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Attention
Please remember the regular meeting of The United Charities at the First Presbyterian Church Wednesday November 2nd, at 4, p. m. There will be an election of officers at this meeting, and we urge a large attendance. Be sure and come out and bring your friends.

A Land Bargain
For Sale, three sections of good land in Andrews county, every foot tillable, one mile fence, price for quick sale, \$5 per acre bonus, \$1.50 due state; time lived up. For full information see W. V. Ervin.
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OUR BOYS WON AGAIN

Big Springs High School Takes Second Game by Score of 11 to 0.

Saturday afternoon the second game of foot ball between the Midland College team and the Big Springs High School team was played here and resulted in a victory for the home team by a score of 11 to 0. The visitors came with the intention of beating our boys so bad that they would lose their taste for foot ball entirely, but our boys had not the slightest intention of letting them win the game.

The visitors from the village west of us are a husky lot of youngsters and while they are considerably heavier than our boys, they do not play with the vim of the home team. They do not appear to understand the game quite so well, but they gave the home team a hard tussle and our boys are satisfied they earned all they got in the game.

Prof. Mullen of Abilene, acted as referee and F. O. Vaughan of Big Springs, umpired the game and if there was any dissatisfaction as to their rulings we fail to hear of it.

A reception was given at the Cole hotel at night complimentary to the two teams and was a most pleasant and enjoyable affair.

The visitors are a well behaved and gentlemanly bunch of young men and reflected credit alike upon their town and the institution they represent by their conduct while here.

Raise More Hogs

A large per cent of the hogs used by the Texas packing houses are raised outside the state, Oklahoma, Louisiana, New Mexico and other bordering states furnishing large quantities for consumption by the Texas packeries.

With an area of 167,000,000 acres of land and with ideal agricultural conditions, it would seem as if the state would be able to supply the demand of her own packeries. It is a well known fact that these sections of the country which are known as the hog raising districts, are the most prosperous sections of the state, enjoying financial stability and prosperity the year round.

Texas is neglecting great opportunities along this line and one that is costing her thousands and thousands of dollars each year.

Sweetwater Wins in Fight to Keep Railroad Shops

Sweetwater is confirmed as the location of the Orient's big shops and general offices by the action of the court of civil appeals Saturday in overruling the motion for a rehearing in the famous case of the City of Sweetwater vs. Kansas City, Mexico & Orient Railway of Texas.

The Orient entered Sweetwater two years ago and established its shops and roundhouse after the citizens had raised a large bonus. Last October the road was extended to San Angelo, and the railroad announced that the shops would be moved to San Angelo.

The city applied for and secured an injunction prohibiting this removal in in the Nolan county district court. The court of civil appeals affirmed the decision of the lower court, and two weeks ago a motion for a rehearing was argued.

It is not known if the railroad will carry the case to the supreme court.

The Sweetwater case is in many respects similar to the case of Tyler against the Cotton Belt. The district court enjoined the Cotton Belt from removing its shops from Tyler to Texarkana. The case was affirmed by the court of civil appeals and finally a year ago, by the supreme court of the United States.

The Drinking Cup Danger

One of the most successful National campaigns now in progress is directed against the public drinking cup, which has long been suspected of spreading the germs of some of the most loathsome and fatal diseases. The public drinking cup has been abolished in every railroad train and station and school house in Wisconsin, Michigan, Kansas, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Massachusetts and Iowa. No more public drinking cups are allowed in the schools of California, and twenty or more individual cities in various States have abolished the cup. Sixteen railroad companies now provide automatic cup vendors. For one cent one can purchase a clean paraffine drinking cup. The campaign has made some progress in Texas, but not very much. It is a matter which deserves more attention than it receives. Every person should be provided with a pocket drinking cup, and the little bubbling fountains are easily provided on the school grounds so that no cups are needed.—San Antonio Express.

Judge J. W. Hoider of Glasscock county came in last week from a trip to the hills of Tennessee. The Judge seems highly pleased with that country. He says those are the most fertile rocks he ever saw, fine corn growing right on top of rocky hills. But the great inconvenience is having to carry dirt from the valley on the hill to cover the corn in planting.

T. O. Berry was here Monday from his home 16 miles northeast of town and said the rain fall was good and heavy there last week. He was here after oats to plant and said a number of his neighbors were sowing rye, wheat and oats.

One of the best Sunday schools in Big Springs is conducted at the Christian church every Sunday morning, and you are cordially invited to become a member.

J. W. Ward and W. L. Chew, personal claim agent of the T. & P., made a trip to Lamesa yesterday to look after some business for the company.

A Good Investment

The late Hon. David Davis once said: "Each year every local newspaper gives from \$100 to \$5,000 in free lines for the benefit of the community in which it is located. No other agency can or will do this. The local editor, in proportion to his means, does more for his town than any other ten men, and in fairness, man with man, he ought to be supported, but not because you happen to like him or admire his writings; but because a local paper is the best investment a community can make. It may not be brilliant or crowded with great thoughts, but financially it is more of a benefit to a community than a preacher or a teacher. Understand us now, we do not mean morally or intellectually but financially, and yet on the moral question you will find the majority of local papers are on the right side of the question. Today the editors of local papers do the most work for the least money of any men on earth. Subscribe for your local paper not as a charity but as an investment."

The Man of The Hour

The farmer is the man of the hour in Texas, says the Texas Commercial Secretaries Association. Banks may fail, factories may close and panics may come but the farmer is on the right side of the ledger and has no things to fear. If he has looked ahead and planned as he plowed, his alternating crops, his winter vegetables and his hogs will not only safeguard him against the ever increasing cost of living, but will enable him to wind up the year with a snug bank account to his credit.

Hon. E. R. Kone, Commissioner of Agricultural, and J. W. Neill, organizer of Farmers' Institutes, were here Saturday morning and went out to Mr. Neill's home, 18 miles northwest of town where they spent two days. They came here from Haskell where they attended the Northwest Texas Dry Farming Congress and report a well attended and interesting meeting. Both these gentlemen are enthusiastic on the subject of dry farming for West Texas and says it is only thing for the country.

G. T. Walker of Auto was here Monday.

An Eye Opener

What an East Texas County Can Do

Smith County shipped this year 1916 cars of fruit and vegetables, or 100 solid train loads. In addition to this, it shipped by express 207,200 crates of fruit and vegetables, or over 230 solid cars.

Grew 29,500 bales of cotton one season.

Twenty-three forage crops have proven a success on our soil.

Our mild climate enables us to produce these crops nine months of the year. Our grasses are unsurpassed and will sustain two head of cattle per acre.

A splendid water supply from running streams and springs, abundant supply of the various hardwood timbers. For health the county ranks as one of the first in the state, and its altitude is higher than that of the city of Fort Worth.

School facilities unsurpassed. Twenty-one modern school buildings erected during the past year. Eleven hundred and ninety-five scholastic increase during the past year. Values of lands vary from \$5 per acre to \$30 per acre, according to improvements and distance to local market.

Our farmers are in a prosperous condition as result of being able to market money producing crops nine months in the year.

Our splendid bank deposits throughout the county are conclusive evidence of the prosperity existing among our people.

Fill in your name, address, and what you are interested in, mail to Secretary Commercial Club, Tyler, Texas, and receive pointed facts and figures that will convince you of Smith County's possibilities.

Name.....
Address.....
Interested in.....
Remarks.....

Cotton Advances \$3 Per Bale

The Cotton market of New York was given new life Tuesday by an advance of \$3 per bale over Monday's prices. This sudden rise was caused by the Census Bureau's report showing the amount of cotton ginned to October 18th was practically 600,000 bales short of the 6,000,000 mark, which has been estimated by many traders.

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BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

AUTOMOBILE EXTRAVAGANCE.

Both the automobile and its owner are coming in for very serious precepts these days. The machine itself is held up as the direct cause of much unhappiness and suffering, and a vast deal of ethical denunciation is hurled at it from many sides. It would seem that there are only three classes of people who are at all justified in railing against the machine itself, says the Washington Post. They are the man who gets run into, or nearly run into, by one; the farmer whose horse is afraid of "the pecky thing," and, most of all, the man who cannot get one. Those who are outside of one of these classes really mistake the thing they condemn. What they mean to get at is the extravagant, irresponsible, spendthrift habits of a limited number of automobile owners, of which the machine is only the outward and visible sign. They forget that if it is not an automobile, it will surely be something else. Of the man who can well afford to own and maintain an automobile there is nothing by right to be said; it is wholly his own private business. If a man mortgages his house to buy one, that is entirely within his own right, and if he chooses to own an automobile rather than to have a house, it is not at all clear that he has committed any breach of ethics or morality by the exchange.

