

# THE SLATON SLATONITE

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## Christmas At The Methodist Church

Program of Christmas Observance at the Slaton Methodist Church Friday Night.

Opening Song, "Joy to the World." Choir.  
Invocation. Rev. T. C. Willett.  
Welcome Recitation. Edith Edwards.  
Recitation, "Santa Claus." Josephine Adams.  
Recitation. Jack Wadsworth.  
Recitation. Corine Garrett.  
Motion Song, "Tip Toe," by Three Girls.  
Recitation, "The Spelling Season." Howard Hoffman.  
Swedish Recitation, "Peep! Homs." Edwin L. Smith.  
Song, "Luther's Cradle Hymn." Ruth Smith.  
Recitation, "Making Christmas Gifts." Alliene Loomis.  
Duet. Mrs. L. W. Smith, and Miss Mildred Silverthorn.  
Recitation, "Last Year's Christmas Gift." Ward Brown.  
Solo, "The Star of Bethlehem." Frances Hoffman.  
Recitation. Dorothy Smith.  
Song, Mrs. Wall's Class.  
Recitation, "Benny." Edna Wadsworth.  
Song, Mrs. Worley's Class.  
Solo, "Beautiful Stars of Heaven." Mrs. Briggs Robertson.  
Christmas Tree.  
Benediction. Rev. T. C. Willett.

Dr. F. A. Maxwell and Mr. J. B. Norwood of Austin were in Slaton last week looking after real estate holdings on the South Plains. Mr. Maxwell says that he can hardly convince his South Texas friends that the stories he tells of the resourceful South Plains are true, so he brought a good, reliable friend with him to see just how conditions are here. Mr. Norwood says that he is fully satisfied with his investigations, and that he can go home swearing to everything the doctor says. The Slatonite enjoyed a pleasant call from the gentlemen.

Mrs. I. M. Harrison of Lubbock purchased the Singleton Hotel business from Mrs. P. H. Whalen, and took charge of the hotel Saturday. Mrs. Harrison has been in the hotel business at Lubbock for about a year in the Nicolet Hotel, and she has had considerable experience in catering to the boarding public. Mrs. Whalen has not made any announcement as to where she will locate.

J. A. Etheridge, now of Slaton, Texas, but formerly a resident of Lynn county, traded for a half section of land twelve miles west of Tahoka last week, and is expecting to become a resident of Lynn county again in the near future. Mr. Etheridge has been absent from this county about eight years.—Tahoka News.

C. C. Hoffman is building a four room bungalow in West Slaton for Dallas Caps. Mr. Hoffman is building also two small houses in East Slaton for J. G. Mabin and his sons-in-law.

The two Baptist churches of Slaton have effected a reconciliation and have united their forces. The Rev. W. J. Durham has been called as pastor.

The House voted last week to extend the emergency revenue tax until Dec. 31, 1916. The law brings into the treasury about \$82,000,000 a year, and is enacted to cover a deficit of that amount at the end of the fiscal year. The vote on the measure was 205 for and 189 against, the administration winning by a majority of only 16 out of 394 votes. Five Democrats voted against the measure, Calloway of Texas being among the five.

E. B. Close and E. E. Spalding of New York, president and treasurer respectively of the Postex cotton mill, were in Post City last week in the interests of the mill. About forty new looms are being installed, which will increase the number of employees. H. C. Hawk, chairman of the Postum Cereal Company of Battle Creek, Mich., was also in Post City, and he gave instructions for the building of a number of houses for the use of employees of the cotton mill.—Post City Post.

### Big Box Supper at Southland

Morgan, Lynn County, Dec. 20, 1915.

Editor Slatonite:

The Box Supper at Southland last Friday night was gotten up for the purpose of raising money to pay for an organ to be used in the school house for Sunday school and other public services. Early in the evening the house was crowded to its utmost capacity. Order was called by Mr. Rob King; then Miss Myrtle Edge, principal teacher of the Southland school, took charge with a program gotten up by the pupils of her school, and music by the older ones.

First, an instrumental selection with Mr. Anson as violinist, Mr. Wren Bailey with the guitar, and Miss Etta Shaw at the organ. Then a recitation by Miss Mamie Owens. It is putting it mildly to say that Miss Owens is an elocutionist of rare ability. She has either attended school where she received instructions in elocution or she is gifted with the natural talent. Duet sung by Miss Etta Shaw and Mr. Earl Patterson, Mrs. Marie Shaw accompanying on the organ. Recitation by Miss Evelyn Anson, which was recited to perfection. Duet sung by Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Shaw.

The next was a recitation by little Miss Hazel Anson, which was recited without a bobble, which speaks well for one so small. Instrumental music, violin, guitar and organ. The Southland paper, read by Miss Leona Woods, was a creation of jokes and funnygrams on the citizens, the teacher, and the pupils of the Southland neighborhood. Quartet sung by Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Shaw, Miss Etta Shaw, and Mr. Wren Bailey. Dialogue entitled "The Southland High School Frolic," by the pupils of the school, in which every one played their part well. Instrumental music, violin, gui-

tar and organ.

As this finished the program the next thing was the selling of the boxes, of which there were a goodly number. Mr. J. L. Simpson was called to the front and as Miss Edge passed the boxes to him he auctioned them off to the highest bidder, and he cried the sales like an old hand. The bidding was very spirited at times. The boxes ranged in price from 30c up to \$7.50. The boxes all sold. There was a very beautiful cake put up to sell by votes for the prettiest young lady, votes costing 1 cent each. The following young ladies were put in nomination: Miss Stotts, Misses Myrtle Edge, Mamie Owens, Sina Komegay, and Leona Woods. The voting on the sale of the cake was quite a rush for a little while, but Miss Woods got in the lead and the polls were soon closed with Miss Woods winning the contest and getting the cake. The cake brought \$6.31.

The sale of the boxes amounted to \$44.35, making a total of \$50.66. As the organ only cost \$30.00 they have a balance of \$20.66, and if the good people of Southland will allow this scribe to make a suggestion, I would advise them to use the balance in securing some kind of lights for the house, for it was demonstrated Friday night that lights are needed.

We will say that much praise is due Miss Edge for the way in which she had her pupils trained, and in the short time with which it was done.

It must have been near midnight when the end came, but everybody seemed to enjoy themselves and exclaim that they had had a good time.

—Marls.

## YOUR CHRISTMAS APPEARANCE

will depend largely on your footwear. We received today by express the New Gypsy Boot for women, a vici kid lace. Also the Military in patent, lace and button. These two numbers continue to gain in popularity. A clean cut, neat appearing Shoe with abundance of style—\$3.00, \$3.50, and \$4.00.

Call before the sizes are broken.

## FOR "HIM"

—We have received a limited number of Pullman Slippers, House Coats, Smoking Jackets, Lounging Robes, and Fur Caps. Any of these numbers are right for the man.

We invite you to call, and also wish to extend Our Heartiest Wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



Clothing and Its Accessories

WISHING YOU A VERY  
Merry Christmas  
and  
PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

Yours for Satisfactory Service

TEAGUE & SON

Soft Drinks and Confections

May the Holidays Bring  
Pleasures to You and May  
the New Year add Prosperity  
and Contentment  
to Your Lot.

FORREST HARDWARE



# Why Wait Until After Christmas to Buy Your Coat Suits

When We Are Giving You \$25.00 and \$30.00 Suits for \$16.00 and \$17.00

At a price that would create a sensation even in January, special \$25. The final word in style—the acme of the suit maker's art—are embodied in these beautiful and unusual suits that we are offering at an unusual underprice to stimulate before Christmas business.

## Gifts for Everybody in "The Store of a Thousand Gifts"

Christmas spirit is the light-hearted, cheery happiness with which we do things incident to Christmas and Christmas gift-giving. You go about your Christmas preparations with a tender, yearning, warm feeling in your heart, happy in the thought that it is not the gift you are going to give that will make some one happy, but the love and esteem and regard which goes with it. Can you not imagine then, that we, in a big establishment like this, feel and have exactly that same sort of spirit when we hand out to you the choicest of the world's products as suggestions to you, and can you not realize how happy it makes us to be able to supply you with these things, to join in the happiness they will bring, and to thus lift commercialism into the realm of sentiment. This Christmas Spirit abounds at The Grand Leader. It accompanies you on your tour through the store of smiles. You feel it, you sense it.

### We've yet to find the rival of Handkerchiefs

For Christmas giving — Here's some at a special price Monday — good ones, too.

Ladies' Handkerchiefs, made of best quality Swiss with one-quarter inch hems, handsomely embroidered corners. A 10c seller everywhere. Monday you can buy 3 put up in neat holi day boxes for **20c**

Ladies' Colored Initial Handkerchiefs—All linen and they come in pretty boxes; very special value at, each **25c**

All Linen Handkerchiefs — Put up in pretty Christmas boxes; they are hand made Duchess handkerchiefs; special the box of three for **\$1.00**

A Linen Handkerchief, ladies' sizes, neatly embroidered designs in corners; any woman would appreciate one for Christmas; only **25c**

Men's Silk Handkerchiefs in a wonderful variety of pretty colors in crepe de chine; they are finished with plain borders, initial effect; each **50c**

Handkerchiefs in pretty shades of pink, blue, maize, emerald, and lavender; all very prettily hand embroidered and finished with fancy borders; each **25c**

### Fitted Traveling Bags

The sort of a bag one owns perhaps once in a lifetime and which lasts him for all time. They are made as good bags should be made, of fine leathers and equipped with dependable, high grade fittings.

17 inches in size and priced at \$10 to **\$22.50**

Many other styles priced at \$3.95 to **\$10.50**

# The Grand Leader

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

M. OLIM, PROPRIETOR

NORTH SIDE SQUARE

SLATON, TEXAS

## FOR BETTER ROADS

### SUPERVISION OF ROAD WORK

Suggestion Made by American Highway Association and National Civil Service Reform League.

A concerted movement for skilled supervision of roadwork throughout the United States has been launched by the American Highway Association and the National Civil Service Reform League. These two great organizations co-operated in the holding of a session at the recent American road congress devoted to a consideration of the merit system in road management. The United States civil service commission was represented by Chief

Examiner George R. Wales, who pointed out the manifest advantages



Steam Tractor as Road Maker in India.

of competitive qualification tests as a requisite for appointment to office.

To combat the rather general impression that competitive examinations in all cases mean the answering of stereotyped technical questions, Mr. Wales said:

"For these high-grade positions where men of experience and attainments are needed an examination is given which does not require the competitors to assemble at any place or to answer technical questions. They are called upon to furnish, under oath, a detailed statement of their education

and experience, including all the work they have done since graduation. They also may be asked to submit an original thesis or report on published works, and they are required to give the names of persons able and competent to testify as to their experience and personal fitness.

"Confidential inquiry is made by the commission from various sources as well as of all persons referred to by the applicant. Gratifyingly accurate and discriminating testimony is obtained by this means of confidential communication. Such testimony approximates, if not equals, the testimony adduced upon cross-examination in judicial proceedings. A demonstration of the ability of the competitive system to obtain high-class men for technical positions has been made within the past year, in connection with the employment of men to appraise the value of the property of common carriers in the United States.

"For this work the interstate commerce commission required men with qualifications ranging all the way from rodman and chainman to senior positions in civil, mechanical, structural, electrical and architectural engineering, as well as motive power men and expert accountants.

"There have been approximately 15,000 applicants for these positions, and the task of sifting the wheat from the chaff and of grading the wheat after the sifting was one of considerable magnitude; but it was done, and it was done so well that the interstate commerce commission expressed its gratification to find that it could secure a force so well equipped to perform the gigantic task of obtaining

an accurate appraisal of the value of common carrier property. A system which can successfully secure a competent force of high-grade engineers for this valuation work could surely provide the proper kind of men to have charge of the construction and maintenance of public highways."

It is expected that steps will be taken to wage an active campaign in every state for the elimination of the spoils system and to substitute for it the merit system.

### Keep Out the Weeds.

It is just as important to keep the weeds from seeding along the public highway as it is on your own premises. Ripe weed seeds along the highway scatter into the adjoining fields. Cut the weeds and keep them out.

### Rest of Some Benefit.

When the day's work is done drop it there until tomorrow. Have the pleasantest kind of a chat with the wife and children; that is the kind of rest that sweetens toil and takes the snarls out of the threads of life.

### Verboten Words.

Berlin police headquarters have issued a list of foreign words, hitherto in common use in Germany, which it is no longer permissible to employ in police reports or letters. The list includes: Bonbonniere, cafe, confection, cravat, expedition, garage, vestibule, chic, commission, elegant, export, institute, portiere, equipage, manufacturer, modiste, product, restaurant and jeweler.

### Must Watch for Danger.

The recent decision of the United States circuit court of appeals, Sixth circuit, in Erie Railroad vs. Hurlburt, is in line with other judicial rulings that if a person undoubtedly would have noticed an approaching train or car if he had looked at all intently, he will not be permitted to recover because he says he did not see it. The court points out that a traveler who looked for trains as she approached a railroad crossing was chargeable with seeing what there was to be seen by an ordinarily prudent person by the exercise of reasonable care, and if she looked intently and failed to see what was plainly to be seen she was negligent. The court said on this point:

"It challenges human credulity to be asked to believe that Mrs. Hurlburt looked and listened, as she says that she did, and neither saw nor heard the train that smashed into her buggy and wrought such havoc. There is no evidence that tends to explain why she did not see the oncoming train. Her own testimony explodes every theory upon which to predicate an explanation that would tend to excuse her. Indeed, it is so improbable that it does not afford a scintilla of evidence upon which to go to the jury."

### A Work of Art.

"How'd you happen to buy so much stock in that fake gold mine, Hiram?"

"Th' feller who was sellin' it said it was gilt-edged."

"Pshaw! They all say that."

"But, by cracky, he showed it to me an' it did have a gilt edge."

Christmas Presents That Stay Pretty All the Year and Bring New Pleasures Every Day  
All Women Love Nice Furniture

China Closets, Rockers, Library Tables, Rugs—in fact Everything in Beautiful Furnishings for the Home We have a large assortment of Rugs, both large and small sizes. 9x12 Axminster Rugs \$18.00 and up

## Howerton's

Bungalow Bed at Cost We have a few odd styles of beautiful Bungalow Beds which we are closing out at cost to make room for a new car of furniture.

# SLATON GARAGE

Auto Supplies and Accessories. Oils and Greases

## How About That Christmas Auto Trip

you promised yourself? Is your machine in perfect trim for it? Suppose you let us overhaul it and put it in first class shape. We have the facilities for repair work of all kinds, have a first class mechanic in charge, and our guarantee stands behind every job.

Geo. L. Sledge, Proprietor

Reliable Auto Livery Service





# HAVE YOU A CHILD?

Many women long for children, but because of some curable physical derangement are deprived of this great joy of all happiness.

The women whose names follow were restored to normal health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Write and ask them about it.



"I took your Compound and have a fine, strong baby." — Mrs. JOHN MITCHELL, Massena, N. Y.



"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is a wonderful medicine for expectant mothers." — Mrs. A. M. MYERS, Gordonville, Mo.



"I highly recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound before child-birth, it has done so much for me." — Mrs. E. M. DOERR, R. R. 1, Conshohocken, Pa.



"I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to build up my system and have the dearest baby girl in the world." — Mrs. MOSE BLAKELEY, Coalport, Pa.



"I praise the Compound whenever I have a chance. It did so much for me before my little girl was born." — Mrs. E. W. SANDERS, Rowlesburg, W. Va.



"I took your Compound before baby was born and feel I owe my life to it." — Mrs. WINNIE TILLIS, Winter Haven, Florida.



The amateur pickpocket is always waiting for an opportunity to get his hand in.

**COVETED BY ALL** but possessed by few—a beautiful head of hair. If yours is streaked with gray, or is harsh and stiff, you can restore it to its former beauty and luster by using "La Creole" Hair Dressing. Price \$1.00.—Adv.

Racetrack patrons should never try to pick winners before they are ripe.

**Weak, Faint Heart, and Hysterics** can be rectified by taking "Renovine" a heart and nerve tonic. Price 50c and \$1. Adv.

Russia devotes 1,836,737 acres to sugar beet culture.

