lost soul. It unnerved me. Then she drew a great, gasping breath, and turning on her heel she was gone."

"She cut you?"

"Yes, cut me dead old fellow. And my only thought was of love for her—eternal love. But I'll never forget the look on her face as she turned away. It was as if I had lashed her with a whip. My God!"

"And you've never seen her since?"

"No, never. That was enough, wasn't it? I went back to the ward; then, in a little, I came on here. My body was living, but my heart was dead. It will never live again."

"Oh, rot! You mustn't let the thing down you like that. It's going to kill you in the end. Buck up! Be a man! If you don't care to live for yourself, live for others. Anyway, it's likely all for the best. Maybe love'll open your eyes. See how she lives openly with Locasto."

I rose and looked at him, conscious that my face was all twisted with the pain of the thought.

"Look here," I said, "never did God put the breath of life into a better girl. There's been foul play. I know that girl better than anyone in the world, and if every living being were to tell me she wasn't good I would tell them they lied. They lied, I would burn at the stake upholding that girl."

He looked at me thoughtfully.

of his, Pat Hogan. They'll be away all winter."

"What'll become of that girl of his?" asked Hewson, "the last one he's been living with? You remember she came in on the boat with us. Poor little kid! That was a good girl before he got after her."

Hewson growled like a wrathful bear, but Mervin smiled his cynical smile.

"Oh, you mean the Madonna," he said; "why she's gone on the dance halls."

"They confined to talk of other things, but I did not hear them any more. I was in a trance, and I only aroused when they rose to go."

"Better say good-by to the kid boys," said the Prodigious, "he's going to the old country tomorrow."

"No, he isn't," I answered sulky. "He's just going as far as Dawson."

He seemed and expectorated, but I didn't say a word. I would have liked to see the last of him."

Berna on the dance halls—weeds cannot convey all that this simple phrase meant to me. For two months I had been living in a dull apathy of pain, but this news galvanized me into immediate action.

For although there were many degrees of dance-hall depravity, at the best it meant a brand of ineffaceable shame. She had lived with Locasto, had been recognized as his mistress—that was bad enough; but the other—to be at the mercy of all, to be classed with the harpies that preyed on the Man with the Poke, the vampires of the gold camp. Berna—Oh, it was unspeakable! The thought maddened me.

Bidding good-by to the big cabin with my two partners looking ruefully after me, I struck off down Bonanza. All I thought of was Dawson and Berna.

I would make Berna marry me. I cared nothing for what had happened to her. I might be a pariah, an outcast for the rest of my days; at least I would save her, shield her, cherish her. The thought uplifted me, exalted me. What did it matter if physically they had wronged her? Was not the pure, virgin soul of her beyond their reach?

I was just in time to see the last boat go out.

As I strolled the streets I saw many a familiar face. I went into the Parisian restaurant, and there was Madam, harder looking and more vulturish, a creature of rapacity and sordid lust. I marched up to her and asked abruptly:

"Where's Berna?"

She gave a violent start. There was a quality of fear in her held eyes. Then she laughed, a hard, jarring laugh.

"In the Tivoli," she said. "Strange again! Now that the worst had come to pass, and I had suffered all that it was in my power to suffer, a new sense of strength and mastery had come to me. The greatest evil had befallen me. Life could do no more to harm me. I had everything to gain and nothing to lose. I cared for no man. I despised them, and, to back me in my bitterness, I had twenty-five thousand dollars in the bank."

I was still weak from my illness and my long mawkish had wearied me, so I went into a saloon and called for drinks. I felt the raw whisky burn my throat. I tingled from head to foot with a strange, pleased warmth. Where was that bitter feeling now? As I drank it all seemed to pass away. Magical changed. What a fool I was! What was there to make such a fuss about? It was all a farce anyway. What would it matter a hundred years from now? Again I drank.

How wonderfully strong I felt! I smashed my clenched fist against the bar. My knuckles were bruised

fortune, keno tables, crap outfits, faro layouts, and, above all, the dainty, fascinating roulette. Everything was in full swing. In front of me was a double swing door painted in white and gold, and, pushing through this, for the first time I found myself in a Dawson dance hall.

