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### THE COMMERCIAL CLUB. Large And Enthusiastic Attendance Wednesday Afternoon.

The Commercial Club held its first meeting for this year Wednesday afternoon. The attendance was largest the club has had in some time, and there was a defined feeling of interest in all matters that came before the meeting.

In the absence of President C. L. Alderman, B. Reagan was called to the chair, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: B. Reagan, president; J. S. Murphy, vice-president; Fox Striplin, secretary; W. W. Rix, treasurer.

The club then elected R. L. Permyer, J. O. Hartzog, V. Van Gieson, R. D. Matthews, C. C. Hinds and H. L. Rix as a board of directors.

It was decided to do away with the membership fee and instead collect monthly dues from the members. A committee composed of J. S. Murphy, Chas. Jones and W. G. Hayden, was appointed on membership. The club now has a membership of about 75 and it is the desire of the club that it be speedily increased to 200 or more.

A letter from Col. J. H. Ransom, president of the Panhandle Short Line railroad, was read, but no action was taken as they are awaiting his arrival, which will be soon according to late advices from him.

A letter from the San Angelo Business College was read, and the secretary was instructed to correspond with the college people and ascertain what they propose, before the people here offer any inducement for the college to be located here.

The proposition of securing a lecture from Mr. Campbell, the dry farming expert, was discussed and was decided to have him lecture here at some future date

for the benefit of the farmers of the Big Springs country. The lecture will be worth a great deal to our people and especially the farmers, as it is claimed that under the plan of Mr. Campbell farming can be successfully done with 13 inches of rain. The lecture will be paid for by funds raised by the club and \$49.00 of the amount was raised before the meeting adjourned. R. L. Permyer and V. Van Gieson were appointed a committee solicit the balance of the money necessary to secure the lecture.

There is a great deal of important work ahead of the club and it is of interest to every citizen of the town that the club succeeds in all its undertakings. While it bears the name of Commercial Club its membership is not confined to the commercial interests of the town, but every citizen of the town and county that is interested in the upbuilding of the

county and town, is eligible to membership and should join.

Ed. M. Mobley.

We are authorized to announce Ed. M. Mobley as a candidate for re-election, to the office of Sheriff and tax collector of Howard county. He is now serving his first term and has made an efficient officer and the people of this county will do well to keep him in office.

Now is the Time

to turn the sod. Buy a Good Enough breaking plow, single or double. For sale by

D. P. STRAYHORN,  
Successor to Cole & Strayhorn.

Now is the time for you to begin trading at Reagan's drug store, if you are not already doing so.

C. M. Horn returned yesterday from a visit to Fort Worth.

### Big Reduction

On

Outtings

J. & W. Fisher

Established 1882

### Notice To Subscribers Pay Up.

The Postmaster General rules that subscribers more than one year in arrears cannot have the paper sent them at regular pound rates, but the publisher must put a one cent stamp on all papers mailed to delinquents. We cannot afford to do this. If you are one or more in arrears to The Enterprise pay up at once or we will be compelled by law to discontinue the paper. Ask your Postmaster if you have any doubt about what we say.

J. D. Gibson, the tailor, opposite Enterprise office, makes a specialty of cleaning and pressing clothing.

### Death of E. O. Price.

Yesterday morning at about five o'clock E. O. Price died at his home in this city of pneumonia after a short illness. He was only confined to his bed two or three days before the final summons came. His death was quite a shock to the entire town as it was not generally known that he was sick.

Mr. Price has been cashier of the First National Bank of this place for a number of years, and by his genial manner and courteous treatment of people with whom came in contact made friends of them. He was an enterprising, public spirited citizen, always willing to aid in any

enterprise that was for the upbuilding of our town and country and he will be greatly missed in business and social life of our town.

The deceased is survived by a loving wife, and three small children, his aged mother and one brother in this city, to mourn the loss of a kind husband and father and a dutiful son.

Funeral services were held this afternoon and the business houses in town were closed from 3:00 o'clock until 4:30 out of respect to his memory.

The Enterprise joins with many friends in tendering sympathies to the bereft ones in this hour of sorrow.

# THE ENTERPRISE

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## BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

O. H. Mattison was killed in the gin machinery at Thalia a few days since. He was comparatively a stranger there.

A locomotive for moving material for construction was put on the Dallas-Sherman Interurban line at McKinney last week.

The big five-acre warehouse and a number of cars belonging to the Lamp Brewery in St. Louis, were burned Sunday night, involving a loss of some \$100,000.

Aaron Kelley, charged with bribery, broke jail and escaped at Brady a few nights ago. He cut a bar from one of the windows, through which he was able to make his exit.

The year 1907 witnessed the greatest building activity in the history of Mount Pleasant. Nearly \$400,000 worth of improvements were made during the last year.

San Antonio ticket brokers have agreed to go out of business if the railroads will drop the proceedings that have been instituted against them under the injunction.

The ten jurors who voted "innocent" in the Caleb Powers case have petitioned for the pardon of James Howard, who was convicted of complicity in the Goebel murder.

Josiah Woods McHenry, who was perhaps the oldest man in Southwest Texas, being ninety-two years and seven months old at the time of his death, has passed away at San Angelo.

W. E. Powell, a wealthy young farmer of the Big Pasture, near Randall, Okla., Tuesday night accidentally shot himself through the head and died Wednesday.

A four-year-old child of Robert Carroll, whose home is near Paris, was so badly burned from his clothes catching on fire from a burning trash pile that he will probably die.

On his statement that he had shot at Steve Maxey near Chappell Hill, Will Cole was locked up by Sheriff Teague of Washington County. Cole came in Saturday and surrendered voluntarily.

Emerson Davis, son of Postmaster A. L. Davis, Gonzales, died Sunday morning of blood poison caused by injuries received ten days ago from the premature explosion of a large cannon cracker.

The battleship Texas goes out of commission next Friday. Representative Gregg will ask that one of the monster battleships be authorized in the present Congress be given the name of Texas.

Ten thousand men resumed their places in industrial establishments in Cleveland Ohio, Monday, according to J. J. Tanner, President of the Manufacturers' Information Bureau. This means, he says, that \$150,000 will be put into circulation in wages next week.

Rev. Father Denis J. Stafford, D. D., pastor of St. Patrick's Roman D. pastor of St. Patrick's Roman as irremovable parish, and one of the most noted divines in the country, died a few days since at Providence Hospital, following an operation last Tuesday.

Captain D. Ridley of Paris, a prominent Confederate veteran, died in that city Saturday morning.

The Brownell Planing Mill and five cars of lumber were burned Saturday night. The yards were saved, though the mill is a total loss.

General W. L. Cabell, Lieutenant General Commanding the Trans-Mississippi Department of the United Confederate Veterans, celebrated his eighty-first birthday Wednesday at his home in Dallas.

Professor Thomas Day Seymour, senior professor of Greek in Yale University, died Tuesday of pneumonia.

A large number of Frisco workmen laid off at The Frisco shops in Sherman recently, were put to work Thursday.

The arrivals during November numbered 117,476 against 94,621 for November, 1906. In addition to this number of aliens actually admitted, there were 1394 who were debarred from landing.

Muncie, Indiana, has a labor war on hand, and the Governor has placed the town under martial law.

The Attorney General's Department has approved at \$7200 issue of Corrigan Independent school district bonds, being ten-forties, at five per cent.

Judge Sam R. Scott of McLennan County will at an early date tender his resignation to the Governor as District Judge of the Fifty-Fourth District. Judge Scott is going into the private practice.

# THE F. E. C. U. MEETING

## SOME 300 DELEGATES ARE AT THE OPENING.

### SOME OBJECTS OF MEETING

Questions of Cotton Acreage and Holding Cotton Are to the Fore.

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 8.—The annual convention of the Farmers Educational and Co-Operative Union met here yesterday for a session of three days. About 300 delegates representing every Southern State and those of Missouri, Kansas and Washington, are in attendance. The rapid growth of the union since its organization five years ago has attracted much attention in all parts of the country, and the convention now in session will discuss matters of vital interest to the farmers of all sections. The meeting is being held behind closed doors.

C. S. Barrett of Union City, Ga., president of the Union, arrived early today and called the convention to order. One of the most important subjects to be discussed is the advisability of an organized effort to reduce the acreage of cotton. The question of holding cotton for higher prices will also be discussed.

Before calling the convention to order, President Barrett said: "We are here for business and one of the most important things we hope to accomplish is to get fifteen cents for cotton and we are going to get it if we have to hold it from market for years. I can not say how much cotton we are holding back at the present time."

Many of the largest planters in the South and Southwest are in attendance.

### FIERCE FIRE IN FORT WORTH.

Texas and Pacific Offices and Freight Depot Burn.

Fort Worth: Starting from a source that remains a matter of conjecture, fire destroyed the immense Texas and Pacific freight warehouse and office building Tuesday night, and for an hour the flames, encouraged by a strong wind from the southeast, threatened to create untold havoc throughout the wholesale district of the city, which lies immediately north of the destroyed building.

The building was completed in May, 1901. In the warehouse was stored almost every conceivable freight consignment, including pianos, buggies, automobiles, furniture, farming implements and countless smaller articles of which no record is available. Along with the south side of the warehouse on the house track, stood twenty-four cars ready for unloading and these were barely saved.

### Ask Pardon for Caleb Powers.

Georgetown, Ky.: The citizens of Georgetown, irrespective of party, are preparing an address to the people of Kentucky, calling upon them to petition Governor Willson to pardon Caleb Powers. This address will be accompanied by petitions which will be sent into every county in Kentucky. The committee at the head of the movement is composed of four Democrats, two of whom are ex-Confederates, and three Republicans.

Parties prospecting for oil have discovered strong indications near Sulphur Springs that it resulted in a lease of 7,000 acres of land just northwest of town.

### Dramatic Demise of a Tailor.

Fort Worth: F. W. Green, aged forty, a tailor, asked a friend if he could carry him into the house, and when asked what he meant by such a question replied: "I am going to pull off a stunt that will make it necessary for you to carry me." Green went into a woodshed and drank a bottle full of carbolic acid and returned to the doorway, held the empty bottle up to the horrified gaze of his friend. He died almost instantly.

### Contract for Lock and Dam No. 8.

Washington: The war department has advised Representative Beall it has accepted the Ball-Carden company's bid on lock No. 6 on the Trinity river and has let the contract, but is holding up their bid on lock No. 2 because the judge advocate general has ruled that part of the money raised by Dallas can not go into the construction of locks and dams. The matter is referred to the attorney general.

### "God Almighty Hates a Quitter."

Stamford, Conn.: Samuel Fessenden of this city, a former State Senator, is dead from heart trouble. When Thomas B. Reed of Maine was a candidate before the Republican convention Mr. Fessenden headed the Connecticut delegation. He worked hard for Mr. Reed, and when Joseph Manley swung away from Mr. Reed Mr. Fessenden gave utterance to the words, "God Almighty hates a quitter."

## 100 BILLS INTRODUCED.

One Measure for National Bank Fund Insurance.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Among the 100 bills and resolutions introduced in the House during its half-hour session yesterday were the following:

By Mr. Fulton of Oklahoma: Admitting free of duty all imports into the United States carried in vessels of American make and register.

By Mr. Wallace of Arkansas: Repealing the duty on wood pulp and printing paper.

By Mr. Clark of Florida: Prohibiting the transportation in the mails or the depositing in and mail receptacle of any newspaper, magazine or other publication containing the alleged facts of any divorce suit, murder case or other court proceeding, "of an indecent or immoral character, or which would tend to corrupt the young."

By Mr. Hinshaw of Nebraska: The taxing of every National bank one-twentieth of one per cent of its annual average deposits for the creation of a fund of \$10,000,000 for the protection and reimbursement of depositors of National banks which fail, and prohibiting National banks from accepting deposits in excess of ten times their combined capital stock and surplus funds.

By Mr. Ferris of Oklahoma: Enabling the distribution annually of Treasury surpluses among the States for the improvement of public highways and post roads. Providing for an eight hour day on all Government roads. To prevent gambling in cotton and grain futures.

By Mr. Gregg of Texas: Providing for the selection of a site for a navy yard and dry dock at Galveston.

By Mr. Clark of Florida: Providing for a Congressional investigation of charges of pecuniary in the Southern States, and an investigation of prosecutions.

### Washington: Senator Aldrich's currency bill, according to the understanding last night, will be offered in the Senate today: It was considered yesterday afternoon by all the Republican members of the Finance Committee except Senator Allison, who is ill, and his bill has been approved by all except Senator Hansborough, whose solution of the problem is the establishment of a central bank.

### Proposition to Buy National Park.

Washington: Representative Stephens has introduced a bill authorizing the Federal Government to purchase the Goodnight ranch and its herds of buffalo and "catals," together with 100,000 acres of land in Armstrong and Randall Counties, including the headwaters of Red River, to be known as the Palo Duro Canyon National Forest Preserve, the Secretary of Agriculture to take charge of the buffalo reserve, the whole to cost not over half a million dollars.

### Increase of Circulation.

Washington: As a result of the recent financial squeeze the National banks of the country increased their circulation at the rate of over one million dollars per day during the month of October. On November 30, 1907, the total bank-note circulation of the United States was \$656,218,196, while on December 31, 1907, it was \$690,130,845, an increase of \$33,912,659 in thirty-one days.

### An appropriation of \$500,000 will be asked of congress this year for the purpose of fighting the cattle tick in Southern states during the next fiscal year.

### State Wins Land Suit.

Washington.—Titles to several hundred thousand acres of land in West Texas held under Mexican land grants are claimed to be affected by the action in the case of Sullivan vs. the State of Texas, which was decided by the Supreme Court of the United States favorable to the State. This suit was over a tract of 55,000 acres in Hidalgo county, which, it was claimed, was comprised in a grant made to Pedro de la Garza.