To keep clean and healthy take Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. They regulate liver, bowels and stomach.—Adv.

Be sure of your facts before attempting to pose as a liar.

## MANY VARIETIES OF ALFALFA

Plant Attains Highest State of Food Value on Semiarid Land of West—Favors Dry Climate.

The plant is called lucern, probably after the town of that name in Switzerland.

It came to this country from Chile. It was once grown on the plains of Babylon and is more widely cultivated than any other plant. Its height is two and one-half to three feet.

Sometimes stories are told that alfalfa will go down 50 to 60 feet in search of water. That cannot be confirmed. The roots in light, dry soil go down as deep as 15 or 20 feet.

In our middle western black loam and clay soils the roots penetrate three or four feet—seldom more, but spread out in search of plant food.

Alfalfa will maintain a good stand for 20 years or even longer in the dry, light soils of the far West.

On the hilly soils of the East, it will die out in from five to ten years. When the stem is cut off it dies down to the crown of the root, and the more frequently it is cut the more stems it will send up.

From two to four crops per annum are cut in the country east of the Missouri river. In the Pacific states from four to six crops are cut.

There are several varieties of alfalfa much better than others, while some varieties will stand more cold than others.

It grows well in Louisiana, fairly well in North Dakota, luxuriously in Kansas and Nebraska, and is grown to some extent in southern and eastern states. But its best growth is on the semiarid lands of the West.

It attains its highest state of food value on irrigated farm lands of the West; because the dry climate allows it to be perfectly cured and harvested.

East of the Missouri river it is grown best on high lands. It requires a good soil—not too heavy—with a porous subsoil, as it will not grow well if its roots are in water.

It must have a soil free from acid. It does not grow well on gravelly upland where the subsoil is not underlaid with water, unless the rainfall is normal.

## SILAGE FED TO LIVE STOCK

Good Results Obtained Both on Irrigated and Dry Farms—Splendid for Balancing Alfalfa.

(By DR. R. H. WILLIAMS, Animal Husbandman, Arizona University Experiment Station.)

It has been found that silage can be grown and fed to live stock with good results both on irrigated and dry farms. This feed makes a splendid supplement for balancing alfalfa hay and may be fed to horses, cattle and sheep. Where the soil is suitable for pit silos this type of structure will be found the cheapest to install; but on rocky soils and where the water table is close to the surface, the above ground type is best. Concrete, plaster metal, wood stave and adobe structures have been used with satisfaction. The object in using silos is to store a large quantity of forage in a succulent, palatable form without waste. Silage is no better food than green fodder. It is bulky and should be considered a carbonaceous roughage. On this account, the best results are obtained when about 25 pounds of silage are fed each dairy cow or steer per day. Along with this there should be fed about 16 pounds of alfalfa hay and three to eight pounds of grain. This would make an excellent ration for a cow or steer weighing 1,000 pounds.

Reduce Weed Crop. Now is a good time to go over the fence corners and unused yards with a scythe and remove the burdock and other weeds that have found a home there. It will reduce the weed crop next year and make the place look better.

Dry Farming Boon to West. Dry farming has proved itself a boon to the farmers of this western arid country. It has not been so many years ago when as far as the eye could see on our dry high lands, nothing but sagebrush and weeds could be seen.

The first men who suggested that grain could be raised without irrigation were severely criticized as are all pioneers, but they proved their "Wild Idea" to be a positive fact, and now the golden grain is gradually swelling the bank accounts of those same scoffers and the sagebrush has been replaced by wheat and other crops.—Utah Farmer.

Grind Mower Guards. One of the most helpful things you can do with a mower that has been used a long time is to take the guards all off and grind them. Their cutting quality will be doubled in this way.

Prevent Evaporation. A loose, spongy soil on the surface from evaporation is a nuisance. Pennington is a fine soil conditioner. It is a fine soil conditioner. It is a fine soil conditioner.

## TASK TOO MUCH FOR TIMOTHY

Unfortunate Man Unequal to Commission Intrusted to Him by Friend Wife.

"What can I do for you—do for you?" asked the sweet young salesgirl.

Timothy Trask grasped the counter with one hand and the blood left his face and came back again with a few friends.

"Well, sir?" came a little tartly from Anastasia Skiggs (for such was the salesgirl's name).

Timothy Trask grasped the counter with his other hand and his face turned the color of the stewed snafflewort.

It was then that Anastasia Skiggs was struck by the horrible thought that the man had deliberately chosen her counter as a place to fall down in a fit at.

"Oh, sir, take the perfumery counter, three aisles down; there's a nice soft carpet there," she pleaded.

Without a word Timothy Trask turned and fled. He fled into a telephone booth, from which he called up his wife.

"Come down and buy your own cosmetics!" he commanded loudly.—Detroit Free Press.

**Important to Mothers**  
Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Wm. A. Rogers* in Use For Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

The rabbit may be timid, but no cook can make it quail.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are the original little liver pills put up 40 years ago. They regulate liver and bowels.—Adv.

A busy man seldom has time to realize how happy he is. Repair first, grumble afterward.

## THE NEWEST REMEDY FOR BACKACHE, RHEUMATISM AND DROPSY

Kidney, Bladder and Uric Acid troubles bring misery to many. When the kidneys are weak or diseased, these natural filters do not cleanse the blood sufficiently, and the poisons are carried to all parts of the body. There follow depression, aches and pains, heaviness, drowsiness, irritability, headaches, chilliness and rheumatism. In some people there are sharp pains in the back and loins, distressing bladder disorders and sometimes obstinate dropsy. The uric acid sometimes forms into gravel or kidney stones. When the uric acid affects the muscles and joints it causes lumbago, rheumatism, gout or sciatica. This is the time to send Dr. Pierce, Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., 10c for large trial package of "Anuric."

During digestion uric acid is absorbed into the system from meat eaten, and even from some vegetables. The poor kidneys get tired and backache begins. This is a good time to take "Anuric," the new discovery of Dr. Pierce for Kidney trouble and Backache. Neglected kidney trouble is responsible for many deaths, and Insurance Company examining doctors always test the water of an applicant before a policy will be issued. Have you ever set aside a bottle of water for twenty-four hours? A heavy sediment or settling sometimes indicates kidney trouble. If you wish to know your condition send a sample of your water to Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., and describe symptoms. It will be examined without any expense to you, and Dr. Pierce or his chemist will inform you truthfully. Anuric is now for sale by dealers in 50c packages.

**Why the Delay.**  
A "gentleman farmer" tells of a city lad who once worked for him.

The lad was called one winter morning before dawn and told to harness the mule to the dearborn.

The lad was too lazy to light a lantern, and in the dark he didn't notice that one of the cows was in the stable with the mule. The farmer, impatient at the long delay, shouted from the house:

"Billy! Billy! What are you doing?"

"I can't get the collar over the mule's head," yelled back the boy. "His ears are frozen."

**Big Hits.**  
"I heard a new patriotic song at a burlesque show last night. It was a knockout."

"And I heard a patriotic argument outside the show. There was a knockout in that, too."

Investigate the man who has a particularly good job and you will find that he is a particularly good workman.

**Wrong Method.**  
"Charlie doesn't seem to be doing very well at school," remarked his mother. "His reports show that he has failed in nearly all his studies. I'm afraid the teacher doesn't understand him."

"I'm quite sure she doesn't," replied the boy's father. "I haven't noticed any bruises on Charlie."

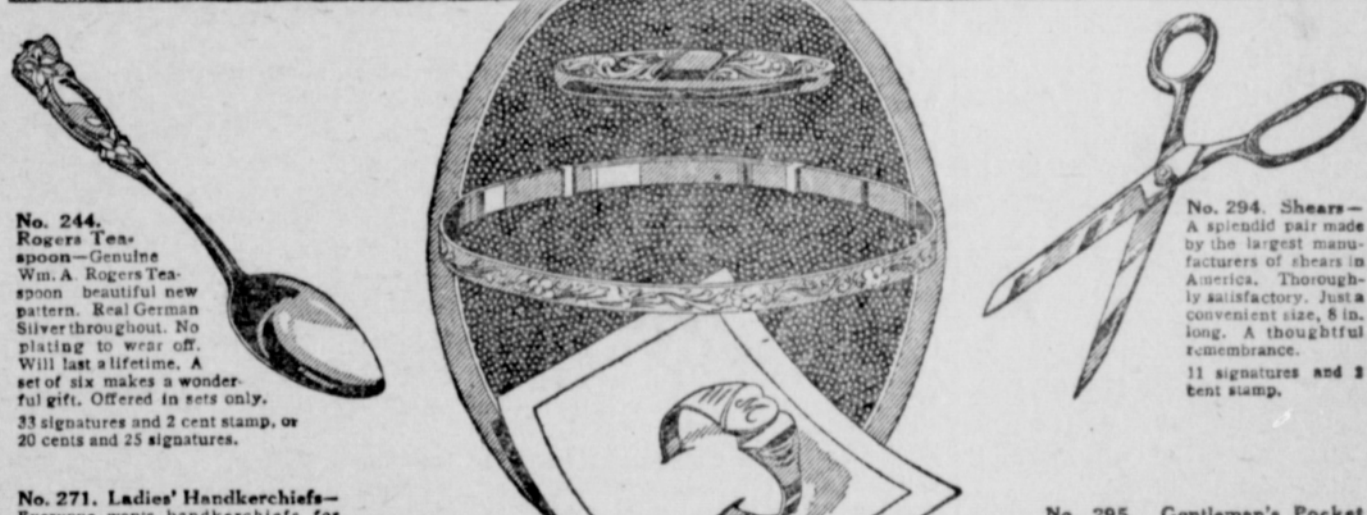
**For Domestic Animals.**  
Horses, cattle and sheep are liable to sores, sprains, galls, calks, kicks, bruises and cuts, and Hanford's Balsam of Myrrh is the standard remedy for such cases. When you consider how valuable your stock is, having the Balsam always on hand for them is a cheap form of insurance. Adv.

**Strain of the Language.**  
"I think I'll take a little flyer." "In stocks or the air?"

Smile, smile, beautiful clear white clothes. Red Cross Ball Blue, American made, therefore best. All grocers. Adv.

Occasionally one may be an early bird without picking many worms.

# THIS REAL GOLD FILLED JEWELRY GIVEN TO YOU!



*Cut out the special Christmas certificate below and mail today*

This is our special Christmas offer. It closes December 31st, 1915. All you have to do is to send the Christmas certificate below, together with a signature from a one-pound package of Arbuckles' Coffee, either whole bean or ground, and the necessary amount in stamps or coin.

**No. 244. Rogers Tea-spoon—Genuine**  
Wm. A. Rogers Tea-spoon beautiful new pattern. Real German Silver throughout. No plating to wear off. Will last a lifetime. A set of six makes a wonderful gift. Offered in sets only. 33 signatures and 2 cent stamp, or 20 cents and 25 signatures.

**No. 271. Ladies' Handkerchiefs—**  
Everyone wants handkerchiefs for Christmas. Hemstitched with Swiss embroidered design in corner. Excellent quality. New style. In sets of four only. Decided bargain at 16 signatures and 2 cent stamp.

**No. 294. Shears—**  
A splendid pair made by the largest manufacturers of shears in America. Thoroughly satisfactory. Just a convenient size, 8 in. long. A thoughtful remembrance. 11 signatures and 2 cent stamp.

**No. 295. Gentleman's Pocket Knife—**  
American Stag handle with two well ground blades of finest English Wardlaw steel. Fully guaranteed. This is a present every man or boy needs. 27 signatures and 2 cent stamp, or 10 cents and 25 signatures.

**How to get the beautiful, double Heart Ring, S. No. 5**  
You can get one of these beautiful initial double heart rings with any letter that you wish on it for the Christmas certificate, together with one signature and 12 cents in stamps or coin. This premium is not shown in our catalog, but is a special Christmas offer. Its value is remarkable. Absolutely real gold-filled ring (not washed or electro-plated), guaranteed to give excellent wear. If not, it will be cheerfully exchanged without question. Offered in sizes from 1 to 10. Be sure to give the ring size and initial desired. (Only one letter on each ring.) For size see directions given on the list enclosed with Arbuckles' Coffee.

**How to get the Wave Spring Rolled Gold Plate Bar Pin, S. No. 6**  
Or you can get the exquisite bar pin, shown above, for the Christmas certificate and one signature and 10 cents in stamps or coin. It is a fine quality of rolled gold plate, and will outlast all others. No other pin has these important features. Hingeless flexible joint, giving more room for fabric. Pin tongue is always in tension. The stiff spring makes this solderless pin non-losable. No hinge to loosen or break. Flexible bridge holds pin in correct position. It makes a gift every woman would appreciate.

**How to get the Adjustable, Gold-Filled Bracelet, S. No. 4**  
Or you can get this beautiful gold-filled bracelet, in a lovely flower design. An adjustable slide permits you to make this bracelet oval or round, so that it is just the shape and size to fit your arm. It is one of the greatest values. Sent for the Christmas certificate and one signature and 15 cents in stamps or coin.

**What women say about these gifts**  
When women have once started using Arbuckles' Coffee, they say, "Why didn't I start using it long ago! It has just the flavor I have been looking for and with it I get so many lovely gifts that I have always wanted." So many say this that we make this special offer to have you get your first package now.

Your grocer has Arbuckles' Coffee. Get a package today—get the coffee which you have been looking for and make it earn lovely gifts for you. Serve it for breakfast tomorrow. Learn why more Arbuckles' Coffee is sold than any other packaged coffee—why it is by far the most popular coffee in America.

Send the signature from the package, together with the Christmas certificate below, and the necessary amount in stamps or coin, and get your choice of this valuable gold-filled jewelry. This offer holds good only until December 31st. To be sure your jewelry arrives in time for Christmas, have your order reach us before December 15th.

**More suggestions for gifts**  
The spoon, knife, scissors and handkerchiefs shown here will make very popular Christmas gifts. Notice how few signatures you need—how quickly you can secure them. Send the number of signatures and stamps requested; for these gifts, the Christmas certificate is not required.

**THIS IS THE SPECIAL CHRISTMAS CERTIFICATE YOU MAIL—CUT IT OUT NOW**  
Only one to a family

No. 4 | Gold-filled Bracelet . . . 25 cents and 1 stamp  
No. 5 | Rolled Gold Heart Ring . . . 12 cents and 1 stamp  
No. 6 | Wave Spring Rolled Gold Plate Bar Pin . . . 10 cents and 1 stamp  
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## Santa Claus in the Movies

By GENE MORGAN

**Y**OUR information is in part correct," said Santa Claus, receiving the interviewer in the library of his ice palace. "It is true that I have received several flattering offers to star in moving picture productions. But it is not true that I have accepted any one of these propositions. I am still in doubt as to whether it would be the proper thing.

"I have my duty to the children of this world, and I must not impair my health or my power of service to them by the strenuous work demanded in the movies. No doubt I would prove a very popular star at the children's matinees. But I wonder if the children who see me in their dreams do not get a better and more flattering idea of me than they would in the picture.

"You see, my dear sir, the camera does not lie. I am sure it would not lie for me when it will not tell falsehoods about the appearance of kings and potentates. Every child in the world thinks of me as a very handsome old gentleman. Some of them may have an idea that I am inclined to be a little stout—but a good many others imagine I have as graceful a form as that of a young soldier. They think I curl my whiskers and have a beautiful wave in my long, silky locks.



"Your Uncle Santa is Getting Fat."

"They are not aware that your uncle Santa is getting so fat that there isn't room in the sleigh for himself and the larger toys. Nor that my noble mane of hair isn't what it used to be. If people ever sent me presents—which, of course, does not occur to them—I should like to murmur a little wish for a bottle of hair tonic.

"One moving picture firm wants to put me into a play. The plot is something like this: I am driving my reindeer over the treetops, when I am set upon by a band of aeroplane pirates. The pirates make me hold up my

hands and then divest me of my stock of toys. Just when the banditplane is about to fly away, leaving me in distress, the chief of the robbers makes a discovery.

"Amid the pack of toys he finds a rag doll. By the tag around its neck he sees that it has been addressed to his little daughter. My thoughtfulness in remembering his little girl, despite her father's profession, touches the bandit's heart. He weeps, and then to the astonishment of his pals, he orders them to lift me into the aeroplane.