The difficulties of teaching astronomy even in its most elementary form, are, perhaps, only known to those who have attempted it. A London assistant school mistress stated some time ago that she was not fully convinced "of the inutility of attempting to instill into the minds of nine-year-old girls a knowledge of the more remote branches of astronomy." She says that, according to instructions, she explained to her class the uses and purposes of the zodiac. Some days afterward she resumed the astronomy lesson, and, in order to test the recollection of the pupils, she asked, "What is the zodiac?" "There aren't none now, ma'am," replied one little girl; "it's bust up." "What's bust up?" asked the teacher, in great surprise. "The body 'urk," answered the girl, "where they made the soda water; and father's been thrown out of work." Investigation showed that a soda water manufactory in the neighborhood where the girl lived had been closed through the bursting of a steam pipe, and the pupil had seen in this catastrophe the collapse of the zodiac.

The buying of foodstuffs by weight is being agitated as a plan to affect the cost-of-living problem in favor of the housewife and enable her to come nearer getting the worth of her money. If it will do either, or both, it should be adopted without delay, providing it entails no incidental hardship that would offset its benefits. But would such a plan produce these results? Theoretically, one is inclined to answer yes, for it does seem that one would be paying for what he got by buying by weight and not measure, or article, says the Omaha Bee. Yet in places where the plan has been in vogue has it accomplished this? California has always bought by weight even potatoes, fruit—nearly everything in the edible line—and yet the people of California have been caught by the high-cost-of-living wave along with the rest of us. In Cuba, it is said, the plan works with good results, it being applied even more thoroughly there than in California. Eggs are bought by the pound in Cuba and the American advocates of the plan propose that we buy eggs the same way.

Advice by an energetic, efficient business man to a tired man now going back to work after a rest spell: "Take things easier and get more fresh air. No worry. Do the most important thing first and then the next. Generally, the things you don't do aren't worth doing. What you think you ought to do you want to do up to the hilt and do it quick and then forget it. Don't putter. The way to get along, in my judgment, is to work up to the limit for a certain limited number of hours and then stop. A man can get further in the long run walking three and a half miles an hour for eight hours out of each 24 than he can going two miles an hour for 16 hours in 24. The first way he can keep going and improve; the last way he will deteriorate and finally have to quit."

The big army maneuvers in France, participated in by 60,000 troops, have ended, and the experts are summing up results. Among the conclusions reached is one to the effect that airships are highly valuable auxiliaries in military service, and special mention is made of the work done by aeroplanes, which hereafter are to accompany armies and carry trained military observers. This means a new and important feature in the event of potential war.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT EIGHT ARE INJURED

MACHINE CAREENS THROUGH THE FENCE AND CRASHES INTO CROWD.

ONE LIKELY FATALITY HURT

Condition of Dallas Lady is Critical, and Some of the Others are Badly Injured.

Dallas, Oct. 24: Eight people were injured, one of them probably fatally, and several seriously, when the Packard racing car known as "The Gray Wolf," driven by Joe Malone, collided with a motorcycle ridden by E. E. Boggs of Little Rock, Ark., on the Fair Park race track yesterday afternoon, and then crashed through the fence into a big crowd of spectators.

Jess Frick, Jr., of Dallas is not expected to live. His neck and both arms were broken and the right side of the skull crushed in.

J. M. Stewart, grocer, Dallas; two fingers cut off, deep gash in right side of head, right arm badly bruised.

Mrs. J. M. Stewart, left leg and right arm broken, head cut; condition critical.

E. E. Boggs, Little Rock, Ark., left collar bone broken, bruised about head and upper part of body and left leg bruised.

Odessa Harnesberger, aged 13, Beckville, Texas, left thigh lacerated and broken, face lacerated.

Norma Harnesberger, aged 4, Beckville, Tex., bruised about head, unconscious for some time; probably injured internally.

Dr. R. F. Harnesberger, correspondent of the Galveston-Dallas News at Beckville, Texas, injuries to hips and right leg, cut on head; wheel of car passed over his abdomen.

Walter Bixler, aged 15, Paris, Texas, cut on right knee.

Driver Malone and Mechanician Read were hurled against the fence, but neither was hurt.

Several spectators who stood near the spot were bruised when trampled upon in the stampede which followed the accident.

Frick has since died, leaving a wife and a 14-month-old baby. Mrs. Stewart, it is believed, will recover, though her condition is most critical.

Texas Rural Delivery.

Washington: There are in operation in Texas 1,834 rural free delivery routes. As a result of this service a total of 190 small postoffices in the State have been discontinued since July 1, 1907. There are in the State 2,454 postoffices of which number 357 are Presidential offices, and 2,297 are fourth class. Of the Presidential offices, 11 are first class, 79 second class and 267 third class offices.

Government Exhibit of Morris Co.

Texarkana: The United States Department of Agriculture has just issued a soil survey of Morris County, Texas, at the request of Congressman Morris Sheppard, in whose district the county is situated. The report embraces a complete description and analysis of the soils of the county and contains a splendid map of the county showing all the roads, farm houses, creeks, etc.

Capt. Madlot, a French military aviator, was killed Sunday at Douai, France, when his machine fell a hundred feet and was wrecked.

Surveys are being made from Taylor of the Houston, Somerville, and Western railway toward Houston.

Dallas County Leads in Tax Values.

Austin: Dallas County leads the big city counties in taxable values. The tax rolls of that county show a total valuation for 1910 of \$106,650,310, which is \$1,395,770 over and above the Harris County 1910 valuation, the next highest of the big city counties. In 1909 the Dallas County valuation was \$102,445,650, including an increase in the taxable values of the county in a year of \$400,204,660.

White May Be Chief Justice.

Washington: Washington is interested in the report that comes from a usually well-informed New York source that President Taft is seriously considering the appointment of Justice Edward D. White of Louisiana as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. In Washington Justice White is considered the strongest lawyer on the supreme bench. He is a Democrat, having been appointed by President Cleveland in 1894.

Frank Lawson, the former negro soldier, who killed his wife and wounded the postmaster at El Paso July 25, was given a life sentence by an El Paso jury.

Grahame White and John Moisant, two aviators, had their aeroplanes smashed in accident Sunday at the Belmont Park track. Neither aviator was hurt.

Indications are that the next house will show a working Democratic majority.

STORM PASSES OUT TO SEA

Latest Reports Indicate Worst is Over and Damage Has Been Light.

Jacksonville, Fla.: Latest reports from the hurricane which swept Cuba, Florida and the Gulf Coast indicate the freakish storm has passed out to sea and the immediate danger is passed. At some points the wind attained a velocity of ninety miles an hour, and at no place in the path of the hurricane blew less than sixty miles.

Key West reports that the worst is over and that slight damage was inflicted in the city.

Shipping in the afflicted ports and plantations near the coast sustained the heaviest losses.

A four-masted schooner was sighted off Savannah, with distress signals flying, but no relief could be sent, owing to the heavy seas.

Lifeboats started to the relief of the schooner, but were compelled to put back to port.

The Mallory steamship Concho was in the hurricane for two days and was washed by tremendous seas, but arrived safe in Galveston.

GOVERNMENT COSTS \$4,380,043.

Judiciary Costs \$688,177; Pension Roll is \$318,967.

Austin: Reports of disbursements of all departments of State Government, which have been filed with the Controller, and which will form a part of his annual report to the Governor, show that maintenance of the entire State Government, including the branches and institutions, during the fiscal year recently closed, cost approximately \$4,500,000. The grand total of the expense accounts filed, precisely, is \$4,380,043. Other accounts will trail in later, however, as experience in the past has taught. In late years the general biennial appropriation bills have allowed about \$9,000,000 for the conduct of the State Government.

The judiciary is the greatest cost to the State. The Supreme Court, Court of Criminal Appeals and the six courts of Civil Appeals had aggregate expenditures of \$388,177.05.

The other expense accounts which reach and go above the \$100,000 mark follow in order: Pension \$381,168.22, North Texas Hospital for the Insane \$318,967, State lunatics asylum \$292,448.59, University of Texas \$238,768.72, Southwestern insane asylum \$234,240.13, public debts and interest on public debts \$169,691.06, five State normal schools \$164,392.72, Agricultural and Mechanical College \$130,143.21, Deaf and Dumb Institute \$103,704.02.

Texas Reclamation Work.

Austin: Arthur Stiles, State Levee and Drainage Commissioner, is now rounding up the field work in connection with the reclamation of the areas topographically surveyed. It will be a finishing up of the hydraulic measurements, locations and lines. There will be no more field work following this visit. Mr. Stiles expects to make a full report to the Thirty-Second Legislature.

Much excitement is caused at Fort Stockton over the report of oil having been discovered about thirty miles distant in the Tom Riggs pasture.

Postal Savings Banks.

Washington: Fort Arthur will get the first postal savings bank in Texas; Guyman has been selected for Oklahoma; New Iberia for Louisiana; Stuttgart for Arkansas; Gulfport for Mississippi; Raton for New Mexico; and Globe for Arizona. Because Congress appropriated only \$100,000 to set the great machinery of postal savings banks in operation, not a great number can be started immediately.

The population of the Territory of Arizona is announced as 204,454, an increase of 81,474.

A new town is to be added to the map of the Galveston, Houston and Henderson Railway, and the new electric line which is to parallel it, and which is being built between Houston and Galveston. An interesting feature in connection with the birth of this embryonic place is the statement that it is to have a number of patent cement houses, built by machinery and put up almost as if by magic.