### Prominent Citizen of Lamar Dead.

Paris: When J. M. Martin, an old resident of Lamar County, past seventy years ago, left home Monday morning he had a gun, and had started to go hunting in the woods near Minter, southeast of Paris about twenty miles; but about 2 o'clock his daughter found his body in an old blacksmith shop on the place, the top of his head having been blown off. Relatives had searched for him several hours, having heard a gun shot.

### Popular Conductor Commits Suicide.

Waco: Joe Ferguson, one of the best known conductors on the International and Great Northern, whose run is from Mart to Fort Worth, killed himself in the streets of Mart Sunday night by shooting. He was carrying a suit case along the streets at 11 o'clock, and sat the case down, took out a pistol and shot himself through the heart. He was thirty-five years of age, unmarried and very popular.

## PETTIBONE ACQUITTED

### RELEASED MEN WILL RETURN TO DENVER.

### THE VERDICT WAS EXPECTED

Pettibone, Whose Health is Much Broken, Will Spend Some Time Under Physician.

Boise, Idaho, Jan. 6.—The end of the prosecution of the men charged with the killing of ex-Governor Frank Steunenberg, with the exception of the cases of Harry Orchard and Jack Simpkins, came Saturday with the acquittal of George A. Pettibone. Charles M. Moyer, President of the Western Federation of Miners, who was also indicted with Haywood, Pettibone and others, was released Saturday afternoon, and will return with Pettibone in a few days to Denver.

The case of Orchard, the self-confessed assassin of Steunenberg, is in the hands of Prosecuting Attorney Vanduyne of Canyon County. No statement as to the further procedure in that case has been made, but it will be called during the term of court at Caldwell, when it will probably be finally disposed of.

The verdict caused little surprise in Boise, in view of the verdict in the Haywood case. The defense introduced practically no evidence, and did not argue, simply maintaining that the State entirely failed to connect the defendant with the killing of Steunenberg. Pettibone will return at once to Denver, Colo. His health is in a very precarious state, and his physicians fear that his malady is of such a nature that he will never recover.

### Powers Jury Fails to Agree.

Georgetown, Ky.: Through the inability of the jury to agree upon his guilt or innocence of complicity in the murder of William Goebel, Caleb Powers will on the 6th day of July next be compelled to stand a fifth trial. After being out more than forty-eight hours Saturday, the jury reported that they were unable to agree upon a verdict, and were discharged by Judge Morris. Ten of the twelve men on the jury voted for acquittal, two holding out for conviction.

### Hot Time Promised in Abilene.

Abilene: In connection with the State Nut Growers' Association, the Abilene Poultry and Pet Stock Association will hold its annual exhibit January 14 to 16 in this city. At the same time there will meet here the Horticultural Association, the Press Association and the Central West Texas Commercial Clubs Federation. A large attendance is expected, as low railroad rates will prevail and it is not a busy season.

### The Terrell Corn Meeting.

Terrell: Preparations are being made for the entertainment of the State Corn Growers' Association, which meets in Terrell January 16 and 17. Hotel accommodations are being engaged and other necessities provided for the accommodation of the 500 visitors expected at that time. A large list of prizes is to be awarded on best exhibits of corn and other products. The Commercial Club is much interested.

After being twice declared dead, Mrs. Lucinda Carothers of Gallion, O., aged sixty-six years, is alive and in good health.

### Dogs Unearth Treasure Pot.

Clarksville: Dogs searching for rats under an old building on the Sutton farm, twenty miles north of this city, unearthed a pot of ancient coins. There are over 1000 of the coins, most of which are badly defaced. They were buried in an iron pot, which had almost entirely rusted away. The farm is owned by Dr. J. C. Foster of this city, and the coins were found by J. M. Cremons, the superintendent of the place.

### Goldfield Strikes Breaking Down.

Goldfield, Nev.: From appearances it would seem that the backbone of the strike is about broken, and that all mines will be in operation possibly within ten days. Miners are applying for work and are deserting the Western Federation of Miners by the score. They say they are tired of waiting on the federation, and can see no successful end to their fight, and intend to apply for work before their places are taken by imported miners.

### Following a quarrel during a dance at Herman Shelters farm residence near Cheyenne, Ok., Saturday, Shelter was shot through the hip, and his brother-in-law John H. Russell, through the body, instantly killing Shelter's wounds are considered fatal.

The apple, engine and boiler room belonging to the Houston County Coal and Manufacturing Company at their coal mine at Wooters, ten miles south of Crockett, was completely destroyed by fire Saturday night about 10 o'clock.

## GREAT RAY AT HAMILTON.

The New Railway Opens a New Day to the County.

Hamilton, Tenn., Jan. 4.—Hamilton celebrated yesterday in an appropriate manner the arrival of the first train over the Stephensville, North and South Texas Railway. The train consisted of seven coaches, and brought delegations of business men from Waco and Fort Worth. Those from Waco were headed by W. W. Sealey, and those from Fort Worth by Capt. E. B. Paddock.

The citizens of Hamilton have endeavored for years to get a railroad. They realized that they had a good town, but that without railroad facilities they could never hope to make it more than it is today—an energetic, hustling place of about 2000 inhabitants. But the nearest railroad was twenty-eight miles away, at Hico. Twelve thousand bales of cotton were marketed here last year, but teamsters hauled all of it by wagon to Hico.

Visitors were made to feel at home. It was a real welcome. The greetings given them were spontaneously hearty. To the tooting of a brass band they were conveyed uptown in carriages and then taken to the City Park, an attractive place near here. There, in the afternoon, they participated in a program of speechmaking, preceded by a barbecue dinner. The speakers were Mayor J. L. Spurlin, who delivered the address of welcome; Capt. E. B. Paddock of Fort Worth and Mayor James B. Baker of Waco, who responded, and A. R. Edson of Hamilton, Louis J. Wortham of Fort Worth and A. R. McCollum of Waco.

### Mr. Bryan Declares Candidacy.

Nacogdoches: In closing a short address to the public at Nacogdoches Friday, Mr. Bryan said: "I have spoken long enough to satisfy your curiosity; I could not speak long enough to wear out your Democracy, and those of you who may never have an opportunity to hear a real, live President of the United States speak, you can at least say now that you have heard one speak who on two different occasions cherished the delusion that he was going to be a real, live President, and he tells the disease coming on again."

### Thought to Be Incendiary.

Nacogdoches: A destructive fire is raging here at this hour (Saturday, 2 a. m.). Four two-story business houses and their contents have been destroyed. Mayer & Schmidt's dry goods establishment, Weeks' Drug Company and Julius Eichel's dry goods store are in ashes. The loss so far will reach \$200,000. It is thought the fire is now under control. The list of insurance can not be secured at the present.

### Refuse to Ship C. O. D.

New Orleans, La.: Announcement that express companies at New Orleans will ship no more liquor C. O. D. to Southern States was made Friday night. Some express companies have shipped considerable liquor to dry counties in Texas, where legal difficulties resulting from the shipments have caused more expense than the business was worth. The C. O. D. liquor business has always been a shady business at best.

There is little chance for strikes this year among the building trades. The employers have signed contracts with a large number of the men, and in cases where the agreements have not been concluded arrangements are under way.

### Sees No Need of Extra Session.

Austin: If at any time an emergency should arise demanding an immediate remedy, Governor Campbell will convolve the Legislature in extra session. However, at this time he does not consider that such emergency exists, nor does he see in the present situation any indication that such an emergency is likely to arise. He believes that the commercial and financial conditions of Texas do not demand legislation.

### National Guard Honors.

Austin: Governor Campbell has made the following appointments in the Texas National Guard under the new order or reorganization: Eugene Williams of Waco, Judge Advocate General; William Brumby, State Health Officer, Surgeon General, with rank of Colonel; Murrell L. Buckner of Dallas, Assistant Adjutant General, with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, and S. M. Parish of Eastmont, Colonel of the Second Infantry.

### To Put Banks Under Insurance.

Guthrie, Ok.: At a meeting of the State Banking Board the State Bank Commissioner was instructed to begin examinations preparatory to placing State banks under the insurance provisions of the bill recently passed. It is the desire to have the investigations completed by February 1, and the Commissioner is empowered to engage as many examiners as necessary. About fifty applications are on file.

## VIRGINIA MERCHANT RID OF A VERY BIG GRAVEL STONE.

Another Remarkable Cure of Serious Kidney Trouble.

C. L. Wood, a prominent merchant of Postres, Norfolk Co., Va., was suffering some months ago with frequent attacks of hard pain in the back, kidneys and bladder and the kidney secretions were irregularly scanty or profuse. Medical treatment failed to cure him.

"At last," says Mr. Wood, "I began using Doan's Kidney Pills, and before one box was gone, I went through four days of intense pain, finally passing a stone, one-half by five-sixteenths of an inch in diameter. I haven't had a sign of kidney trouble since."

Sold by all dealers, 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

### HERE GOES ANOTHER ILLUSION.

"Fiddling Bob" Declares He Has Not Played for Many Years.

Another cherished illusion has been shattered. Senator Taylor of Tennessee, lovingly called throughout the union "Fiddling Bob," doesn't play the fiddle after all. He has entered a formal denial. Pretty soon somebody will be saying that Congressman Richmond Pearson Hobson of Merrimack fame never kissed a pretty young girl here worshiper. Representative Hughes of New Jersey asked Senator Taylor about his musical accomplishments.

"Haven't played a fiddle for a dozen years," said the Tennesseean. "That fiddling story is all wrong. I haven't touched a bow for years." "Maybe you play the violin, then?" ventured Hughes. "Oh, I never even saw one of those darned things," retorted the senator.

### DEAR LITTLE CHAP.



Bob says, ma was very scarce when you married pa, or did you just feel sorry for him?

### THEN IT LOOKED ABOUT RIGHT.

Coal Dealer Understood When Told What Load Represented.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., in one of the last addresses that he made to his Sunday school class before abandoning it, said of carefulness in business: "Too many business men are careful on one side, their own side, only. Thus a coal dealer whom I used to know shouted one afternoon to an employe who was driving out of the yard: 'Hold on there, Jim! That coal can't have been weighed. It looks a trifle large for a ton to me.' 'Jim shouted back: 'This ain't a ton, boss. It's two tons.' 'Oh, all right,' said the dealer, in a modified tone. 'Bog your pardon, go ahead.'"

### FOUND A WAY

To Be Clear of the Coffee Troubles.

"Husband and myself both had the coffee habit and finally he stomach and kidneys got in such a bad condition that he was compelled to give up a good position that he had held for years. He was too sick to work. His skin was yellow, and I hardly think there was an organ in his body that was not affected."

"I told him I felt sure his sickness was due to coffee and after some discussion he decided to give it up."

"It was a struggle because of the powerful habit. One day we heard about Postum and concluded to try it, and then it was easy to leave off coffee."

"His fearful headaches grew less frequent, his complexion began to clear, kidneys grew better until at last he was a new man altogether, as a result of leaving off coffee and taking up Postum. Then I began to drink it too."

"Although I was never so bad off as my husband, I was always very nervous and never at any time very strong, only weighing 85 lbs. before I began to use Postum. Now I weigh 115 lbs. and can do as much work as anyone my size, I think."

"Many do not use Postum because they have not taken the trouble to make it right. I have successfully fooled a great many persons who have drunk it at my table. They would remark, 'You must buy a high grade of coffee.' One young man who worked in a grocery store was very enthusiastic about my coffee. When I told him what it was, he said, 'I've sold Postum for four years but I had no idea it was like this. Think I'd drink Postum hereafter.'"

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read The Book in Well-Known, 'There's a Reason.'



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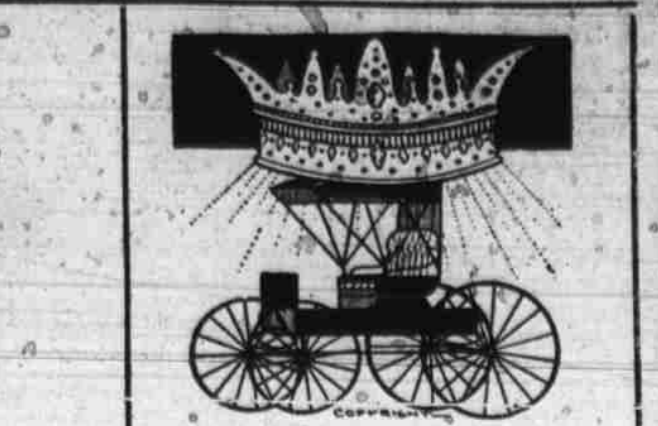
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**Local and Personal**

Cut glass at Reagan's.  
 Pay your poll tax or you cannot vote.  
 See J. O. Hartzog for fire insurance.  
 F. E. Abney of Borden county was here Monday.  
 Take Ward's Pink Blood and Liver Pills, best on earth.  
 January 12th, is Education day at the Christain church.  
 All kinds of school books and school supplies at Reagan's.  
 H. C. Wallace spent several days in Fort Worth this week.  
 Big stock of linoleum just in, at Big Springs Furniture Co. 7th  
 J. C. Dorward of Borden county marketed cotton here Wednesday.  
 Don't forget Reagan's store is full of goods and he wants to sell them.  
 Judge Edward W. Smith of Colorado was greeting old friends here Wednesday.  
 Pay your taxes before the first of February or you will be subject to a penalty.  
 Kidney, Bladder, Backache and Rheumatic troubles cured with Ward's Kidney Pills.  
 D. M. Waters and Henry Holler were here Monday from the Morris community.  
 The man who buys his things in the drug store line at Reagan's is the man who saves money.  
 Mrs. Enla Miller leaves Thursday for Big Springs, where she will go into Sneed's store. — Colorado Record.  
 I believe I have the prettiest line of wall paper ever brought to Big Springs, considering the price. B. Reagan.  
 H. F. Oliver, Christain Evangelist, began a series of meeting at the Cumberland Presbyterian church Tuesday night.  
 The State Horticultural Society and the Texas Nut Growers Association will meet in joint session at Abilene on the 15th and continue two days.  
 Next Sunday will be education day at the Christain church, and the pastor will deliver an address on the subject of education, and the work of the schools are doing.  
 G. T. Walker, postmaster at Abilene, was in the city Wednesday and said the farmers that are through with their cotton picking are busy preparing their land for another crop.