"Now, Mr. Claus," he says, according to the subtitle, "we are going to deliver your toys for you all over the world tonight. Give us directions and we will fly wherever you command."

"So in my direction, the bandit's aeroplane starts delivering the toys, making much better time, let me tell you, than my poor reindeers who were left behind. Things are going along fine. Our aeroplane toy conveyance has covered Canada, the United States, Australia and South Africa, when suddenly, to our dismay, we find that we are being pursued.

"More pirates?" I ask in alarm.

"No, the aero-police!" shouts my pirate friend.

"The police had found my empty sleigh and motionless reindeer. They naturally concluded that I had been robbed and kidnaped. Now they are on the trail of my captors. The pirates are very much afraid that if arrested, they will be hanged at once. The police craft is gaining upon us. In order that the pirates may escape, they decide they must throw all of my toys overboard. The vicious crew demands that your old friend St. Nick be thrown overboard too, as I am pretty heavy, besides being the cause of all the trouble.

"The race continues through the sky.

"I want to raise the white flag as a token of surrender. I pledge myself to the captain of the pirate aeroplane that I will plead the cause of himself and his crew and secure their release from the police. I tell them that the police will do them no harm, after I have explained their kindness in carrying my toys all over the world.

"The police craft is now so close that escape seems impossible.

"Give me a white flag," I cry.

"There isn't a white flag on board—nothing but black flags," says the pirate. "Hurry up and do something. You have no time to lose. If you don't surrender they will shell us. And in that case, we will have to throw you overboard, St. Nick."

"My mind works quickly. I have no white flag. My handkerchief, like those of the pirate's is a red bandanna. What am I to do? Whiz! Another shell rips past our airship.

"Ah! I have it. It is the scheme that saves the day."

The interviewer at this point leaped to his feet and shouted in excitement:

"Well, what do you do to have your life?"

"I wave my white whiskers at 'em," replied Santa Claus, proudly. "It is the signal of truce. Our lives and our precious cargo of toys are spared. What do you think of that idea for a play? They want to name it, 'Santa Claus in High Life.' Do you think I would make a hit as the star? Well, I'm glad you think so."

### The Solitary Road.

Most people have, once or twice in their lives, gone through that desolate time when before them stretches out a gray, sunless prospect along a dusty road where there must be a solitary plodding. Until we have tried it ourselves, we cannot believe, that after all, the first view is the saddest part of it; that as we go along, we come to banks with starry flowers, walls painted with delicate lichens, tiny wayside streams—all manner of sweet surprises, and even more, above them all, the eternal blue of heaven.—Ruskin.

### From Doubt to Belief.

It will not do to waste too much time debating whether this is or is not an age of doubt, for the strongest call is to proceed by every means to "strengthen the things that remain, that are ready to perish," and to crowd out the error by the positive, even pushing, presentment of that which is good, honest, reverent and reasonable. The best way to preach down evil is to preach up virtue and justice, while also urging upon men an acceptance of that enabling grace of God which alone can create and sustain an efficient and sufficient morality. Above all and with all, let the personality of him who, while the lowly Nazarene is also the Yea and Amen of a divine affirmation and incarnation, be exhibited to the world in all its compelling grace—for nothing else will so win men from doubt to belief and from moral weakness to spiritual strength. The best of all apologetics is the revelation of the personal Jesus as the way, the truth and the life.

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**An Explanation.**  
Smith—You and Short don't seem to be on good terms. Does he owe you money?  
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Women as well as men are made miserable by kidney and bladder trouble. Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, is highly recommended by thousands.

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sluggish liver better than a dose of nasty calomel and that it won't make you sick.

Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working, your headache and dizziness gone, your stomach will be sweet and your bowels regular. You will feel like working; you'll be cheerful; full of vigor and ambition.

Dodson's Liver Tone is entirely vegetable, therefore harmless and cannot salivate. Give it to your children! Millions of people are using Dodson's Liver Tone instead of dangerous calomel now. Your druggist will tell you that the sale of calomel is almost stopped entirely here.

### Luck.

"Do you believe in luck?"  
"Of course I do. Aren't the other fellows getting it all the time?"

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### Trust Him to Do It.

The greatest burden we have to carry in life is self. The most difficult thing we have to manage is self. Our own daily living, our frames and feelings, our especial weaknesses and temptations, and our peculiar temperaments—our inward affairs of every kind—these are the things that perplex and worry us more than anything else, and that brings us oftentimes into bondage and darkness in laying off your burdens, therefore, the first one you must get rid of is yourself. You must hand yourself and all your inward experiences, your temptations, your temperament, your frames, and your feelings, all over into the care and keeping of your God and leave them there. He made you and therefore he understands you, and knows how to manage you, and you must trust him to do it.

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FOUND—A hand-made table scarf on the road between Slaton and Southland. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for this notice.—E. H. Doolin, 5 miles west of Slaton.

LODGING ACCOMMODATIONS—I have remodeled my rooming house just west of the Singleton Hotel in Slaton, and now have first class warm rooms well heated for 25 people each night.—Mrs. Annie Higbee.

BREEDERS ATTENTION.—I have purchased a splendid registered Black Spanish Jack to make the season of 1916 with my Percheron Horse, Oklahoma, near Southland.—Frank Anderson.



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**LOCAL AND PERSONAL**

Remember that Tuesday is a day. Don't wait till Wednesday.

T. J. Roady went to central Texas Monday to visit during the holidays.

The school teachers are all in Lubbock this week attending Teachers' Institute.

Hub Guinn, the county surveyor, was down from Lubbock Monday on business.

Suits pressed the Hoffman way at The Nobby for 50c. Cheaper and better than the hand iron.

R. P. Edmonston, formerly of Southland, writes from Los Angeles to send his paper to him there.

Made to Measure Clothes from houses that guarantee a fit. Let us take your measure. DeLong, the Tailor.

E. H. Doolin is moving to the W. H. Ellison farm near Southland. Mr. Doolin purchased this place recently.

Rudolph Huber arrived Friday morning with an immigrant car from Williamson County. He will locate on his farm eight miles west of Slaton.

Rev. Lif Sanders, pastor of the Church of Christ at Lubbock, will preach at the Movie Theater in Slaton next Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Robertson were in Fort Worth this week, returning home yesterday. Pool came home with them for the holidays. He is attending Bryant's Training School in Fort Worth this winter.

W. T. Knight reports the sale of a section of land twenty miles west of Slaton by the R. J. Murray Land Company last week to Kinney brothers and Miller of central Texas. The purchasers will improve the land and place renters on it.

Frank Anderson was up from Southland the first of the week hauling out lumber to build a cow barn on his farm. The barn will be 20x60 feet. He purchased a black Spanish jack last week to make the 1916 season with his horse, Oklahoma.

J. E. Hill of the Panhandle Lumber Yard at Amarillo came down to Slaton last week to make the annual invoice of the Houston Lumber Yard. Mr. Hill stated that the Houston people are very optimistic over business conditions in Slaton, and that they look for a splendid year in 1916.

The Slaton public schools let out last Friday for the holidays. Appropriate Christmas programs were given and the teachers remembered the students with holiday goodies. The enrollment in the city schools has passed the three hundred mark, and a large number of new students will enroll after the holidays.

John F. Schriever of Taylor, Texas, was in Slaton last week visiting his uncle, M. F. Klattenhoff. Mr. Schriever was accompanied by the Rev. J. C. A. Pfenninger who bought 80 acres of land eight miles west of this city. He will have the land improved and a renter placed on it. Mr. Pfenninger is a minister of the Lutheran Church.

**B. Y. P. U. Program  
Sunday, Dec. 26.**

Subject, "China of Today." Leader, Leo Hubbard. John 3:16. Flake Young. Matt. 18:18-20. Earl Florence. Scripture Reading, Isa. 49:7-12, by Leader.

The old China. Mr. Young. The New China: (1) A New Government, Eva Thomas; (2) New Education, Anna Ward; (3) Great Changes in Social Conditions, Viola Talley; (4) Great Changes Industrially, Austin Thomas; (5) New Religion, Mr. Stottlemire.

What Southern Baptists are doing. Mr. Hubbard.

**Windmills and Tanks**  
at B. C. Morgan's. No trouble to figure your bill for windmills, pipe, tanks, etc. Call and get our prices.

Alex DeLong received a new French Dry Cleaner for his tailor shop this week and will start to cleaning clothes the French Dry way next Monday. This machine is a valuable addition to Mr. DeLong's shop, and is the best in its class.

FOUND—The heavy 27 gauge stove pipe at Morgan's Tin Shop. Only 15 cents per joint. Something that's good and will last.

Mrs. P. H. Whalen is in Amarillo this week visiting her daughter over Christmas. Mr. Whalen will meet her there.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Shankle left Slaton Saturday for Holdenville, Okla., to visit relatives during the holidays.

Fred Higbee came home from Simmons college at Abilene to spend the holidays with his mother.

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**SLATON HIGH SCHOOL NEWS**

**A LETTER TO SANTY**  
BY CHECKERS

A lovely book of Latin Miss Dickerman would like, and Arbie wants some walking shoes to take another "hike."

Mable wants a dolly — with sleepy eyes of blue; and please don't leave out Austin—he wants a dolly, too.

Robbie wants a lightning bug; please bring a cat to Beryl, but the funniest thing of all is, that Willie wants a girl.

Mildred wants a pop-gun—she'll get it too I guess. Professor wants a nickel, and not a penny less.

Cleo wants a toy drum, and Alma a tool chest, and, oh, please do bring something nice to little Walter West.

Racheal wants a soldier suit, and Marguerite a ring, and as Alice has been naughty, she can't have anything.

**Home Economic Club Entertains**

On Thursday evening, Dec. 16, the women of the Home Economic Club gave a reception to their husbands and friends at the home of Mrs. Harry McGee. The guests numbered about forty in all.

The house was tastefully decorated in holly, evergreen and carnations, carrying out the Christmas color scheme of red and green. The subdued lights with red shades gave a very pretty effect.

The evening was spent in various contests, with several musical numbers and readings by members of the club. One of the most enjoyable features of entertainment was a debate on the subject: Resolved, "That Women's Clubs are Beneficial Institutions." Mrs. Joe Smith and Mrs. Terrell upheld the affirmative, while R. A. Baldwin and N. A. Terrell argued the negative. There were many good points brot out by both sides, and each debator made any number of laughable statements which were thoroely enjoyed by the listeners.

At a late hour the ladies served a delicious lunch which was prepared along the principles taught and studied in the club.

After each one present had drawn a favor from the prettily decorated Christmas tree, the president, Mrs. Blundell, after having explained the purpose of the club, informed them that beginning with 1916 they would take up civic improvement work also, and that in accordance with this plan they had changed the name of their club to "The Home Economic and Civic Improvement Club." The club has been organized only during the past year and the members are to be congratulated upon the success of their work.

The guests departed voting the ladies royal entertainers and complimenting them upon the benefit and success of the Economic Club.

The popular Acme Laundry of Fort Worth places and in the Slatonite this week inviting your patronage. The "NOBBY" has the agency for the Acme house and will call for and deliver your clothes.

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Tailoring that carries satisfaction with it. Expert workman in charge. DeLong's Tailor Shop.

T. W. Covington places an ad in the Slatonite this week announcing the tinshop he has opened on the South Side of the Square. Mr. Covington does plumbing, tinwork, soldering, and windmill work. He has a nice shop and asks a share of your patronage.

**FAMED AS REFORMER**

**WOMAN HAS DONE SPLENDID WORK IN SAN FRANCISCO.**

Twenty Years of Active Labor Crowned With Magnificent Result —Systematic Efforts Have Enabled Her to Do Wonders.

In San Francisco's Chinatown Miss Donaldina Cameron is honored with two unusual names. Among the Chinese highbinders she is known as the "Female White Devil," among the girls of her rescue mission she is called the "Little Mother." Miss Cameron has been doing rescue work among the Chinese of California for nearly twenty years, and during that time has rescued 1,500 girls ranging in age from little tots given away or sold as slaves by their parents or natural guardians to grown girls who had fallen into the clutches of highbinders.

She has gone at midnight into the farthest corners of the rookeries that were the Chinatown of old San Francisco. She has chopped down doors, crawled on her hands and knees along secret passages, and in several instances rescued at the point of the pistol the miserable slave girl who had appealed to her.

In her rescue work Miss Cameron does not go after the girls who are content to live such lives, but to those who appeal to her or who she learns wish to get away from it. She has taken more than one girl as they were passing along the streets and forced the Chinese "owner" to go to court. On several occasions she has been followed and threatened by mobs of Chinese and their friends.

Of Scotch parentage, Miss Cameron was born in New Zealand. She came to America as a young girl and for twenty years has been employed by the board of foreign missions of the Presbyterian church for rescue work among the Chinese of San Francisco. She is paid only \$50 a month, and insists that she thinks it quite enough.

Once she gets a girl she does not try to Americanize her or keep her away from reputable people of her own nationality. On the contrary, the girls study Chinese books along with English and are encouraged to hold to their own religion.

Since Miss Cameron has learned that all Chinese girls wish to be married she does her best for them as a matchmaker. She sees that they meet reputable men who are able and willing to give them good homes and proper treatment. Nor does her interest cease with their marriage. Her short vacations are usually spent visiting girls who have been under her care and who have married. She is entertained as an honored guest and husbands are said to be careful to put their best foot forward.

**HE SHOWED HIM.**



"You didn't know that girl was married?"

"Not until I was printing a kiss on her lips and her husband showed me that I was making a typographical error."

Good bye, old hand pressed clothes; Hoffman has come to town. Meet Mr. Hoffman at The Nobby.

Tuesday; ad day.

**Limits of Delsarte.**

Friend—Does the Delsarte system teach you how to act when proposed to?"

Bride—"Yes! I studied that part carefully."

"Did you use it?"

"I used it with three or four whom I rejected, and I did it beautifully, I know; but when dear Tom proposed I forgot all about it."—New York Weekly.

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**RAILWAY TIME TABLE.**

**SANTA FE.**

California and Gulf Coast Trains. Limited, daily.

No. 921 (west bound) from Galveston arrives in Slaton at 4.25 a. m. Departs for all points west to California 4.35 a. m.  
No. 922 (south bound) from California arrives in Slaton at 12.10 p. m. Departs for central Texas and Galveston 12.35 p. m.

Slaton-Amarillo Trains, Eastern and Northern Points, daily.

No. 903 leaves Slaton for Amarillo at 6.40 a. m.  
No. 904 from Amarillo arrives in Slaton at 11.55 a. m.

Slaton-Lamesa Local. Daily Except Sunday.

No. 908 from Lamesa arrives in Slaton at 11.15 a. m.  
No. 907 departs from Slaton for Lamesa at 2.00 p. m.

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**

The State of Texas, County of Lubbock.

WHEREAS, By virtue of an Alias Execution, issued out of the Justice Court of Tarrant County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said Court on the 25th day of February A. D. 1911, in favor of Spaulding Mfg. Company, a co-partnership, composed of H. W., E. H. and F. E. Spaulding and against J. T. Usleaman, No. 15,338 on the Docket of said Court, and to me as Sheriff directed and delivered, I did, on the Thirtieth day of November A. D. 1915, at 10 o'clock a. m., levy upon the following described tracts and parcels of land, situated in Lubbock County, Texas, and belonging to J. T. Usleaman, to-wit:

All that certain tract or parcel of land known and described as follows: Beginning at a point in the E. line of survey 7, 1,188 vrs. S. of the N. E. Corner of same. Thence S. 237.6 vrs. to the S. E. Corner of 40 acres sold by J. J. Dillard to M. R. Usleaman and T. Usleaman. Thence West 178.2 vrs. to the S. E. Corner of the M. R. Usleaman addition to the town of Lubbock. Thence North with the East line of said addition 237.6 vrs. Thence East 178.2 vrs. to the place of beginning. Said tract of land being a part of survey No. 7, Blk. "B" situated in Lubbock County, Texas. Estimated to be about seven and one-half acres.

On the fourth day of January A. D. 1916, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on said day, at the Court House door of Lubbock County, Texas, in the town of Lubbock, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash, all the right, title and interest of the said J. T. Usleaman, in said property.