I sat down on a seat at the very back of the audience. Before me were rows after rows of heads, mostly rough, rugged and unshaven. Their faces were eager, rapt as those of children. They were enjoying, with the deep satisfaction of men who for many a weary month had been breathing the free, unbranded air of the Will. The sight of a woman was thrillingly sweet; the sound of a song was ravishing. Looking at rows of those toll-grooved faces one could see that there was to burn in their hearts. They were bent enough simple; they were but like children, the children of the Will.

A little girl was singing a little-winsome girl with a sweet ethereal voice and an innocent face. How terribly out of place she looked in that palace of sin. She sang a simple, old-world song full of homely pathos and gentle feeling. As she sang she looked down on those frownced faces, and I saw that many eyes were dimmed with tears.

As the last echo died away the audience rose as one man, and a shower of nuggets pelted on the stage. Here was something that touched their hearts; stirred in them strange memories of tenderness, brought before them half-forgotten scenes of fireside happiness.

The curtain fell. Men were clearing the floor for the dance, so I went downstairs, pressed my way to the door, and stood there stargazing and swaying, but whether with wine or weakness I knew not. In the vociferous and flamboyant street I could hear the raucous voices of splatters, the gliding tones of the orchestra, the click of ivory balls, the popping of corks, the hoarse, animal laughter of men, the shrill, name giggles of women.

And as I stood there wretchedly a timid little hand touched my arm.

CHAPTER XI

SHE was changed, desperately, pitifully changed. All the old sweetness was there, that pathetic sweetness which had made the miners call her the Madonna; but alas, forever gone from her was the fragrant flower of girlishness. Sorrow had kindled in her gray eyes a spiritual luster, a shining, tearless brightness. Ah me, said, indeed was the change in her!

Her lips moved:

"How you have changed!"

"Yes, Berna, I have been ill. But you, you too have changed."

"Yes," she said very slowly. "I have been—dead."

There was no faltering in her voice, never a throb of pathos. It was like the voice of one who had given up all hope, the voice of one who has arisen from the grave.

"Come upstairs where we can talk," said she. So we sat down in one of the boxes, while a great freezing shadow seemed to fall and wrap us around. We were like two pale ghosts meeting in the misty gulfs beyond the grave.

"And why did you not come?" she asked.

"I would have sold my soul to come. I was ill, desperately ill, night to death. I was in the hospital. For two weeks I was delirious, ravaging of you, trying to get to you, making myself a hundred times worse because of you. But what could I do? I was out of my mind, weak as a child, fighting for my life. That was why I did not come."

When I began to speak she started. As I went on she drew a quick, choking breath. Then she listened ever so intently, and when I had finished a great change came over her. When she spoke her voice was a whisper.

"And they lied to me. They told me you were too eager gold-getting to think of me; that you were in love with some other woman out there; that you cared no more for me. They lied to me. Well, it's too late now."

She laughed, and the once tuneful voice was harsh and grating. Still were her eyes blank with misery.

I longed to comfort her, to kiss that face so white and worn and hopeless eyes. There seemed to grow in me a greater hunger for the girl than ever before, a longing to bring joy to her again, to make her forget. What did it all matter? She was still my love. I yearned for her. We both had suffered, both been through the furnace. Surely from it would come the love that passeth understanding.

"When I awoke to life, sick, sick for many days, I wanted to die, but I could not. I was so weak, so ill, so indifferent to everything that it did not seem to matter. That was where I made my mistake. I should have killed myself. Oh, there's something in us all that makes us cling to life in spite of shame. But I would never let him come near me again. And though, when he went away I've gone into this life, there's never been anyone else. I've danced with them, laughed with them, but that's all. You believe me?"

"Yes, dear."

"Thank God for that? And now we must say good-by. I would not spoil your life. You know how proud I am, how sensitive, I would not give you such a loss. Once I would have given myself to you gladly, but now—please go away. Leave me, please."

"Leave you—to what?"

"To death, ruin—I don't know what. If I'm strong enough I will die. If I am weak I will sink in the mire."

"Berna, will you marry me?"

"No! No! No!"