At the call of several leading dairy men a dairymen's association was formed at Decatur to advance interest in this industry locally. The election of officers and adoption of a constitution was put over until next meeting.

The sixty-second annual session of the Baptist general convention of Texas will meet in Houston Nov. 10.

Amarillo has seven open saloons today, the first of the legalized brand for practically two years and a half. There are five others, the permits of which are for hearing at an early date.

In the Beckman Gin community, Limestone County, Tracy Beckham, age 9 years, accidentally shot his little sister, Loretta, age 6 years, with a 22 tract. The bullet entered near the heart.

A movement has developed in Bee McColloch Camp, Confederate Veterans, to purchase from Wise county the Wise County Reunion Grounds, known as Joe Wheeler Park, which is a part of the county farm tract.

LIFE'S DISAPPOINTMENTS



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REALIZATION

THE STATE RAILROAD LOSES BIG MONEY

ABBREVIATED ANNUAL REPORT IS RECEIVED.

THIRTY MILES SINKS \$12,000

Entire Revenue \$27,254, and Many Items of Information Are Not Given.

Austin: The Texas State Railroad had a corporate loss of \$12,357 as a result of its operations during the year ending June 30, last. The annual report has just been received and those figures were given. Nearly 100 questions propounded in the forms sent out by the Railroad Commission were not answered, being marked, "No Record." All other railroads provide the figures and keep necessary records.

The road is thirty-two miles long and its current liabilities are given at \$361,873, which, with the \$200,000 of bonds, makes its total debt \$561,873. There were no additions or betterments during the year, nor expenditures for road and equipment.—The total cost of the road is given at \$558,524.

The revenue through the year was \$27,254, of which \$21,102 was freight earnings, \$6,142 passenger earnings and \$9 miscellaneous. Operating expenses totaled \$24,537, the largest item being fuel, \$6,323. The net operating revenue being \$2,716, but against it was hire of equipment \$907, interest on bonds \$8,333 and sinking fund account bonds \$5,833. The result is a net corporate loss of \$12,357. However, on June 30, 1909, the road reported a balance of \$7,826, thus leaving the net deficit on June 30, 1910, \$4,530.

During the year \$8,333 interest accrued and \$2,916 of same was paid. The total mileage of revenue service trains was 24,832 miles, and 23,578 tons were carried.

The equipment consists of two locomotives, one passenger coach, one combination car and eighteen freight cars. The reports show equipment was hired at different times.

The Wells-Fargo Express Company operates on the line and pays the State 60 per cent on the gross receipts.

In the blank for names of directors appears "The State of Texas." The names appears in a number of other places.

The balloon Harburg II of Germany, the fourth to depart in the international balloon race from St. Louis Monday afternoon, descended with terrific force from a height of 18,000 feet at 9 p. m. Tuesday, in Lake Nipissing, Toronto, Canada, 850 miles from St. Louis, according to a message received at St. Louis.

On account of the big deficit in the budget of 1911-12 a majority of the proposed public works in Panama will be indefinitely postponed. This includes the construction of the Panama David Railway, the survey of which has been made.

Prof. H. C. Caral of the University of Minnesota, for many years head of the department of medical chemistry and toxicology and chemist to the Minnesota State Board of Health, says he has discovered a chemical which he claims will revolutionize the warfare upon germ life, arch enemy of the human system, and bring success in cases where the physician heretofore has been baffled.

A heavy shower with precipitation totalling a quarter of an inch has fallen in Denton County followed by a sharp norther.

A premature explosion took place Monday evening near Cary Camp, eight miles from Lometa on the Santa Fe extension. Six men were badly and maybe mortally wounded.

A surprising revolt has taken place against the Chinese Government. The Imperial Senate, not yet three weeks old, has voted to memorialize the Throne for the early opening of a general parliament.

WELLMAN FAILS IN OCEAN TRIP

The Balloon Crew, 150 Miles from Shore, is Transferred to Ocean Liner.

New York: A wireless message received from the dirigible balloon America, with Walter Wellman and a crew of five men, tells the story of, after being disabled by shifting and dangerous winds, the crew being transferred to the ocean liner Trent and all were saved. After several days and nights of hardships and suffering the crew made the dramatic and dangerous transfer, all being saved, but convinced the trip across the Atlantic could not be made in this type of balloon. Those eyes that watched the "America," relieved of its burden of gasoline and passengers, rise high in the air and sail out of sight, driven by the treacherous winds of the sea, were not regretful. The distance covered over the rough waters is said to have been one thousand miles.

New York: Walter Wellman and his five companions were landed here by the steamship Trent, which picked them up at sea after they had abandoned their dirigible balloon America, and failed in the first attempt ever made to cross the Atlantic through the air. A bruised right hand which Wellman carried in a slight way the only physical injury that resulted from their long voyage of approximately 900 miles and a rescue the like of which is unknown to all history.

Atlantic City, New Jersey: Sailing into a thick fog that hung low over the Atlantic Ocean early Saturday Walter Wellman, with a crew of five men, is believed to be on an epoch-making voyage in the huge cigar-shaped airship America.

Starting from the beach a few minutes after 8 o'clock, the big air craft was soon out of sight of the cheering crowd that saw the big balloon go into the air. Since then no one with the possible exception of ships at sea, has seen the strange craft and the only word from her came by means of the wireless telegraph.

Numerous wireless messages were received from the airship during the day and the latest indicated that Wellman is easily sailing through the darkness of the New York coast.

Roundly criticized by people who did not believe he would ever undertake what was thought to be a foolhardy venture, Wellman started the whole island by bringing the America out of the hanger and without ceremony going into the air.

Day after day it was announced that a trial flight would be made as soon as conditions were perfect. Early this week it was announced that the airship would positively make a trial flight, and when no effort was made to bring the ship out of the big shed criticisms of Wellman became stronger.

It was about 4 a. m. Friday when the final decision to go up was made Chief Engineer Vanimar. All night he had watched the weather and as dawn broke he decided that now was the time. Arousing the crew, who slept in the hanger, Vanimar called Wellman on the telephone and notified him that the time to start had arrived.

AVIATOR FALLS 18,000 FEET

Balloon Harburg III, of Germany Falls Into Water in Canada—Aiator Injured.

St. Louis, Mo.: The balloon Harburg III, of Germany, the fourth to depart in the international balloon race for St. Louis Monday afternoon, descended with terrific force from a height of 18,000 feet at 9 a. m. Tuesday, in Lake Nipissing, Toronto, Canada, 850 miles from St. Louis, according to the message received here.

The left arm of Wm. F. Assmann, aid, of St. Louis was broken, his right hand severely sprained and an artery in his wrist cut. Lieut. Leopold Vogt, pilot of the Harburg, was forced to swim the lake with the balloon, landing upon Seagull Island, where Assmann, despite his injuries, tied the ascostat to a tree. The two remained on the island all Tuesday night. Lieut. Vogt bled profusely from his wounds. The balloonists were rescued by Italian hunters and sent to a hospital at Powassa, on the Grand Trunk Railroad twenty miles from where they landed.

Texas Takes Fifth Place.

Washington: The population of Comanche County is 27,188. This is an increase of 4,177, or 18.1 per cent, since 1900, when the population was 23,009. By the census figures for the State of Massachusetts, made public that State, which was seventh in rank in 1900, takes position ahead of Missouri, which was fifth in rank. Texas, which was sixth in rank, will be certain to exceed Massachusetts, which will make Texas fifth, Massachusetts sixth and Missouri seventh.

Steamers Have Rough Passage.

New Orleans: Encountering rough passages, and delayed many hours by the hurricane which swept Gulf waters during the past few days, five steamers, for the safety of which much concern had been felt, have reached New Orleans. They are the Turrialba and Mount Vernon of the United Fruit Company, the Mercator of the Vaccarone Company, and the Marlette of Kluge of the Bluefield Steamship Company. All came from Central American ports.

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Local and Personal

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J. H. Revel of Coahoma was here Monday.

Wood Violet anionia for the bath at Biles & Gentry's.

Mr. Patton of Coahoma was here Wednesday.

Hot house toilet water \$1 per bottle at Biles & Gentry's.

W. H. Brennan of Seminole was here yesterday.

Jacobs candy, none better, at Reagan's.

W. F. Cushing returned Tuesday night from the Dallas fair.

Mrs. Tom Quinn, living ten miles west of town, was shopping here Monday.

J. L. Ward and family returned Saturday night from a visit to the Dallas fair.

For Sale—Double shot Eastman Kodak, for sale cheap, apply at this office.

J. V. Woolover and family left Wednesday night for Bridgeport where they may locate.

You are invited to attend Sunday School at the Christian church. It will do you good.

Mrs. B. S. Hill and children have returned from a visit to relatives and friends at Waco.

L. N. George left Tuesday for Canyon City where he will attend the State Normal School.

Go to the Episcopal church on next Sunday night and here about the "Life and Work of Florence Nightingale."

Z. T. Joyner, a former well known citizen of Howard and Martin counties has located at Crystal, Texas, and is well pleased with that part of the state.