Witness my hand, this the 30th day of November A. D. 1915.

W. H. FLYNN,  
Sheriff of Lubbock County, Texas.

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Slaton Lodge A. F. and A. M. meets every Thursday night on or before each full moon, at 7.30 o'clock. Joe H. Smith, W. M. Joe Kuykendall, Secy.

**WOODMEN.**

Slaton Camp No. 2871 W. O. W. meets 1st and 3rd Friday nights in the month at the MacRea Hall. W. E. Olive, C. C. B. C. Morgan, Clerk.

**WOODMEN CIRCLE.**

Slaton Grove Woodmen Circle No. 1320 meets on first and third Friday afternoons in the month at 3.30 o'clock in the MacRea hall. Visitors cordially welcomed. Mrs. Pearl Conway, Guardian. Mrs. Carrie Blackwell, Clerk.



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**REPORT FROM CLOVIS THAT  
SANTA FE PLANS TO BUILD  
THE FT. WORTH-SLATON LINE**

A story was sent from Clovis, N. M., (correspondent unknown) to the Dallas News on Dec. 16th that the Santa Fe expects to soon promote the road from Slaton to Fort Worth. The article stated:

"The information has just leaked out here, and is considered reliable, that the Santa Fe expects to spend a considerable portion of its recent \$10,000,000 bond issue in the construction of a line from Fort Worth, Texas, to Slaton, Texas, at which point it will form a junction with the Santa Fe's present Galveston-Pacific line—"

Which is not at all surprising, and made a good news item, but the correspondent spoiled the story by adding:

"—and the traffic will continue on into Clovis, where the division point will be located."

Warming up to the idea, the correspondent further added to the story by reviving an old dream of Clovis' to the effect that maybe, perhaps, if he is not mistaken, in the best of his judgment, the Santa Fe will also build a road from Clovis to Tucumcari, N. M., and closes with this injunction:

"Clovis will be the logical location for the terminal of both lines, as it is already a big division point on the Santa Fe, with large shops and roundhouse facilities."

The Clovis man's zeal is perhaps pardonable, but his judgment of distance is slightly off. Should the Santa Fe build from Fort Worth to Slaton, Clovis will

be about the fourth division point out of Fort Worth. The terminal of such a road would be Slaton, which also is a division with shops and round house facilities. The correspondent evidently doesn't know that there are divisions on the Santa Fe system other than Clovis. We would advise him to travel a little for the benefit of his library of original sources.

Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery, and if it will add a little prestige to Clovis to draw from Slaton's resources, this city is glad to lend of its ample store to such an ambitious but less fortunate sister as Clovis. Ever since the Fort Worth-Slaton road was announced three years ago, each town in western Texas has taken time about trying to tell why the road will go there instead of to Slaton, and for Clovis, away over in New Mexico, to kow tow along with the rest is an unexpected honor.

At the recent meeting of the board of county commissioners in Andrews County, the commissioners paid bounty on 611 jack-rabbits and 152 coyotes. This makes a total kill of 20,700 jack-rabbits and 602 coyotes in that county since the last bounty law went into effect. Joe Harvell was the leading hunter for the month, his kill consisting of 48 coyotes, 37 jack-rabbits, and 2 wild cats. He received \$99.85 for the bunch. His bounty for the month previous amounted to an even \$100, says the Times.

**Notice To My Patrons**

After January 1st my books will be closed to one and all. Please don't ask for credit even for a few days, as I can't pay cash for supplies, and then sell them on time. Bring the cash and I certainly will appreciate your patronage, and will treat you right.

To those who are now indebted to me please call and settle before that time so I can close my books and start the new year with no outstanding accounts. I thank you for past favors and hope I shall still receive your patronage and support.

Geo. L. Sledge.

**A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to All**

We want to thank our customers for their most liberal patronage during the Holidays and trust we may be able to serve you as well in the future, if not better, than we have in the past. When in need of anything in our line don't fail to come see us.

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James E. Hearin, the man who ran up behind E. W. McCaslin, gate keeper at the Panhandle Fair at Amarillo, on Sept. 1st, 1915, and killed McCaslin by slugging him in the back of the head with a heavy stick, was found guilty of manslaughter in the District Court at Amarillo last week. His sentence was fixed at five years in the penitentiary.

A trial means a steady customer. Try us. Delong.

Roosevelt the "Youth" of the White House.

Youngest Man Who Has Been Inaugurated as the Chief Executive of the United States, Up to This Time.

In the discussion of available candidates for the presidency of the United States there is usually a good deal said about age. The oldest of the presidents was William Henry Harrison. When he was inaugurated, in 1841, he was sixty-eight years old, having been born February 9, 1773, at Berkeley, Charles City county, Va. He died of bilious pleurisy in Washington April 4, 1841, just one month after his inauguration, and was buried at North Bend, Hamilton county, O., that having been his home.

James Buchanan was sixty-five years old when inaugurated and he died at the age of seventy-seven, June 1, 1868.

Zachary Taylor was sixty-four years old when inaugurated, and he died July 9, 1850, of bilious fever, at Washington, after a White House term of one year, four months and five days. He was sixty-five years old.

John Adams was sixty-one when installed as president and died at the age of ninety. Andrew Jackson was sixty-one at inauguration and lived until his seventy-eighth year.

James Monroe was among the "old" presidents, being fifty-eight at the time of his inauguration.

George Washington was not among the "young" presidents, being fifty-seven years old when inaugurated. Jefferson, Madison and John Quincy Adams were of that age when inaugurated.

Dropping below the figures fifty-seven, one finds that the inauguration ages of the presidents were: Johnson, fifty-six; Wilson, fifty-six; Benjamin Harrison, fifty-five; Van Buren, fifty-four; Hayes, fifty-four; McKinley, fifty-four; McKinley, fifty-four; Lincoln, fifty-two; Tyler, fifty-one; Taft, fifty-one; Fillmore, fifty; Arthur, fifty.

Roosevelt was the "youth" among the presidents, being inaugurated at the age of forty-two. Grant was forty-six, Cleveland was forty-seven, Pierce was forty-eight and Garfield and Polk were forty-nine.

Of the ex-presidents who have passed away, John Adams lived to the greatest age, ninety. Madison died at the age of eighty-five, Jefferson at eighty-three, John Quincy Adams at eighty, Van Buren at seventy-nine, Jackson at seventy-eight, Buchanan at seventy-seven, Fillmore at seventy-four, Cleveland at seventy-one and Hayes at seventy.

Seems So.

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**CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

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Mildred South Plains and she'll get interested in the year 1916. Penny less.

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Racheal and productive one. and Mcfarmers have harvested Alice crops, and our stockmen can't have the largess of the

With our Yuletide Home Economic send to the rest

On Thursday west a story of the women of prosperity.

the Slatonite Club of the holidays' best their husbands large per cent of the home of ants and business

The guests who have sought forty in all. expressing their

The house w orated in holly, carnations, car ty may we ever Christmas color the constant at and green.

Giver of all good with red gifts, whose love has pretty effect. le our Christmas

The evenir rious conte musical num

by members o has quit and will the most enjo n the United entertainment allowed to re the subject: will go to Spain.

Women's Cl e hailed as the Institutions. gton of Mexico, and Mrs. Terry be nothing but firmative, while Ap on law in and N. A. Terry grew gradu negative. Th rful under the good points onditions in Mex sides, and uld command a any number of h to call it an ments which ead of prowling joyed by the li ness for a few

At a late hour he would a delicious lunch which light, and studied in the club.

After each one present ef drawn a favor from the pre at decorated Christmas tree, at president, Mrs. Blundell, a having explained the purpos es the club, informed them that ginning with 1916 they w take up civic improvement (te also, and that in acco rds with this plan they h o mobile, the name of their cl smoking Home Economic aput fifteen provement Club." stream of been organized onl of smoke past year and the m's mouth to be congratulated he had success of their work e

The guests departed va gun ladies royal entertain mane complimenting them as mor benefit and success of ling an omic Club. cigar

The popular Acme Laun Fort Worth places and in the tonite this week inviting y patronage. The "NOBBY" the agency for the Acme house and will call for and deliver your clothes.

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Good bye, old hand Miss clothes; Hoffman has come town. Meet Mr. Hoffman at The Nobby.

Tuesday; ad-day.

Ford is known in Europe as "a gentleman in the United States who makes perambulators."

President Wilson gave the people of the United States a big Christmas present — a Mrs. President.

A lady seventy-four years of age took a flight in an aeroplane at San Diego one day last week. The giddy young thing couldn't resist hugging the aviator as soon as the ship left the ground, and kind hearted folks fished her remains out of the bay a few minutes later. The aviator will recover from the fall as well as from the hugging. Flirting in an airship is more perilous than rocking the boat.

**"TEST" CAR IS THE LATEST**

Addition to Railroad Equipment Has Been Subject of a Great Deal of Comment.

A new addition to the facilities of the railroad test department is the chemical test car—a fully equipped laboratory on wheels, says the New York Sun. The car has just been completed. It is designed especially for the purpose of making tests and inspections of steel rails at the point of manufacture.

When in use, the car will be moved to a mill where rails are being rolled, and chemical analyses will be immediately made of the finished rails. This procedure, it is expected, will avoid the delays which at times occur in the operation of the mills, and which cannot be avoided without having a sufficient force of chemists on hand during the rolling process to see that the chemical requirements of the railroad's specifications are complied with.

An interesting feature of the department is the locomotive testing plant. The old method of testing a locomotive—the one Kipling has vividly described—was to take it out on the track, hitch it to a train of loaded cars, and see what it could actually do on levels, grades, curves and straight track. Now everything that could be learned by such methods, and more too, is ascertained with scientific precision and great expedition.

The locomotive test plant is virtually a treadmill on which the engine runs. Its drivers, instead of resting on rails, turn against the upper side of heavy wheels, and by applying brakes to these wheels any conditions of resistance met in actual work on the road can be duplicated. The engine, instead of pulling a train, pulls against a dynamometer, which is a machine for measuring the pulling force.

In the locomotive test plant such matters as maximum speed, maximum tractive power, starting power and fuel consumption are studied with the greatest accuracy. About twenty-six men are kept busy making the locomotive tests. This plant is the principal one of the kind in existence.

Supplementing the locomotive test plant is the dynamometer car. This is a specially designed car, equipped with a dynamometer and used for measuring the pull required to haul a given train. For this purpose, of course, the car is inserted between the locomotive and the remainder of the train. It is used for making practical tests, under actual operating conditions, of the force required to draw trains consisting of cars of various types and number, over tracks of all characters.

**Couldn't Comb His Hair Before Going to School Because Family Comb Had Been Loaned.**

Here is a story that was told at a recent dinner by Miss Sybil Baker, who was chosen queen of Rose Festival, at Portland, when reference was made to the wonderful excuses invented by the rising generation.

One morning the teacher of a public school in a western village was glancing over her pupils, when her eye suddenly fastened on little Willie Brown.

"Willie," said she in a stern voice, "didn't I tell you not to come to school without having had your hair combed?"

"No," was the rather meek answer of the youngster, "that I was combed by the teacher."

Good bye, old hand Miss clothes; Hoffman has come town. Meet Mr. Hoffman at The Nobby.

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**OLD STYLES REVIVED**

PARISIAN MODISTES GO BACK TO PAST CENTURIES.

Moyen Age Effect, With Novelty, Is the Latest of Designs—One of the Best of the Results Achieved is Shown.

There is a designer named Maurer in Paris, whose name is not heralded far and wide, but whose costumes are bought and sold by the most important American houses. An admirable gown she made this season carries out the moyen age effect. It has a green velvet bodice with armholes, shoulders, elbows and hips outlined with a broadly striped silk. There are women who would dislike to have their curves and angles so definitely marked out and brought to notice, but the color effect is good. The striped silk itself is framed in with a narrow edge of gold braid; this manipulation of trimming is one of those trifles that count in clothes and is always gratefully received by the woman who is in search of some ornamentation not commonplace.

The skirt beneath this medieval green bodice is of biscuit-colored cloth to match in color the barrel-shaped sleeves of biscuit-colored chiffon. There's novelty for you.

Paquin gets the credit of inventing the leather jacket, but many designers must have followed on her heels quickly, for several of these coats appear under several names. The one that bears her label is of white leather, very thin, collared and cuffed with fur. It buttons straight down the front and has a wide slit pocket at each hip.

It is a novelty, of course, like the fascinating little muff that Worth invented. It consists of two small pockets of fur joined in the middle with a fanciful cord. With these Worth in-



Green Velvet Bodice Trimmed With Gold Braid, Biscuit-Colored Striped Silk Skirt.

roduces long gloves of soft kid, laced at the sides and finished with tassels.

Ladies wore these when they hunted in the forests with falcons on their wrists, didn't they?

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**VARIETIES OF VELVET FROCKS**

One May Have Them in Practically Any Design That Occurs to the Fancy.

There are quantities of three-piece velvet costumes whose coats are short, reaching only a little way below the waist line, or of hip length, and either belted or very loose and flaring; and often there are, too, innumerable velvet frocks that have no accompanying coat. These frocks may be of the elaborate sort, part chiffon or lace or silk much trimmed, but newer are the simple, one-piece frocks of velvet, almost untrimmed save for mere touches of fur or embroidery and buttons, made, in fact, with almost exaggerated simplicity, but with careful attention to line. Many of these have high, close collars of the velvet, bordered at the top with fur, or relieved at the top by some white collar arrangement; but these straight up and down all-velvet models, while undeniably chic, are as undeniably too hot for comfort in our overheated buildings and practical only for street wear under fur coats or with small furs.

Recognizing this fault, some of the designers have arranged the collar so that from a high, close, velvet choker it may be unbuttoned and turned over

**USEFUL COAT OF CORDUROY**



Coat of silk corduroy, with collar of opossum fur. The coat is lined with a supple silk or crepe, and is suitable for general wear. The lustrous surface of the corduroy makes it possible to use it also for visiting or evening dress.

into a lace-faced, rolling collar, but even that leaves the all-velvet bodice a very hot affair.

**COMBINE LINEN AND LACE**

Something of a Novelty That May Be Appreciated by the Needle-worker.

There are many needleworkers who delight in working on large pieces of fancy work; but there are just as many, if not more, who prefer to handle small pieces that are less cumbersome and that bring about results more quickly. For such as these, then, the embroidered squares solve the problem. These can be effectively joined together with wide or narrow cluny lace to form bureau scarfs, boudoir pillows, table runners and dear knows what else.

One woman who had been given a quantity of square dollies three and four inches square put them to good service by joining them with wide lace and using them on the buffet. She objected to using them singly and was highly pleased with the scarf that resulted from joined forces.

Squares of tan linen embroidered in colors can be joined effectively to form table runners. Of course, the lace should match the color of the linen. If you should fail to find tan to match, dip white or cream lace in tea. Try a little piece of the lace first, so that you can see if the tea is of the proper strength.

Have you ever seen a bedspread made of linen and lace joined together? Once you have seen one you will want to make such a spread for yourself. It is advisable when making such a large piece to use long strips of linen rather than squares. One which was included with lots of other pretty things in a hope chest was made of a very heavy linen. Near the center the linen was embroidered in pink and green flowers, heavy silk being used for the purpose. After the strips of linen and lace were joined the spread was bound with lace edging. Anyone who objects to the colored embroidery and the flowers can substitute for it a monogram placed on the center strip. This was surely something different from the ordinary spread for the bed.

**The One-Lace Shoe.**

Have you seen the one-lace shoe? Not the shoe that laces at the side nor yet the shoe that laces straight down the back—although the shoe in question does lace down the back. But this is a shoe that laces with only one lace. And the lace fastens around little metal hooks, from top to bottom, like those at the top of men's laced boots.

These hooks would prove awkward if skirts were longer, for they would be sure to catch in the hem of the skirt and cause tripping and falls. But with the skirt swinging well above the boot top, and far away from it, too, because of the flaring hem, there is no chance of catching in the little metal hooks. It goes without saying that these new boots could be very quickly adjusted.

**New Cretonne Cushions.**

There are some interesting new cushions for cretonne chairs that are made with a little apron attachment in front that hangs down from eight inches to a foot over the front of the chair. They consist of stenciled linen or cretonne with a little flap edged with lily fringe about an inch wide. They are a novelty and very attractive.

