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15 YEARS AGO

From Mason News, May 13, 1904:

Born.—To Mr and Mrs. Henry Dougall, a boy, May 1.
 Mrs. Julia Dannheim, aged 92 years and 25 days, died May 5th at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Otto Plehwe.
 Miss Rosa Ischar returned home Tuesday from San Angelo, where she has been for the past few months.
 Louis Schmidt returned Wednesday from Colorado, where he went to see his brother, Theodore. The latter was some better when he left there Monday, but died Wednesday about noon. The remains will be brought to Mason for interment.
 Miss Adelia Carter entertained a number of young friends last Friday evening.
 Many of the Blue Brotch farmers are having to replant cotton on account of the damage by hail.
 Dr. J. M. Thompson returned Friday from Memphis, where he took a post-graduate course at the medical college of that city.
 Miss Ruby Grandstaff, one of Mason's most talented young ladies, returned a few days ago from a visit in Ft. Worth, Brownwood and Brady.
 Oscar Hurley bought 180 acres of land about three miles northeast of town from Wm. Willmann for \$7 per acre.
 G. M. Stewart and son Gordon were down Saturday from their home near Hext.
 Born.—To Mr. and Mrs. Ben Mayo a girl, on the 9th.
 Miss Olga Schmidt returned a few days ago from a visit to relatives in Brady.
 The News is pleased to learn that Manks and Sterling King have secured good positions in El Paso. The former with a lumber firm and Sterling with a pluming firm.
 A complete assortment of fishing tackle at
Mason Drug Co.
 F. C. Wartenbach, who recently resigned from the constableness of Precinct No. 1, has again resumed the old job by having been re-appointed at this term of the Commissioners court.

25 YEARS AGO

From Mason News, May 18, 1894:

A herd of 40 buffaloes is reported to have been discovered in a remote part of Val Verde county, Texas.
 Elder Mangham will begin a protracted meeting Thursday night, May 21, at the Baptist church. Elder J. A. Arbuckle, of Burnet, will be here to assist him.
 T. A. Saunders has a 10 months old colt measuring 15 hands high and weighs 895 pounds.
 Jacob Schuessler has a nice patch of corn in tassel.
 B. F. Gooch left last week for Indian Territory to look after his cattle interests.
 Mrs. Gugenheim went to Austin Saturday to have her eyes treated. Sheriff Baird took witnesses to Llano court this week.
 Comanche was on a three foot rise Saturday evening.
 W. F. Beamer and wife came up from Belton Tuesday to attend Mrs. Gowing.
 Prof. Holland, the gay dusky lothario, has been having an examining trial up to the hour of going to press.
 Hardy Jackson and family will go with J. W. Tabor to California.
 Mrs. T. Broad left Monday for Brownwood for a visit with relatives.
 T. J. Wood was in from Fredonia Monday and reports excellent crop prospects, with corn in tassel.
 Take in the picture show at the Star Opera House each Saturday night. You'll enjoy it. The show starts promptly at 9:00 o'clock.

GRADUATING EXERCISES
 The graduating exercises of the Mason High School will be held at the M. E. Church, South on Monday evening, May 26, at 8:30 o'clock. The graduates this year are Allan Doell, Roy Zesch, Kurt Zesch, Edo Schlaudt, Alfred Mogford, Banis Sorrells, Dora Jenkins, Mae Tinsley, Meta Loeffler, Nellie Bickenbach.
 Banis Sorrells is valedictorian of the class and Mae Tinsley is salutatorian.

If you want feed phone 42.

PIG CLUB WORK STARTED IN MASON COUNTY

Mr. Owen Sherrill, County Demonstration Agent of Williamson County, accompanied by his wife and baby, were in Mason a short time the first of the week. Mr Sherrill was sent here to confer with the Commissioners Court and to induce them to keep a county agent in Mason County permanently.

Mr. Sherrill is known throughout the entire State, having gained much notoriety from the splendid manner in which he has managed and conducted the Pig Club work in Williamson county. Mr. Brown, Mason County's Demonstration man, has recently started the organization of Pig Clubs throughout Mason County, and fortunately he induced Mr. Sherrill to assist him in furthering the interest among our people in such an organization. Mr. Sherrill made a talk Monday afternoon at the Mason High School in interest of the Pig Clubs and as a result Mr. Brown says that he will be able to organize a town club with at least 100 members. Mr. Brown says that he has organized in many parts of the county and that membership of the club without including the town of Mason numbers something like 185 members and indications are good for the membership to grow right along.

Monday night Mr. Sherrill was a visitor at the Commercial Club meeting and was called upon to explain the Pig Club work as he had been conducting for the Williamson county people. This he did in a manner quite interesting. He stated that one of his boy club members won the State and the National championship as a pig raiser and that this boy has received as a premium a scholarship to the Agricultural & Mechanical College of Texas. He stated that this boy's sow raised a litter of eleven pigs and at the age of six months their total weight amounted to 2200 pounds. Two of his club members have raised pigs which weigh better than 1000 pounds each at 2 year olds.

One of the most interesting and convincing features of the Pig Club work in Williamson county, said Mr. Sherrill, is that the banks of the county added the boys to get started in the work by advancing money to buy their first pig. The boys got this money at 8 per cent and without any security, just a plain bank note. The boys of course had to get their parents permission to borrow the money, but the boys were individually responsible for the paying off the notes. Now Mr. Sherrill says that there has not been a single instance in the county where a boy failed to profit by his investment and every note has been paid off and the club members have a surplus bank account.