Delicious Doughnuts.

If you like crisp, flaky doughnuts, richly browned, without a suspicion of greenness, try the following recipe:

Cream 3 tablespoons of Cottole with 1/2 cup of sugar, and well beaten yolks of 2 eggs with white of one. To this add one cup fresh mashed potatoes, 1/2 cup of milk and 2 cups of flour sifted with 1/2 teaspoon each of salt and ground nutmeg and 2 1/2 teaspoons of baking powder. Add more flour as necessary, to roll. Cut in rounds with doughnut cutter or otherwise and fry in Cottole in deep kettle. Cottole should be about three inches deep and be heated gradually to proper temperature.

Doughnuts fried in lard lie like lead on the stomach; lard is indigestible. Cottole, on the contrary, makes food that even a child can digest with ease.

Born to G. W. Pope and wife Wednesday evening a fine boy of the regulation weight. Mother and child are doing well, and it is thought George will be all right as soon as he realizes that he is still on the earth.

J. D. Biles and wife are attending the Dallas fair.

Alarm clocks, \$1 to \$2 at Reagan's.

Come to the Methodist church next Sunday at 11 a. m.

"Mound City Paints may cost a trifle more, but—! B. Reagan."

L. L. Stephenson and wife returned yesterday from Dallas.

E. P. Teele and wife of Glasscock county was here Monday.

A. B. Jones returned yesterday from a visit to the Dallas fair.

If you want money to build homes, or buy. See R. B. Canon & Co.

Cliff Slayton moved in Friday from San Angelo to make this his future home.

All kinds of sporting goods—Tennis outfits a specialty—at Biles & Gentry's Drug Store.

W. A. Mathis and wife went to Texarkana for a 30 days visit Friday night.

I want to buy young horses and mares and mules.

J. C. Billingsley.

Dorsey Peery of Lupkin is here on a visit to his sisters, Mesdames Stephenson and Brown.

W. W. Toney left Monday for his home at plainview, after a visit to the family of J. F. Fowen.

Mrs. E. A. Scripture is visiting relatives and friends in Denton.

Can Powell left Wednesday night for Fort Worth and Dallas to be gone several days.

S. H. Morrison and wife returned last week from Dallas where they spent several weeks.

J. I. Prichard returned Saturday afternoon from a visit to his daughter, Mrs. Lee Minter, at Mingus.

Mrs. Geo. Bauer and children returned Saturday morning from California, where they have been for several months.

The handsome two-story residence of A. Barclay north of the railroad, is nearing completion and will be quite an addition to that part of town.

Judge S. J. Isaacs of Midland came down with the foot ball team and was an interested and enthusiastic spectator at the Saturday afternoon game.

W. B. Allen returned yesterday from a visit to relatives in Limestone county. He was accompanied home by his mother who will remain here some time.

Can You Beat This?

A \$2.00 razor, a \$1.00 hone, a strop, all for \$2.00. Strictly guaranteed.

BILES & GENTRY'S DRUG STORE.

Mitt Akin of Dawson county was here Tuesday.

B. S. Hill has been suffering this week from an attack of grip.

Reagan's prescription department excels all others, remember.

J. F. Walcott and family were in Dallas the first of the week.

John U. Skinner of Carasco, New Mexico, is here on a visit to his sister, Mrs. P. M. George.

The Junior Endeavor Society of the Christian church will entertain tonight at the home of J. R. Parks.

If you want small irrigated farmers at a bargain and on terms any one can pay. See R. B. Canon & Co.

We expect you to come to prayer meeting next Wednesday night at 7:45 p. m., at the Methodist church.

John and Claud Terrell returned Sunday night from east Texas where they have been with a shipment of horses.

Special services for the young people at the Methodist church Sunday night at 7:45 p. m. Be sure and come.

The coldest wave of the season reached here early yesterday morning and caused quite a drop in the temperature.

G. D. Hall, who moved to Dustin, Oklahoma, last Summer, is here for a few days, and says he is well pleased where he is now located.

C. K. Clark, traveling representative of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, spent two days here this week in the interest of that paper.

S. T. Rowland returned Sunday night from a trip to Arkansas. He took in the Dallas fair on the return trip and says it is a big show.

Lucky Thirteen

The handsome residence of Oliver Gid-ree on Main street, Portland, Conn., was painted in 1888 with Devos and again in 1901.

There's 13 years; there are hundreds of such; the difficulty is to hear of 'em. Reminds of another. The F-rington residence, Rockland, Maine, was painted Devos 21 years ago; the paint was in fair condition 5 years ago; don't know any more. The Devos agents there, Messrs Farrand, Spear & Co., know. Enclose a stamp, if you write 'em.

G. C. Cauble returned Sunday evening from Motley county where had been with a herd of steers which he placed on pasture there.

FOR SALE.—One Section of good agricultural land in Andrews county. Price \$5.50 bonus \$1.50 to state. Time lived up. Inquire at this office.

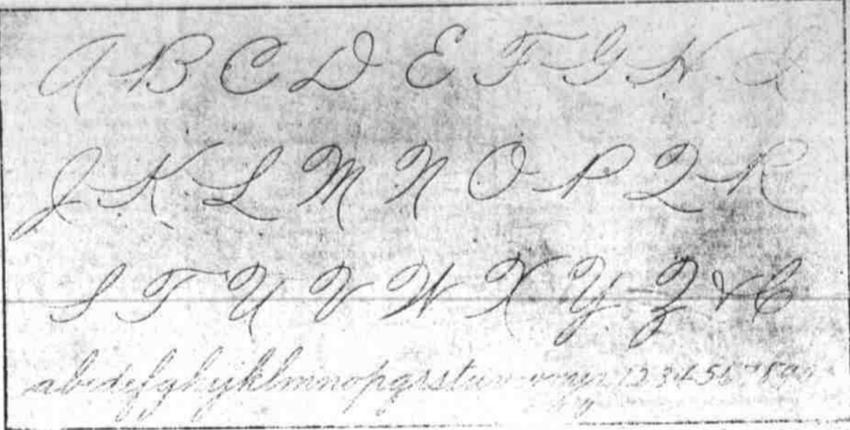
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8500 acres of land in El Paso county, 75 miles northwest of Van Horn, all level, good agricultural land abundance of water, unimproved; \$1.50 to state, price \$2 bonus; trade for merchandise or good revenue stuff or farms. Inquire at this office.

T. E. Crutcher, the popular sheriff and Tax Collector, realizing this will be a pretty hard time for the average tax payer to pay his taxes and go away feeling good, has installed a gymnasium in his office. A punch bag has been suspended between the ceiling and the floor when those who feel disposed may walk up and give it as many knockout blows as he desires without the least danger of bursting the bag. In this way the tax payer forgets all his troubles and goes his way feeling young and buoyant again.—Sweetwater Reporter.

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Dave Anderson returned from a trip to Missouri yesterday afternoon.

Remember only two more Sundays until Conference, we expect you at the Methodist church next Sunday at 11 a. m. Come.

HAPPY RESULTS

Have Made Many Big Springs Residents Enthusiastic

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Rev. W. C. Garrett of Knox City was here this week.

J. W. Smith made a business trip to Hillsboro this week.

B. Reagan made a business trip to Dallas this week and while there attended the big fair.

The J. W. Martin bankrupt stock of paints and wall paper was sold Tuesday afternoon and was bid in by J. L. Ward.

CHURCH SERVICES

Methodist Church.
Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.
Preaching at 11 a. m.
Junior League at 4 p. m.
Senior at 5 p. m.
Preaching at 8:15 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 8:15 p. m.
Choir practice Thursday night at 8:15 p. m.
Come and bring some one with you.

Cumberland Presbyterian Church
Sunday School at 10 a. m.
Children's Band at 4 p. m.
Prayer meeting Tuesday night.
Everybody invited to attend the services.

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From full blood single and rose comb Rhode Island Reds, Barred White Rocks, White Wyandottes, Buff Orpingtons, White Leghorns. A few cockrels for sale. BIG SPRING POULTRY YARD I. E. SMITH, High Boss.

At the Christian Church

Sunday school at 9:45, Preaching at 11 a. m. Preaching at 7:30 p. m. All are invited to attend. E. S. BLEDSOE, Pastor.

Baptist Church Services

Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. Sunbeams, Mrs. Morrison 4:30 p. m. Sr. Union 4:00 p. m. Jr. Union 5:30 p. m. Don't forget that you are invited to all these services.

Episcopal Church.

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and night service at 7:30 p. m. Rev. D. A. Sanford, Rector.

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Completely Pauperized.

Albert W. Hubbard, New York's charity expert, said at a recent dinner: "The great danger of charity is its pauperizing effect. This effect must be avoided, or the recipients will all become Jack Hanches. "Jack Hanch, on the score of bad health never worked, and the pastor of the Methodist church, a man whose heart sometimes outran his head, sent the idler and his family weekly gifts of food and clothing—supported the whole crew, in fact. "A church visitor, after listening to Jack's complaints one day, said: "Yes, of course, you have had bad health, we know that; but one thing at least you ought to be thankful for, and that is our pastor's kindness in sending you all this bread and meat and jelly and blankets and so on. Don't you think it is good of him to look after you so well?" "Good of him?" said Jack, impatiently. "Why, what's he for?"