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"Been laid up, have you?"

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**Not Just What He Meant.**

The Girl's Mother — And so you think my daughter can live on your salary?  
The Steady Company—Why not? Other women have.—Puck.

**Wherefore the Bible.**

Mr. Tomkins was obliged to stop over night at a small country hotel. He was shown to his room by the one boy the place afforded, a colored lad. "I am glad there's a rope here in case of fire," commented Mr. Tompkins, as he surveyed the room; "but what's the idea of putting a Bible in the room in such a prominent place?" "Dat am intended for use, sah," replied the boy, "in case de fire am too far advanced for yo' make yo' escape, sah."

**Not Impressed With Country.**

A New York man recently made a trip to Reno, and owing to a sudden turn of circumstances lingered there until he was hungry. At length, having detached a dollar from a protesting friend, he entered a Reno restaurant. "Sage hen," said the waiter, not as one offering a query, but as a person stating a fact. "What's sage hen?" asked the New Yorker. The waiter said it was a bird, native to the desert country. "Has it got wings?" asked the other. The waiter said it had. "Then," said the visitor decisively, "I don't want no sage hen. I won't eat nothing that has wings—and yet stays in Nevada."

**NO PLAYMATE FOR EUGENE**

Mother's Darling Henceforth Would Not Associate With Wicked Little Richard Whitney.

Mrs. Atherton had tried to impress upon her young son, Eugene, that he should play only with good boys.

"Mother," said Eugene, as he came in one day, "you don't want me to play with wicked boys, do you?" "No, indeed," said the mother, pleased that her son had remembered her teachings.

"Well, if one boy kicks another little boy, isn't it wicked for him to kick back?"

"Yes, indeed, it is certainly very wicked," was the mother's reply.

"Then I don't play with Richard Whitney any more," said Eugene; "he's too wicked. I kicked him this morning, and he kicked me back."—Chicago Journal.

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**The Khaki Craze.**

"Everybody in England is in khaki now," said the duchess of Manchester to a reporter just before embarking for England. "This universality of the khaki uniform has its drawbacks.

"I know a man who came home the other evening and found his three children—a boy of seven, a girl of five and a baby—all busy on the floor with his new box of mild cigars.

"What are you doing with those cigars?" he roared.

"Oh, father," said the boy, pointing to the brown tobacco remnants on the carpet, "we were pretendin' that they was khaki soldiers, and we took off their puttees, and now we can't get them on again."

**Hard Work.**

A visitor was being shown through the editorial rooms of a great newspaper.

"Is that the man who writes those profound editorials on affairs of state?" he asked, pointing to a man whose corrugated brow indicated deep thought.

"Oh, no," replied his guide. "That's the baseball editor trying to think up a new rumor about the Federal league."

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**His Prerogative.**

"Well, I guess we can safely say this much."

"Say it."  
"After a fellow has been vice president for four years he ought to come away from Washington playing a pretty good game of golf."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

**The Probable Reason.**

"Somehow, as I gazed down at poor Luther Pettifer, lyin' there in his coffin in the parlor," said kindly Farmer Bentover, "I couldn't help thinkin' how odd he looked, though I couldn't exactly make out what the reason was."

"Probably," answered the Old Coder, "it was because that was the first time his wife ever let him rest in the parlor."—Kansas City Star.

**He Didn't Bounce.**

Mike and Pat were working together washing windows. Mike was working on the first floor and Pat was hanging to a strap over the window sill on the second floor. Pat finished his job first and said to Mike:

"I'm done, Mike, and I'm coming down. Will you catch me if I jump?"

"Sure, come on," said Mike. Pat jumped and hit the ground with a thump, all spraddled out. Mike stood with his hand on his hips and watched him. Pat rose, furious. "Why didn't you catch me?" he exclaimed.

"Sure, and why didn't you bounce?" Mike said.

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# Love in a Hurry

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SYNOPSIS.

Hall Bonistelle, artist-photographer, prepares for the day's work in his studio. Flodie Fisher, his assistant, reminds him of a party he is to give in the studio that night, and that his business is in bad financial shape. Mr. Doremus, attorney and Justice of the peace, calls and informs Hall that his Uncle John's will has left him \$4,000,000 on condition that he marry before his twenty-eighth birthday, which begins at midnight that night. Mrs. Rena Roylton calls at the studio and Hall asks her to marry him at once. She spurs for time, but finally agrees to give him an answer at the party that night. Miss Carolyn Dalrys calls and Hall proposes to her. She agrees to give him an answer at the party.

CHAPTER V.

Suddenly she sat up and looked round toward the office. She was keenly alive again, immediately. If love made her stupid and sluggish, hate could revive her. Rosamund Gale! The sight of her stung Flodie like a whip. Here she was again, now, of all times, when everything was askew, Rosamund Gale, the professional model, Rosamund the beautiful, Rosamund the arrogant, the spoiled! Flodie disliked her, from her hair to her heels, disliked her name, her manners, her reputation, and, most of all, her photographs. Hall Bonistelle used her often for his commercial pictures which he sold for advertisements, for magazine covers, for art supplements. "Spring"—Miss Gale in damp cheesecloth with apple blossoms; "The Suf-ragette"—Miss Gale in tailored suit, gesticulating; and so on—Flodie always slapped the prints angrily with an irritated "Choo!" before she put them away. She would have been glad to slap Rosamund. Hall posed her, arranged draperies, touched her hair, moved her hands—all exquisite agony for Flodie.

"Say, where's Hall?" Rosamund made a picture of herself in the doorway. Golden hair, highly colored, picturesque, even voluptuous, always in striking original costumes darily "artistic," Rosamund, with all her dimples, her curls, her "lines," and her strange colors let Flodie have the full disconcerting effect of her beauty. She had the air of one who is quite used to being stared at and admired.

Flodie rose, her face set. "Mr. Bonistelle is busy, Miss Gale," she said, and walked toward the office, as if to brush the visitor back.

Rosamund, however, would recognize no mere menial; she swept into the studio as if she owned the place. "All right, I'll hang round a while till he's free. Say, Miss Fisher, fish me out a couple of those last poses, will you? I want to give one to a gentleman friend. Here—take this box out there and hang it up, while you're going. d'you mind?"

"Oh, certainly!" said Flodie, took the box and—an apparent accident—dropped it. Rosamund made an angry glare. "Oh, pardon me, I'm so careless," said Flodie. Then carrying it off, she stepped on a full foot of it. She stepped along the floor, she marched out of the studio, chin up.

Rosamund looked about for a cigarette, and found a box on a tabouret. "Miss Fisher!" she sang, "bring a match, will you?" Then she turned, and threw herself lazily on the couch. She began to whistle.

Flodie, returning, noticed that Rosamund showed too much silk stocking, and that one stocking had begun to "run." She noticed that Rosamund's

shirtwaist was not quite fresh, noticed that her nails, though highly polished, were not absolutely—well—chaste. One heel was a bit run over; her moonstone ring needed cleaning; lace, part real and part imitation; eyebrows lengthened a little with the pencil; tiny rip in her glove. There was nothing an ordinary man would have seen, nothing that would have hurt, for him, the whole effect, even had he seen it; but Flodie saw and damned and said no word.

"Here are the matches, Miss Gale. I'll look up the prints this afternoon, when I have more time."

"Oh, thanks. Have a cig?" Rosamund held them up impudently. "Oh, don't you smoke?" Very sarcastic was Rosamund's tone. "No, you don't look it, exactly." She laughed easily, confident of her own superior appearance.

Flodie's lips grew white; it would not take much more to make her cry. "Oh, I'd hardly expect you to understand," she managed to say, and turned to go.

"Oh, I understand you all right, I guess. Say, what are all those fancy evergreen wreaths doing out in the office, anyway?" She was blowing rings very prettily.

"Oh, Mr. Bonistelle is going to have a party tonight."

"Really? I'll have to ask him about that." She examined her finger nails. "I believe I'll come."

"I'm sorry, but the invitations were all sent out over a week ago, Miss Gale."

"Mine must have been addressed wrong."

"I don't think I ever make that kind of a mistake."

"No," said Rosamund deliberately, "the mistake you make is in supposing that you run this place."

Flodie eyed her. "Well, you set me such a good example, you know, Miss Gale—really—"

The door opened, and Hall came out of the dark room blinking.

"Hello, Hall! How's the boy?" said Rosamund, and rearranged her pose quickly and deftly.

Exit Flodie, to dry her eyes in the office—to swear her innocent little "Darn it all, anyway!" to wait and wonder, to worry and grow ever more fearful, as the voices reached her ears.

Hall's face lighted as he saw Rosamund. Despite defects of detail, Rosamund, so nonchalantly posed, so fair and flashing, animate with youth and confidence, was, as ever, a picture in which he rejoiced. She had none of Carolyn's severe, clean-cut boyishness, none of the fullness of Mrs. Roylton's aristocratic maturity. She was a woman that women would always shun, and men fight for, love—and abandon.

Hall looked at her, and her beauty sank deep into him. A golden tendril of hair in front of her ear caught his glance; and thence to the saucy frolicsome dimple in her cheek, the little uplifted corner of her delicate mouth, her white even teeth, the straight line of her nose, her finely-drawn eyebrows, to her violet-blue eyes, his quick glance traveled reveling. He did not speak till: "By jove, I'd like to take you in that pose!"

She, of course, immediately changed it to prove her lack of vanity, but fell into another as artful. Well she knew her trade.

"Oh, don't talk shop all the time," she said. "I'm just calling. I've been posing for three hours with Deerfield, and I'm all in. For heaven's sake let me sit where I can't see a camera. Say, Hall, how about this party to-night? You're not trying to cut me out, are you?" She went up to him, took him by the two lapels of his coat, showed her teeth, and with her eyes, dared him to touch her.

He ran his hand through his hair. "By jove," he replied slowly, "didn't you get an invitation? Miss Fisher must have forgotten it."

She made a little gesture of reproach. "Oh, of course, if you didn't want me—you know, Hall, I never butt in. Never mind!" Pouting prettily, she turned away.

"Why, of course I want you to come!" What else could Hall say? But indeed, looking upon her, he meant it now. "Say, you're devilish pretty, did you know it? I've never seen you look so well!"

Rosamund needed no more of an invitation. "Well," she said comfortably, "if you really want me, I'll promise to make some of that smart bunch of yours look like washwomen and that's no myth, either. Say, Hall, I've got a new dress I'm dying to have you see—smart as pepper! It's some rag, believe me! Can I go the limit?" She circled her corsage, indicating a darning lowcut neck.

He laughed and nodded. "Oh, you can get away with anything in the way of clothes. By jove, you'd look all right in jumper and overalls."

"Good idea! Let's try it some time! Queen of the Bricklayers." She struck a graceful attitude.

"Lord, you are pretty!" Hall said meditatively, watching her.

She gave him a look, caught a new expression on his face, and proceeded to work it up. Her first step was to say reflectively, as she cast down her golden lashes. "Say, Hall, I don't know—I guess I'd better not come tonight, though, after all. I don't believe you want me."

"Of course I want you, Rosamund!" He went up to her and tried to take her hand. "Do come—please!"

"No," she drew away from him pettishly. "I'm not coming. I've decided."



She Had the Air of One Who Is Quite Used to Being Stared At.

Rosamund, see here!" This time he coughed.

Of course he followed her. "Now, Rosamund flung herself down on the succeeded in getting her hand. "You've simply got to come. Why, you'll make that crowd stare! There isn't one of them that can come anywhere near you, for looks. I'll be awfully proud of you."

"Why?" Her hand moved in his, with the slightest possible caress. She put something into her blue eyes that made them burn with tenderness.

Hall drew her gently toward him, and whispered: "Come over here, and I'll tell you."

She hesitated a second, then permitted a closer contact, arranging it so that she could look up at him dreamily. "Well, what?" Now her eyes went down. Her fingers worked nervously. Very fine work, for that sort of a girl.

His arm tightened about her, he drew her head still nearer his. One instant she protested mutely, then, with a sigh she shut her eyes and shivered. Hall kissed her once, twice—thrice. She clutched his hand tightly.

When she did raise her lids, it was to look at him with big, pleading, wondering eyes. There were tears in

them—almost. "What do you want to kiss me for, Hall?"

He kissed her again. "Why shouldn't I want to?"

The time had come. She jumped to her feet. "Hall, I'm going! I can't ever come here again. You've spoiled everything? It's only fun for you, but—but I—" she choked a sob—"but I can't play at it, that way!" She turned and walked to the window.

"Oh, I'm sorry—really," Hall walked toward her again. "I didn't mean—" "Oh, I care too much, I'm afraid," she sobbed, and sat down mournfully, refusing to look at him.

"You mean—Rosamund!" He stopped, bit his lip and looked at her keenly. Rosamund could not be awkward or ridiculous. The dedalian gods had granted her the superb gift of grace. She sat in a limp, dejected but perfectly graceful attitude, a picture of grief and wounded pride. A keener man would have looked for more abandonment in her woe, a touch of the grotesqueness of despair, something of convincing intensity. Perhaps Hall himself, at any other time, when his mind was free, might have had a suspicion that all was not genuine. But now he saw only a woman who loved him tenderly, and on whose emotion he had carelessly played. A wave of tenderness for her swept over him—regret for his having touched her keen nerve; but it was colored, also, with the pride of the male in his conquest. The chase had already excited him. She was there, beautiful and fond, his victim—conquered by his force of personality. Try as he might to subdue this baseness, his egotism rose triumphant over his sympathy. The woman was his!

Then, with the thought, a lightning flashed in his brain. Here was the thing to do! He must be married before midnight. Why not Rosamund for his bride? She was ready, willing to be won, affectionate, a beauty whom he could be proud to exhibit as his wife. Mrs. Roylton might give him prestige, introduce him to a smart set, present him, as her dower, with influence and position; but where would she be beside the compelling beauty of Rosamund Gale? Carolyn, perhaps, was better fitted to be his mate—she, too, was of the socially elect, and she had youth. Youth? Had not Rosamund the full fragrance of its charms? All this in a whirling instant—then with a swift rush, he had her in his embrace.

"Rosamund, dear Rosamund!" he exclaimed softly. "I did mean it—I want you, dear! Let me love you!" How careful he was to be honest! "I want you—for my wife, Rosamund! I must have you!" He held her tight and close; he kissed her more and more fervently. Slowly, slowly, she lifted her blue eyes to his. "Really, Hall? Really?" Smiling through her tears, she nestled close.

"Then you do really love me, Rosamund?" Hall asked, after a minute of demonstration. "Oh, Hall!" She ran her fingers through his hair.

Hall had a queer new sensation of pleasure. So far he had thought only of his marriage and his millions; but, with Rosamund warm and soft in his arms, her hair in his eyes, her heart beating so near—Rosamund had made him forget, for a minute. For the moment, if not in love with her, he was at least fascinated. She set his blood afire. His eagerness was not all dissimulation, when he said:

"Then we must be married immediately! I can't wait, Rosamund. What's the use of being engaged? I want you now—today!"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

The Longest Day.

The longest day as distinguished from the polar day is in midsummer at 6. degrees of latitude. There, the day becomes, when the sun reaches its extreme point (northerly in the northern hemisphere and southerly in the southern hemisphere), 24 hours, and the period of darkness is only nominal.

to shed the hard rain, and remained there till the storm was over.

"Was there not a process of reason here? She saw the heavy downpour of rain and, thinking of her exposed children, believed they would be hurt or drowned without her care, so she hurried back. This is called instinct, but instinct is concentrated wisdom without the process being shown."

Cigar With Wooden Peg.

A cigar manufacturer in Wisconsin equips each cigar with a small wooden shoe peg inserted in the tip and projecting far enough to be easily grasped by the teeth. Instead of biting off the end of the tip the smoker simply takes hold of this peg with his teeth and pulls it out, and in this way opens a good draft through the cigar without loosening or injuring the wrapper.—Popular Mechanics.

No Change at All.

"Does your married life seem homelike, my boy?" "Oh, yes, my mother is exactly like the rows mother used to make."—Chicago News.

## BUSINESS IN CANADA IS GOOD

Successful Crops and Big Yields Help the Railway.