According to Mr. Sherrill there were but two boys in the whole county who sold out, and they both made profits of something like \$12 but they got afraid that the pig might die. He said that the membership of the Pig Club in Williamson county was growing steadily and that many men have become members now seeing how the boys had profited. Mr. Sherrill had a number of photographs that he had taken and passed them about the house and this of course made his talk doubly interesting.

Mr. Brown informs the News that he has been considerably encouraged with the Pig Club work since Mr. Sherrill's visit and says that the local banks have signified their willingness to finance Mason county boys in bringing a better and more profitable type of hogs into our country.

MASON TO HOLD PICNIC & BARBECUE JULY 3RD AND 4TH

At a mass meeting which was held at the court house last Saturday afternoon, the date was set for holding a big two days celebration in Mason.

There was quite a bit of discussion as to the date, as quite a few advanced the argument that many of our soldier boys would not be home by July. Two dates were discussed, namely: July 3 and 4; August 20 and 21. A vote was taken and the majority favored the latter dates, but another thing had to be taken in consideration and that was the securing of the picnic grounds. Mr. White, who owns the famous reunion grounds, stated that he would not let the grounds be used as late as August as it is too near pecan gathering time and he would be robbed of his pecan crop which would mean quite a loss to him as indications are that he will have a tremendous crop this year.

A motion carried in favor of having the celebration on the 3rd and 4th of July in event that the picnic grounds could not be secured for the August dates. This automatically set the date for July 3rd and 4th.

W. H. Hanson was here Saturday from his farm in the Streeter section. He states that his corn and cotton are doing fine and that these rains have been fine with him. Mr. Hanson has something like a hundred acres planted in cotton and he says that it needs working now since the rains.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Martin and baby were down a few days the past week from the Los Moran ranch visiting with relatives and friends. Albert had recently received a German helmet and a pistol, which were sent him by his brother, Paul, who is with the Expeditionary Forces in France. Albert brought these relics along and let many people satisfy their curiosity by examining them. The helmet shows much signs of hard use as it has a bullet hole in the fore part and there are a number of dents in it, despite the fact that it was made of steel. The pistol, although it shows signs of much use is in fine condition and the bore is as bright and shiny as it could possibly be.

R. M. McMillan and son and daughter, Marvin and Miss Claire Lee, were here last Saturday from the Fredonia section doing some shopping. Mr. McMillan says that the rains have been fine in his section and that the ground is literally soaked.

J. W. White returned home last Friday from a business trip to San Antonio, El Paso and other points.

Geo. Anstatt was a pleasant caller at the News office last Saturday and took a new lease on the paper. Mr. Anstatt also had us to renew his subscriptions to the Ferguson Forum and the Dallas Semi-Weekly Farm News.

I have a nice line of guaranteed rubber garden hose and they will not kink. If you want hose call on me
F. Lange.

While it is true that various factors contribute to increase or reduce the attendance at schools in given sections of the country, it is worthy of comment that in the States having a high percentage of improved roads a much larger percentage of rural students enrolled regularly attend the schools than in the states having a small percentage of improved roads.

MRS. L. P. ST. CLAIR

Mrs. Lovede Pink St. Clair, nee Carpenter, died at her home near Grit last Saturday afternoon about three o'clock. Her death being the result of an abscess of the liver.

Mrs. St. Clair was 68 years old and had been a member of the Christian church ever since a young girl. She and her husband, W. S. St. Clair who survives her, had been married 47 years. She is also survived by two sons, L. W. of Denver, Colo. and W. L. of this place; two daughters, Mrs. Chas. Severs, of Hext and Mrs. Ed. Larrimore, of Grit. A granddaughter, Mrs. Gilreath of Bronte, who Mr. and Mrs. St. Clair reared from infancy, also survives. She has but one brother, S. J. Carpenter of Granger.

The funeral services were held at the family residence last Sunday afternoon and were conducted by Rev. C. H. Garrett. The interment was made in the Grit cemetery.

The News extends deepest sympathy to the aged and grief-stricken husband and to the bereaved children.

COMMITTEE NAMED

Last Monday night at a call meeting of the Mason Commercial Club a committee of six men was appointed to take charge of all matters pertaining to Mason's big 3rd and 4th of July Picnic and Barbecue Celebration. The committee is composed of Messrs. E. J. Lumburg, R. W. Hofmann, W. A. Zesch, F. B. McCollum, C. S. Vedder, F. W. Lumburg. The committee was empowered to summon as many additional men to work with them as its personnel may deem necessary.

A. O. Schuessler informs the News that he has decided to remove to Mason and that his family will be in Brady next Sunday, at which place he will meet them.

Mr. Schuessler and family have resided in New Mexico for couple of years, but could not resist the temptation of coming back to "old Mason."

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Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Thompson left last Monday for Waco, where the doctor will attend the annual convention of the State Medical Association.

CARD OF THANKS
 I take this means of thanking my many friends and neighbors for their acts of kindness and their words of sympathy during the great grief caused by the death of my beloved wife.
W. S. St. Clair

Ben Mayo and family have moved into the Dr. Beck residence which was recently vacated by F. B. McCollum and family.

Elgin Eckert came in last Saturday from Dallas, where he has just completed a book-keeping course at the Metropolitan Business College.