Fable of Pan of Biscuits.

A Vassar girl married a Kansas farmer. Two weeks later a cyclone made the happy pair a friendly call. It overturned around the premises, ripping up the fences, scattering the haystacks and playing horse with the barn, but when it looked through the open window it drew back in alarm. There lay the bride's first pan of biscuits. "I ain't feelin' very strong this morning," murmured the cyclone. And with another glance at the terrible pan it blew itself away.

WISE WORDS. A Physician on Food.

A physician, of Portland, Oregon, as views about food. He says: "I have always believed that the duty of the physician does not cease with treating the sick, but that we owe it to humanity to teach them how to protect their health, especially by hygienic and dietetic laws. "With such a feeling as to my duty I take great pleasure in saying to the public that in my own experience and also from personal observation I have found no food equal to Grape-Nuts, and that I find there is almost no limit to the great benefits this food will bring when used in all cases of sickness and convalescence. "It is my experience that no physical condition forbids the use of Grape-Nuts. To persons in health there is nothing so nourishing and acceptable to the stomach, especially at breakfast, to start the machinery of the human system on the day's work. "In cases of indigestion I know that a complete breakfast can be made of Grape-Nuts and cream and I think it is not advisable to overload the stomach at the morning meal. I also know the great value of Grape-Nuts when the stomach is too weak to digest other food. "This is written after an experience of more than 20 years, treating all manner of chronic and acute diseases, and the letter is written voluntarily on my part without any request for it." Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."



SYNOPSIS.

Lawrence Blakeley, lawyer, goes to Pittsburg with the forged note in the Bronson case to take the deposition of the chief witness for the prosecution, John Gilmore, a millionaire. In the latter's house the lawyer is attracted by the picture of a girl whom Gilmore explains as his granddaughter, Alison West. He says her father is a rascal and a friend of the forger. Standing in line to buy a Pullman ticket Blakeley is requested by a lady to buy her one. He gives her lower eleven and retains lower ten. He finds a man in a drunken stupor in lower ten and retires in lower nine. He awakens in lower seven and finds his bag and clothing missing. The man in lower ten is found murdered. It is learned that the dead man is Simon Harrington of Pittsburg. The man who disappeared with Blakeley's clothes is suspected of the murder.

CHAPTER VI—Continued.

"Then you haven't heard the rest of the tragedy?" I asked, holding out the case. "It's frightfully bad luck for me, but it makes a good story. You see—"

At that moment the conductor and porter ceased their colloquy. The conductor came directly toward me, tugging as he came at his bristling gray mustache.

"I would like to talk to you in the car," he said to me, with a curious glance at the young lady.

"Can't it wait?" I objected. "We are on our way to a cup of coffee and a slice of bacon. Be merciful as you are powerful."

"I'm afraid the breakfast will have to wait," he replied. "I won't keep you long." There was a note of authority in his voice which I resented; but, after all, the circumstances were unusual.

"We'll have to defer that cup of coffee for a while," I said to the girl; "but don't despair; there's breakfast somewhere."

As we entered the car, she stood aside, but I felt rather than saw that she followed us. I was surprised to see a half dozen men gathered around the berth in which I had awakened, number seven. It had not yet been made up.

As we passed along the aisle, I was conscious of a new expression on the faces of the passengers. The tall woman who had fainted was searching my face with narrowed eyes, while the stout woman of the kindly heart avoided my gaze, and pretended to look out of the window.

As we pushed our way through the group I fancied that it doled around me ominously. The conductor said nothing, but led the way without ceremony to the side of the berth.

"What's the matter?" I inquired. I was puzzled, but not apprehensive. "Have you some of my things? I'd be thankful even for my shoes; these are confoundedly tight."

Nobody spoke, and I fell silent, too. For one of the pillows had been turned over, and the under side of the white case was streaked with brownish stains. I think it was a perceptible time before I realized that the stains were blood, and that the faces around were filled with suspicion and distrust.

"Why, it—that looks like blood," I said vacuously. There was an incessant pounding in my ears, and the conductor's voice came from far off.

"It is blood," he asserted grimly. I looked around with a dazed attempt at nonchalance. "Even if it is," I remonstrated, "surely you don't suppose for a moment that I know anything about it!"

The amateur detective elbowed his way in. He had a scrap of transparent paper in his hand, and a pencil.

"I would like permission to trace the stains," he began eagerly. "Also—to me—if you will kindly jab your finger with a pin—needle—anything—"

"If you don't keep out of this," the conductor said savagely. "I will do some jabbing myself. As for you, sir—" he turned to me. I was absolutely innocent, but I knew that I presented a typical picture of guilt; I was covered with cold sweat, and the pounding in my ears kept up distally. "As for you, sir—"

The irrepressible amateur detective made a quick pounce at the pillow and pushed back the cover. Before our incredulous eyes he drew out a narrow steel dirk which had been buried to the small cross that served as a head.

There was a chorus of voices around, a quick surging forward of the crowd. So that was what had scratched my hand! I buried the wound in my coat pocket.

"Well," I said, trying to speak naturally, "doesn't that prove what I have been telling you? The man who committed the murder belonged to this berth, and made an exchange in some way after the crime. How do you know he didn't change the tags so I would come back to this berth?" This was an inspiration; I was pleased with it. "That's what he did, he changed the tags," I reiterated.

There was a murmur of assent around. The doctor, who was standing beside me, put his hand on my arm. "If this gentleman committed this crime, and I for one feel sure he did not, then who is the fellow who got away? And why did he go?"

"We have only one man's word for that," the conductor snarled. "I've traveled some in these cars myself, and

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no one ever changed berths with me." Somebody on the edge of the group asserted that hereafter he would travel by daylight. I glanced up and caught the eye of the girl in blue.

"They are all mad," she said. Her tone was low, but I heard her distinctly. "Don't take them seriously enough to defend yourself."

"I am glad you think I didn't do it," I observed meekly, over the crowd. "Nothing else is of any importance."

The conductor had pulled out his note-book again. "Your name, please," he said gruffly.

"Lawrence Blakeley, Washington." "Your occupation?" "Attorney. A member of the firm of Blakeley & McKnight."

"Mr. Blakeley, you say you have occupied the wrong berth and have been robbed. Do you know anything of the man who did it?" "Only from what he left behind," I answered. "These clothes—"

"They fit you," he said with quick suspicion. "Isn't that rather a coincidence? You are a large man."

"Good heavens," I retorted, stung to fury, "do I look like a man who would wear this kind of a necktie? Do you suppose I carry purple and green barred silk handkerchiefs? Would any man in his senses wear a pair of shoes a full size too small?"

The conductor was inclined to hedge. "You will have to grant that I am in a peculiar position," he said. "I have only your word as to the exchange of berths, and you understand I am merely doing my duty. Are there any clues in the pockets?"

For the second time I emptied them of their contents, which he noted. "Is that all?" he finished. "There was nothing else?" "Nothing."

"That's not all, sir," broke in the porter, stepping forward. "There was a small black satchel."

"That's so," I exclaimed. "I forgot the bag. I don't even know where it is."

The easily awayed crowd looked suspicious again. I've grown so accustomed to reading the faces of a jury, seeing them swing from doubt to belief, and back again to doubt, that I instinctively watch expressions. I saw that my forgetfulness had done me harm—that suspicion was roused again.

The bag was found a couple of seats away, under somebody's raincoat—another dubious circumstance. Was I hiding it? It was brought to the berth and placed beside the conductor, who opened it at once.

It contained the usual traveling impediments—change of linen, collars, handkerchiefs, a bronce-green scarf, and a safety razor. But the attention of the crowd riveted itself on a fat, Russia leather wallet, around which a heavy gum band was wrapped, and which bore in gilt letters the name "Simon Harrington."

CHAPTER VII

A Fine Gold Chain. The conductor held it out to me, his face sternly accusing. "Is this another coincidence?" he asked. "Did the man who left you his clothes and the tight shoes leave you the spool of the murder?"

The men standing around had drawn off a little, and I saw the absolute futility of any remonstrance. Have you ever seen a fly, who, in these hygienic days, finding no cob-



THE RIVAL CAPTAINS.

"He admits that he had the bag," somebody said behind me. "How did you guess that he wore glasses, anyhow?" to the amateur sleuth.

"That gentleman cleared his throat. "There were two reasons," he said, "for suspecting it. When you see a man with the lines of his face drooping, a healthy individual with a pensive eye—suspect astigmatism. Besides, this gentleman has a pronounced line across the bridge of his nose and a mark on his ear from the chain."

After this remarkable exhibition of the theoretical as combined with the practical, he sank into a seat near by, and still holding the chain, sat with closed eyes and pursed lips. It was evident to all the car that the solution of the mystery was a question of moments. Once he bent forward eagerly and putting the chain on the window-sill, proceeded to go over it with a pocket magnifying glass, only to shake his head in disappointment. All the people around shook their heads, too, although they had not the slightest idea what it was about.