The remarkable fields that are reported of the wheat crop of Western Canada for 1915 bear out the estimate of an average yield over the three western provinces of upward of 25 bushels per acre. There is no portion of that great west of 24,000 square miles in which the crop was not good and the yields abundant. An American farmer who was induced to place under cultivation land that he had been holding for five years for speculative purposes and higher prices, says that he made the price of the land out of this year's crop of oats. No doubt, others, too, who took the advice of the Department of the Interior to cultivate the unoccupied land, have done as well.

But the story of the great crop that Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta produced this year is best told in the language of the railways in the added cars that it has been necessary to place in commission, the extra trains required to be run, the increased tonnage of the grain steamers.

It is found that railway earnings continue to improve.

The C. P. R. earnings for the second week of October showed an increase of \$762,000 over last year, the total being only \$310,000 below the gross earnings of the corresponding week of 1913, when the Western wheat crop made a new record for that date. The increase in C. P. R. earnings for the corresponding week of that year was only \$351,000, or less than half of the increase reported this year. The grain movement in the West within the past two weeks has taxed the resources of the Canadian roads as never before, despite their increased facilities. The C. P. R. is handling 2,000 cars per day, a new record. The G. T. R. and the C. N. R. are also making new shipment records. The other day the W. Grant Morden, of the Canada Steamships Company, the largest freighter of the Canadian fleet on the Upper Lakes, brought down a cargo of 476,315 bushels, a new record for Canadian shipping. Records are "going by the board" in all directions this fall, due to Canada's record crop. The largest Canadian wheat movement through the port of New York ever known is reported for the period up to October 15th, when since shipments of the new crop began in August, 4,265,791 bushels have been reloaded for England, France and Italy. This is over half as much as was shipped of American wheat from the same port in the same period. And, be it remembered, Montreal, not New York, is the main export gateway for Canadian wheat. New York gets the overflow in competition with Montreal.—Advertisement.

The Possibilities.

"The scientists are now trying human problems on rats."  
"That may lead to cat-astrophies."

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Only fools mortgage their opportunities.

### Rest Those Worn Nerves



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### SOME VERY QUEER COSTUMES

Gorgeous Raime-it Has Been Common to Many Famous Writers—Disraeli's Green Velvet Trousers.

The London Daily Chronicle, in its interesting miscellaneous column, says: "A liking of gorgeous raiment, such as characterized Emile Verhaeren in his youth, has been common to many famous writers. Disraeli as a young man startled the town by an evening dress comprising green velvet trousers, a canary-colored waistcoat, and a coat with lace cuffs. Dickens, likewise was fond of a certain bright green waistcoat, which he wore in company with a vivid scarlet and he turned up at Frith's studio in a sky-blue overcoat with a red collar. Even more fearful and grotesque was Dumas' appearance at the reception in a shirt of red and a number of rows of buttons. The doctor, Dr. Snow, wore a white coat with a red collar and a white waistcoat with a red collar and a white waistcoat with a red collar."

### Right Living for the Child.

Plenty of air, which includes sunshine, as sunshine always gets in with the air if it is anywhere around. Plenty of rest. Plenty of water. (This means both within and without.) Moderate and nourishing food. Moderate clothing—ask yourself if the child is coolly enough dressed rather than warmly enough. Plenty of play. Plenty of common sense. Which last, being interpreted, means the wisdom and the initiative to adapt all laws to individual conditions.—Good Housekeeping Magazine

### Soup and Crackers.

In the Woman's Home Companion appeared an interesting little article entitled, "Soup Versus Crackers," in which the old-fashioned housekeeper was presented as being highly impressed with the importance of soups. As a matter of fact, according to experts in the department of agriculture at Washington, a fair-sized man, making his living over a desk, requires about 2,500 calories of energy per day.

### Now, ordinary clear soups and broths

run 50, 60 and 70 calories to the pint. The ordinary man, therefore, in order to do a day's work would require something like five gallons of such soup. The meaty soups do better. They lie between one and two hundred calories to the pint. But, after all, beef stew is four-fifths water and one-fifth nutrient. Much-despised crackers, which the ordinary old-fashioned housekeeper thought contained little nutriment, are, as a matter of fact, weight for weight, five times as nutritious as clear soups. Crackers lie between 1,500 and 2,000 calories to the pound.

### Robin That Reasoned.

Showing the motherly care of a robin, an exchange relates the following beautiful instance: "A robin's nest was filled with young ones in sight of a friend's window. The mother bird was away when a violent thunderstorm came up. As the heavy drops began to pour down she returned and the little ones greeted her with open mouth, expecting food. She pressed them down with her foot and sat on them with extended wing



**LIBRARIES BUY FEW BOOKS**

**Educators Alarmed Over the Effect of Rigid Economy That is Being Practiced in England.**

It is expected that the war economy of the English local authorities will take the form, among other things, of a cutting down of expenditure on public libraries. The recent local government board circular suggested the libraries as one of the departments on which there might be a saving.

The Library association at its recent meeting had a discussion which showed that many people are afraid that economy will have the effect of seriously injuring the educational value of the libraries, and this at a time when the importance of literature, both as an escape from an overmastering obsession and as helping people to take wider and sounder views on the problems of the war, is greater than ever. The Lambeth libraries committee has just decided not to buy any novels during the war, and it is probable that this example will be widely followed. The argument is, of course, that fiction in war times is a luxury. What are called "useful books" will continue to be bought at Lambeth.

It is likely, says the Manchester Guardian, that many library committees will adopt the sensible course of cutting down expenditures on ephemeral fiction while still buying the works of the first rate novelists. It is impossible that there will be any retrenchment on books on the war, which are being eagerly read at the moment. Many committees may cease buying the more expensive books of general literature.

**This is No Joke.**

"How true it is," remarked the bachelor, "that one-half the world doesn't know how the other half lives." "Yes," replied the benedict, "but a man's better half never tires of trying to find out the tricks of the other half."

**The Gurkha's Charge.**

That the Indian troops not only respect but love their officers is illustrated in the following humorous story from T. P.'s Journal:

A young English subaltern had just arrived at the front, and his superior officers, who were not at all sure of him, gave an old Hindu soldier of his regiment orders to keep his eye on him. The Indian was very proud of his trust, and looked after the young fellow as if he had been his own son, although he was always perfectly respectful and obedient.

Then, one afternoon, the German across the way started a violent bombardment. Carried away by his feelings, the boy jumped up and exposed himself unnecessarily to their fire. The Gurkha immediately pulled him back, pushed him to the floor of the trench, and sat on him! The young Englishman struggled to rise, but the Gurkha sat tight.

"Not yet, sahib," he cried, "not yet!" And it was not until the colonel gave the order to charge that the conscientious Hindu allowed his prisoner to rise, saluted him respectfully, and charged the enemy trenches at his side.

**Makes Plants Grow Fast.**

Electroculture, as it is called, is the latest thing in agriculture. Electric lighting has been resorted to in an effort to keep plants growing at top speed for 24 hours out of every day. When night comes or when clouds obscure the sun, the lights are turned on. Electricity will also be used to supply heat during the cold weather. So far electroculture is only an experiment, but the experts believe that this treatment will both hasten the harvest and improve the quality of the crop. The experiments are being conducted both indoors and out. Dayton, O., is the scene of the experiment.—American Boy.

**A Demonstration.**

"It is said that my music carries people away."  
"Yes; I noticed that you gradually emptied the room."

**EASY TO DYE AT HOME**

**NO NEED TO SEND MATERIALS TO PROFESSIONALS.**

**Housewife May Save Much Expense and Achieve Equally Good Results by Doing the Work Herself—Some Useful Hints.**

In almost every household in the spring and fall there are articles for household and personal use that must be sent to the dyers. These can be done equally well at home.

Now that one dye can be bought which will answer alike for silk, cotton and woolen fabrics, success is well-nigh assured if the directions on the packet are strictly followed. These are usually explicit, and experienced dyers need no other; but the amateur is apt to strike snags despite directions. She may not think it necessary to clean the article to be dyed, but oil or grease of any kind kills dye, so that any garment known to be greasy at all should be soaked in a warm solution of ammonia and water for half an hour, then thoroughly rinsed in hot water before going into the dye pot. Cotton goods should be washed in hot soapsuds and given a thorough rinsing. To leave soap in will interfere with the dye.

When dyeing cotton or mixed goods they should be allowed to become cold in the dye bath. Dyes set very slowly in these fabrics, so the cooling process is necessary to success. Woolens, on the contrary, absorb the dye quicker, and may be rinsed while hot. Closely woven woolen goods should be boiled a little longer than those loosely woven.

Woolen goods of any weave should never be allowed to boil fast. A gentle simmering will bring the best results. If boiled violently, the tiny hairs mat and cause shrinkage, besides making the material close and board-like.

The fiber of linen, being harder and tougher than that of wool, silk or mixed goods, requires longer and faster boiling. Linen should be allowed to boil until the desired shade is obtained. This will be longer than in the case of the other materials mentioned.

Silks are so often weighted with fillers that on dyeing them they will fall apart. It has been proved that sixteen ounces of silk can, with fillers, be made to weigh double that amount. Good silks, satins and ribbons will dye satisfactorily, but it is a waste of time to bother with cheap silks. It will be better to wash them through and use for linings or trimmings when making over garments.

Two different articles may be dyed to match if they are the same color before being dyed. If otherwise, it is practically impossible to dye them to match, but they will dye black.

The home dyer should guard against over-dyeing. Use only the quantity given in the directions.

Never wring dyed articles too firmly, and always dry in the shade. The dyeing process goes on until the article is dry, consequently any portions exposed to the sun will dry quickly and the result will be a streaky garment.

**Luncheon Dish.**

Tasty, and easily prepared, is this dish. Wash, then pare and slice fine, three medium-sized white potatoes, two large onions, two tomatoes or a cupful of canned ones. Put this in an agate kettle, add two tablespoonfuls of rice and one quart and one pint of cold water; simmer for one hour, season with salt and pepper, two tablespoonfuls of minced parsley and a cupful of good, rich gravy, or one may substitute two tablespoonfuls of beef extract. Stir until dissolved. Now drop in one tablespoonful of peanut butter and stew for five minutes longer serve hot, with croutons or thin brown buttered toast.

**Canning Pays.**

Canning at home, where fruits and vegetables are grown, is an attractive business which may be started in a small way, and developed into something bigger. It is essentially a farm industry and every member of the family may have a part, either in producing the crops or in the canning operations. The boys and girls of the home generally take an interest in canning and when given a chance to make some money for themselves, they will develop habits of industry and thrift.

**Narrow Escape.**

"See here, you. You were talking in your sleep last night about a dear and a perfect love." "It refers to my dear and plained her husband, to the love of a hat I am glad to get back for you." Sheave resolved to do the arteries of the term, new pupils seen placed at \$6,000, awaiting the action of the grand jury.

**STOP THOSE SHARP SHOOTING PAINS**

"Femenina" is the wonder worker for all female disorders. Price \$1.00 and 50c. Adv.

A strong-headed man may be weak minded.

Most particular women use Red Cross Ball Blue. American made. Sure to please. At all good grocers. Adv.

Those who dodge work don't have to dodge the reward.

**DEATH LURKS IN A WEAK HEART,** so on first symptoms use "Renovine" and be cured. Delay and pay the awful penalty. "Renovine" is the heart's remedy. Price \$1.00 and 50c.—Adv.

Every man must catch cold for himself.

**Use Whenever Quinine is Needed Does Not Affect the Head**

Because of its tonic and laxative effect LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE will be found better than ordinary Quinine for any purpose for which Quinine is used. Does not cause nervousness, nor ringing in head. Remember there is only one "Bromo Quinine." That is Laxative Bromo Quinine. Look for signature of E. W. Grove. 25c

Kissing may be unhealthful, but nothing risked, nothing gained.

**A Loyal Ally In Stomach Ailments**

As soon as you notice the appetite waning, the digestion becoming impaired or the liver and bowels refuse to perform their daily functions just resort to

**HOSTETTER'S Stomach Bitters**

It is really Nature's "first aid"

W. N. U., Oklahoma City, No. 49-1915.

**SUDDEN DEATH**

**Caused by Disease of the Kidneys**

The close connection which exists between the heart and the kidneys is well known nowadays. As soon as kidneys are diseased, arterial tension is increased and the heart functions are attacked. When the kidneys no longer pour forth waste, uremic poisoning occurs, and the person dies and the cause is often given as heart disease, or disease of brain or lungs.

It is a good insurance against such a risk to send 10 cents for a large trial package of "Anuric"—the latest discovery of Dr. Pierce. Also send a sample of your water. This will be examined without charge by expert chemists at Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y. When you suffer from backache, frequent or scanty urine, rheumatic pains here or there, or that constant tired, worn-out feeling, it's time to write Dr. Pierce, describe your symptoms and get his

medical opinion, without charge—absolutely free. This "Anuric" of Dr. Pierce's is 37 times more active than lithia, for it dissolves uric acid in the system, as hot water does sugar.

Simply ask for Dr. Pierce's Anuric Tablets. There can be no imitation. Every package of "Anuric" is sure to be Dr. Pierce's. You will find the signature on the package just as you do on Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, the ever-famous friend to ailing women.

Worry is a frequent cause and sometimes a symptom of kidney disease. Thousands have testified to immediate relief from these symptoms after using Dr. Pierce's Anuric Tablets for the kidneys and backache.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription makes weak women strong, sick women well. No alcohol. Sold in tablets or liquid.



**Watch Your Colts**

For Coughs, Colds and Distemper, and at the first symptoms of any such ailment, give small doses of that wonderful remedy, now the most used in existence. SPOHN'S DISTEMPER COMPOUND 50 cents and \$1 a bottle; \$5 and \$10 the dozen of any druggist, harness dealer, or delivered by SPOHN MEDICAL CO., Chemists and Bacteriologists, Goshen, Ind., U. S. A.

Even a color-blind man can tell a greenback when he sees it.

**A GRATEFUL OLD LADY.**

Mrs. A. G. Clemens, West Alexander, Pa., writes: I have used Dodd's Kidney Pills, also Diamond Dinner Pills. Before using them I had suffered for a number of years with backache, also tender spots on spine, and had at times black floating specks before my eyes. I also had lumbago and heart trouble. Since using this medicine I have been relieved of my suffering. It is agreeable to me for you to publish this letter. I am glad to have an opportunity to say to all who are suffering as I have done that I obtained relief by using Dodd's Kidney Pills and Diamond Dinner Pills. Dodd's Kidney Pills 50c per box at your dealer or Dodd's Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets for Indigestion have been proved. 50c per box.—Adv.



Occasionally a bad boy makes good.

If it is a thing a woman never is likely to need, she is pretty sure to put it carefully away.

**STOP THAT HACKING COUGH.** Mansfield (formerly Hungarian) Cough Balsam heals the inflamed and lacerated membranes and quiets the tickling nerves that lie underneath the infected portions. Invaluable for babies. Price 25c and 50c.—Adv.

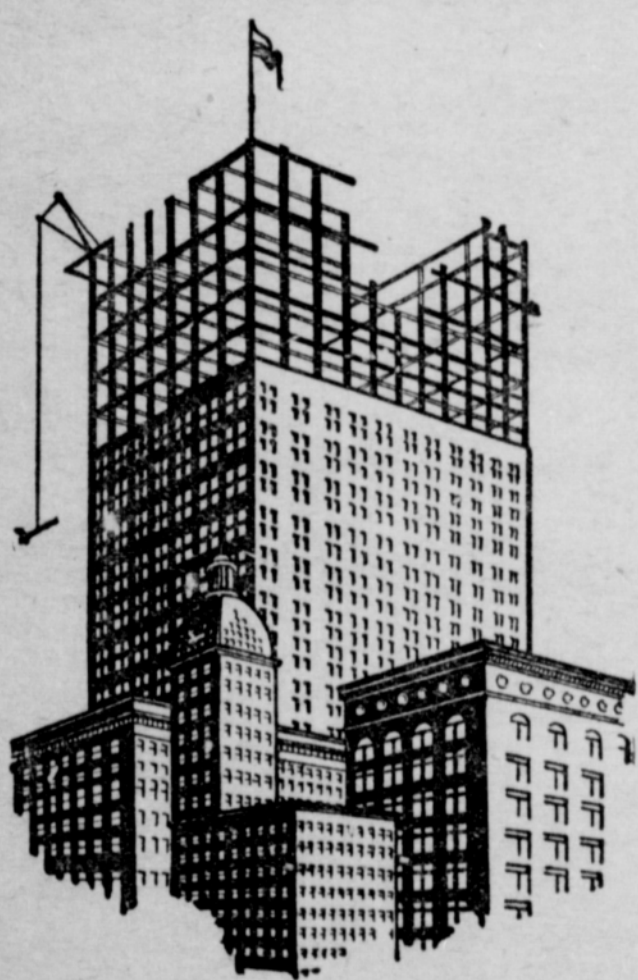
Wheat, flour and oats may not be exported from Great Britain during the war.