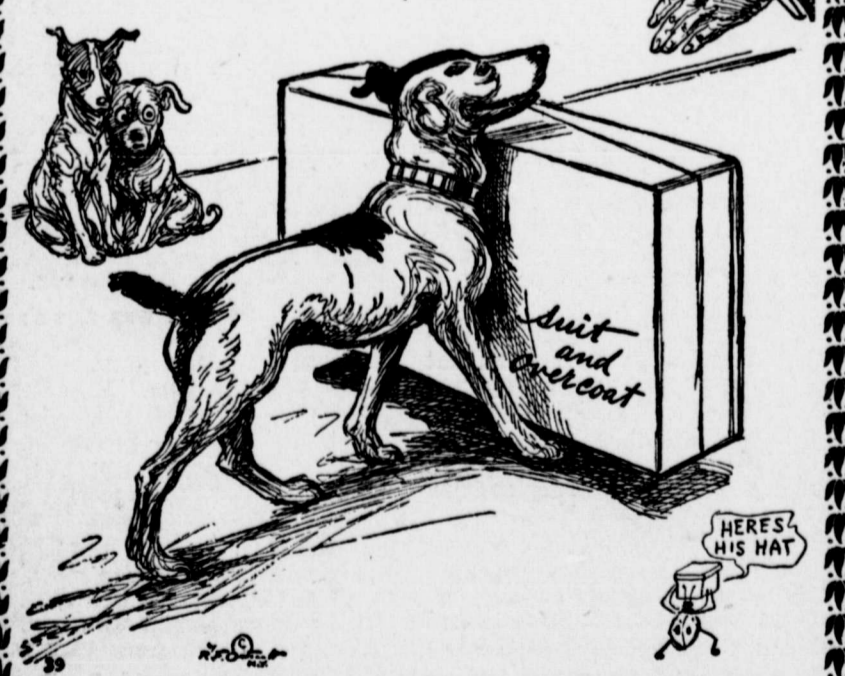
Dr. and Mrs. P. A. Baze left Monday for Waco to attend the convention of the State Medical Association. The convention lasts until the 15th.

Mason came very near to getting a big rain and storm last Sunday night. That is, when the cloud came up it was predicted that we were to have a great hail storm, but fortunately there was but little to it. We received a little hail but only a few small stones fell and did no damage. It is said that more hail fell in the western part of the county than fell here but that it did but little or no damage.

Max Willmann went to Austin on Tuesday of last week and on Thursday underwent a successful operation for appendicitis. Recent word from his sister, Miss Emma is to the effect that he is getting along fine.

Messrs. A. W. Kooek and F. W. Lumburg returned home last Saturday from a business trip to San Antonio. Mrs. Kooek who had been visiting at Llano during their absence also came home Friday.

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Letters From Our Soldier Boys

From Roy Gallegly

Vallendar, Germany.
April 6, 1919.

Mrs. L. A. Johnson, Grit, Texas

Dear Mother:

I will write you a few lines to let you know that I am well and hope that you are the same. I

just got back from N—, Germany this morning. Was up there three days on pass. Had a nice time, went boat riding two days and saw some very interesting things. We had lots of shows to go to. The Y. M. C. A. furnished plenty of music, and served cake and chocolate in the afternoon, and cake and ice cream in the evening.

We had a big costume dance Friday night, and a lot of fun too. Mama, you asked me some time ago if my wounds hurt me any. They hurt out very little. My ankle is a trifle stiff, but I think that it will come around all O. K.

Well, Mama, I am sending you one of my pictures, but it isn't good. It is a hard matter to get a good picture over here. The fellow with me is Louis Raines from Llano. We have been together now for about 19 months.

Well, I will quit for this time. Answer soon.

With Love,
Roy Gallegly.

LAUNDRY.

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THRILLS RIVAL MOVIE

Policemen Encountered Them in Recovering an Automobile.

Recovering an automobile took Police Detective I. W. Pelton, of Flint, Mich., through a series of stunts that would rival a movie thriller. Warned by Pontiac officers to look out for a car stolen from Clarence J. Nephler, Pelton saw a machine answering the description being driven by a man he had previously arrested for stealing another auto.

Pelton sprang to the running board and climbing into the back seat, ordered him to drive to headquarters. Instead he put on full speed, turned the car into a congested side street and jumped, leaving Pelton his choice of letting the car go to get the prisoner or getting it under control to avoid collision.

Pelton stuck to the car and, controlling it, just escaped collision.

Messrs R. F and B. F Buntyn Don't forget the show at the were business visitors in Mason Star Opera House each Saturday last Saturday from the Wagram night. The show starts promptly 9:00 o'clock.

UNFAIR DISCRIMINATION

Below is a piece of poetry sent to his parents by Arch Reichenaw, and the News reproduces same with their permission:

When Percy Titmore Wibble learned that he must work or fight it made the boy so nervous that he laid awake all night. But his maiden Aunt Patricia quickly banished every fear When she suggested that he join and do his soldiering over here. Now his neighbor, Micky Fadden, who lived across the street, Didn't give a damn for Boches nor for Flanders' snow and sleet. "If my Uncle Samuel needs me for that job across the sea, "Hob-nailed Hell and Corned Willie don't look so bad to me."

So Micky saw the trenches and that gas-infested Hell; He took his joo and did it, and by God, he did it well; While the only hikes that Percy's shining rusesets ever made Were when they needed more material for the Laor Day Parade.

When "Die Watch am Rhein" was finished and the Hun was down and out.