Pay your poll tax or you will be disfranchised.  
 R. J. Compton was in Midland several days this week.  
 Favorite Headache Tablets are the best, at Ward's.  
 J. D. Garner of Dawson county was trading here Tuesday.  
 Laxative Quinine Cold Tablets, cure colds, at Ward's.  
 Judge T. A. Blodoe of Abilene was here Monday on a visit to relatives.  
 A number of local scenes, beautiful colored post cards at Reagan's.  
 Mrs. W. R. Settles of the North Concho country was shopping here Saturday.  
 See Arnold for flues, tanks and gutters, or anything else in the line of sheet iron work. 49-8t  
 R. K. Burns was here from the North Concho country yesterday after building material.  
 See the Jewell Hot Blast Heaters before you buy any other.  
 H. L. Rix & Co.  
 R. H. Sneed left last week for Tombstone, Arizona, to be absent about thirty days.  
 Arnold makes ridge roll, creating and final a specialty. Final made to order. 49-8t  
 Rev. S. W. Smith and family left last week for Plainview where they will make their home.  
 Why not go to Reagan's for your drugs. He carries the largest line in town.  
 Bert Belcher came in the first of the week from Henrietta where he spent the holidays.  
 Cards are out announcing the coming marriage of Miss Ann Pveatt to Mr. P. M. Horn, Jan. 12th, 1908. — Terry County Herald.  
 Another man was arrested Saturday charged with peddling whiskey. He is supposed to be a partner of the two men arrested earlier in the week.  
 The attention of our farmers is called to a circular letter from R. T. Milner, commissioner of agriculture, which is published in this issue of The Enterprise.  
 Mrs. J. W. Neill accompanied Miss Elma Neill from Big Springs and will visit the family of Judge Neill for a several days. — Terry County Herald.  
 We have heard of a number of supposed candidates, but so far none of them have put their names in print. Our columns are open.  
 Just received a car of the Old Reliable Peter Schuttler broad tire wagons.  
 D. P. STRAYHORN, Successor to Cole & Strayhorn.  
**Fire Insurance**  
 For fire, cyclone or tornado insurance, see R. T. Piner. He represents some of the best companies in the United States.

Victor phonographs at Reagan's.  
 I. S. Simpson of Auto was here Wednesday.  
 Iron Tonic Pills, a great nerve tonic, at Ward's.  
 J. M. Hull of Coahoma was in town Wednesday.  
 Dr. Peper and Cosco Colo served at Reagan's fountain.  
 Miss Ready Hurt visited Mrs. F. F. Gary at Midland last week.  
 You save money on your food bill if you use International Stock Food. For sale at Reagan's.  
 Mrs. Harry Arnold and L. G. Tankersley, Jr., visited friends in Midland last week.  
 The store that will do what they advertise. Stokes-Hughes Co.  
 W. W. West returned Sunday from Ohio where he spent the holidays with relatives.  
 The grip is easily cured by using Reagan's Cold Tablets.  
 Guion Gregg of Midland was here Sunday on his way home from Ballinger.  
 The negro Hargrove, from Big Springs, will be tried here for murder. His case is set for next Monday, the 13th. — Colorado Record.  
 We will sell you a sewing machine on easy payments and buy your old machine. We are agents for the New Home and Standard machines.  
 H. L. Rix & Co.  
 Mrs. Reeder died at her home in this city Wednesday afternoon after and illness of only a few days. She was buried this morning.  
 Maggie Welsch, daughter of G. G. Welsch and wife, died Saturday morning and was buried Sunday afternoon, services at the Catholic church.  
 D. C. Ashmore, editor of the Dawson County News, was here Tuesday and made this office a pleasant visit. He was accompanied by Berry Reed of Lamesa.  
 If you want the best results, bring your prescriptions to Reagan's drug store, where the purest drugs and the most careful and skillful work is done in compounding them.  
 W. D. Barr, who was here on a visit to relatives, left Tuesday night for his home at Edna. He was accompanied home by Mrs. S. E. Sullivan, who will spend some time there.  
 Plans, specifications and material bills furnished for all class of buildings at reasonable prices. See us before you build and we can help you in many ways. M. M. Roche, architect and civil engineer, office over Van Gieson's store, Big Springs, Tex. 10tf  
 W. R. Purser, P. G. Stockton and J. E. Moon returned Friday from a hunting trip to Salt Lake, Fort Stockton, Sheffield, Stiles and Garden City. They report a fine time and among other things they killed seven deer.  
 We understand that I. B. (Doc) Cauble is going to make the race for tax assessor. This is rumor, and the only way you can convince a newspaper man that a candidate is in earnest is to place the price of an announcement in his hand.  
 We have arranged with Mr. Milton Everrest of Dallas, one of the ablest writers in Texas, to furnish us a letter each week on some topic of interest to Texas. This week his letter is headed "Transportation Facts for thinking people." Read it, and watch for his letters each week.  
**The Home Bakery.**  
 I wish to state to the people of Big Springs that I have bought the Home Bakery and will appreciate your patronage. Try my bread, cakes and pies. I will bake chickens, turkeys and all kinds of meats on short notice and deliver them to your home.  
 F. Ancell.



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 Phone nos for your drug store wants.  
 M. M. Roche was in Stanton Saturday.  
 For handsome presents, wedding gifts etc go to Reagan's.  
 Just received a car of furniture by the Big Springs Furniture Co.  
 January 12th, is education day at the Christain church. Be sure to attend that day.  
 Rube Reid of Midland was here Saturday to receive two new Autos.  
 Editor Long of the Westbrook Courier was here Monday accompanied by his wife and baby.  
 For the best hacks, and buggies, see D. P. Strayhorn. "They are too good for money." 51-tf  
 W. R. Summers and wife went to Colorado Saturday, where Mr. Summers has accepted the position of teacher of English in the public school.  
 Reed and Ratton rockers, tables, hall chairs, corner chairs and parlor suites, no better assortment in Texas.  
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## FARMERS' EDUCATIONAL AND CO-OPERATIVE UNION OF AMERICA

Make it a rule to shoot the man who shoots your birds.

Be sure that you are not a producer of an excessive crop; beware of too much cotton.

This is the primal season for the milking dress. Have you got yours in working condition?

As a Union man let your light shine that you may be a living example of the benefits of the Union.

It is a mighty poor Union man who has not found out that time is a good thing to keep on hand at all times.

Don't spend your life laying up things for a rainy day; lay up such things as you can use on any old day.

It is a mighty poor Union man who has not been able to do something this month to lighten the labor of his better half.

Did you ever try greasing the axe when you had a particularly hard cut to make? It acts just like grease on a saw. Try it.

The most efficient way to fight the implement and vehicle trust is to take good care of the tools and implements you now have.

A little paint and vaseline put in the right spots now will go a long way toward helping to beat the implement and vehicle trust.

So long as the monopoly of land is encouraged, just so long will it be possible for the few to make and enforce laws for the many.

Don't lose an opportunity to talk for a diversification of the crops. In diversification there is safety; on one crop there is danger.

Make your local so interesting and so valuable that it will live on on its own, even if the National and the State Union were dissolved.

This is the month to plant a few good Union trees in all the vacant spots about the place. Are you living up to your opportunities?

The fact of this year being a political year will have nothing to do with the demand for milk, butter, chickens and eggs. Do you catch the drift?

It is already getting late for the selection and providing for the coming crop. There is as much advantage in good seed as there is in good breeds.

Don't be such a block as to make no new year resolutions. He who is too big a clump to dare to much of a clump to amount to much in the final conclusion.

While you are fixing up for the poultry, don't forget that it will pay mighty big to get you a good bone cutter, and it will pay better still to use it freely after you do get it.

It is a good time to pick out a nice plot of ground that you will give the boy for his own this year. Give him a chance to be "one of the men," so that when you are out of the game, he will know what to do with himself.

Time is so valuable that you are given only a moment at once. If this were your last moment, you would use it for some sane purpose. It may be your last. One of these days it will be your last.

This is going to be a good year for you to give the hen a chance to prove all the good things that the hen advocates have been saying about her. While you are about it give her a square deal.

When it comes to a question of a fine court house or a bunch of good roads, keep in mind the fact that the roads are for your use, and the fine court house is for the use of the lawyers and the officeholders.

What have you done about putting in a telephone? It is mighty handy to be able to know what is going on in the world without having to go to town to find out. The news of the market is worth what it costs to keep a phone in the house.

When you go to the Union meeting, keep in mind the fact if you have talked ten minutes to a dozen people that you have used up two full hours of other people's time. This means that your talk should be worth the price of two hours time, even if you only used ten minutes in making it.

Make up your mind that you have no right to any more land than you can use, and that this year will be the beginning of the end of your efforts to make yourself "land poor."

Recently a progressive Union tried the plan of open meetings for a few nights, and the result was a most pleasant surprise to all the members. The people came and many said, "If this is the sort of a thing the Union is, I want to become a member," and they did that very thing.

## FARMERS' COMMON SENSE.

We farmers need more corporations, not fewer. We need well managed cooperative companies through which we can buy together and sell together. We know that we have got to work out our own salvation along those lines—that no one else will do it for us. We have learned anew to rely upon ourselves and not upon the high-faluting yawn of politicians and grafters whose only object is to farm the farmers.

We are death on unjust extortion, special privileges and wildcat financing; but we support legitimate business, uphold honest labor, favor well managed capital. We oppose railroad favoritism, but we approve railroad development. We want good transportation service and are willing to pay a fair price for it.

We are not anarchists, nor extremists. We recognize the real rights of labor and capital; we favor their proper use, not their abuse. We realize that humanity is not perfect, and that we must all work together for still better things. In a word, we farmers are sensible American citizens, mindful of others' rights, as well as of our own. "And don't you forget it."—Farm and Fireside.

When we speak of the farmer and the merchant as being business enemies we don't mean that they are necessarily at enmity with each other as persons. We mean that the law of self-interest puts them in opposition to each other in matters of trade. The merchant must buy what the farmer has to sell, and the cheaper he buys it the more he has left after buying it. The farmer must buy the things that the merchant has to sell, and the cheaper he buys them the prouder he is when he gets home and his wife, while unwrapping the bundles asks, "What did you give for this?" and "What was the price of that?"—Farm Journal.

The National organization is all right in its place. It keeps the life-blood flowing all through the system; it enables people in one part of the country to know what those in other parts are doing, and all that, but after all, it is the local Union that will do you the service for which the Union was originally organized. Put your time and thought into the things that can be worked out through the local Union if you would be a benefactor to your fellowman.

The mule has made the South what it is, and there has never been a time when good mules were not in good demand. Plant plenty of mules. They are as easy and as cheap to raise as calves. Of course, mares cost more than cows, and they do not give milk, but on the other hand brood mares are all the better for light work up to the moment of foaling.

You can not legislate prosperity upon the thrifless nor can you make safe and provident the spendthrift, nor befrolic the lazy. The Union has little to offer there; it is for those who are willing to do things that the Union was created. It can help you to secure the reward of your labors, but there its labor must cease in that direction.

While you are planting cotton, remember that ten million bales bring more money than thirteen million bales. "This is a condition and not a theory" that confronts the unpaid millions of women and children who raise cotton during the days when it takes fifteen hours to make a hand.

The recent fire that destroyed the free seeds that the Congressmen had stored away (free at the expense of the public) would have been a good joke had the Congressmen not taken another bunch of the public's hard-earned dollars and bought a new supply of "free" seed to send out to the gullible public.

While you are casting about for some nice factory, get your neighbors together and start a little cannery for the neighborhood. You won't have to throw away any "surplus fruit and vegetables" then. It will be like Tommy's apple. Tommy said there hasn't any core to a good apple; so there hasn't any surplus to a crop of beans, peas, roasting ears, etc., where there is a cannery in the neighborhood.

The matter of real importance is for the local Union to keep solidly at work along all the lines that will lead to better crops, better stock, better poultry, better flocks and better markets. These things have many ramifications, and along these lines all of the time and talent of the community may be profitably consumed.

Don't ever get the notion in your head that you are out of the reach of Wall Street gamblers so long as you have something to sell that the public must have. It is the "must have" sort of things that tickle the venal appetite of the Wall Street manipulator; he never gambles in diamonds—not he!

There is no man who can grasp all the details of the world's business, but there are a world of men who can run a farm if they will confine their efforts to the farm, and if they run the farm for all it is worth, they can swear by their bootstraps that they have been kept pretty busy.

This is about the season of the year for the patent gate man to bob up with his infernal machine that will (on paper) open and shut itself while you only press a button. The gate man we shall always have with us; also the bloomin' old gate that will neither open nor shut.

## TRANSPORTATION FACTS FOR THINKING PEOPLE

Dallas, Tex., Jan. 6, 1908.

Having given your readers information regarding transportation facilities made and to be made possible by government improvement of our rivers and harbors, I will, in a series of letters, give them additional information on the subject of railway and highway transportation, which are at this time even more important than a development of rivers and harbors.

Fairly presented, no subject can be of greater interest to our people or more attractive to the thoughtful and intelligent Texan. This week and the next will be devoted to the "Railroad Problem" and the following to that of "Highways."

Some one has truly said that "Commerce is the blood of the nation." He might have gone further and said that agriculture is the heart of the nation, transportation its arterial system, manufacture its stomach and political authority its lungs. Each of these functions is necessary to the well being of the nation and the progress and happiness of its people. Texas being the largest integral part of the nation, and far less inhabited and developed than other parts, her citizens are in a high degree concerned in the proper operation of such functions.