**Not Gray Hairs but Tired Eyes** make us look older than we are. Keep your eyes young and you will look young. After the Movies always Marine Your Eyes—Don't tell your age.

Lots of infant industries never grow up.

**A NEGLECTED COLD** is often followed by pneumonia. Before it is too late take Laxative Quinine Tablets. Gives prompt relief in cases of Coughs, Colds, La Grippe and Headache. Price 25c.—Adv.

The man who feathers his own nest must be a bird.



**Building For Years to Come**

In the erection of modern buildings the primary thought is for endurance.

The same thought should be given to building our own body and brain—but few give it. This building process requires certain essential food elements which, within the body, are converted into the kind of brain, bone, nerve and muscle capable of enduring the severe tests of work and time.

**Grape-Nuts**

**FOOD**

is scientifically made of whole wheat and malted barley, and supplies, in splendid proportion, all the nutritive values of the grains, including their vital mineral salts, which are all-important for life and health, but lacking in much of the food that goes to make up the ordinary diet.

A daily ration of Grape-Nuts food is good "building" for sound health of years to come.

**"There's a Reason"**

...a druggist of the term, ... on Dec. 18th, has new pupils ... placed at \$6,000, awaiting ... the action of the grand jury.

**Why those Pains?**

Here is a testimonial unsolicited

"If I had my will it would be advertised on every street corner. The man or woman that has rheumatism and fails to keep and use Sloan's Liniment is like a drowning man refusing a rope."—A. J. Van Dyke, Lakewood, N. J.



**Sloan's Liniment**



THE CENTAUR COMPANY NEW YORK



## LADY, BLINDED BUT CONSCIOUS

Said She Would Turn Blind and Fall When Nervous Spells Came on, Yet Remained Conscious.

Odessa, Fla.—"About 2 years ago," writes Mrs. J. D. Powell, of this place, "I took several bottles of Cardui as a tonic, for I was run down in health. In fact I could hardly do anything at all, could only drag around and couldn't do my work. Life was miserable to me and I knew I must have some relief, as I was so very weak. I would suffer with aching pains in my right side, back and shoulders. I would have such terrible nervous spells, which would come on me, and I'd fall down wherever I was standing. I would turn blind, as though I had fainted yet kept my consciousness. My friends would rub me... circulation was extremely poor, and the arms, hands and limbs would be cold.

"My friends... recommended that I try Cardui. ... I began using it and soon both saw and felt a great improvement. ... My appetite became good. I ate so my husband teased me about it. I could rest well at night, and got so I could do all my housework in a short time. ... I praise Cardui to all my friends."

If you suffer from any form of womanly weakness or irregularity, try Cardui, the woman's tonic. For sale by all druggists.

### Watching the Seals.

Visitors at the Aquarium never tire of watching the harbor seals, and one thing that pleases them particularly is to see the seals fall off their table when they go to sleep. In the middle of the pool for the seals there are two low tables, their tops are just above the water, on which the seals climb out to sleep or to rest. And sometimes one or another of the seals will climb out of the water to one of those tables and lie there on it, maybe close along the edge of one side and perhaps with its head and forward part of its body hanging over the edge of the table in front, apparently all the time in imminent danger of rolling off the table at the side or of pitching off head first into the water in front. And when a seal lies on a table like that, sleeping or dozing, people stand around the pool watching and waiting for the seal to fall off. He won't hurt himself when he does fall, he will simply fall off into the water; but old and young men, women and children, will stand there with keen interest silently watching and waiting for that seal to fall. And if they stay long enough, as they are pretty sure to do, they are rewarded.—New York Times.

### A Boer Don at Cambridge.

Christ's, which has just elected to an honorary fellowship General Smuts, who was graduated there with exceptional brilliance in the law tripos, is not the only Cambridge college which has paid this academic compliment to a prominent South African statesman. Some time ago Downing conferred an honorary fellowship on the Hon. W. P. Schreiner, who was also graduated with the highest distinction in the same Tripos, and was formerly a fellow. Hitherto Christ's college has proved more prolific of bards than lawyers, having been the Alma mater of six poets of such diverse types as Milton and C. S. Calverley.—Westminster Gazette.

### Keeping It Dark.

"I don't want to sign my name to this letter. I think I'll sign it 'Cognosco'."

"If you don't want to be known, I think I'd sign it 'Incognosco'."

### Treasure for Antiquarians.

In a recent issue of the London Times announcement is made of the discovery at Caerboron, on the Roman wall, three miles east of Glisland, in Northumberland, of a remarkable bronze measure of the Roman period. Such officially certified measures are

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# POULTRY FACTS



## SCRAPS GOOD FOR CHICKENS

Parings Left From Potatoes, Pumpkins, Squash, Apples, Etc., Make Excellent Feed.

Save all the parings, potato, pumpkin, squash, apple, etc.; and when you are cooking your noonday meal cook these for the chickens. When it has cooled, stir in enough wheat bran to make a stiff mash. This makes an excellent but economical dinner. Give them an occasional mess of parings chopped fine without cooking. Turnips and beets are much relished by the fowls when eaten green.

If you have cabbage, take a small-sized head, fasten it to a wire and hang low enough that the fowls can reach it easily. You will be surprised to see how quickly they will clean up a cabbage in this way.

Don't feed your fowls milk in the watering trough. Have a separate trough for each. Be sure to feed a panful of milk each day.

Don't forget to water fowls when the weather gets cold. Milk doesn't quench their thirst, as I have often seen them turn from a pan of milk to the watering trough and drink an enormous quantity.

Keep a dust box in the henhouse when the hens are confined.

## MOST PROLIFIC EGG LAYERS

What Chinese Breed of Geese Lack in Size They Make Up in Egg Production—Are Quite Hardy.

Apparently what the Chinese geese lack in size has prevented them from becoming favorites with those who raise large numbers annually, but with those who keep a limited number



White Chinese Geese.

they are found to be very practical. What they lack in size they gain in egg production, being the most prolific of all breeds of geese, averaging from 50 to 60 eggs a year. In size, aptitude to fatten, and ease of management they appear in no respect inferior to other geese, while the quality of flesh is decidedly superior.

They are exceedingly graceful in appearance, quite hardy, and the young mature early. There are two varieties of Chinese geese—the Brown and the White. They have medium-sized heads, with large knob at base of a medium-length bill, and long, gracefully arched neck. The backs are medium in length, and the breast is round and full; body of medium size, round and plump; wings large and strong; thigh bones short and stout, and shanks of medium length.

## EXERCISE FOR LAYING HENS

Erroneous Impression Prevails Among Certain Poultrymen That Fowls Should Be Kept Moving.

The matter of exercise for laying hens is one of great importance to the poultryman, and one which means much in producing eggs for sale. It is a common

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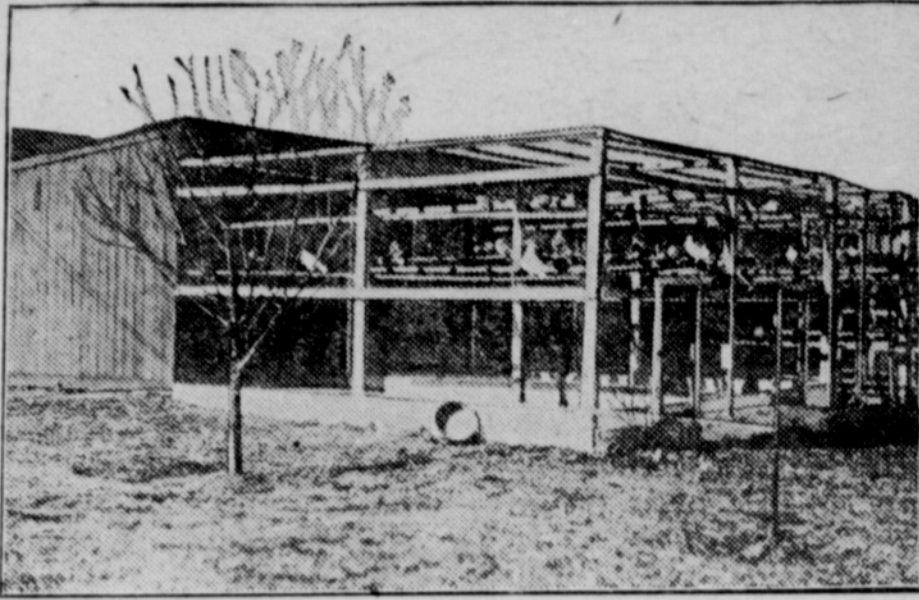
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## PIGEONS ARE SUBJECT TO MANY DISEASES



Pigeon House and Fly—Note Bath Pan Against House.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

The pens and yards where pigeons are confined must be kept clean. There is very little chance of making money from squabs unless the pigeons can be kept comparatively free from diseases and insect parasites. If healthy breeding stock is secured, the houses and yards kept clean, and careful attention given to the birds, diseases and parasites should not be a material factor in squab raising. (Only good, sound grain should be fed.)

The following advice as to keeping pigeons well and curing their diseases is taken from Farmers' Bulletin No. 684, "Squab Raising." The stock should be carefully watched and any sick birds removed from the breeding pens. The house should be kept dry, clean, well ventilated and free from drafts. The yards should be kept clean either by scraping the surface and adding fresh sand or gravel or by cultivating the land and planting it to grain if possible.

The nests, nest boxes, and pens should be kept clean, but it is not advisable to disturb the nests which contain eggs or squabs any more than is actually necessary. The pens should be sprayed frequently with whitewash containing a little crude carbolic acid, or with a coal-tar disinfectant, and the nest boxes and perches should be examined for mites, especially in hot weather, and sprayed with kerosene oil or some commercial preparation which will kill mites. The nests or nest pans should be cleaned out and the nesting material removed after the squabs are marketed or leave the nests.

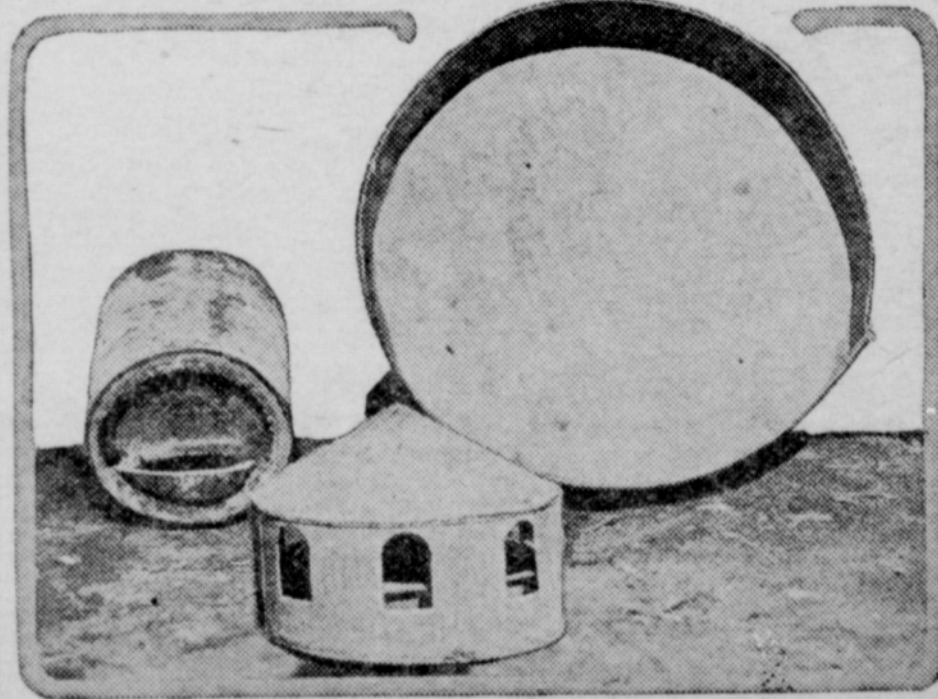
### Canker.

Pigeons are subject to many of the diseases which affect poultry and may be treated in the same manner. Canker and the disease or condition called "going light" seem to be more prevalent in pigeons than in the domestic

fowl. Canker appears as sores or cheesy patches in the mouth and throat and can usually be prevented by providing good sanitary conditions and feeding only clean, sound grains and clean water. It may be treated by swabbing the mouth and throat with undiluted creolin or with a solution of equal parts of hydrogen peroxide and water or by using dry sulphur. Enough potassium permanganate may be added to the drinking water to give it a wine color. Various remedies or preventives of disease are used in the drinking water by pigeon breeders whenever the stock appears to be in poor condition. Among these are carbolic acid, epsom salts, copper sulphate, and venetian red. Ulcers sometimes appear on the head, around the bill, eyes, mouth, or in the throat, and pigeons thus affected should usually be killed.

"Going light" is more or less peculiar to pigeons and is difficult to cure. It may be brought about by feeding filthy or unsound grains, by filthy conditions, and by any factor which tends to destroy the vitality of the pigeons. The symptoms of this condition are a gradual loss of flesh, frequently accompanied by diarrhea. The practical method of treatment is to remove the cause. Pigeons in this or in any other diseased condition will often get well if allowed their freedom. Tonics are used by some pigeon breeders, especially during the molting season.

Dead squabs may be due to a variety of reasons. The cause of the mortality must be found and removed if profitable results are to be secured. Some of the possible causes are extra males or unmated pigeons in the breeding pens, rats or mice in the house, and lack of vitality in the breeding stock, caused by the use of improper or the lack of sufficient feed, filthy conditions, or careless inbreeding.



Water Vessels and Bath Pan.

## SOUND HOG CHOLERA MAXIMS

Best Results Are Obtained Where Serum is Administered Before Disease Has Progressed.

If hog cholera appears in your herd:

Treat your hogs immediately with anti-hog cholera serum, after which they should be kept on a light diet and pure drinking water and confined to limited quarters that may be cleaned daily and sprayed three times a week with one part of compound cresol solution to 30 parts of water until the disease has abated in the herd. To obtain the best results the serum must be administered before the disease has progressed in the herd.

Success in hog raising is determined by intelligent daily, sometimes hourly attention to many smaller details of judgment. When a farmer comes a hog raiser permanently in

turn them over, exposing interior to sunlight.

Wallow holes and cesspools should be filled in, drained or fenced off.

All runs underneath buildings should be cleaned and disinfected and then boarded up.

Destroy hogs that do not fully recover, as they may be carriers of cholera infection.

### Demand for Sheep.

The demand for sheep at high figures is unprecedented, yet old sheep men have trembled with fear for fifty years lest the tariff be removed from wool. It is most gratifying to see more farmers taking advantage of "the golden hoof."

### Success With Hogs.

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## Answer the Alarm!

A bad back makes a day's work twice as hard. Backache usually comes from weak kidneys, and if headaches, dizziness or urinary disorders are added, don't wait—get help before dropsy, gravel or Bright's disease set in. Doan's Kidney Pills have brought new life and new strength to thousands of working men and women. Used and recommended the world over.

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In the local treatment of woman's ills, such as leucorrhoea and inflammation, hot douches of Paxtine are very efficacious. No woman who has ever used medicated douches will fail to appreciate the clean and healthy condition Paxtine produces and the prompt relief from soreness and discomfort which follows its use. This is because Paxtine possesses superior cleansing, disinfecting and healing properties.

For ten years the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. has recommended Paxtine in their private correspondence with women, which proves its superiority. Women who have been relieved say it is "worth its weight in gold." At druggists, 50c. large box or by mail. Sample free. The Paxton Toilet Co., Boston, Mass.