It was then, Oh kindly reader, that our Perce began to pout. This lilly-handed warrior who never heard a gas-alarm Was jealous of the Chevrons that adorned Miek Fadden's arm.

And when dear Aunt Patricia saw the lad was growing ill, She said it wasn't fair at all—we'll have Congress pass a Bill; We'll put the oan on Service Chevrons regardless of the fact That two million men have won them where the G. I cans were stacked.

Then the Senator whose son had also done his bit at home In the Quartermaster's office just beneath old Freedom's dome, Commenced to preach "discrimination" with a senatorial wail That made the pictures of the warriors in that sacred place turn pale

So Micky ripped away the Chevrons that adorned his old O. D. He threw away the helmet he had worn across the sea, He gave them back the rifle that he loved with all his heart, As part of the price a doughboy pays who has gone and done his part.

His Divisional Insignia also came beneath the ban— They made him take off everything that showed he'd been a man; And he wondered, as his thoughts went back to the Argonne trail If this was the Nation that shouted so when the Huns began to fall.

"Unfair discrimination to the ones who had to stay," But what about the lads who marched up and sailed away? Every bird in the A. E. F. knows that those who stayed behind Could have used that self-same pull to get up where the Bertham whined.

Bart C. DeWitt, Private,
Ninetieth Division, A. E. F.

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WHO'S NEXT

We, whose names appear below, believe that Mason County should erect a monument and dedicate it to the memory of the Mason county boys who served in the recent world's war, and will donate the amount set opposite our respective names towards its erection:

- August Kothmann\$25.00
- Mason Clean Town Club\$10.00
- Mason County News\$10.00
- Calvin Thaxton\$10.00
- Woman's Missionary Society.....\$10.00
- W. G. Keyser\$5.00
- German Ladies Aid Society.....\$8.00
- Henry W. Keller\$10.00

If you are willing to subscribe phone the News the amount you will give and your name will appear in this list the following issue.

A few nights ago at a meeting of the Mason Commercial Club the ever important question of "Good Roads" was discussed. The advisability of Mason County undertaking to vote road bonds was brought up.

Our readers are acquainted with the fact that Kimble, Menard, San Saba and Gillespie counties have recently voted and carried big bond elections. These counties are awake to the fact that good roads are an absolute necessity. The News does not wish to leave the impression that Mason County is not awake to this fact for on the contrary Mason county has done a great deal for her roads in the past few years and it is her intention of doing more, but is there not sufficient reason for us to believe that we could build and maintain still better roads than we are now building and maintaining by voting bonds?

At the Commercial Club meeting a few nights ago a suggestion was made that seemed to us as being a very good one and we believe it would be a fine step for the county to take. The proposition

Weekly Health Talks

A WORD ABOUT THE KIDNEYS BY DOCTOR WATSON.

People are easily frightened when they think something is the matter with their lungs or heart, and well they may be; but few people understand the dangers of diseased kidneys. These organs have a duty of vital importance to perform, and if they are diseased, there is no telling how or where the symptoms may appear. The kidneys are filters, and when they are healthy they remove the poisons from the blood and purify it. When the kidneys are diseased, the poisons are spread everywhere, and one of these poisons is uric acid. The uric acid is carried all through the system and deposited in various places, in the form of urate salts—in the feet, ankles, wrists and back—often forming bags under the feet. Sometimes the resulting trouble is called rheumatism, lumbago, sciatica and backache. Finally, come stone in the bladder, diabetes and Bright's disease.

Dr. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., in recent years, discovered that a certain combination of remedies would dissolve uric acid (urate salts) in the system. He found this combination to be harmless, so that he made it up in tablets, of double strength, and called them Anuric Tablets. They dissolve uric acid in the human system as hot coffee dissolves sugar. If you have uric acid troubles, don't delay in taking Anuric Tablets, which can be secured in the drug stores. You can write Dr. Pierce, too, and he will tell you what to eat and how to live so that more uric acid will not form in your system. Dr. Pierce will not charge for this advice.

OUR FARM DEMONSTRATOR

Mr. Dor Brown, Mason County's Farm Demonstrator and County Agent, has certainly proven his worth to our county during his stay here, which up to now is a little less than a year. We all know what a great assistance he has been to our farmers and stockmen in helping them to get seed and feed this past year. On these items alone Mr. Brown has saved our county over \$5,000. It is impossible for us to estimate the value of his worth in other ways as he has in numerous ways helped the stockmen and farmers with problems which mean a saving in dollars and cents to them and to the county.

When Mr. Brown came here he was sent here as an emergency man, and while he is on a salary of \$2,100 per year, our county only had to pay \$200 towards it and the Federal Government put up the balance. This year the Government will not be so liberal with its aid, as it will only put up two dollars for the county's one to carry on this work. It will therefore be necessary for Mason County to pay about \$800 this year on Mr. Brown's salary.

Mr. Brown's year is up on the 30th of June, but so well has he served us and his accomplishments have been such that Mason Commercial Club, a few nights ago, voted unanimously in favor of sending a committee of three men before the Commissioners Court this week and urge that they keep him on the job for another year. The committee was composed of Messrs Roscoe Runge, Lamar Thaxton and Seymour Wood.

The News has since learned that the above committee received the assurance of the court that Mr. Brown would be retained to continue with the valuable work, which seemingly has been only begun.