War Waged by One Upon Another. The people of Texas, during the past six or seven years, have witnessed violent attacks made by those in, or speaking political authority, on the arterial system or transportation of the state. In truth, in recent years, almost all of our political warfare has been waged against the transportation of the state upon the theory that these interests have been derelict in performing their duties, and have been gross violators of our lawful requirements of them. How much of this war has been waged in justice? How much to secure personal aggrandizement in the flesh pots of political preferment? If the transportation companies have been guilty of the crimes charged, they should be punished, and that severely. If the politicians have lied and deceived the people, they ought also to be punished. If the railroads control political affairs and interfere in the administration of justice they should be scourged from dominance and power. If, on the other hand, there is a combination of politicians who control the destinies of the government, and who exact tribute from the transportation companies to enrich themselves and perpetuate their political power, no punishment of an outraged people can justify fit their crime. Office seekers have had their "say" on all occasions, and the supine officials of the transportation companies have foolishly trucked to the people. The railroads have thrown to the politicians, jobs, attorneyships and passes, in an effort to stay them, which had about as much effect as throwing morsels of red flesh to a pack of hungry wolves. They have only whetted their appetites and caused the pack to grow in numbers and voraciousness.

Legislative Blackmail. Personally, I know it to be a fact that the state legislature has been used as a blackmailing machine to secure favors from the railroads. The free pass system that became a stink in the nostrils of the people arose from blackmailing bills introduced against the railroads in years past. At the commencement of the practice of giving legislators passes over all the railroads, which began about the year 1890, bills providing this and that regulation to harass and hamper the managements, were introduced to compel the railroads to "come across" with passes. A good many years ago I attended a conference of railway officials during a session of the legislature, in which it was debated long and acrimoniously whether passes should be given or not. Some officials contended that it was better to give them than to be constantly worried and harassed, making it necessary to keep some one at Austin all the time to watch for new bills and schemes, and to make a constant appearance before committees. Others contended that if passes were given it would only be a question of time when the next legislature convened, and new demands would have to be met. And they were right. But in those days a "ride" wasn't considered of much value. Most of the roads were new, and their territories unsettled, and the absorbing question was, more settlers and more traffic. Any man who came into our territory and bought a ten-acre farm could always get a pass if he "boomed" the country. Anybody who started a new business as big as an apple store could get a pass. Local newspapers were in great demand, and an editor was a friend and brother, and the very best immigration factor yet discovered, and he could always get a pass. A story of our "wonderful resources" displayed in a local paper always had a greater influence on prospective immigrants than any publication the railroads could get out, and the newspaper man was always welcome to as many free passes as he could use. In fact, it was a positive benefit to have him travel because he was always "booming" the country. He said it with credit that he was never guilty of blackmailing schemes or "knocking" to secure favors to which he was not properly entitled. The railroads and land owners of Texas owe a debt of gratitude to the newspaper people which they will never be able to pay.

So it came to pass that legislators were furnished passes on all the railroads in the state. At first "time" passes good during the meeting of the legislature, next annual passes good during the year of the meeting of the legislature, next passes for two years during a term in office. Then came passes for their families, then for their constituents, then requests for passes all over the Union. One legislator asked for passes for 150 people to go on an excursion! The people who have abused the "pass system," and the only ones to do so, are the legislators themselves, who, now being compelled to surrender their abused privilege by public opinion, put a stop to advertising the state, to emigration and to conferences of citizens engaged in work for the public good. It would not be just to condemn every legislator for such iniquitous legislation. The cause of this, as well as other vicious legislation, is the outrageous political doctrine, that whatever the majority of a platform committee (nine men) of a state convention declare to be the party platform, and whatever a successful nominee for governor says in his campaign, must be accepted as gospel and the will of the people. We have been accustomed to follow blindly whatever the political leaders say, regardless of the recognition of the doctrine, that any nominee must be accepted, any statements of a governor's campaign or a party platform accepted as true. It has been an easy matter to force honest legislators against their will and judgment to vote for any bill the administration demanded. The demands of the political machine in the past three years have grown beyond the comparatively small perquisites of passes and jobs. It has seen a great light, and the opportunity to handle gold by the millions appears to be in sight. All of which the people will pay for in the retardation of transportation facilities for farmer, merchant and manufacturer.

If only the railroad companies and the politicians were concerned in the transportation problem, it would make but small difference what the ultimate result was, and it would be outside of the domain of a public discussion whether the politicians swallowed the railroads or the railroads the politicians. But the welfare and prosperity of every citizen is concerned. Every land owner, farmer, merchant, manufacturer and laboring man is vitally interested in the transportation problem and its settlement. Without means of transportation there can be no progress, no development, no advancement in civilized life. During the years of the civil war cotton was plentiful in Texas, but clothing could not be had because there were no mills here. In the north, where there were many mills, clothing was scarce because there was no cotton. A lack of transportation caused many thousands of people to be without the necessities of life. Countless herds of cattle have been slaughtered in our state for their hides that, but for a lack of transportation, would have furnished food for many more thousands, and at the same time enriched the herd owners. The lack of transportation, and that alone, caused the pinch of poverty in many homes. Two hundred million acres of fertile land in Texas lie untouched by the hoe of the husbandman, yielding but scant revenue to owners of the state because of a lack of transportation. Scores of our citizens are "land poor" and hundreds of thousands of people are debarred from an independent living on their own land because of a lack of transportation facilities.

In order to see how deficient we are, compare the railroad mileage per square mile of land with other sections of the Union. The complete reports of the United States census bureau for the year ending June 30, 1904, show that in seventeen states north of the Ohio and east of the Mississippi river, there was one mile of railroad to each 5.73 square miles of land area. In seventeen states west of the Mississippi (including mountain and arid region) there was one mile of railroad to each 19.47 square miles of land area. In eleven southern states there was one mile of railroad to each 11.51 square miles of land area, while in Texas there was only a mile of railroad to each 22.13 square miles of land area. Texas is, therefore, far behind any other section in railroad facilities, and consequently the state is greatly retarded in development.

If the state of Texas had the transportation facilities of the other southern states, or one mile to each 11.51 square miles of land area, she would have 22,521 miles of road, instead of 12,058 miles, reported by the railroad commission in its last report on June 30, 1906. Texas is to have within the next generation the railroad mileage of other southern states, she will have to make far better progress than she has in the past. The railroad commission report shows that on June 30, 1901, we had 8,654 miles, and on June 30, 1906, 12,058 miles, an increase in five years of only 3,404 miles. At this rate of progress it will take forty-five and one-half years to get the same amount of transportation facilities that the other southern states had in 1904. To catch up with the other southern states in 1904 we will have to build 10,523 miles, at a cost of \$200,000,000 of foreign money. Is not this need for more arteries of commerce of moment to thoughtful Texans?

If a "dog in the manger" policy of accredited representatives of the state is responsible for our non-progressive-ness is not the cause of it worth looking into? If the political representatives of the state have sold the birthright of our people for a mess of pottage, ought not the public to know it? Let the people judge. A celebrated philosopher has said that the principles of justice and sound philosophy are but the inspirations of common sense, and belong of right to all mankind. Believing this to be true, I will leave it to the common sense of the people whether in future letters the truth about our transportation is not set down. Next week will tell of a "Great Political Conspiracy" and "Mistakes of Railway Management."

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He who pockets an insult for the sake of policy is a politician and a coward.

The people of India perhaps are merely weary of a diet of benevolent assimilation.

How long will it take the news of the drop in the price of meats to reach the restaurants?

Since gold has been discovered in Greenland the icy mountains should begin to fix up for company next summer.

The pay-as-you-enter street car may be all right, but we should say that a pay-as-you-take-a-seat car would be better.

An Italian marquis was held by bandits for a ransom of \$500. At that the outlaw's price is possibly rated excessive in Italy.

Three hundred weddings took place in Pittsburg on Thanksgiving day. Here's hoping that the whole 600 will be thankful next November!

An experienced hunter is one who can tell whether shot suitable for rabbit shooting hurts quite as much as that employed in killing quail.

American agricultural products this year are valued at more than \$7,000,000,000—including the achievements of the suburban hackyard farmer.

Europe is behind us in aesthetics, remarks a Philadelphia doctor just home from abroad. Coming from a Philadelphia this is authoritative.

If George Washington had dreamed that there would ever be 308,600 federal employees, as there are now, he might have worried some about the pay roll.

A Gotham man was held up and robbed of his gold false teeth. A much safer scheme is to wear the common or natural teeth when walking at night.

The Kremmling (Col.) man named Barker, who is a taxidermist, a horse doctor, a lawyer and an undertaker, is a living proof that the Kaiser doesn't possess all the versatility there is.

In Albuquerque, N. M., people are not permitted to use their telephones on Sunday. Sunday must be a dull day for the woman who is in the habit of listening on a party line out there.

Evidently the poor, down-trodden, though much-travelled immigrant does not consult the world in regard to his movements, for no one appears pleased when he is coming or going in large numbers.

A teacher of the blind says that stenography is good employment for the sightless, and that the number of blind stenographers is increasing. Perhaps this accounts for some of the spelling in the letters that you get.

In a London pantomime, as the Babes in the Wood fall asleep, the trees are seen shedding their leaves until presently the trees, which at the beginning were thick with autumnal foliage, are seen standing bleak and bare, with their long branches swaying and shivering in the wind. Modern stage realism is yearly growing more realistic.

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### Prominent Minister Dead.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 3.—Rev. Dr. Josephus Johnson, pastor of the Southern Presbyterian Church, and one of the best known Presbyterian ministers of Texas, died here Thursday at 2:30 o'clock at the Seton Infirmary.

While going through a fence while out hunting Marvin Lynch was killed by the accidental discharge of both barrels of a shotgun near his home in Kingsbury.

### Plenty of Work.

Pittsburg, Pa. It is expected that fully 7000 ovens in the H. C. Frick Coke Company in Connellsville and the lower Connellsville region, will be put in operation again within a few days.

### Public Debt Statement.

Washington. The monthly statement shows that at the close of business on December 31, 1907, the debt less cash in the Treasury, amounted to \$884,839,831, which is an increase for the month of \$3,550,982.

### Anti-Futures Bill Stands.

Little Rock, Ark. Judge Trierer, in the Federal Court, upheld the constitutionality of the anti-futures bill passed at the request of the Farmers' Union.

## GEORGIA NOW A DRY STATE.

First Day of Prohibition is Featured by Court Order.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 3.—The most notable feature of the first day of prohibition in Georgia was the refusal of Judge W. P. Newman, in the United States Circuit Court, to grant an injunction pending litigation which would prevent the putting into effect of the prohibition law.

The lawyers for the plaintiffs in the case told the Associated Press that the decision of Judge Newman did not have the effect of throwing the case out of court, but that it would come up in the regular order of business, and it is expected that it will be ready for trial in two months.

Notwithstanding predictions that the enforcement of the law on the first day of the year, which is a recognized holiday in all parts of the State, would bring about disturbances, there was not the slightest disorder.

### Inconceivable is Felled.

Rusk. Between 12 and 1 o'clock Wednesday night an effort was made to burn Freedman Bros. store, situated on the west side of the court house square. Oil had been poured on the back door outside and then fired.

### Next Advance in Medical Science.

Chicago. Medical science is soon to accomplish the transfer of sound vital organs and tissues from the lower animals to man. The substitution of healthy organs for the diseased parts of the human body will be made possible through the new experimental surgery and vivisection.

### Costly Blaze at Emory.

Greenville. Fire was discovered in the feed department of the W. I. Nabors general merchandise establishment at Emory at 3:20 Wednesday morning. It had progressed too far when discovered to be combated by the bucket brigade, and six brick buildings were destroyed.

### Demonstration Farm for Hill.

Hillsboro. J. L. Quicksall, agent of the Department of Agriculture in experimental and demonstration farm work, has been in Hillsboro to present a proposition to the Board of Trade in connection with his purpose of establishing several experimental stations on farms in this vicinity.

Tom Holton, living six miles north of Merkel, killed himself last week by shooting.

### Not for Present but for Future.

St. Francisville, La. In thirty minutes of trial the death penalty was Wednesday passed upon Robert Weston, a negro. On December 21 he shot up a passenger train near Baton Rouge, killing A. K. Wryder, a student. The address of the negro's counsel appointed by the State was remarkable.

The store of M. H. Harris at Woodland, Freestone County, was destroyed by fire Sunday morning. The house and stock of merchandise was valued at about \$2100, with very little insurance on assets.

Aurelio Martinez, known as "Guarantee," and well known in police circles, killed himself in San Antonio by throwing his body in front of a string of cars in the International and Great Northern yards. His body was cut in two.

After being imprisoned for three days in Ellsworth No. 1 mine at Ellsworth, thirty miles from Pittsburg, John O. Milan, twenty-six years of age, a Slav miner, was released from his underground dungeon a raving maniac a few days ago.

With only seven cases of plague reported during the month of December, and but three cases remaining under treatment, bubonic plague in San Francisco is almost eradicated as a result of the vigorous sanitary campaign.

# OF IMPORTANCE TO EVERY TEXAS FARMER

The attention of every farmer in Texas is called to the following points. When the tax assessor visits you in the near future, he will ask for the following information in regard to your crop:

KIND OF CROP	Number of acres planted in this crop in 1907	TOTAL YIELD OF CROP IN 1907	Estimate of number of acres to be planted in 1908
Barley		bushels	
Corn		bushels	
Cotton		square bales	
Rice		barrels	
Sugar Cane		gallons of sirup	
Wheat		bushels	
Oats		bushels	tons of hay
Peasants		bushels	tons of hay
Peas		bushels	tons of hay
Sorghum		gallons of molasses	tons of hay
Kaffir Corn and Milo Maize		bushels	tons of hay
Alfalfa			tons of hay
Frails and Johnson Grass			tons of hay

The tax assessor is required by law to collect this information for the new Department of Agriculture. The assessor does not receive one cent of pay for this work.

Bonham, Texas, Dec. 17, 1907. To the Commissioner of Agriculture, the Farmers' Organizations and the Tax Assessors of Texas:

The following question has been asked me: "That, whereas, House Bill No. 274 of the Acts of the Thirtieth Legislature makes it the duty of tax assessors to take the agricultural statistics of the State, yet the said Legislature made no appropriation to pay for the work, now will the assessors do the work without compensation?"