The pounding in my ears began again. The group around me seemed to be suddenly motionless in the very act of moving, as if a hypnotist had called "Rigid!" The girl in blue was looking at me, and above the din I thought she said she must speak to me—something vital. The pounding grew louder and merged into a scream. With a grinding and splintering the car rose under my feet. Then it fell away into darkness.

CHAPTER VIII

The Second Section. Have you ever been picked up out of your three-meals-a-day life, whirled around in a tornado of events, and landed in a situation so grotesque and yet so horrible that you laugh even while you are groaning, and straining at its hopelessness? McKnight says that is hysteria, and that no man worthy of the name ever admits to it.

Also, as McKnight says, it sounds like a tank drama. Just as the revolving saw is about to cut the hero into stove lengths, the second villain blows up the sawmill. The hero goes up through the roof and alights on the bank of a stream at the feet of his lady love, who is making daisy chains.

Nevertheless, when I was safely home again, with Mrs. Klopston brewing strange drinks that came in paper packets from the pharmacy, and that smelled to heaven, I remember staggering to the door and closing it, and then going back to bed and howling out the absurdity and the madness of the whole thing. And while I laughed my very soul was sick, for the girl was gone by that time, and I knew by all the loyalty that answers between men for honor that I would have to put her out of my mind.

And yet, all the night that followed, filled as it was with the shrieking demons of pain, I saw her as I had seen her last, in the queer hat with green ribbons. I told the doctor this, guardedly, the next morning, and he said it was the morphine, and that I was lucky not to have seen a row of devils with green tails.

I don't know anything about the wreck of September 5 last. You who swallowed the details with your coffee and digested the horrors with your chop, probably know a great deal more than I do. I remember very distinctly that the jumping and throbbing in my arm brought me back to a world that at first was nothing but sky, a heap of clouds that I thought hadly were the meringue on a blue charlotte russe.

As the sense of hearing was slowly added to vision, I heard a woman near me sobbing that she had lost her hat pin, and she couldn't keep her hat on.

I think I dropped back into unconsciousness again, for the next thing I remember was of my blue patch of sky clouded with smoke, of a strange, roaring and crackling, of a rain of fiery sparks in my face and of somebody beating at me with feeble hands. I opened my eyes and closed them again: The girl in blue was bending over me. With that imperviousness to big things and keenness to small that is the first effect of shock, I tried to be facetious, when a spark stung my cheek.

"You will have to rouse yourself!" the girl was repeating desperately. "You've been in fire twice already." A piece of striped ticking floated slowly over my head. As the wind caught it its charring edges leaped into flame.

"Looks like a kite, doesn't it?" I remarked cheerfully. And then, as my arm gave an excruciating throb—"Jove, how my arm hurts!"

The girl bent over and spoke slowly, distinctly, as one might speak to a deaf person or a child.

"Listen, Mr. Blakeley," she said earnestly. "You must rouse yourself. There has been a terrible accident. The second section ran into us. The wreck is burning now, and if we don't move, we will catch fire. Do you hear?"

"(TO BE CONTINUED.)"



"I Don't Want It," I Said.



Chimmie-O'wan, you're no player. Yer couldn't catch a ball, it was moultin'!

Patsy-Gittout, you couldn't catch a fly if it was stuck on sticky fly paper till it was dead as merlans!

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New York, Oct. 25: The third day of the international aviation meet at Belmont Park made up for all the disappointment of the first two days. A new American record for altitude was set down to the credit of J. Armstrong Drexel and the completion of other events was at all times a thing of delight, full of zest, action and beauty.

The air fairly hummed with the buzz of the dipping, dancing craft and their incessant evolutions were so swift and so intricate that the spectators could not follow them, and even the official scorer prompted from the judges' stand by the tabulators and timekeepers, lagged behind.

Drexel soared for altitude in his record flight. In great, lazy circles he swept into the wind, pointing higher and higher into the glare of the setting sun to a height of 7,105 feet. Beneath him three busy biplanes were racing for places in the grand speed event. He planed above them like a hawk, so high that he seemed almost immobile against the blue.

His descent was swift but unhurried, and he landed lightly in the middle of the field. Drexel had made, however, what proved to be a remarkably close estimate of just what he had done.

The best previous American record was 6,175 feet, made by Walter Brooks at Atlantic City, and Drexel's own best record, made last summer in Great Britain, was 6,750 feet, at the time a world's record. The world's altitude record is 9,186 feet, held by Henry Wirmalen, a Hollander.

Next to the performance of Drexel, the crowd took most enjoyment in the appearance of models never seen in America before. The debutantes of the air courted to the grand stand before starting the line, and waltzed off on the first round of the course. They were the new Wright climbers used by Brooks in his altitude flights; a tiny Demoiselle—called the Humming Bird of aeroplanes but it looks more like a butterfly—and a flying fish Antipette. In all there were ten machines aloft at once, all in spirited rivalry.

The population of the state of Connecticut is 1,114,756, an increase of 246,336, or 22.7 per cent.

2,000,000 ACRES OF LAND TO BE SOLD.

One Person May Not Buy More Than 640 Acres of Any Sort of Land.

Muskogee, Okla.: J. George Wright, Commissioner of the Five Civilized Tribes, has made public the time and date of sales of the 2,000,000 acres of unallotted lands, to be sold in Eastern Oklahoma.

The first sales will be made on Nov. 31. The land will be sold at auction to the highest bidder, but must bring a price double the appraised value at the time allotments were made. This means that minimum price for the best agricultural land must be \$13.50 an acre, while non-agricultural land may sell as low as \$1 and acre.

Not more than 40 acres of land in any nation shall be sold to any one person, and no person will be permitted to purchase more than 640 acres of land other than agricultural. Twenty-five per cent of the purchase price must be paid at the time of purchase, balance with 4 per cent interest from date of sale, as follows: Twenty-five per cent within six months and 50 per cent within ten months and 50 per cent within eighteen months from date of sale. Full payment may be made at any time after which deed from the tribal chief or governor, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior, will be promptly issued. Immediately after the approval of the sale a certificate of purchase will be issued and the buyer be allowed immediate possession of the land.

Lists of land have been prepared by counties, showing terms of sale, the description of the various tracts and the minimum price of sale. These lists may be had on application to Mr. Wright.

The funeral of David Bennett Hill took place Tuesday at Albany, New York.

G. R. F. Earnings Decrease.

Chicago: Total revenues of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railway for the fiscal year ended June 30, as shown in the report just made public, were \$44,220,000, an increase of \$5,035,000 over the amount in the preceding year. The operating expenses increased from \$30,000,000, however, to a total of \$35,000,000, leaving the net earnings for the year, \$9,220,000, a decrease

AN ARMY OFFICER'S WIFE

by DORENCE KEENE

OCCASIONALLY something happens, and it usually happens in some forsaken portion of our United States or territories thereof, where civilization is not and murder and sudden death are most plentiful. Accordingly when that something happens somebody in Washington says things and somebody else does things—and behold, there spring up from somewhere sundry happy profane soldiery who carry civilization in their cartridges and progress at the point of the bayonet. For, in moments of stress, the viewpoint of the army is charmingly crude. Follows then a hysterical spurge. Also, sometimes, a congressional investigation, or mayhap garlands and honors and whatnots. It depends upon the circumstances—that is, the political circumstances.

To the men of the army the garlands and frills are accepted with childish delight. Somewhere in the bottom of his well-drilled and cleanly heart there is the consciousness of having done a big thing well, and being most intensely human, he gives ear to the praise of his fellow citizen. And then again, garlands are few, while congressional committees are prolific. The army knows that it is impossible to explain to the gentleman from Long Island or Poughkeepsie, N. Y., that a little brown brother, hopping in and out of the brush, fanatically desirous of clawing up an American citizen with a poisoned bolo, has little regard for the federal statutes at large. And, of course, neither has Sammy, Jr., the uncommercial gentleman who has enlisted for reasons best known to himself and whose duty it is to catch the aforesaid Moro, and generally clear the path for those that follow after. Private Sammy does his work and he does it according to circumstances, which are essentially nonpolitical. Therefore it happens on occasions that the aforesaid Moro is sent yelping into eternity and Sammy Jr. regards himself with a pleased grin. Also, circumstances force him to other untoward steps. Once there was a famous soldier, Mulvaney by name, who took the town of Lungtungpen, "na-aid as Yanus," and who, prior thereto, helped the department of information of the British empire, with the judicious administration of his cleaning rod. Which goes to show that between Private Sammy and Private Tommy there is a healthy Anglo-Saxon understanding—particularly as regards the treatment of black and brown brothers.

All this is merely preamble, but when the Moro has been carted away and the congressional committee has committed itself and the garlands are forgotten Private Sammy goes back to his own life, which to him is a highly important affair. Somewhere, somehow, there remains in his brain an impression that he is allowed the pursuit of happiness—and he pursues it. He does it in his own way and in divers places. The turbulent tides of Juan de Fuca, which race by the gun-crested heights of Fort Worden, have heard his rancorous chorus; the watermelon patches dotting the desolation of Fort Riley know his footprint. On a Florida sandspit, in the snows of Alaska, in the heat of the islands, he pursues it—and catches what little there is of it.