REMOVAL NOTICE

I have moved my feed business to the C. C. Smith building and am with the City Grocery Co. Parties desiring feed will find me ready to fill their wants at all times. Phone No. 11 Wm. Donop

Miss Lottie Schmidt left last Tuesday for Dallas to be with her sister Miss Eisie, who is reported ill at the home of her aunt in that city.

We have a nice line of crockery ware. City Grocery Co.

We have all colors of straw hat dye.—Mason Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Doell received a letter Tuesday saying that their son Henderson had undergone an operation for appendicitis at Philadelphia and that he is doing fairly well. Henderson was at home on a visit a short time ago and returned to his ship at Galveston, but was at sea only one day when he was taken ill with appendicitis and it was necessary for him to wait until the ship reached Philadelphia before he could be operated on and this was a 12 days trip.

The News joins Henderson's many friends here in hoping for him a speedy recovery.

WOMAN'S NERVES MADE STRONG

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REPORT OF SYNOD

The 6th Convention of the First Ev. Luth. Synod of Texas met at Mason, Texas from May 7-11. A delegation of 125 met and answered rollcall. The meeting was opened in the usual manner by a communion service, conducted by the Rev. W. Mueller of Goldings, Texas. The delegation soon settled down to hard work and the afternoon of the 7th saw the convention in full swing.

Very encouraging reports were received from the President of the Lutheran College at Seguin, Texas, from the various Mission fields and from the President of the Synod. The President's report showed that 9 ministers had been added during the year and 10 new congregations were taken into the organization.

Dr. F. Richter, President of the Synod of Iowa and other States, placed the proposition before the Texas Synod that the Lutheran Church of America saw itself confronted by a new foreign mission problem brought on by the war. He said that we would be ready to take up the Lutheran foreign missions formerly carried on by Germany; a delegation having been sent to Paris to place this request before the delegation there. He also pointed to the great results achieved in the Lutheran foreign missions in Australia, New Guinea, etc.; and told the delegates that soon the call for missionaries to these countries would be sent abroad in America.

He also pointed to the great achievements of the National Lutheran Council, through which mission 165 Lutheran camp Pastors were put to work among our men in the army to keep them on the road of morality and righteousness. Many large buildings were erected in the camps and in the cities, for the use of the boys. This entire project being financed by the Lutheran Church.

We are also ready to enter upon the great reconstruction work in Europe, as soon as the gates are opened. We are ready to help Europe to find its way and to persevere in the teaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Upon his suggestion a committee was appointed to work in conjunction with committees from other parts of the U. S. to arrange for a small drive for \$300,000 for the benefit of emigrated ministers.

Another progressive move was placed before the Synod by the Rev. F. G. Rosener from Austin. We need more real work among the students of the University. We need a better representation in the Capitol of this State than we have. We must preach the Gospel more fervently in the great center was the trend of the matter. The result was that the Synod placed a committee to work in conjunction with the Austin Lutheran congregation to look into plans partially laid before the Synod for the rebuilding of a great Lutheran Church and Mission center.

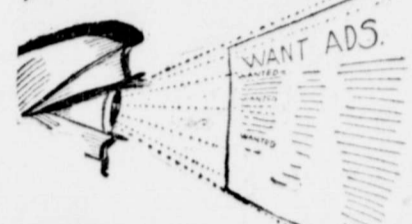
On Sunday Rev. Ph. Ander from Paige, Texas, preached a wonderful sermon showing the necessity of realizing the terrible effect of sin. We must realize that social service does not lead men out of their misery. Does not the present day spread of iniquity prove it? But it is of equal importance to realize that we are saved by grace only through the blood of Christ, and all this will only make us good Christians if we have a heart burning in love towards Christ.

Dr. Reinsch, Mission Superintendent spoke on the great necessity of home mission. The delegates re-elected Rev. Ph. Bogisch of Bartlett, Texas, Pres.; Rev. M. Heinrich of Hallettsville, V. Pres.; Rev. H. Krause of Belleville, Sec'y.; Rev. F. Bracher, of Fredericksburg, Treas.

The Synod also decided that all members who are not citizens be urged to become citizens of the U. S.

The whole convention was a great success and an enjoyable time was shown by delegates by the hospitable Mason people. May God

THROUGH THE



WANT COLUMNS

FOR SALE—Second-hand J. I. Case threshing machine, 28 inch cylinder, 50 inch rear, with 12 horse power. Complete in good condition. Write or phone C. W. Bergmann, Junction, Texas.

A BARGAIN—On a full blooded Poland China Boar, Wm. Willmann m15-21p

FOR SALE—A pair of heavy leather riding leggings. Lamar Thaxton. m15f

FOR SALE—About 8 or 10 saddle and work horses. If interested phone 94. Moss & Dees. m15f

As it is my intention to leave Mason to reside elsewhere in the near future, I take this means of notifying all parties owing me that I will want to collect all notes as they become due. Respectfully, Erv Hamilton. m8-4tp

FOR SALE—McCormick Harvester (mower and binder). Apply to Calvin Thaxton, Mason, Tex. m15-4p

FOR SALE—Truck-Ford. Almost new and in good condition. For further particulars apply to W. C. Lehmborg, Castell, Texas. a17

bles the pastor and his congregation was the parting word. F. Roessner, Austin, Tex. The English Correspondent of the Texas Synod.

Get my prices on cement before buying elsewhere. Harry Bierschwale. f27f

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Sanders were here Tuesday from the Wagram section. They were accompanied by their son Cecil, who had just reached home after having been discharged from the army.