While I feel the injustice done the assessors, and realize the labor it will require to collect and compile said statistics, yet I am willing to do any and all work imposed on the tax assessor's office. We will trust to some future Legislature to reimburse us.

The act of the Legislature that created the office of Commissioner of Agriculture that carries with it this necessary labor was called for by every farmer's organization in the State. It was made a law through their demands, but said act would be stripped of its usefulness unless we perform our part of the work.

While I acknowledge that there is a certain amount of patriotism due from all officials, yet it seems hard to place an overdue amount on the tax assess-

sors. However, in view of the fact that we will be serving the interests of the farming public, the backbone of our country, the most vital element of all our people, therefore, I beg the hearty co-operation of all assessors in compliance with this law.

Let us try to bring about the benefits and information that is sought to be brought about by the above-named legislation. Knowing the faithfulness of the assessors, I feel confident when I say we will do our whole duty. Very respectfully, CHAS. B. WHITE.

Pres. Tax Assessors Assn. of Texas. Every farmer, I am sure, will appreciate the patriotic stand taken by the assessors. Now, in turn, to make the extra work imposed on the assessors as small and as agreeable as possible, let every farmer be prepared to answer the above questions promptly and accurately. Do not wait until the assessor arrives to refresh your memory. Do it now.

In passing, I may note that this information has nothing at all to do with your taxes. It is for the use of the Department of Agriculture, and is collected for the good it will do the farmers.

This information will be useful to the farmer in determining what crops are likely to be most profitable to grow, and also in marketing the crops when grown.

Again urging all farmers to co-operate in making the collecting of these statistics complete and as expeditious as possible, I am, respectfully yours, R. T. MILLNER, Commissioner.

## THAT BIG CORN MEETING AT TERRELL, TEXAS

One of the most important meetings ever held by farmers in Texas, in all likelihood, is that to take place at Terrell on January 16 and 17. Texas has never either attempted to bring up the development of her capacity as a corn-producing section or has made any effort to fully utilize the crop that is raised. The Texas Corn Growers' Association is making it a business to encourage greater yields, larger plantings and closer utilization of all corn products.

Recently Prof. A. M. Ferguson, Secretary of the Texas Corn Growers' Association, in speaking of the coming meeting and State Corn Show at Terrell, January 16 and 17, said:

A few years ago we decided to organize the corn seed breeders of Texas and arranged a meeting on a ten days' notice. We did not expect to have more than six or eight persons present, but, to our surprise, nearly seventy farmers and business men were on hand to get information, as they said. We organized a Texas Corn Growers' Association, with the seed corn growers tied on to the tail of the kite. Our next meeting was at College Station, and we were unable to secure a room large enough to hold those who wanted to get the benefit of the practical discussions on grain growing, and from those two days to this there has been a growing interest in the work of the Texas Corn Growers' Association.

The great popularity of the association has been remarkable, and I have looked for an explanation. To my mind it is due strictly to the educational work. The association has held to a well defined policy, and is working for practical results on the eight million acres of corn land in Texas. Few people realize the fact that more than a fourth of our boasted "cotton money" is sent out of the State to pay for imported grain. On top of this is the fact of this sum the imported corn is costing never less than 60 cents a bushel, when we can grow it at home for 12 to 20 cents a bushel.

The association stands for more grain and larger yields. Good profit paying yields can not be made by work alone. To my way of thinking one of the best assurances we have of the good work of the association is found in the testimony of those who have attended our meetings. Time and time again I have heard practical and successful farmers say that the few dollars spent in attending the meetings

Remember hogs like salt, also ashes and charcoal.

A farmer is largely known by the horse he drives.

Provide comfort for the live stock and save on the feed bill.

Molasses is growing in favor as a feed for stock, including dairy cows.

If the members of the flock which seldom or never lay could be wooled out, the feed bills would be less and the egg profits more.

had paid them handsomely. They have given further testimony by attending the second, third and fourth time. This should be a suggestion to all in view of the coming meeting at Terrell, January 16 and 17.

I am often asked, "What is the association doing?" Here are a few answers:

1. It has fixed a standard of corn judging in Texas.

2. It has established an annual State Corn Show.

3. It holds two meetings annually of those interested in the improvement of the grain crops of Texas. One meeting is held at various cities in the State during the month of January, and a meeting in connection with the Texas Farmers' Congress.

4. It has greatly increased the improved varieties of corn for Texas.

5. It has interested a number of persons in improving the seed of all our grain crops.

What the Association is Working For.

1. To merit the support of every person in the State of Texas who wants progress in agriculture.

2. To increase the acre yield of all our grain crops.

3. To raise enough corn within the State to supply our own needs and save the \$75,000,000 we send out of the State every year for feed stuff.

4. To establish standard varieties of corn for Texas and have them to reach every farmer.

5. To bring the members in the closest touch with the latest discoveries in the State of Texas.

Perhaps you do not realize it, but the dearest animal on your farm is the cheap scrub.

Sheep seem to have the call now, and wise was the farmer who started a flock a year or two ago.

Feed floors for hogs save feed, keep the animals healthier and make it possible to keep the quarters cleaner.

The dollar earned by honest toll is the dollar whose influence for good rests not only upon the recipient, but upon the spender as well.

When it comes to a choice between feeding high-priced grain or cutting down production of the cow, we would choose the former every time, and would be dollars ahead in the end.

## FACTS FADS FALLACIES

Dealing with Personal Magnetism, Telepathy, Psychology, Suggestion, Hypnotism, and Spiritualism.

By  
**EDWARD B. WARMAN, A. M.**  
Eminent Psychologist and Hygienist.

### UTILITY OF MENTAL TELEGRAPHY

There are times when neither the mail or telegraph or telephone can serve our purpose. It is under these circumstances that you can test the value and practicability of "mental telegraphy."

I will cite two cases in my own experience, each of them furnishing sufficient proof of its efficacy.

(1) Thirty years ago I boarded a train in Detroit, Mich., my objective point being Boston, Mass. Later in the day a friend of mine left the same place for a small town in Illinois.

After leaving St. Thomas on the Grand Trunk railroad in Canada it occurred to me that my friend in Detroit should be in possession of certain facts of which he had no knowledge. I learned from the conductor that the train, being an express, would not make another stop until arriving at the station opposite Buffalo.

As that would be too late and as I had no other alternative, I returned to my seat and began to think intently of the situation (too intently for my own good and more intently than I should). Just as I was about to give up in consequence of the apparent futility of my effort to reach my friend with the necessary thought it occurred to me that the companion accompanying my friend to the train would be less preoccupied and the more easily impressed, therefore I held my thought on him to ask our friend a question, the nature of which would put him on his guard. It was done instantly (as I afterward ascertained) and the object was accomplished. It is needless to say that both parties were greatly surprised, as the one who propounded the question knew nothing of the circumstance, but was very much chagrined because of his apparent audacity, while the one who was protected by the inquiry was none the less puzzled at the apparent knowledge of the one to whom he was greatly indebted.

(2) Many years ago a minister with whom I had long been acquainted in Cleveland, O., said to me on the eve of his departure, "I am going West, but do not know where I will be assigned. In case we should lose track of each other for a time you would better give me your permanent address."

This I did. Eight years elapsed ere a word passed between us. In the meantime I had left Cleveland, but had not changed my permanent mail address. I desired to communicate with him, but this I could not do through the ordinary channels of communication—mail or telegraph—the telephone was not then in use. Here was an opportunity to test the wireless (mental) telegraph.

I wrote a message to myself as coming from him, the purport of which was a desire (on his part) to open up correspondence. I held the note in my hand, closed my eyes, focused my mind on him, impressing him to write as I had mentally dictated. This I did in the presence of a friend (a skeptic) as witness. In less than five minutes I received the mental assurance that always comes from a successful effort. I placed the copy—in one sense, the original—on file.

About two weeks passed by when, one day on the way to luncheon I was impressed that his message was awaiting me. My impression was correct—all impressions are correct. When not correct they are not impressions; i. e., they do not come from the subjective mind.

Not only was the message there (a postal card from California), but it was an exact copy, verbatim et litteratim, of that which I wrote.

Scores of similar cases could be cited, but these two will suffice to encourage the earnest student in the further study and development of "mental telegraphy."

One word more. When sending a message the greater success lies in not arranging time and place with the one to whom it is sent. I am well aware the exact opposite is usually taught, but it is not conducive to the best results.

Passivity is positively essential for the recipient. Very few persons can command passivity under those conditions. They note the time and then begin to wonder if the message is being sent and then wonder what it is, and finally wonder why they do not get it. The result is that when they begin to wonder they become mentally active and are, therefore, in an un-receptive condition.

Again, when sending a message do not try to compel a person to do thus and so, but, instead, impel them; i. e., impress them in such a way that the desire to do seems to emanate wholly from them, thus giving themselves the credit.

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It should be remembered that "mental telegraphy" is an act of volition, while "thought transference" often occurs without the knowledge of the person from whom it escapes, and its escape is oftentimes regretted. The following illustrations will make clear my point:

SOME years ago, in Chicago, I would occasionally dine with one of my publishers at one of the popular restaurants. In a playful mood he would toss a coin to ascertain who would pay for the dinner. As often as he looked at the coin after tossing and then said, "head or tail," so often he was elected to pay. Why? Because I, being in a pensive mood, received from him by "thought transference," the knowledge of the result as soon as his mind had centered upon it.

This occurred scores of times and he marveled at the fact of my accuracy; until one day he said: "I have made a discovery. I used to credit you with being a good guesser, but I am now convinced that you did not guess, you knew. Yes, you knew the result as soon as I did. You are a mind reader. To-day I shall not look at the coin after I toss it."

He tossed it. I paid for the dinner. Ever after that it was a matter of guess work. This was not "mental telegraphy" because he did not send me the thought; it was not volitioned.

Another instance—only one of hundreds of a similar nature. Wife and I were in Victoria, B. C. The chairman of an entertainment committee called to pay me a sum of money for services rendered. It was in coin. I placed it in a newspaper and dropped it back of my trunk, temporarily. When my wife entered the room I said: "You are a good mind reader. If within two minutes you find that coin I'll give you \$5, but the test will not be according to rule, as I am not going to concentrate my mind upon it for one moment; in fact I am going to withhold my thought from it and direct it into another channel."

Mrs. Warman stood perfectly still, became passive to catch any stray thought regarding the money. I looked out of the window and began talking unceasingly and nonsensically about a peculiar house across the way—talking merely for talk sake in order to divert my mind from the hidden coin. But in an unguarded moment, in the twinkling of an eye, I merely thought, "Now wouldn't it be funny if she would walk across the room and put her hand behind my trunk."

As quick as a flash I renewed my talk about that house, but alas, too late. In that second of time Mrs. Warman caught the thought that escaped in that unguarded moment, acted upon the impulse, crossed the room, reached back of the trunk and lifted the money from its hiding place. This, too, was "thought transference," not "mental telegraphy."

The transference of thought, volitional and otherwise, is an established fact. Our minds are batteries where positive and negative thoughts are stored. These batteries are forever receiving and giving forth thoughts which are continually acting and reacting upon ourselves and our associates. This is well expressed in a portion of that familiar poem, "Thoughts Are Things."

They follow the law of the universe—Each thing must create its kind; And they speed o'er the track to bring us back.

Whatever went out from our mind.

Some one has said: "No man in the world ever attempted to injure another without being injured in return—some way, some how, some time."

The only weapon of offense that Nature seems to recognize is the boom-erang. It is only our own grist that comes back to us through the mill of life. Nature keeps her books admirably. She puts down every item, she closes all accounts finally, but she does not always balance her books at the end of the month.

To the man that is calm, revenge is so far beneath him that he cannot reach it—even by stooping. When injured he does not retaliate; he wraps around him the royal robes of calmness and then goes quietly on his way. (Copyright, 1907, by Joseph B. Bowles.)

Prosperity of Tunis.

Tunis is overwhelmed by the unexpected needs which its riches have created. Originally it was a small agricultural country, dependent upon its vines, olives, cereals and cattle. Everything was done in the least expensive manner, when a series of discoveries transformed Tunis from a strictly agricultural to a mining country. These discoveries commenced with the famous phosphates of Gafsa. Then the sudden rise in the value of zinc rendered the beds of calamine more important in the neighborhood of the phosphate beds of Gafsa the mines of Ain-Moulares, which are no less important, have been found. Further north the mines of Kalaat-ed-Senam, and of Kalaat-ed-Djerda, which are rather large, have been discovered. Five mines of iron are being worked at Hamennas, Djerissa, Slata, Nebour and Nefzas. Attention is now directed toward the south, where manganese has been found in large quantities between Gafsa and Gabes. Nothing has been said of the desert country at the extreme south, but the geologists are of the opinion that these mountains being of the same origin as those of the north, contain the same proportion of minerals. Prospecting parties are being organized to investigate this region.

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In the yard beats No. 2 under the shed. Don't let any body mislead you on this point. Come here and be convinced :: :: :: ::

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**N**OT ONLY do we sell the majority of the lumber for the best houses around here, but we get most of the bills for barns, granaries, and for all buildings where good, dry, sound lumber is required. People have learned that there is a difference in the quality of lumber, and as we make quality our "Long Suit", particular buyers take no chances, but buy what they need from us. Our stock is complete and our prices are as low as you can get. Estimates cheerfully furnished.

## Burton-Lingo Co.

BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS.

Have you seen the 42-piece dinner set which we are giving away? H. L. Rix & Co. 61f

Ring's Little Liver Pills wake up lazy livers, clean the system and clear the skin. Try them for biliousness and sick headache. Price 25c. Sold by Mitchell & Park.

The farmer who doesn't prepare his land now while there is a good season in the ground, will be the one that will come up short at gathering time.