The world which praises and abuses him knows him not, nor his life. The point of view is entirely different. A ponderous civilian at the window of the paying teller of a local bank observed an officer in uniform standing behind him.

"Well, I guess the country is safe," observed the rotund one, gazing superciliously at the uniform.

"Thank you, sir," said the officer, saluting.

This officer was a boy lieutenant, and his sarcasm was natural. For within his short space of years he had played with the fangs of death and made snooks at the powers of darkness. A short time previously, at Luzon, he was ordered to find the bodies of two soldiers that had been murdered. The orders were to find the bodies, so of course they went and did. With seven troopers and a surgeon he pursued his way through jungle scrub and cholera infested lands, without food, drenched with rain, sleeping in swamps. They found them. One was tied alive over a red-ant hill, after being slashed with a bolo, and the other had been knifed and gagged with a portion of his own flesh. Presumably the supercilious circumferential gentleman did not know of such things and—this is what stings—there seem to be so many citizens of the country whose ideas of the work of the army is equally limited. Unfortunately, the men who do big things cannot talk about them.

It follows that what the man of the army has to undergo, so must the woman of the army. The outside world knows the army woman as she is not. It sees in her life a succession of society events and realizes not the horrible other side. Here is an illustration:

Some years ago, in "the days of the empire," a little army woman went as a bride with her doc-



tor husband to Manila. They were ordered at once to a native village up the valley, where a company of infantry had been stationed to guard the water supply for Manila. The natives, you see, had a habit of throwing the bodies of victims of cholera into the rivers and wells, thereby making life most unpleasant for those whites who had to drink. Such things are not mentioned in the society reports of the press.

Of course the wife could have remained behind, but she did not. She was possessed with the archaic belief common to the army that

Her husband came in for dinner and rushed away again. Whereupon little Mrs. Army Woman went to her trunk and for the first time unpacked all the finery of the days that had been.

"I found a dress which I had worn at a dance at the Presidio the last time," she said, "and I cried and I cried—"

Before leaving, the husband had pushed a chest against the door, locking her in completely, this being deemed the safest plan. Therefore on leaving he had to crawl through the window, and as he hung on the window sill she bent forward and kissed him. Then she heard him drop with a splash into the disease infested pools below. Altogether it was as nice a spot for the pursuit of happiness as could be found.

Then she went to the loneliness and the dark and the centipedes and cried. The wind whipped the banana palms against the house, the rain slashed down, she heard the lizards scudding around and a big one outside, in a mango tree, called "tuck-coo" so that she jumped up in fear and alarm waiting and wondering.

All through the night she lived the horrors.

the place of the wife is by her husband. So with him she plunged through the jungle to the camp. She was the first white woman in the place and the only other one of her kind was 20 miles away. The situation was decidedly pleasant. The house was like an inverted waste-paper basket, a three-roomed bamboo shack set up on bamboo poles. One room was dubbed the centipedarium because—well, because every time the bride went in it she found centipedes and other things. There were other advantages. There was no stove and the cooking had to be done over hot coals. Also the water had to be boiled and parboiled; not alone the water for drinking purposes, but also for washing.

"There was so much cholera," she explained. The meals were served with wire nettings over the dishes and above and about them and around them was the one thought—cholera. There were other delights. The Moros were out. A sentry had been booled. The roads were knee deep in mud and the rain poured down in torrents.

There came a night when the very soul of her was tried to its uttermost. The rain had fallen ceaselessly. Pools were under the house and cholera was unusually on the rampage. The rain came down in such gusts that she had to fasten down the windows, thereby making the house too dark for reading purposes. So the day long, while her doctor husband wandered about through mud and rain with chloroform in hand, she peered through the slats, gazing at the bamboo palm-trees whipping to and fro before the fury of the storm. At the appointed time she prepared dinner. She produced her row of cans. In her girlish days there was a household joke, "What we cannot eat we can." Now as she gazed at the canned milk, the canned butter and the canned meats she wondered if she could eat all they can. Somehow or other the fleeting thought of the girlish days made her choke. You see it was the rain and the storm and the centipedes and things which got on her nerves.

They found them.

THEY FOUND THEM

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"I wish I had a holt o' that woman that runs the 'Handy Hints' department," she remarked to her husband one morning after an early excursion into the back yard, whence she returned in high dudgeon.

"I t'ought you t'ought she was a grand wan," said Mr. Dolan, cautiously testing his cup of tea.

"Well, I've changed me mind, as I've the rights to do," replied his wife. "She said to put sody on thim stains in the tablecloth, and I've it out overnight on the line, an' they'd be gone entirely whin morning come. Sure 'tis the tablecloth that's gone—the de-savay woman that she is!"—Youth's Companion.

At the First Try.

"What do you think of my doughnuts, George?"

"Dear, you are a wonder!"

"Do you think so really, darling?"

"I certainly do. Scientists have been trying for years to produce artificial rubber, and here you do it the first rattle out of the box."

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"On what grounds does your father object to me?" he asked.

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Romance of the Sweet Pea

The most highly regarded and widely grown annual in Canadian gardens of today, no matter where in this flower-loving country the garden be, or whether it belong to cottager or man of means, tolling clerk or park-owning municipality, the sweet pea first came to us from the Sicilian nuns.

Franciscus Cupani, a monk, who was also a botanist, sent the first seeds to England in the year 1699, consigned to an English schoolmaster named Dr. Uvedale. The old Middlesex dominion was both a botanist and horticulturist, and he grew the first sweet peas ever seen in England.

Cupani called the plant *Lathyrus distoplatyphylus hirsutus, mollis et odoratus*—an unwieldy name, out of all harmony with the winged grace of the sweet pea. Later Linnaeus cut down the clumsy designation to its present form of *Lathyrus odoratus*.

Dr. Uvedale found the seeds produced a plant with purple flowers, and so here we have the color of the original sweet pea.

The stock was gradually multiplied, and about thirty years later one Robert Furber, a Kensington gardener, was the first to offer seeds for sale.

Progress in the production of new varieties was slow in those remote days, and it was not until the year 1793 (nearly a century later than Cupani's consignment of seeds) that any new colors became known. In the year mentioned, however, a catalogue was issued, which described black, scarlet and white varieties.

What became of the black and scarlet sorts, if they ever existed in those true colors, is not known. The black must have been a deep purple. The blackest bloom is still the dark purple Tom Bolton. In this connection, seeing that for years past hybridists have been trying to produce a pure yellow sweet pea, it may be said that the

yellowest bloom at present known is the creamy Clara Curtis.

A novelty in the form of a striped flower was offered in the year 1837 by Mr. James Carter, and in the year 1860 there appeared the first bloom of the choice picee-edged varieties which are so popular today. The latter was raised by Major Trevor Clarke. It was a fine white flower with an edging of blue, and Major Clarke scored a double triumph, for his new flower was also the first sweet pea with blue coloring.

The greatest revolution in the history of the sweet pea, however, was inaugurated on July 25, 1901, when, at the National Sweet Pea society's first exhibition, held in the old Royal Aquarium, London, Mr. Silas Cole, Earl Spencer's gardener at Althorp park, displayed the famous Countess Spencer, a beautiful pink variety with a wavy instead of the conventional smooth standard. The loveliness of the new form won the hearts of all growers at once and during the last ten years so great has been the increase of wavy or frilled varieties after the Spencer type that the latter now rules the sweet pea world.

Some hybridists are engaged particularly at present in adding to the list of marbled varieties, of which the blue-veined Helen Pierce is so choice an example, and it is possible that much more effort may be expended in future in the attempt to produce flowers with a striking and delicate venation.

Just a few figures in conclusion, showing not the least striking phase of the romance of the sweet pea. The Sicilian monk's ponderously named plant has become about 500 different varieties grouped into 21 classes, according to color. Over the culture of these flowers a national society numbering 928 members and embracing 101 affiliated societies watches.

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farm land prepared to receive
and retain every drop of rain and
snow that falls this winter. Get
the best season possible to begin
another crop on.

Not long ago we heard a man
say: "I hate children; they
worry the life out of me, I wish I
could go to a country where there
was not a squalling brat within
one thousand miles." Keep up
the idea old man; and you will
finally reach a country where
there will be no pattering feet,
no middle-class little hands, no
outbursts of baby laughter to
annoy you. It's called hell on
the map, and it's a very place
where you are going to land.—
Byers Journal.

Had you ever stopped to think
what kind of a town we would
have if every citizen was just like
you? Would the town be known
for its broad, wise policy or would
it be noted non-progressive atti-
tude upon all important public
questions?—Sweetwater Reporter.

Robert M. Webb, of Colorado
City, is making the race on the
Republican ticket against W. R.
Smith, the Democratic candidate
for Congress. Mr. Webb is a
progress man, and has many
friends in the West, both in the
Republican and Democratic party.