"Berna, I will never leave you. Here I tell you frankly, plainly. I don't know whether or not you still love me—you haven't said a word to show it—but I know I love you, and I will love you as long as life lasts. I will never leave you. Listen to me, dear; let us go away, far, far away. You will forget, I will forget. Come with me, O my love! Have pity on me, Berna, have pity. Marry me. Be my wife."

She merely shook her head, sitting there cold as a stone.

"Then," I said, "if you call yourself dishonored, I, too, will become dishonored. We will go down together, you and I. Oh, I would rather sink with you, than rise with the angels. You have chosen—well, I, too, have chosen. You will see me steep myself in shame, then when I am a hundred shades blacker than you can ever hope to be, my angel, you will stoop and pity me. We'll go down together, dear. Hand in hand hellward we'll go down, we'll go down."

She was looking at me in a frightened way. A madness seemed to have gotten into me.

"Berna, you're on the dance halls. You're at the mercy of the vilest wretch that's got an ounce of gold in his filthy poke. They can buy you as they buy white flesh anywhere on earth. Berna, I can buy you. Come dance with me, drink with me. We'll live. We'll eat, drink and be merry. On with the dance! Oh, for the joy of life! Since you'll not be my love you'll be my light-of-love. Come, Berna, come!"

I paused. With head lying on the cushioned edge of the box she was crying.

"Will you come?" I asked again. She did not move.

"Then," said I, "there are others and I have money, lots of it. I can buy them. I am going down into the vortex. Look on and watch me."

"Where am I?"

"Here with me." Low and sweet and tender was the voice. I was in bed and my head was heavily bandaged, so that the cloths weighed upon my eyelids. By my bedside some one was sitting, and a soft, gentle hand was holding mine.

"Is that you, Berna?"

"Yes, please don't talk."

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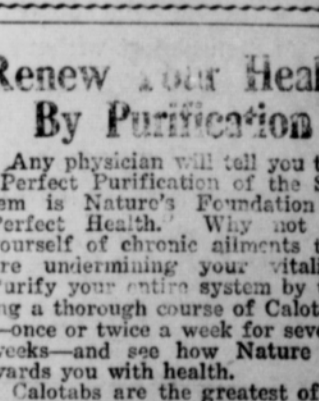
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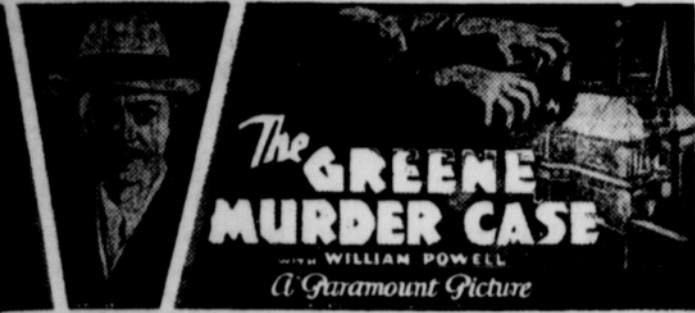
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Plaintiff sues defendant in trespass to try title for the title to and possession of the following land, all that certain tract, lot or parcel of land lying and being situated in the County of Callahan and State of Texas, and being a part of the Walter Converse Survey No. 333, and being described as follows: Beginning at the S. E. Corner of the A. W. Booth tract of land; Thence North 363 3-4 varas; Thence East 1045 varas to the East line of said Walter Converse Survey; Thence South 363 3-4 varas; Thence West 1045 varas to the place of beginning, containing 67 1-4 acres of land, more or less.

Plaintiff also alleges that on June 30, 1928, plaintiff and wife sold to defendant, A. I. McAda the land described above by deed of said date and recorded in Vol. 126, page 527 of Callahan County Deed Records, reserving in said deed a vendors lien for part of the purchase price as evidenced by five notes for \$100.00 each payable to M. E. Wakefield or order, signed by A. I. McAda, due one, two, three, four and five years after date, respectively, providing for 8 per cent interest from date until maturity and 10 per cent thereafter and each note providing that failure to pay same or any installment of interest thereon, shall at the election of the holder mature all of said notes and providing for 10 per cent attorneys fees if placed in the hands of an attorney for collection or collected by suit and Plaintiff further alleges in said petition that the first of said notes and the interest on all of said notes are past due and unpaid and defendant has failed to pay the same or any part thereof, and that plaintiff elects to mature and declares that all of said notes and the interest thereon is now matured; that by virtue of his retention and reservation of the vendors lien on said land in said deed that said title is still in him and that he elects to assert his legal title in said land instead of foreclosing said vendors lien notes and that he now sues defendant for the title to and possession of said land.