### Men's Meeting.

The Men's Meeting Sunday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. will be addressed by Rev. J. M. Reynolds. All men are cordially invited.

Ring phone no 1 for what you need in the drug store.

Wilson Air Tight Heaters produce more heat with less fuel than any other stove. Stokes-Hughes Co.

A Ring's Dyspepsia Tablet after each meal overcomes indigestion, dyspepsia and other stomachic ills. Two days' trial free. Ask our dealer. Sold by Mitchell & Park.

Z. V. Payne, postmaster at Plateau, El Paso county, was struck by a freight train last Sunday night and killed. He formerly resided at Colorado where he now has two sons living.

No need to fear coughs and colds this year as you can obtain Bees Laxative Cough Syrup from your dealer. This is good news to mothers who fear croup and whooping cough. It is a gentle laxative that expels the poison from the system in the natural way. Cuts the phlegm and clears the head. Guaranteed by Mitchell & Park.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

For district offices.....\$10.00  
For county offices..... 7.50  
For precinct offices..... 5.00  
For city offices..... 2.50  
All announcements are cash in advance.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector  
ED M. MOBLEY

Solid gold rings and watches at Reagan's.

Education day at the Christian church, January 12th. You are earnestly invited to be there.

Rev. J. M. Reynolds will conduct services at the Baptist church next Sunday. All members are urgently requested to be present as matters of importance are to be considered.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a Safe Medicine for Children.

In buying a cough medicine for children, never be afraid to buy Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There is no danger from it, and relief is sure to follow. It is intended especially for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough, and there is no better medicine in the world for these diseases. It is not only a certain cure for croup, but when given as soon as the croupy cough appears, will prevent the attack. Whooping cough is not dangerous when this remedy is given as directed. It contains no opium or other harmful drugs, and may be given as confidently to a baby as to an adult. For sale by all druggists.

We have received a copy of the official call for the second session of the Trans-Missouri Dry Farming Congress, which will be held in Salt Lake City, Utah, on January 23 to 26, 1908.

Horse shoe brand 'Mound City' paint at Reagan's.

Pinealve Carbolic acts like a poultice, draws out inflammation and poison. Antiseptic, healing. For chapped hands, lips, cuts, burns. Sold by Mitchell & Park.

Prof. J. D. Shaw was taken sick Wednesday and had to leave the school room and Prof. Thomas has had charge of Prof. Shaw's classes since that time.

Paints and oil,—hundreds of gallons, at Reagan's.

The Price of Peace.

The terrible itching and smarting, incident to certain skin diseases, is almost instantly allayed by applying Chamberlain's Salvo. Price 25c, for sale by all druggists.

Will and Frank Crockett of Roswell, New Mexico, were here Sunday. They were on their way from a visit to Ballinger.

A Cure for Malaria.

I have found a cure for the misery malaria produces, says E. M. James, of Louellen, S. C. It's called Electric Bitters, and comes in 50c bottles. It breaks up a case of chills or a bilious attack in almost no time; and it puts yellow jaundice clean out of commission. This great tonic medicine and blood purifier gives quick relief in all stomachic, liver and kidney complaints and the misery of lame back. Sold under guarantee at B. Reagan's drug store.

No Passes, No Travel.

Most of the Congressmen remained at Washington during the holidays. The abolition of the free passes is responsible for it. It is true the member of Congress is now paid \$7,500 a year instead of \$5,000. The Fifty-ninth Congress recognized the fact of the increased cost of living to this extent. But this increase of salary doesn't make the average member any more willing to pay railroad fare. He had the habit, formed from years of practice, of riding free, getting his family carried free and of getting his goods and chattels to a considerable extent transported free. It goes against the grain now to have to pay for all these items. Besides, the Washington hotel keeper and department house manager has made certain arrangements for the separation of the extra \$2,500 a year from the member of Congress that it is hard to get around.—Taylor County News.

"I trust this may be read by many suffers from kidney and bladder trouble" writes Mrs. Joe King, of Woodland, Tex. "I suffered four years and could find nothing to give even temporary relief. Our druggist at last induced me to try your 30 days treatment of Pineals for \$1. This one bottle has cured me and money could not buy the value it has been to me. Guaranteed. Sold by Mitchell & Park.

# BEES LAXATIVE COUGH SYRUP

CONFORMS TO NATIONAL PURE FOOD AND DRUGS LAW.

An improvement over many Cough, Lung and Bronchial Remedies, because it rids the system of a cold by acting as a cathartic on the bowels. No opiate. Guaranteed to give satisfaction or money refunded. Prepared by PINEULE MEDICINE CO., CHICAGO, U. S. A.

Sold by Mitchell & Park.

Big Springs, Texas

If the farmers of West Texas will break their land deep while there is a good season in the ground, and harrow each half day's breaking before they leave the field, they will have their land in mighty fine condition to make a crop. After once getting the land well plowed and harrowed, if they will plow and harrow it after each rain until planting time they will be sure to make a crop, as land treated in this manner will retain all the moisture that falls during the winter, and spring, and will not require so much rain in summer to make crops.

The 2nd, number of the Y. M. C. A. star course of entertainment will be given Monday night Jan. 13th, at the opera house. Mr. Wallace Bruce Ambery, a humorist and entertainer of note, will without doubt please all who attend. Those who hold season tickets may secure reserved seats at Ward's drug store as early as Saturday morning.

The richest man is by no means the most valuable citizen, but often times he is the greatest drawback to the prosperity of a town. The poor man who has progressive ideas and who studies the interest of the masses, has not the self interest of the rich to guard and is the man who does things that redound to the public good.

J. D. McDonald sells one pound of Cooks Pride Soda, for 5 cents corn and hominy at 10 cents per can, and every thing else in proportion kept in his store next door to A. G. Hall's store, a good place to spend your cash.

Rainfall for 1907 was 24.41 inches almost 4 inches fell after September 19. So that the crops in this section were grown practically 8 inches of rain.

### FROM THE ANTILLES.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy Benefits a City Councilman at Kingston, Jamaica.

Mr. W. O'Reilly Fogarty, who is a member of the City Council at Kingston, Jamaica, West Indies, writes as follows: "One bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy had good effect on a cough that was giving me trouble, and I think I should have been more quickly relieved if I had continued this remedy. That it was beneficial and quick in relieving me there is no doubt and it is my intention to obtain another bottle. For sale by all druggists."

The optimist has a great advantage over the pessimist by looking on the bright side of life even when it seems the darkest.

### All The World.

is a stage, and Ballard's Snow Lintment plays a most prominent part. It has no superior for Rheumatism, stiff joints, cuts, sprains, and all pains. Buy it, try it and you will always use it. Anybody who has used Ballard's Snow Lintment is a living proof of what it does. Buy a trial bottle. 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by J. L. Ward.

The weed crop is fine, say ranchmen from various parts of the country, and we hear no fears expressed concerning the bad weather we generally have in this month and next.—Midland Reporter.

### Why.

should your baby suffer? When he is fretful and restless, don't experiment on him and use any old thing your neighbor recommends. Buy a bottle of White's Cream Vermifuge, greatest known worm medicine and cure for all children diseases. It is mild in its action, builds up the system, makes thin puny babies fat. Mrs. J. O. Smith, Tampa, Fla., writes: "My baby was thin and sickly, could not retain his food and cried all night. I used one bottle of White's Cream Vermifuge and in a few days baby was laughing happy and well." Sold by J. L. Ward.

Furniture repairing. All work guaranteed at Big Springs Furniture Co. 7f

Sunday night unknown parties broke into the Western Windmill and Hardware Company's store and secured a 22 target rifle and made good their escape. Mr. Morrow, who sleeps in the store, was awakened by the noise and frightened them away, which prevented them from taking anything else. They effected entrance to the building by breaking out a window pane. No clue has yet been found to the identity of the intruding parties.—Lubbock Avalanche.

For the gripp take Reagan's cold tablets.

Let J. O. Hartzog write your fire insurance. 11f

### Rank Foolishness.

When attacked by a cough or cold, or when your throat is sore, it is rank foolishness to take any other medicine than Dr. King's New Discovery, says C. O. Eldridge, of Empire, Ga. I have used New Discovery 2-3 years and I have known it is the best remedy on earth for coughs and colds, croup, and all throat and lung troubles. My children are subject to croup, but New Discovery quickly cures every attack. Know the world over as the King of throat, lung remedies. Sold under a guarantee at B. Reagan drug store at 50c and \$1.00.

It will take more gold than that turned out by the Philadelphia mint to develop anything like a yellow streak.

### Carrie Nation.

certainly smashed a hole in the barrooms of Kansas, but Ballard's Horehound Syrup has smashed all records as a cure for coughs, Bronchitis, Influenza and all Pulmonary diseases. T. C. H. Horton, Kansas, writes: "I have never found a medicine that would cure a cough so quickly as Ballard's Horehound Syrup. I have used it for years. Sold by J. L. Ward."

The manner of the man will prove his meanness or nobility, poverty and riches making little difference to the soul.

### The Joy.

of living is to have good health. Use Herbins and you will have bushels of joy. You need not be blue, fretful and have that bad taste in your mouth. Try a bottle of Herbins, a positive cure for all liver complaints. E. Harrell, Austin, Texas, writes: "I have used Herbins for over a year, and find it a fine regulator. I gladly recommend it as a fine medicine for Dyspepsia." Sold by J. L. Ward.

### A Truthful Statement.

"I got a wireless message today," said a young man to his lady friend on the evening of his first day as office clerk with a large corporation. "Is that so?" remarked the young lady, much interested. "What was it?" "A postal card."—Selected.

It will be unnecessary for you to go through a painful, expensive operation for Piles if you use ManZan. Put up in collapsible tube with nozzle, ready to apply to the soreness and inflammation. For any form of Piles. Price 25c. Guaranteed by Mitchell & Park.

### An Excellent Testimonial.

"Have you ever been arrested before?" asked the judge of the prisoner. "Yes your honor, I have, but I have never been convicted of anything—my lawyer is one of the best technical experts in the United States."—Selected.

Bees Laxative Cough Syrup for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough grows in favor daily with young and old. Mothers should keep it on hand for children. It is prompt relief to croup. It is gently laxative, driving the poison and phlegm from the system. It is a simple remedy that gives immediate relief, guaranteed by Mitchell & Park.

The fleet which we are sending to the Pacific will carry 4,000 more men than the Spanish armada had. It will be superior to the armada in some other important respects and will, we hope, have a much more pleasant experience than the armada had.

At the beginning of the present session of the Agricultural and Mechanical College, when the students had been so densely crowded in the barracks and section rooms, it was thought that a large number would soon become dissatisfied and leave. But this has not been the case. There have been fewer resignations in proportion to the number of students than have ever occurred during the fall term of any session in the history of the College. The students have not only remained and done excellent work under unfavorable conditions, but their behavior has been unusually good. Only two or three have been sent home on account of bad conduct or indisposition to make the best use of their time. This goes to show that the rapidly increasing number of young men who apply for admission, have a very real and intelligent desire for just the kind of training the College is striving to give.

### Bad Stomach Trouble Cured.

Having been sick for the past two years with a bad stomach trouble, a friend gave me a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They did me so much good that I bought a bottle of them and have used twelve bottles in all. Today I am well of a bad stomach trouble. Mrs. John Love, Cooper, Maine. These tablets are for sale by all druggists.

A New York man admits that he courted a girl seven years before he could summon up enough courage to ask her to become his wife. There could not have been a sofa in her parlor.

### Why Suffer From Rheumatism?

Do you know that rheumatic pains can be relieved? If you doubt this just try one application of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It will make rest and sleep possible, and that certainly means a great deal to any one afflicted with rheumatism. For sale by all druggists.

The Great Western Glove that every one wears, is sold at Stokes-Hughes Co.

### A Higher Health Level.

I have reached a higher health level since I began using Dr. King's New Life Pills, writes Jacob Springer, of West Franklin, Maine. They keep my stomach, liver and bowels working just right. If these pills disappoint you on trial money will be refunded at B. Reagan's drug store. 25c.

### A Smart Little Fellow.

A chip little fellow whose father was the advertising manager of a large department store had just passed his tenth birthday, and took delight in skidding things up whenever he could. On his way home from school one day he stopped at a hardware store. After gazing at the window display, he ventured inside. "Say, mister," he called out, "Do you keep knives?" "Yes indeed," replied the storekeeper. "We have kept them for years." "Well," replied the boy, starting for the door, "just advertise, and you won't keep them so long."—Selected.

To stop that pain in the back, that stiffness of the joints and muscles, take Pineules. They are guaranteed. Don't suffer from rheumatism, backache, leg aches, when you get 30 days treatment for \$1.00. A single dose at bedtime proves their merit. Get them today. Sold by Mitchell & Park.

### A CASH OFFER.

THE ENTERPRISE has made a special clubbing rate with The Memphis Weekly Commercial Appeal by which we will furnish both papers one year for the low price of \$1.50, regular subscription price of one. The Commercial Appeal is one of the largest and best papers in the South, and we hope to receive many new subscriptions on this liberal offer. \$1.50 cash for both papers. This offer also applies to subscribers who pay up to date and one year in advance. 7-1

### It Does The Business.

Mr. E. E. Chamberlain, of Clinton, Maine, says of Chamberlain's Cough Syrup: "I do the business. I have used it for piles and it cured them. Applied it to an old sore and it healed it without leaving a scar behind. Used it to stop a cough and it cured them at B. Reagan's drug store. 25c per bottle."

**MISS ANNIE CATRON.**



**CATARRH MADE LIFE A BURDEN TO ME.**  
MISS ANNIE CATRON, 927 Main St., Cincinnati, Ohio, writes: "As I have found Peruna a blessing for a severe case of catarrh of the head and throat which I suffered from for a number of years, I am only too pleased to give it my personal endorsement. "Catarrh," such as I suffered from, made life a burden to me, my breath was offensive, stomach bad, and my head stopped up so that I was usually troubled with a headache, and although I tried many so-called remedies, nothing gave me permanent relief. I was rather discouraged with all medicines when Peruna was suggested to me. "However, I did buy a bottle, and before that was finished there was a marked change in my condition. Much encouraged I kept on until I was completely cured in a month's time, and I find that my general health is also excellent." People who prefer solid medicines should try Peruna tablets. Each tablet represents an average dose of Peruna. Men—in the Ideal Laxative. Get Your Druggist for Free Peruna Almanac for 1908.