A feature brought out by the
federal census in favor of Texas
is the large increase of her rural
population. In most states in the
Union, the figures show that the
towns and cities have increased
at the expense of the rural dis-
tricts, but in Texas this condition
is reversed and while practically
all Texas towns and cities have
made remarkable strides in popu-
lation, the rural communities have
also kept pace, proving conclusively
that farm life in Texas has
its attractions and that the "back
to the farm movement" is having
its effect in the Lone Star
State.

Not only will New Mexico in-
sist upon the return to that
commonwealth of 600,000 acres
of land along its eastern bound-
ary over which Texas now ex-
ercises jurisdiction, but it will
also ask for the payment of \$10,
000,000 and interest, the approxi-
mate sum of taxes, licenses and
and other revenue collected from
that strip. She may be willing
to take El Paso county in ex-
change for the money claim.

While West Texas is clamor-
ing (at least some of the press of
that part of the State) for a Di-
vision of the State, old East Texas
is sawing wood and meeting
the payrolls.—Beaumont Journal.

By drawing from the school
fund from the State for larger
sums than it pays into the State
Treasury for educational pur-
poses. East Texas should ex-
perience no difficulty in meeting
its payroll.—Texas Republic.

The blue ribbon goes to Min-
nesota for the latest in the way
of raising money for the building
of good roads, says the Texas
Commercial Secretaries' Associ-
ation. At Mackato, Minnesota,
during this month, a dance is to be
given following an all day good
roads convention and the com-
munity sending the largest dele-
gation to the dance will receive a
prize of fifty dollars to be ex-
pended on the improvement of
the public highway leading out
of Mackato to their community.
While this method of raising
funds for the construction of
public highway is somewhat of a
departure from ordinary methods
we do not see why those who
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Of Interest to Voters

The general election in Texas
will be held November 8th, which
is a little more than a week
hence.

This election is of more impor-
tance than the average election,
from the fact that in the redistricting
process which will be
gone through by the Thirty-second
Legislature, the number of
qualified electors will be taken
into consideration in the rear-
rangement of Senatorial Districts.
The Constitution of the State of
Texas, section 25 of article 3,
provides that the redistricting of
the state senate shall be made on
the basis of the number of qual-
ified electors in the state. Just
how the provision, "qualified
electors," will be construed by
the next legislature is an unde-
termined question and one left
entirely to the will of the legisla-
ture. Up to the present time,
the only rule followed in deter-
mining the number of qualified
electors was the vote cast at the
general election proceeding the
redistricting of the senate.

When the senate was redistricted
ten years ago there was no
poll tax requirement for suffrage
in Texas, but since then this re-
quirement has been made. It is
possible therefore, that the Thirty-
second legislature may take
the poll tax payments as qual-
ified electors in the rearrangement
of the senatorial districts.

In this event, it will be neces-
sary in order for West Texas to
have her share of the senatorial
districts for a full showing to be
made in the payment of poll tax-
es.

If the old method of determin-
ing the qualified electors is fol-
lowed, as indicated above, then
it is necessary for a full vote to
be cast at the general election on
November 8th, 1910, in order for
West Texas to get her full rep-
resentation in senatorial dis-
tricts.

If the legislature should adopt
the poll tax provision as its guide
for qualified voters, as the basis
for senate redistricting, then it is
important that there should be
a full payment of poll taxes.
There is no way of knowing
which plan will be adopted by
the thirty-second legislature and
therefore, every voter in West
Texas in particular, and the en-
tire state in general is confront-
ed with two important and sacred
duties.

1 To vote at the coming gen-
eral election regardless of party
affiliations.

2 To pay his poll tax or, if
exempted, to secure a certificate
of exemption both of which must

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that action should be taken, as
above indicated, and with this
opportunity afforded, it is there-
fore up to the voters of West Tex-
as to bear these facts in mind
and to vote in the general elec-
tion and then pay their poll tax
in order that the representation
from West Texas in the next sen-
ate may be materially increased.

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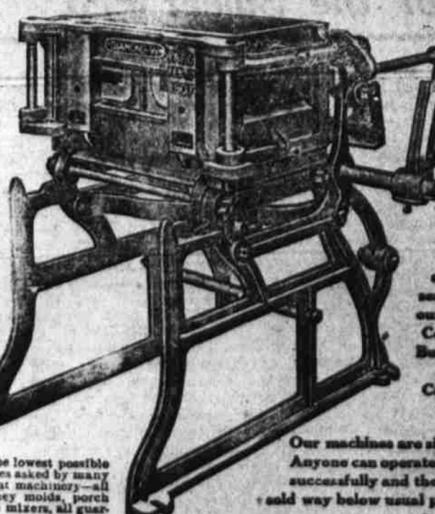
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A Hog Snake

We have heard and read of the hog snake often, but we never saw one until last Saturday when Rue Cole brought one into town which he captured on the J. B. Cole farm two miles west of town. This reptile is about two feet long and has markings that somewhat resemble a rattlesnake. He has a short, thick

tail and a head that very much reminds one of that of a hog. The "rooster," or snout, on the end of his nose is a bony protuberance that serves the purpose of a digging tool. When let out of the glass jar in which he was captured, he soon buried himself in the loose earth. The food of this reptile is bugs and worms which live in the ground and in hunting for these, he makes a tunnel in the earth after the manner of a mole.—Sterling City News Record.

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Dr. Crippen, who murdered his American wife in London, England, last March, has been tried, convicted, given the death penalty and will be executed on the 8th of November.

A cup which has been used in an Eastern high school for several months without having been washed was lined inside with a thick brownish deposit. Under the microscope this deposit proved to be composed of particles of mud, thousands of bits of dead skin, and millions of bacteria. Some of this sediment was injected under the skin of a healthy guinea pig, and forty hours later the pig died. An examination afterward showed that pneumonia germs had killed the pig. A second guinea pig was inoculated with some of the sediment from the same cup and developed tuberculosis. Careful inquiry showed that several pupils in this school from which the cup was taken were then suffering from consumption.—Abitene Reporter.

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The Youth's Companion, 141 Berkeley St., Boston, Mass. New subscriptions received at this office.

Mrs. W. F. Owens returned today from a visit to friends in Dallas.

The Van Horn Chronicle with old friend, Crockett Boone, as editor, reached us this week, and we must say it is a very sprightly youngster, and will be a great factor in the progress of Van Horn and the eastern part of El Paso county.

3 of the best sections of land in the Big Springs country, extra well improved with fine water, at \$11 per acre, will double in price in one year. See R. B. Canon & Co.

Notice

All donations in school books, clothing, bed-clothing etc will be thankfully received by the United Charities.

Please send them to Mrs. F. B. Gilbert's residence on Runnels street.

B. J. Blocker of San Angelo is preparing 5,000 acres of land on the Colorado river and will plant it in wheat.

Your cough annoys you, keep on hacking and tearing the delicate membranes of your throat if you want to be annoyed. But if you want relief, want to be cured, take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Sold by Biles & Gentry.

The Dates of the El Paso Fair and Exposition ARE

October 29th to November 6th.

Write for catalogue and post cards. FRANK RICH, Secretary.

Jno. Long returned today from a trip east.

Judge F. P. Brewer of Colorado was here yesterday.

Dr. J. G. Wright returned today from a trip to Dallas.

Trains are all late now on account of the big rush of travel.

Bunts marsh-mallows, put up in sealed cans at Biles & Gentry's.

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A geologist who visited Toyah oil fields while in the employ of the federal government, says that in his opinion it will be one of the richest and most productive fields ever found in the United States.

Abe Martin Says

Giving your imagination a rest often improves your neighbors' reputation.

It's purty hard to be interestin' without lyin'. It takes years o' idleness t' become a good checker player.

Constable Plum tipped the scales at 350 yesterday an' a apple company is makin' him a new uniform. Th' feller that don't git skinned nowadays is appointed.

It's nice t' live in a little town where even a cow kin git her name in the paper. Uncle Ez Pash says he kin remember when only folks that amounted t' somethin' wore frock coats.

Th' church board met last night t' take action on th' resignation o' Rev. Wiley Tanger an' argued for three hours over th' length o' Jack Johnson arm. Some fellers never mention their wives 'cops' tell how they cook somethin'.

Mrs. Tipton Bud tripped on a croquet arch yesterday an' broke her nose. Constable Plum has stopped th' sport till all th' brutal features are eliminated. There's somethin' wrong somewhere's when a feller can't save as much as he could when he was losin'.

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S. J. Williams, Chairman of the State Democratic Executive committee, has issued a call to all State, district, county and precinct nominees to contribute to the State Democratic campaign fund according to a schedule adopted at a meeting of the committee in September. He said that by no means all of the nominees, of either class, have responded.

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For County Treasurer W. R. PURSER (re election)

For District and County Clerk J. I. PRICHARD (re-election)

For Tax Assessor ANDERSON BAILEY

For County Judge M. H. MORRISON

For County Attorney H. R. DEBENPORT

For Hide and Animal Inspector M. H. WILLIAMSON

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