A News want ad brings about some wonderful results sometimes. Try one and see for yourself.

Emmit McCoy reached home last Saturday after receiving his honorable discharge from the army at Camp Bowie. Emmit says that he was with the Expeditionary Forces in France for 8 months, having been shot across shortly after being inducted into the service.

I have all kinds of genuine repairs for McCormick and Deering mowers. Louis Schmidt. m15-3tp

Alford Lange had his hand burned severely Tuesday with hot tar while applying a coat of the hot liquid to the roof of the new bank building.

CITY MEAT MARKET

Choicest and best meats possible to obtain. No delivery. Fine light bread also for sale. Pay highest cash price for dry or green hides. W. A. Zeech, Prop.

Elgin Kothmann was here Tuesday from his ranch near Loyal Valley. He reports his cattle as doing fine and says the fine Hereford bull he bought a short time ago at Denver, Colorado, is coming up to every expectation and is the hardest animal in his entire herd.

KILL THE BLUE BUGS by feeding Martin's Wonderful Blue Bug Killer to your chickens. Your money back if not absolutely satisfied. Ask the Mason Drug Company.

was about as follows: Now that Mason county has the services of a highway engineer she is in a position to figure on the costs of building roads better than we were while without the services of such a man. Would it not be an easy matter for this engineer to visit the various parts of the county and ascertain just what kind of a road the people living in the different parts of our county would like to have built? If this course would be followed the engineer could get the general opinion of those people and then make an estimate on the cost of building such roads as desired by the people who are to travel and use them. After this information and data has been gathered the total cost for putting all the roads of the county in good shape could be easily estimated by adding up the estimated cost of each road. This would give the county an idea just how much money it would require to put on the roads to get them in the proper shape and at the same time each community would have the kind of a road that its tax payers wanted.

After this data had been gathered and a summing up was made a bond election for the total sum of money could be asked for.

Now suppose that after this data had been gathered it was decided that the county could not afford to float such a big bond issue. Then if any individual precinct of the county should desire to vote bonds for taking care of her roads, she could go back to the data and get the exact amount of money she would have to have to put the roads in tip-top shape and have her election.

This seems to us as being a good way to get at the thing. Then the fellow living out west, east, south or north of town, as the case may be, could not kick at a bond issue because of the fact that the road he had to travel over might not be benefited. Every community would favor a bond issue if she felt that her roads would be put in good shape by spending as much money on them as that particular community would vote bonds for.

We have the engineer now and while we have him would be fine time to make such a move. We all want good roads, why not get busy and get them?

POULTRY WANTED

We are always in the market for poultry and will pay you top prices for fryers, broilers, pullets, hens, roosters, ducks, geese and turkeys. Bring us anything you have in the line of poultry. Mayhew Produce Co. 6-6

Mr. and Mrs. Tom White and Misses Pearl Land and Helena Ross went to San Antonio last Sunday to spend a few days visiting and taking in the sights.

I have a barrel of nice keg pickles which I am selling out at 75 cents per gallon. J. J. Johnson. a10

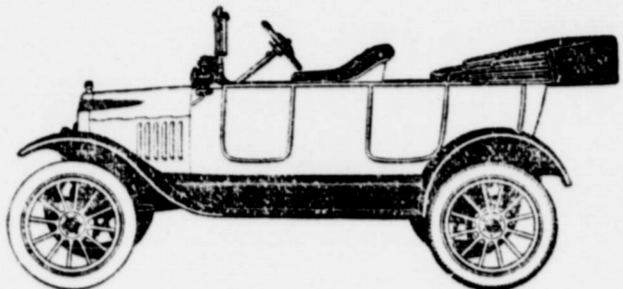
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ellebracht were here Monday from the Louis Kettner ranch. Mr. E. reports a heavy rain in his section the night before and says that a little hail fell. He says that he has the finest looking corn that he has seen this year and that his oats are also very fine.

Why not dye that straw hat? We have a complete assortment of colors.—Mason Drug Co.

HAVE YOU BOUGHT YOUR THRIFT STAMP TODAY? SAVE AND SUCCEED!

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We are experienced, and know how to give service to the owners of Ford cars. We have the same methods, machinery and skill that they have in the Ford Factory, and we use the same PARTS made by the Ford Motor Company. Ford owners are doubly guaranteed by us as to the reliability of our service on Ford cars. Don't try to do it yourself, bring your car here. Incidentally we are getting a few Ford cars and are able to make fairly good deliveries.



L. F. ECKERT

CANANEA LOOTED BY VILLA BANDITS

Douglas, Ariz.—Twenty-two mounted bandits Thursday night raided the town of Cananea, Sonora, robbed a bank, killed five police officers and the city jailer and released all prisoners.

Cananea, Sonora, is one of the most famous copper mining camps in Mexico. It is credited with having been the "cradle of the revolution" as the riots there in June, 1906, were claimed to have been the forerunner of revolutions which swept the republic later.

The camp is considered an American camp, as a majority of the copper properties of any size are owned by American companies. The largest of these is the Cananea Consolidated Copper Company, founded by the late William C. Greene and later sold to the Coleryan syndicate of New York. These properties are among the most extensive in northern Mexico.

The bank reported to have been robbed is an adjunct of the Cananea Copper Company and has its headquarters in a part of the general offices of the company.