Plaintiff prays judgment for the title to and possession of said tract of land, for a writ of possession of the same and that all clouds cast upon said plaintiffs title to said land by reason of defendants claims thereto under said deed, be removed and plaintiff be established, confirmed and quieted in his title to same, for general release and for costs of court and for such other relief, special and general to which he may be entitled.

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Witness, Mrs. Callie Marshall, Clerk of the District Court Callahan County, Texas.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court at my office at Baird, Texas, this the 14th day of September, 1929.

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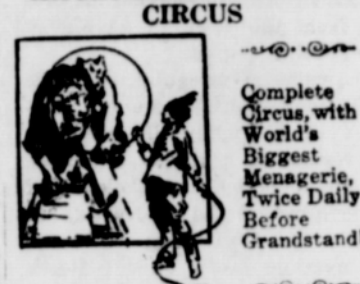
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According to the Bible, Gideon had 70 sons. Judges 8:30, 31 says: "And Gideon had three-score and ten sons of his body begotten; for he had many wives. And his concubine that was in Shechem, she also bore him a son, whose name he called Abimelech." —Pathfinder Magazine.

MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS

I have some very attractive Clubbing offers on some of the leading Magazines for September. In the list you will find:

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As Women Know
Most husbands want to be thoughtful, tender and considerate. But so many things come between the wish and the fact—American Magazine.

Long Day in Far North
From May 13 to July 12 the sun never sets on the village of Hammerfest, Norway, considered the northernmost town in the world. The inhabitants take advantage of the long day in making cod-liver oil and trading it for commodities from southern ports.

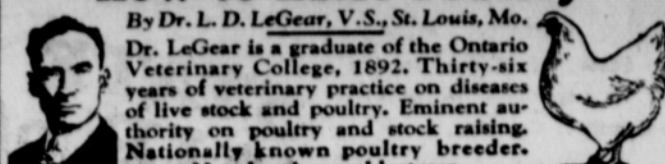
Celery Overlooked
Anti-noise crusaders for some reason have never attacked the celery problem.—Pittsburgh Post-Gazette.

Not Fair to Jungle
The lecturer who says gossip is a survival of the jungle isn't altogether fair to the jungle.—Indianapolis News.

Great Teacher's Advice
Listen much, keep silent when in doubt, and always take heed of the tongue; thou wilt make few mistakes.—Confucius.

How to Raise Poultry

By Dr. L. D. LeGear, V. S., St. Louis, Mo.



Dr. LeGear is a graduate of the Ontario Veterinary College, 1892. Thirty-six years of veterinary practice on diseases of live stock and poultry. Eminent authority on poultry and stock raising. Nationally known poultry breeder. Noted author and lecturer.

Article I. LAYERS OR LIARS?

Scientific Culling Out of Drones the Key to Real Poultry Profits, Says Dr. L. D. LeGear, V. S., of St. Louis, Mo.

Editors Note—This is another story in a series of 52 stories on poultry raising written by the well known national poultry authority, Dr. L. D. LeGear, V. S., of St. Louis. The entire series will appear in this paper. Our readers are urged to read them carefully and clip them out for future reference.

"Chicken, is you layin' or is you lyin'?" exclaimed Rastus as his one-hen poultry flock burst forth into loud exclamations of alleged performance. That's an old joke, it's true, but it suggests with graphic good humor one of the basic principles of success in poultry raising. Any poultryman who persistently eliminates the liars from his flock will increase his profits from the flock to an almost unbelievable degree.

The value of a regular, scientific culling out of drones from a poultry flock is vividly illustrated in the results of a survey conducted not long ago by the College of Agriculture of the University of Illinois and their farm advisors. The average profit on 264 flocks averaging 161 hens each was 86 cents per hen, but the average on the best two-thirds was \$2.28 per hen. Of course, not all of the least productive one-third deserved to be eliminated, but there certainly must have been an astonishingly large number that were getting food and attention without giving an adequate return on what it cost to keep them. Culling out and marketing such hens can only result in a decreased expense account and a vastly increased average profit for each hen remaining.