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Use any injector, but Carter's best.

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

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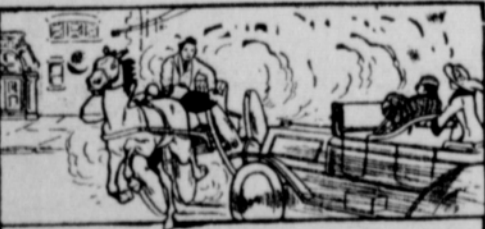
FOUND—A hand-made table scarf on the road between Slaton and Southland. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for this notice.—E. H. Doolin, 5 miles west of Slaton.

LODGING ACCOMMODATIONS—I have remodeled my rooming house just west of the Singleton Hotel in Slaton, and now have first class warm rooms well heated for 25 people each night.—Mrs. Annie Higbee.

BREEDERS ATTENTION.—I have purchased a splendid registered Black Spanish Jack to make the season of 1916 with my Percheron Horse, Oklahoma, near Southland.—Frank Anderson.

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**LOCAL AND PERSONAL**

Remember that Tuesday is today. Don't wait till Wednesday.

Cloyd and Algy Howell left last week for Bells, Texas, to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Luther have a big boy at their place. He was born Dec. 19th.

Suits pressed the Hoffman way at The Nobby for 50c. Cheaper and better than the hand iron.

Good bye, old hand pressed clothes; Hoffman has come to town. Meet Mr. Hoffman at The Nobby.

Made to Measure Clothes from houses that guarantee a fit. Let us take your measure. DeLong, the Tailor.

Nice Christmas programs were given at the Methodist and Baptist Churches in this city last Friday night.

Pat Whalen is in Slaton this week visiting his family. Pat is working at Wellington, Kansas, for the Santa Fe.

B. F. Ballew of Runnels County was prospecting in Slaton the first of the week with a view to buying a farm here.

A Santa Fe brass collar special from Amarillo went thru Slaton Tuesday noon for Sweetwater on official business with that division.

Current report says that I. O. Wilson, trainmaster at Amarillo, will be succeeded on Jan. 1st, by H. A. Tate, who is now train dispatcher.

S. J. Wilkins returned to Slaton Saturday after an absence of some time. He has been running a threshing machine engine in the north Panhandle.

N. Kassel of Birmingham, Ala., arrived in Slaton last Friday and has taken a permanent position at the Grand Leader. Mr. Kassel is a cousin of M. Olim.

The Rev. N. B. Graves returned home Thursday last week from a business trip of several days at San Angelo. He was in El Paso also while on the trip.

Mrs. T. K. Brazell is moving back to Slaton from Plainview and will have charge of the Compton Hotel after Jan. 1st. Mrs. Jesse Blake will probably move to Quanah.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Chavers is getting along fairly well with hopes of his entire recovery. He was burned on Dec. 20th by setting down in a bucket of hot water.

The Mitchell Concert Orchestra of Canadian, Texas, will be at the Santa Fe Reading Room in Slaton on Tuesday night, Jan. 4th. This is the opening number of the 1916 Santa Fe entertainments.

N. L. Ball, a newspaperman recently of Rotan, Texas, was a caller at the Slatonite office Wednesday. Mr. Ball recently sold the Rotan Advance and is touring the State.

**Farm News**

... of Jim ... of the term ... new pupils ... the action of the grand jury.

Phone us and we will get your clothes. DeLong, the Tailor.

Suits cleaned and pressed at The Nobby for \$1.00. First class work guaranteed.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Holman of Amarillo visited Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Brannon in Slaton for a few days during the past week. Mr. Holman was formerly a groceryman of our city. He expressed much surprise at the growth Slaton has made in the past year, and said that this city seemed to be twice as large as it was the previous time he was hers.

F. V. Williams has purchased an improved farm of one hundred fifty acres twelve miles southwest of Slaton and will move to the place just as soon as he can transfer his personal property from the farm which he has been renting near Wilson for two years. He secured a splendid place and it will make him a nice home. Mrs. Z. Jenkins sold the farm to Mr. Williams.

No class of tailoring too difficult for us to handle satisfactorily. DeLong's Shop.

**Died from Effects of Burn**

Willard Lomas, the boy who was severely burned on Nov. 27th by his clothes catching fire while he was trying to light a toy lantern, died at his home in Slaton Monday morning. For a month he had made a most remarkable fight for his life, but his injuries were too deep to respond to treatment. His parents took his body to Wellington, Kansas, for burial, leaving Slaton Tuesday morning. Little Willard was a bright and a popular boy, and his cheerful optimism during the period of his suffering was a lesson to older people. He was seven years of age. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Reese, have the sympathy of the entire city in their bereavement.

Ad day is Tuesday.

Happy New Year!

A trial means a steady customer. Try us. DeLong.

Capt. Paul P. Murray was in Austin last week on a short business trip.

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# GLORIA'S GARDENER

He Cultivated the Flower of Love in His Mistress' Heart.

By JOHN DARLING.

James Randal strolled slowly past the Woodvine cottage. Certainly the lovely grounds were sadly in need of a gardener's care and just as surely were his fagged nerves in need of the restful tonic that working in that garden would provide.

He had taken the day in the country that he might select a quiet boarding house in which to spend a month or two, but alas! The quiet boarding houses were so totally lacking in attractiveness that Randal had decided that of two evils the lesser was the city boarding house. Even the appalling set of people in the city house was no doubt preferable to the deadly monotony in the country.

"But I would love to garden that bit of property," he sighed and would have passed the Woodvine cottage for the last time save that a slip of a girl at that psychological moment happened to come out of the vine-covered porch. Her hair was braided in a long sunny plait and her smile traversed the distance between Randal and the porch.

He retraced his footsteps and went up the path toward the girl. His walk was impulsive as were his intentions.

The girl gazed questioningly at him though with a gleam of interest in her eyes; eyes that were far seeing, as if they expressed the beauty of a great mind.

"Is there a chance in the world that you require a gardener?" Randal asked as he reached the girl's side.

"I certainly require one," Gloria Woodvine returned quickly, then with slight hesitation, "but I am not sure that I want one."

"Oh," was Randal's ejaculation, "then do you perhaps know anyone who does both require and want my services?"

"Yours? Are you the gardener?" She looked him up and down with dawning wonder in her eyes.

"Yes. And I would have this bit of property looking like a show place in two weeks if you would let me. There are wonderful possibilities here," Randal said, and the peculiar look in his eyes brought a slight flush to Gloria's cheeks.

"I couldn't pay very much," she said quickly, "because I keep this little place up myself. My family considers me mad for coming down here in the country to live. It is my own retreat for writing and I have not been able to get someone to make it beautiful, much as I wanted to."

"If you permit me to pitch a tent down by that clump of fir trees and camp there I will care for the garden, plant some vegetables, get a few laying hens and help you a lot. Is it a go? I really need the work."

Gloria looked rather startled but a tiny smile played about her lips. Assuredly here was a type around whom she might write a story. She would chance the trial anyway. If he did not please her she could easily dismiss him.

"I am down here for absolute quiet and concentration," she told him. "I would have to ask you to go about your work without consulting me more than is absolutely necessary. My old black mammy will always be about."

Randal looked searchingly at Gloria Woodvine. Suddenly he knew who it was she reminded him of. It was Freddy Woodvine, but Randal had not associated the name of the cottage with that of the girl. Now he knew who she was and his task became one of trebled interest. She was Gloria Woodvine, Freddy's sister, and an authoress of no small fame.

"Sis is a bit daffy," Freddy had said on one occasion when Randal had wanted to meet her. "She goes off into silences and retreats and never shows up until she brings a full-fledged novel back with her."

"I will pitch my tent tomorrow, if it is agreeable to you," he said and realized that he could scarcely wait to take the dust of newspaper off his feet and take up his abode on Long Island Sound.

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did he get from that source. He prepared his own meals on his camp fire and altogether enjoyed his eccentric actions more than anything he had tried for a long time. His holiday was going to be a great success.

The garden, too, responded to proper care and looked much like a dainty flower basket set against a background of tall chestnut trees. Vegetables which found their way to black Martha's kitchen and hence to the table of Gloria, were a great success. The chickens, too, produced Gloria's breakfast, and Randal rejoiced each day in the chance that had sent him past Woodvine cottage.

Gloria, apparently deeply engrossed with her hero of fancy, did, however, find time to discuss the new gardener with black Martha, and to learn from her faithful servant that Randal was all but a paragon.

"He done cut down our 'spenses by half with his chickens and 'matoes and onions. Seems lak I never could make 'em grow."

Gloria had also found many moments to spare while thinking out passages of speech. These she employed by watching Randal's strong body as it plowed or built chicken coops or gathered sticks for his camp fire. Her speculating as to his real reason for working in a garden was more vague than she liked.

"I wis, I knew," she repeated often to herself.

It was her very interest in him that kept Gloria away from Randal when she would often have strolled about seeking information from him about flowers or chatting on general subjects. She was curiously shy about seeing him and wondered not a little at her own silly reasons for not wishing to see much of her gardener.

She had been sitting at her typewriter for many hours and was just stepping onto the porch when a great man threw his arms about her and held her struggling against him.

"Thought I'd come down and pay a surprise visit," the man told her with a hearty laugh. "Sis, you are daffy to live all by yourself," Freddy Woodvine told her for the hundredth time, "but it's jolly good to get into the country for a day. Hope you don't mind and that I am not butting into one of those silences or something."

Gloria laughed and hugged her big brother affectionately.

"Hello! Who's the man in the tent?" Freddy cast swift eyes at his sister.

Much to Gloria's disgust, she blushed hotly.

"That is my gardener—he takes charge of the chickens and—"

"Guess I will go down and have a look at him," Freddy said with more or less brotherly intolerance toward his sister's mode of living. "I am not sure that it's respectable to have a strange man camping in the garden," he flung back at her.

Gloria was so indignant that she flounced within the cottage to tell her troubles to Martha. Had she waited until Freddy reached the tent she would have seen the delighted meeting of the two men and would have heard the laughter that followed. She did, however, hear the returning footsteps of her brother, and, looking out, discovered that he was coming arm in arm with her gardener.

Presented to her gardener in a most formal manner by her brother, she smiled the smile that Randal remembered as having lingered on the first day of their meeting in Gloria's eyes.

"You are a pair of dippies," was Freddy's comment in a disgusted tone.

"I done knows he was a gentleman," Martha said, as she stood in the doorway watching developments.

"I suppose you will be telling me next that you two have fallen in love with each other," there was a hint of hope in Freddy's tone.

"You have no right to suppose anything of the kind," flashed Gloria. "Besides, Mr. Randal has not given me a chance to fall in love with him even if I had wanted to."

"We can soon fix that up," laughed Randal.

"The sooner my sister is tied up to a sensible man, the better off she'll be," Freddy said, and drew Gloria into his arms. "Isn't that right, Martha?"

"It sure am, Mars' Fred," Martha nodded, grinning broadly.

"It's a great pity Mr. Randal is not the sensible man," Gloria laughed demurely.

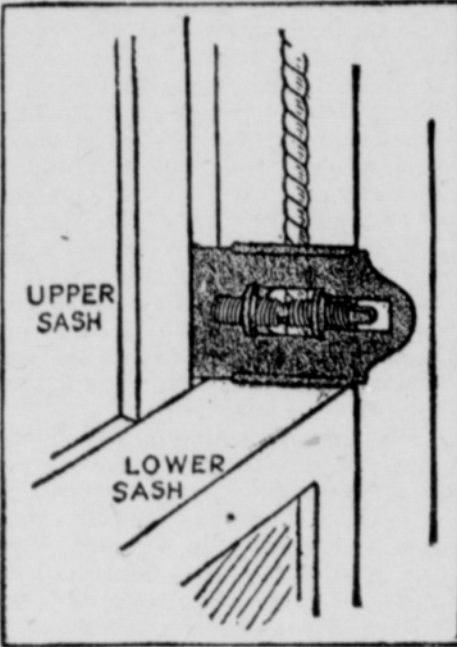
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The New Life more than The New Year. Mrs. Howerton.

Gal. 2:20. Olen Weaver.

The New Life and Its Expressions: (1) A New Purpose, Mrs. Hubbard; (2) New Practices, Mrs. Maxwell; (3) Daily Contact with God Through His Word, Mr. Florence; (4) Daily Contact with God Through Prayer, Rev. Durham.

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Yesterday Morning**

Two blocks of business property in Tahoka were burned to the ground yesterday. All the buildings north of the Square were destroyed except the Stokes Hotel, the bank building and the telephone office. Many of the buildings had been completed only a short time, among them being the Lynn Hotel. All buildings were frame ones. The veering of the wind after the fire was under headway is the only thing that saved the buildings on the West Side from burning also. The fire was started by the explosion of an oil stove in the City Bakery.

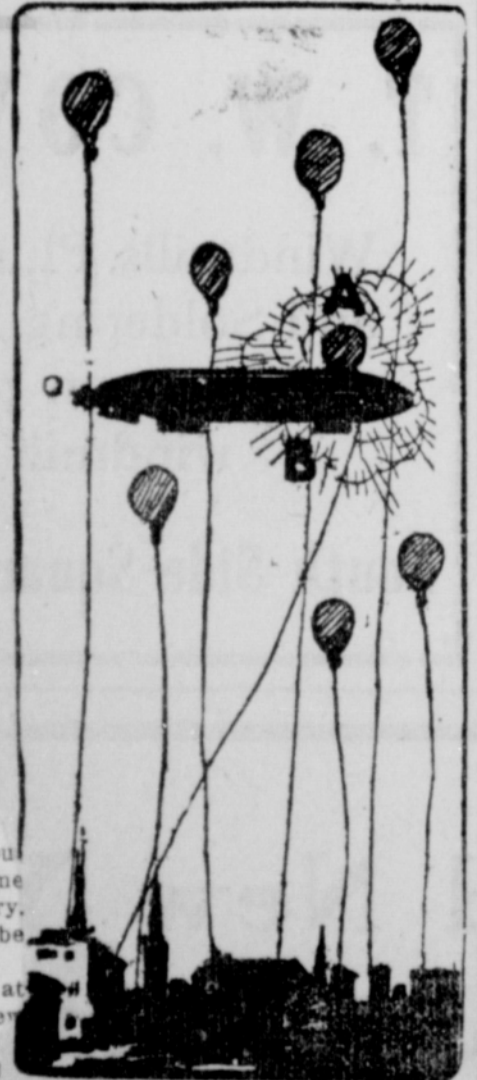
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Tuesday; ad-day.

An American with a German name is the designer of a system of defense against Zeppelin attack, which is being tried out in both London and Paris. Literally, Joseph A. Steinmetz of Philadelphia would mine the air against the monster dirigibles.

When the war broke out and the menace of the Zeppelin first loomed, British officials coldly rejected Mr. Steinmetz's plans to mine the London fog against Zeppelins, but with a few raids on Paris and English coast cities, the Britishers hastily sent for the plans and now are said to be ready to give them a trial in case of another Zeppelin invasion.

Small hydrogen balloons carrying high explosive bombs will fly from every building of importance in Lon-



Bombs in Position.

don and Paris if the Steinmetz plan is adopted in its entirety. The balloons will be held by a fine but strong wire, weighing but four pounds to the mile, and having a tensile strength of 120 pounds. The wires will be controlled by windlasses. The raiding airships, sighted by a lookout, will be permitted to come almost within range of the balloons. Then, when too close, Freddy will turn back into his arms. "Isn't that right, Martha?" "It sure am, Mars' Fred," Martha nodded, grinning broadly. "It's a great pity Mr. Randal is not the sensible man," Gloria laughed demurely. "I can be anything from a journalist to a gardener," Randal told her. "Styles being sensible is not so difficult as you think it is so much at stake."

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**SLATON  
LOCATION**

SLATON is in the southeast corner of Lubbock County, in the center of the South Plains of central west Texas. Is on the new main Trans-Continental Line of the Santa Fe. Connects with North Texas Lines of that system at Canyon, Texas; with South Texas lines of the Santa Fe at Coleman, Texas; and with New Mexico and Pacific lines of the same system at Texico, N. M. SLATON is the junction of the Lamesa road, Santa Fe System.

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