**WINCHESTER**

**Shotgun Shells**  
"Leader" and "Repeater" and Repeating Shotguns  
make a killing combination for field, fowl or trap shooting. No smokeless powder shells enjoy such a reputation for uniformity of loading and strong shooting qualities as "Leader" and "Repeater" brands do, and no shotgun made shoots harder or better than the Winchester. THEY ARE MADE FOR EACH OTHER.

**SICK HEADACHE**

**CARTER'S**  
Positively cured by these Little Pills.  
They also relieve the pain from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Two Hourly Stooling. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Headache, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coat on the Tongue, Pain in the Side, BILIOUSNESS, LAXATIVE.  
SMALL PILL. SMALL DOSE. SMALL PRICE.  
CARTER'S  
Genuine Must Bear Face-Signature  
NERVE SUBSTITUTED.



**FERRY'S CAPSIDINE CURES**

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**FROM ALL OVER TEXAS**

Postal receipts of the Dallas post-office for the calendar year 1907 were \$1516,000.  
A movement is on foot in Fort Worth to abolish all billboards abutting on streets.  
The three days' annual Poultry Show of the Comanche Poultry Association began Wednesday. The exhibit was the finest ever made.  
George L. Rockwell has tendered his resignation as general manager of the Texas Five Million Club. It is not known who will succeed him, as yet.  
Work has begun on the foundation of the new Union Depot at Denison. The structure is to cost \$150,000 and will be completed within the coming year.

George Carney, a Santa Fe Railway brakeman, was killed Thursday at Cameron by falling under a moving train. He had relatives at Temple and Eddy.  
W. Rhodes was shot and killed on December 27 at Colorado. The Grand Jury has indicted Lou Ferguson, who was placed in jail. The case is set for January 16.

A bag of powder sitting on a work bench in a blacksmith shop at Malone was ignited by a spark. Mr. Payton, one of the proprietors, and H. S. Webb were seriously burned.  
Total postal receipts for the year at Fort Worth amount to \$227,789.74, showing an increase over the year 1906 of \$37,473.84, the previous year's receipts being \$190,315.90.

The Chandler Box and Canning Factory has formed a corporation, with a capital stock of \$10,000. J. C. Cade is President and S. I. Cade Vice-President and general manager.  
Counterfeit silver dollars, dated 1896, and worn smooth, as if by long use, are in circulation in Denison. A Secret Service officer has arrived and is making an investigation.

Permits to erect buildings costing an aggregate of \$157,704 were issued in Denison during 1907, against \$82,843 in 1906. The last three months of 1907 show their proportion of gain.  
Wilson and Broch have completed a well on Spindletop in block 20 of the Gladys City tract, which has a capacity of 300 barrels per day. This is considered an excellent well in this field now, as but few wells have a capacity of more than 100 barrels.

Major George B. Zimbleman, postmaster of Austin, died Wednesday night, after a few weeks' illness. Major Zimbleman was appointed postmaster by President Cleveland, and was reappointed by President McKinley and again by President Roosevelt.  
The American Bible Society, a missionary organization engaged in placing the Bible in the hands of all men, at home and abroad, has established headquarters for the Southwest in Dallas, with Rev. Glenn Flynn, formerly pastor of the First Methodist Church of Galveston, in charge.

Appointing a man to the position of private secretary to himself, United States Senator Jefferson Davis has dispensed with the services of his daughter in that capacity. Miss Davis acted as her father's amanuensis for some time.  
The bottom of a ballast car suddenly opened and caused W. E. Sweeney, a brakeman on the Kansas City Southern Railroad, to fall to the track, near Shreveport, resulting in his death. He was married on Christmas Day.

While burning grass off the lawn at the family residence in Hillsboro, Mrs. Smith, wife of Dr. B. F. Smith, a prominent and well known physician of Hillsboro, was fatally burned Thursday, and died at 7 o'clock Friday morning.  
W. E. Beaumier, editor of the Hallettsville Herald, was shot and killed as he was entering his office door Thursday afternoon. An inquest was held. His wife was arrested and placed under \$2000 bail.

A futile attempt was made last Thursday night to blow open the safe of E. P. Grogan & Company at Byers. An explosion failed to open the safe, and the cracksmen evidently became frightened and ran away, leaving no clew.  
An enterprising burglar got away with about \$6000 worth of jewelry from a Dallas residence last Wednesday night. Petty burglaries are so common that almost no notice is taken of them.

A large crowd attended the laying of the cornerstones of the public school building at Bell Friday afternoon. The ceremonies were under the direction of the Masonic Lodge. The building is to be a two-story brick structure, costing about \$13,000.

**ART LONG, CREDIT SHORT.**



"What does your brother do for a living?"  
"He's an artist."  
"I know, so am I. But what does he do for a living?"

**DOCTOR SAID "USE CUTICURA"**

In Bad Case of Eczema on Child—Disease Had Reached a Fearful Stage—His Order Resulted in Complete Cure.  
"When I was small I was troubled with eczema for about three months. It was all over my face and covered nearly all of my head. It reached such a state that it was just a large scab all over, and the pain and itching were terrible. I doctored with an able physician for some time and was then advised by him to use the Cuticura Remedies which I did and I was entirely cured. I have not been bothered with it since. I used Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment but do not know exactly how much was used to complete the cure. I can safely say that Cuticura did a lot for me. Miss Anabel Wilson, North Branch, Mich., Oct. 20, 1907."

No Knocker.  
"Do you think the scheme of Amundsen for reaching the north pole by using a team of polar bears is feasible?"  
The returned Klondiker looked doubtful. "I don't like to queer the work of a scientific gent," he said, "and I'll say the scheme is at least as feasible as crossing the seal with the arctic snow goose and harnessing the result to a sledge."

It Will Stay There.  
"In my family medicine chest no remedy is permitted to remain unless it proves beyond a doubt the best to be obtained for its particular purpose. For treating all manner of skin troubles, such as Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm, etc., Hunt's Cure has held its place for many years. I have failed to find a surer remedy. It cures itching instantly."  
R. M. SWANN, Franklin, La.

Crusher for Papa.  
"Chalmont, you don't know your geography lesson at all to-night," said Gunson, Sr. "When I was your age I could answer practically every question in the book."  
"Well, pa," retorted Gunson, Jr. "I guess you had some intelligent person to help you with your home work."

Catarrh and Headache.  
Mrs. Z. E. Goforth, 2119 Holly Street, Kansas City, writes: "After using a sample bottle and two 25c bottles of Hunt's Lightning Oil, I am almost well of Catarrh. It stops my headache. It is the best medicine I ever saw and I just can't keep house without it." She is right.

Inevitable.  
"So Nelson is dead. What killed him?"  
"You know he had one foot in the grave."  
"Yes."  
"Well, some one pulled his leg."—Harper's Weekly.

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 *Dr. J. C. Williams*. Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Not Prudent.  
Patience—Do you believe there is anything in a name, after all?  
Patience—No; that girl Prudence has just eloped with her father's chauffeur.

Put it out of the power of truth to give you an ill character.—Marcus Antonius.  
ONLY ONE "RED CROSS" QUININE  
That is LAKAY'S FEROUS QUININE. Look for the signature of R. W. GROVE. Use the World over to Cure a Cold in One Day. 25c.

Every woman thinks she has a right to make a fool of some man.  
Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c cigar made of rich, mellow tobacco. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.  
Sometimes the man who was born a fool gets bravely over it.  
Mrs. Wintmore's Suffering Syrup. For children teething, colic, and other troubles. Always pure, purest and best. 25c a bottle.

Too many people feather their nests with borrowed plumes.

**Why Sloan's Liniment and Veterinary Remedies Are the Best to Use.**

Let me tell you why Sloan's Liniment and Veterinary Remedies are the safest and most practical on the market to-day. In the first place, Dr. Earl S. Sloan is the son of a veterinary surgeon, and from his earliest infancy he was associated with horses. He bought and sold horses while yet very young. He practiced as a veterinary for 20 years and has battled successfully with every disease to which that animal is subject.  
All his remedies are the result of experiments made to save life or relieve suffering while he was practicing his profession.  
Any reader, by writing to Dr. Earl S. Sloan, 615 Albany Street, Boston, Mass., will receive "Sloan's Treatise on the Horse," free. This book tells how to treat horses, cattle, hogs, and poultry.

Seeking Experience.  
Up to the age of 16 Dick had retained the proper scorn of things feminine. Then he went to dancing school and fell smitten by the charms of several youthful Eves. Accordingly, Dick approached his father and requested theater tickets for two.  
Father complied and merely asked as he turned over the seats, "Which girl is it?"  
"I'm going to take Mabel," responded Dick.  
"Then she's the one you like best?" father continued.  
Dick turned a superior and pitying eye upon his parent. "Oh, no! I don't like her best. You don't understand the situation, father. It isn't the girl I care about. It's the experience I want."

Deafness Cannot Be Cured  
by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed, you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and the tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; else cases of deafness are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness caused by Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.  
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, etc. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Traveler's Picture Books.  
Picture books for the benefit of travelers are kept in the Paris police stations. It frequently occurs that foreigners lose things which they are unable to describe, because of their unfamiliarity with the French language. The picture books contain representations of various articles, and the inquirer has only to turn the leaves and point out the illustrations which resemble the property he lost.

The Per-na Almanac in 8,000,000 Homes.  
The Peruna Lucky Day Almanac has become a fixture in over eight million homes. It can be obtained from all druggists free. Be sure to inquire early. The 1908 Almanac is already published, and the supply will soon be exhausted. Do not put it off. Speak for one to-day.

Hubby Gets Suspicious.  
"John, do you love me?"  
"Yes."  
"Do you adore me?"  
"I s'pose."  
"Will you always love me?"  
"Ye—look here, woman, what have you been and gone ordered sent home now?"  
Try it Once.  
There is more actual misery and less real danger in a case of itching, skin disease than any other ailment. Hunt's cure is manufactured especially for these cases. It relieves instantly and cures promptly. Absolutely guaranteed.

The Other Side.  
Landlady—Are you so particular about having a quiet room because you sleep in the daytime?  
De Toot—No, ma'am. I practice on the State several hours a day, and any other sound jara on my sensitive soul.—Harper's Weekly.  
Don't Let Jar You?  
To have a cough that you can't leave off—even when you go to bed? Put it away for good by using Simmon's Cough Syrup. It heals inflammation of the throat and lungs—gives you rest and peaceful sleep.

For an Appetite.  
"You must have a good appetite," remarked the thin man, enviously.  
"What do you take for it?"  
"In all my experience," replied the plump one, "I have found nothing more suitable than food."  
FITS, St. Vitus Dance and all Nervous Diseases permanently cured by Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for Free \$2.00 trial bottle and treatise. Dr. R. H. Kline, L.J., 631 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Side by Side.  
Hewitt—I have stood by that fellow a good many times.  
Jewitt—I guess you have—at the bar.  
Drink Garfield Tea at night! It insures a normal action of liver, kidneys, stomach and bowels, and overcomes constipation.  
Be proud of the achievements of others. Their success is making your work worth while.

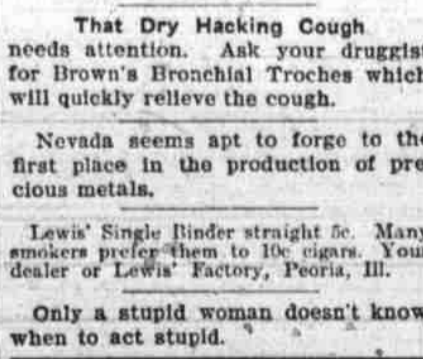
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FAZD OINTMENT is guaranteed to cure any case of Itching, Blisters, Stinging or Pruritus. Price 10¢ to 25¢ per box or money refunded.  
No man is born without faults, but he lives best who has the fewest.

**ENDED THE BIBLE READING.**

Beginner Resented Wife's Enjoyment of His Mistake.  
A Kansas City man, who had followed stock quotations, football scores and race form sheets more closely than he had religious and literary matters, recently was persuaded by his wife to read aloud each evening from the Old Testament to improve the knowledge of both on Biblical matters. The man became interested in the story of the scriptures and read aloud several evenings with great gusto and pleasure. One night as he was swinging along he read: "And they horsewhipped the beasts."  
"Hold on!" exclaimed his wife. "What was that?"  
"They horsewhipped the beasts," he repeated, and continued reading. His wife got up from her sewing, crossed the room, looked over his shoulder and read:  
"They worshipped the beasts."  
"There," she said, "I knew the word horsewhipped was not in the Bible. He! He!"  
The man closed the Bible with a snap, clasped the snap, and that concluded the readings for all time.

Pa Was Bald.  
"Say, ma?"  
"Well, my child?"  
"Why doesn't pa glide his dome?"  
That Dry Hacking Cough needs attention. Ask your druggist for Brown's Bronchial Troches which will quickly relieve the cough.  
Nevada seems apt to forgo to the first place in the production of precious metals.  
Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c. Many smokers prefer them to the cigars. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Only a stupid woman doesn't know when to act stupid.



**DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS**  
FOR ALL KIDNEY DISEASE  
RHEUMATISM  
BRIGHT'S DISEASE  
DIABETES  
"Guaranteed"  
375  
Patented by Wm. E. Colman, Patent Attorney, Washington, D.C. Advice Free. Terms low. Highest ref.

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If afflicted with sore eyes, use Thompson's Eye Water.  
Guaranteed Pure and Wholesome.