The Mercantile Bank of Cananea is an American controlled institution, the principal owners being J. M. Gibbs of Cananea, and Frank Proctor of Los Angeles, Cal. Forty thousand dollars were taken from the bank, according to a telegram received Friday.

CATTLEMEN AND FARMERS

Why let your horses and cattle die when Salvat or Dr. LeGears Stock Powders might save them? Buy it in Mason from Mason Drug Company.

Tell the News the news

ENGLAND HAS NEGRO QUESTION TO SOLVE

Anxious Now to Be Rid of West African Laborers Used During War.

England has a negro problem on her hands. During the war negro colonies were established in various English towns, all the men having been brought from West Africa. They went to England as seamen and, tempted by munition wages and the shortage of labor, settled down there.

Many of the negroes formed temporary alliances with white women. Although some of these alliances ended in marriage, there were clergymen who refused to assist in such unions. The police and social workers agreed that the conditions which have followed on the negro immigration are serious.

The negroes are natural dandies, and one has been seen to wear a bracelet, a chain and heavy locket round his neck, and a large silk handkerchief hanging from the back of his coat. They hold noisy carousals and the authorities have been obliged to borrow from America a word to describe the police squad assigned to the negro quarters. It is called the "Dixie Patrol."

Lately many of the negroes have been thrown out of work and have received the government unemployment donation. They are now said to be anxious to return to Africa, but white sailors refuse to work with them and ships officers will not sign them on. The whites are equally desirous that the negroes shall depart, and it is probable that the colonial office will grant them passage money.

HER OWN GUARDIAN

Girl Files Final Report Upon Her Own Estate.

A legal proceeding unprecedented at Evansville, Ind., according to authorities, was the filing of a final report the other day on her own estate by Miss Wilhelmina Charlotte Rold.

Miss Rold, who became of age recently, had been the ward of Miss Emma Roach, a school teacher who died recently. Miss Roach, although responsible as guardian for Miss Rold's property, turned the money in trust over to the girl a few years ago to use as she saw fit. Miss Rold has reported the settlement of the guardianship in her own name through Frank C. Gore, her attorney.

Glad the Horse Kicked Him.

"I am thankful that horse kicked me in the face on January 10," Private John A. Allen of Thompsonstown, Pa., announced when he reached home several days ago. He attributes the injury he suffered from the horse as being responsible for his early return to this country and discharge. He served for two weeks in the heaviest fighting in the Argonne Forest with a unit of engineers, and later was in a Paris hospital for several weeks with influenza and pneumonia.

MAPLE SYRUP FOR VARNISH

Boy Lapped It Up When It Was to Be Used Upon a Table.

Jay Bloom, attorney of Columbia City, Ind., is an "expert varnisher," and decided a few days ago to varnish an old table at his home. Soon after his little son Benton arrived on the scene. His father kept on at his work, but the more he stroked with his brush, the less varnish seemed to stick.

The son began to lap up a little of the varnish out of the dish Mr. Bloom had put it in and then remonstrated against further use of it. Mrs. Bloom told him not to eat it, "for it was poison." But the child complained to his mother that "daddy is painting the table with maple syrup and he says it's varnish."

Mr. Bloom had exchanged a varnish can for a maple syrup can, as they are similar, and was using the syrup without knowing it was not varnish. And maple syrup sells for \$1.75 a gallon.

J. H. Dobbs and son were here Monday from the Katemey section. Mr. Dobbs stated that he had been "under the weather" recently and it seemed hard for him to get "straightened out."