There is nothing difficult or mysterious about culling nothing a person of average intelligence could not learn in a short while. First of all, start with the chicks as soon as they are out of the shell. Any that are obviously deformed should be killed at once. Culling should be made a continuous process from that time on.

At least once a month the growing stock should be looked over and the undesirables removed from the flock. All thin, undersized, scrawny "crowed headed" birds should be discarded. Such pullets will eat their heads off, but will never develop into profitable layers, so you are better off without them than with them. Further culling will be in order when the young birds reach laying age. Those that are backward in maturity should be discarded. Two hundred days is a fair age for a pullet of the heavy breeds to start laying, but those taking much more than that are unlikely to develop into good layers.

For mature birds, the time of the molt is an important indication of laying habits, although other factors should also be considered. Generally speaking, hens that molt late in the fall are the best layers. The poor layer exhausts her energies early and may start molting anytime during June, July or August. The hen that is just beginning to molt late in August, early in September or later is usually the one to keep. All small undersized hens for the breed should be discarded. The eggs they lay are usually small, and they should never be used as breeders.

During the normal laying season, there are a number of points by which the laying capacity of hens may be judged more or less accurately. The eye of a good layer is prominent, bold, bright, snappy, set in an oval socket. The comb and wattles will be large, full, smooth, waxey to the touch and bright red in color. Poor layers will show exactly opposite characteristics in these respects.

The state of the vent is another important indication of lay condition. The laying hen has a large, moist, dilated vent. That of the non-layer is small, hard and puckered.

The back of the good layer will be long and broad all the way out. In the poor layer, it will be narrow near the tail. On either side of the vent may be felt the points of the pelvic, pubic, pin or lay bones. In the good layer these bones are thin, straight and flexible. In the poor layer they are curved, thick, with layers of fat and rigid. The measurement of these bones is taken at the termi-

nal or extreme end and includes also the skin, fat and gristle over them. If the spread between the pelvic bones is two fingers or less, the hen is probably not laying. If it is two fingers or more, it generally indicates that she is laying.

To accommodate the extra food a good laying hen must eat and the expansion of the laying organs, the rear of the keel bone of the good layer will be a greater distance from the pelvic bones than it will be in the poor layer. This shows abdominal capacity, which is very important and measured by the number of fingers that can be placed between the keel bone and the pelvic bones. With smaller breeds like Leghorns, a spread of three or more fingers indicates laying condition. With larger breeds, the spread should be four fingers or more. Other things being equal, a long bodied fowl measuring three fingers, is equal to a short bodied fowl measuring four.

Absence of yellow color around the vent and a whitish or pinkish color of the skin indicates that the hen is laying. If we also find a bleached eye ring, white bleached legs and beak she has been laying for some time.

I have discussed in as great detail as space permits, some of the more important points by which to be guided in culling. (Further information will be gladly given to anyone writing to me in care of this newspaper.) Do not depend on any one factor in judging your hens, but form an opinion based on all considered together. Cull carefully, persistently and relentlessly, and before long you will have a flock of real dividend payers. It takes time and patience, to be sure, but the reward is well worthy of the effort.

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Yeah

It would seem the time to drop the use of the stork as a symbol relative to the advent of babies is when the baby happens to be an elephant or hippopotamus.—Toledo Blade.

TO THE HOUSEWIVES OF BAIRD AND VICINITY

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Modern Business

If you can't run a business, you might start it, anyway, and somebody who can run it will come around and offer to do it for one-tenth of the proceeds. This is what is technically called "gathering driftwood on shares."—Exchange.

Hint to Auto Drivers

After taking long drives in an automobile, an eastern physician was bothered by an uncomfortable feeling in his ears. He attributed this to the constant noise of the motor and found a way to avoid the trouble by singing while driving, says Popular Mechanics Magazine. He points out that the exercise is beneficial to the lungs, helps posture and promotes circulation, thereby relieving congestion that may form in the ears, a condition that induces the discomfort after a long drive.



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