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**KG BAKING POWDER**  
25 Ounces for 25 Cents  
Here is true economy. You cannot be sure every time or have your food dainty, tasty and wholesome if you pay less or accept a substitute.  
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THE SCIENTIFIC AND MODERN EXTERNAL COUNTER-IRRITANT.  
**Capsicum-Vaseline.**  
EXTRACT OF THE CAYENNE PEPPER PLANT TAKEN DIRECTLY IN VASELINE  
**DON'T WAIT TILL THE PAIN COMES—KEEP A TUBE HANDY**  
A QUICK, SURE, SAFE AND ALWAYS READY CURE FOR PAIN—PRICE 15c. IN COLLAPSIBLE TUBES MADE OF PURE TIN—AT ALL DRUGGISTS AND DEALERS, OR BY MAIL ON RECEIPT OF 15c. IN POSTAGE STAMPS.  
A substitute for and superior to mustard or any other plaster, and will not blister the most delicate skin. The pain-alleviating and curative qualities of the article are wonderful. It will stop the toothache at once, and relieve Headache and Sciatica. We recommend it as the best and safest external counter-irritant known, also as an external remedy for pains in the chest and stomach and all Rheumatic, Neuralgic and Gouty complaints. A trial will prove what we claim for it, and it will be found to be invaluable in the household and for children. Once used no family will be without it. Many people say "It is the best of all your preparations." Accept no preparation of Vaseline unless the same carries our label, as otherwise it is not genuine.  
Send your address and we will mail our Vaseline Booklet describing our preparations which will interest you.  
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**RED CROSS FEVER & HEADACHE POWDERS**  
A sure and immediate relief for Headache, Neuralgia, Cold in the Head, Sleeplessness, Nervousness and all kinds of Pains in the Head. If your druggist does not keep them in stock, send us 25c and we will mail you a box, or send us 25c postage stamp for a sample Powder. Prepared only by JOHN SCHAAP & SONS DRUG CO., Ft. Smith, Ark.

**You Look Prematurely Old**  
Because of those ugly, grizzly, gray hairs. Use "LA OREOLE" HAIR RESTORER. PRICE, \$1.00, retail.

**One of the Essentials**

of the happy homes of to-day is a vast fund of information as to the best methods of promoting health and happiness and right living and knowledge of the world's best products.  
Products of actual excellence and reasonable claims truthfully presented and which have attained to world-wide acceptance through the approval of the Well-Informed of the World; not of individuals only, but of the many who have the happy faculty of selecting and obtaining the best of the world's affairs.  
One of the products of that class, of known component parts, an Ethical remedy, approved by physicians and commended by the Well-Informed of the World as a valuable and wholesome family laxative is the well-known Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna. To get its beneficial effects always buy the genuine, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co., only, and for sale by all leading druggists.

**Is Good Health Worth \$6.00?**

Our \$10 Superba for \$6 and Superba Special \$5.00 Treatment for \$2.50 (December 31, 1907). A perfect cleanser and more of self treatment for all Vaginal, Uterine and Ovarian, Ulceration, Irregularity, Suppression, Falling, and Displacements, and blotches on your face. ONLY A LIMITED NUMBER TO GO AT THIS PRICE. Send your order today and CURE YOURSELF AT HOME.  
**SUPERBA CO.**  
R. M. La Salle Street, CHICAGO, ILL. R. M. Theatre Building, HOUSTON, TEXAS.

**GURRIE WIND MILL CO.**  
222 Seventh St., Topeka, Kansas.  
\$10.00 Soap Feed Grider. \$14.00 Grindstone. We manufacture all sizes and styles. It will pay you to investigate. Write for catalog and price list.

**PARKER'S HAIR BALM**  
Promotes a luxuriant growth. Restores falling hair. Gives color to the youthful hair. Cures scalp disease & hair falling. 25c and 50c at Druggists.

**OPIUM** and Whiskey Habits treated at home without pain. Book of particulars sent FREE. W. N. U., Woolley, M. D., at 1212 Texas St., Ft. Worth, Tex.  
W. N. U., DALLAS, NO. 2, 1908.

## Fancy Goods

Ladies Neckwear and Belts, new up-to-date styles - All that we have left will be sold at

**Half Price**

"IF IT'S NOT GOOD WE'LL MAKE IT GOOD"

# Gary & Burns Co

BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

## CLOAKS

Our entire stock of Ladies, Misses and Childrens Cloaks at half price.

- \$13.50 Cloaks at \$6.75
- \$11.50 Cloaks at \$5.75
- \$8.50 Cloaks at \$4.25
- \$3.00 Cloaks at \$1.50

## The Greatest of all Our Pre-Inventory Sales

One that will long be remembered by the people of Big Springs and vicinity. Beginning Saturday Jan. 4th, we will place on sale for eleven days the balance of our Fall and Winter stock of dry goods at prices never heard of before in the history of our city. Our purchases were extra large this fall, and while we have had a very satisfactory business, yet the money panic hurt to some extent. Inventory time is now at hand and we had rather sacrifice what we have left than have shown goods on our shelves next season. You get the benefit of these great reductions and we advise all to visit the sale at the earliest possible moment, as choice goods at these prices will not last long. Make a complete inventory of the articles and prices listed below; they will give you an idea of the great bargains we are offering. No doubt you will find many things you need. It is impossible for us to list everything included in this great sale, but just a glance at the prices below will convince the most skeptical that bargains like these have never been offered you before. **Terms Strictly Cash to One and All**

### Mens Clothing at Half Price

If you need a heavy or medium weight suit, you can't afford to miss this sale. Brandgee Kincaid and Woods' special make. All new styles, neat, up-to-date patterns in fancy checks, plaids and solid colors. We have almost a complete line of sizes and while they last they go at **Half Price**. Come early if you want first choice. These suits are well made, guaranteed to hold their shape and won't last long at these prices.

- 10.00 suits, sale price 5.00 | 15.00 suits, sale price 7.50
- 16.50 suits, sale price 8.25 | 20.00 suits, sale price 10.00
- 25.00 suits, sale price 12.50 | 27.50 suits, sale price 13.75

**\$30.00 Suits, sale Price \$15.00**

### Overcoats at Half Price

We have a beautiful line of the newest and best dress coats, neat stylish patterns, cut after the most approved fashion, made to give service and satisfaction. Raincoats, an ideal garment for stormy weather, waterproof, warm and light. You can find them here in a variety of shades and patterns that will please the most critical. Ulsters cut extra long, with high collars, made of extra heavy material, just the coat for the ranch man or farmer. In fact we have anything you want in this line and they go in this sale at **Half Price**.

- 10.00 coats, sale price 5.00 | 15.00 coats, sale price 7.50
- 16.50 coats, sale price 8.25 | 20.00 coats, sale price 10.00
- 25.00 coats, sale price 12.50 | 27.50 coats, sale price 13.75

### Dress Goods and Silks

A beautiful assortment of suitings in plain colors and fancy mixtures, including broadcloth, mohair, serge, panama, etc., 36 to 54 inches in width. We are anxious to close out every piece of suiting on our shelves and to do so have made some great reductions.

- 1.25 broadcloth, sale price 90c
- 1.75 white broadcloth, sale price 1.20
- 1.50 fancy suiting, sale price 1.20 and 1.14
- 1.35 fancy suiting, sale price 1.08
- 1.00 fancy suiting, sale price 60c
- 65c fancy suiting, sale price 45c

**SILKS** - We have one of the prettiest assortments ever shown in Big Springs. Taffetas, wash silks, K mens silks, fancy suit patterns, in fact almost anything you want. They will go fast at these prices.

- 1.50 black taffetta, 36 inches 1.20
- 1.50 black peau de soie, 36 in 1.20
- 1.00 black taffetta, 36 in 83c
- 1.25 fancy taffetta, 27 in 90c
- 75c fancy waisting, 27 in 54c

### Ladies and Children Shoes



For every occasion. The wonderful growth of our shoe business the past year proves beyond a doubt that we handle lines that give satisfaction. It is not often you have an opportunity to get new, fresh shoes at these prices, but our stock must be reduced and you reap the benefit of the difference in price. Dorothy Dodd shoes, Geo. C. Howe slippers, Roberts, Johnston & Rand shoes, all go in this sale. Learn your wants and make your selections early as sizes will soon be broken.

- 2.00 quality, sale price 1.40
- 3.00 quality, sale price 2.58
- 2.25 quality, sale price 1.55
- 3.50 quality, sale price 3.00
- 2.50 quality, sale price 2.10
- 4.00 quality, sale price 3.42
- 1.50 quality, sale price 1.20
- 2.00 quality, sale price 1.50
- 2.50 quality, sale price 1.95

Just a word before we close. We want one and all to feel at perfect liberty to come as often as you wish, see what we are offering, compare our prices with what you find elsewhere and decide for yourself as to our values. We expect this to be the largest sale we have ever held. Good values have been our main object, we've not hesitated to cut prices on many articles that should be moved before our spring stock arrives. Make our store your headquarters.

**All Shoes and Boots are on sale** at prices sure to make them go. 2.50 shoes, sale price 2.10 to 1.80; 3.00 shoes, sale price 2.28; 4.50 shoes, sale price 3.30; 5.00 shoes for 4.20; 6.00 boots, sale price 4.80; 6.50 boots, for 5.40; 7.50 boots, sale price 6.00; 8.50 boots, for 6.88; 6.50 boots, sale price 5.10; 8.00 boots, for 6.80

From the cheapest that a good to the best **Mens Footwear** your money's worth with every pair. A line in which we excel all others. We have control of many good makes and endeavor at all times to carry a complete run of sizes. If you want shoes for dress or service we have them. If you want boots for ranch wear we have them. The best money can buy. If you want boots for rough wear, nothing better made for rough wear.



### TABLE LINEN

Something every housewife is interested in. This will be an excellent opportunity to lay in an extra supply and at these prices you can well afford to anticipate your future needs. Napkins to match nearly every design.

- 35c quality, sale price 22c
- 1.25 quality, sale price 81c
- 2.50 quality, sale price 1.80
- 75c quality, sale price 60c
- 1.50 quality, sale price 1.15
- 15.00 table sets, price 8.40

**TOWELS** - We have a large stock bought at a bargain, and at these prices they are the best values we have ever had the pleasure of offering our customers. Bath towels, linen towels, cotton towels. Note these prices: 15c cotton towels, sale price 10c; 20c cotton towels, sale price 14c; 25c Huck towels, sale price 18c; 35c linen towels, sale price 23c; 50c bath towels, sale price 30c; 75c bath towels, sale price 45c; 1.25 linen towels, sale price 90c

### Mens Furnishings

The most complete line to be found in the city. During this sale a few dollars will buy you a years supply. Check your wardrobe carefully, see what you need for it will pay you well to buy in a complete supply before this sale closes. Shirts, underwear, gloves, collars, ties, handkerchiefs, hosiery, all go at bargain prices. A look at the prices below will convince you that this is an opportunity you cannot afford to miss.

**SHIRTS** - Winter-weight wool shirts in solid colors and fancy mixtures, a large assortment to choose from, sure to go fast at these prices.

- 1.25 quality, sale price 85c | 1.50 quality, sale price 1.20
- 1.75 quality, sale price 1.25 | 2.25 quality, sale price 1.50
- 2.50 quality, sale price 1.65 | 3.00 quality, sale price 2.10
- \$1.25 Monarch Shirts \$1.00 and 90c
- \$1.75 Cluett Shirts \$1.35

**UNDERWEAR** - Never goes out of style. It will be money saved to lay in a good supply when you can get it at such prices as you find below. A big line to select from. Note prices. Mens heavy fl-cord cotton

- 50c quality, sale price 35c
- \$1.25 Wright-Health, sale price 75c
- \$1.25 Coopers, Derby ribbed, sale price 75c
- \$1.25 Sanitary Wool, sale price 85c

**TROUSERS** - Werner made. The kind that always give satisfactory service. You can well afford to have an extra pair or two at these prices.

- 1.50 quality, sale price 1.20 | 2.00 quality, sale price 1.35
- 2.50 quality, sale price 1.65 | 3.00 quality, sale price 1.85
- \$5.00 quality, sale price \$3.60

**HATS** - Stinson Brand. The quality is known to everyone. Note these prices.

- 3.00 quality, sale price 2.40 | 5.00 quality, sale price 4.20
- 6.00 quality, sale price 4.80 | 7.00 quality, sale price 5.40

### Blankets and Comforts

Don't fail to see these goods. We have never shown a prettier line and we have dozens of patterns from which to make a selection. It will only take a day or two to dispose of them at these prices, so come early.

- 1.25 cotton blankets, sale price 90c
- 1.50 cotton blankets, sale price 1.10
- 2.50 cotton blankets, sale price 1.65
- 3.00 wool blankets, sale price 2.50
- 10.00 wool blankets, sale price 6.80
- 12.50 wool blankets, sale price 7.00
- 14.00 wool blankets, sale price 7.75
- 15.00 wool blankets, sale price 9.00

**COMFORTS** - Anything you want from the soft, tender down to the cheap cotton comforts for camp use. These are all cut extra large, well tacked and lined with serviceable material. A large assortment to select from at bargain prices.

- 2.00 cotton comforts, sale price 1.40
- 2.50 cotton comforts, sale price 1.75
- 3.50 Cotton comforts, sale price 2.40
- 4.50 Cotton comforts, sale price 3.19

### Boys Clothing

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We are sole agents for the famous Ederheim-Stein make, recognized everywhere as the best line of boys' clothing on the market, when you consider style and service. Every suit bearing the "Xt abroad" label is fully guaranteed and we will gladly replace any suit that is not just as we represent.

Our stock this season is extra large and in order to make room for our new spring stock we place the entire stock on sale at bargain prices. Bring your boys in and fit them up the first day.

- 1.50 suits, sale price 1.10
- 2.50 suits, sale price 1.90
- 3.50 suits, sale price 2.25
- 6.00 suits, sale price 3.00
- 2.00 suits, sale price 1.50
- 4.50 suits, sale price 2.00
- 8.50 suits, sale price 6.50