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THE SKIN BEAUTIFIER



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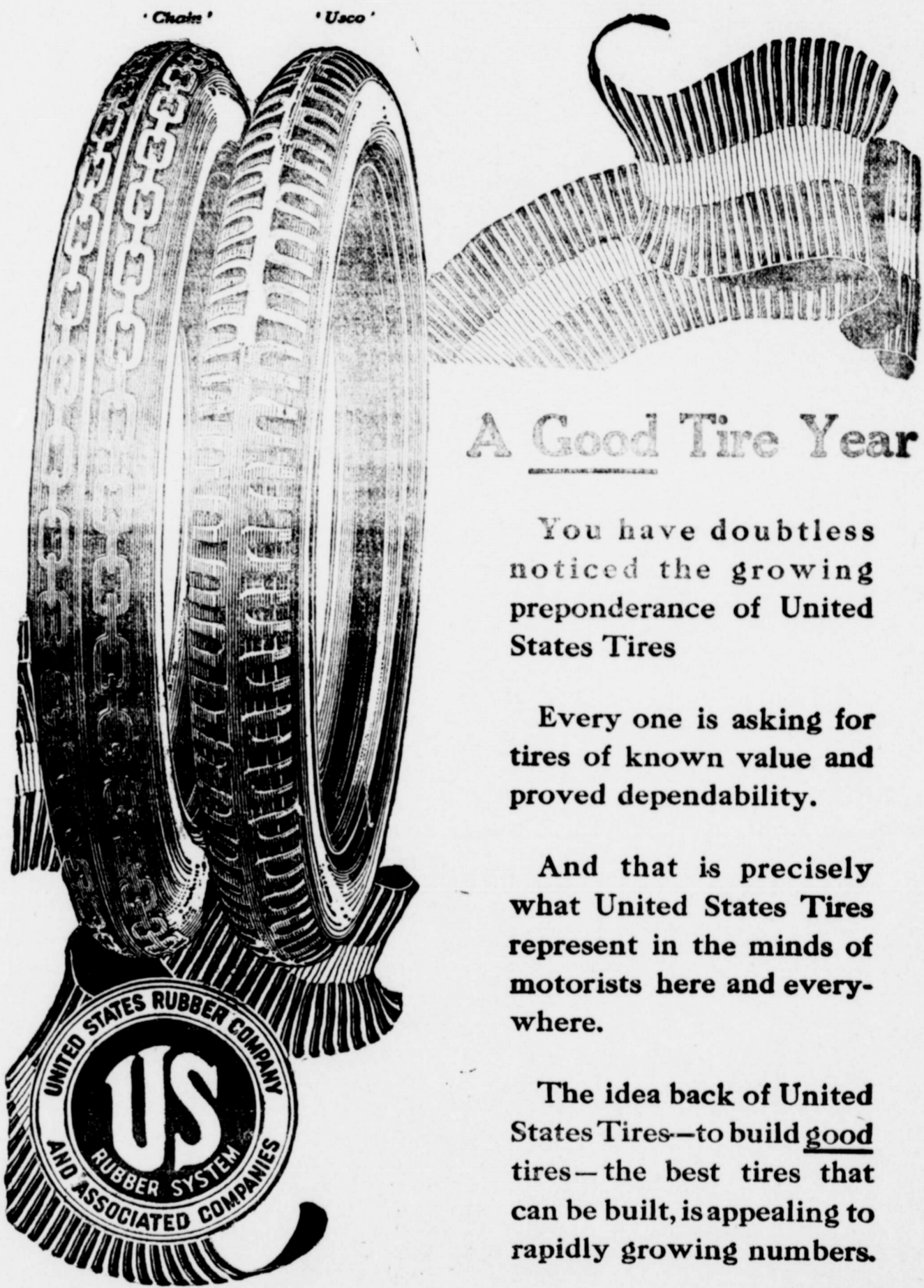
Beauty, even skin deep, should be protected and improved. Tan-No-More, the ideal face preparation, does both. It is a sure protection against the beaming sun or blistering wind, and at the same time helps rebuild tissues. It brings to the skin that velvety softness of youth.

Applied to the face before going into the open, Tan-No-More insures full protection against the elements. Used before going out in the evening, it assures a faultless complexion. Thousands of testimonials declare Tan-No-More is superior.

You can have a clear, smooth, attractive skin by using this guaranteed beautifier. Sample for the asking. At toilet counters, 35c, 50c and \$1. Tints, white and flesh.

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DALLAS, TEXAS

Roy Capps was given the Master's degree in Masonry last Tuesday night, the local lodge conferring the work.



A Good Tire Year

You have doubtless noticed the growing preponderance of United States Tires

Every one is asking for tires of known value and proved dependability.

And that is precisely what United States Tires represent in the minds of motorists here and everywhere.

The idea back of United States Tires—to build good tires—the best tires that can be built, is appealing to rapidly growing numbers.

We can provide you with United States Tires to meet—and meet exactly—your individual needs.

United States Tires are Good Tires

We know United States Tires are good tires. That's why we sell them.

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Helps Sick Women

Cardui, the woman's tonic, helped Mrs. William Eversole, of Hazel Patch, Ky. Read what she writes: "I had a general breaking-down of my health. I was in bed for weeks, unable to get up. I had such a weakness and dizziness, . . . and the pains were very severe. A friend told me I had tried everything else, why not Cardui? . . . I did, and soon saw it was helping me . . . After 12 bottles, I am strong and well."

TAKE

CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

Do you feel weak, dizzy, worn-out? Is your lack of good health caused from any of the complaints so common to women? Then why not give Cardui a trial? It should surely do for you what it has done for so many thousands of other women who suffered—it should help you back to health.

Ask some lady friend who has taken Cardui. She will tell you how it helped her. Try Cardui.

All Druggists

J. 67

GERMAN MIND HAS GONE WILD

Nation Is Struggling Under Temporary Insanity.

DELUSIONS AS TO PEACE

People Believe Germany Was Not Beaten Militarily, but Simply Got Hungry and Sick of War and Therefore Accepted Entente Conditions—They Now Talk of the "Next War" and Revenge While Their Nation Perishes.

German psychology has always baffled the rest of the world, or at least those who tried to understand why a German thought as he did. The world is due for a still worse baffling if it tries to understand what goes on in the German mind today.

Mentally, the German mind, suddenly thrown upon its own resources by the fall of the old system which fed

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people thoughts as well as food, has gone wild. Under the strain of the war and due to the sudden changes, the Germans have become childlike psychologically. This is taking Germans generally.

Thoughtful, serious Germans, when you occasionally find them, realize the temporary insanity, if it can be called that, under which the Germans as a nation are struggling.

It is the only way of understanding the lack of realization as to the real condition of things, a wave of which has swept Germany. No one looks farther than his nose, and every man and woman is interested entirely in his or her immediate self. There is little broad vision expressed in papers, in speeches, or in personal opinion as you hear them in Germany.

Talk of "Next War."

To cite specific cases. The peace and why it was signed is one of the German delusions. Practically every man, woman and child believes Germany was not defeated militarily, but simply got hungry and sick of war, and therefore accepted the entente conditions. This belief prevails in spite of the public statements of men like Erzberger, who have told the Germans their armies were defeated militarily.

Perhaps this belief fosters the talk regarding "the next war." Not only occasionally but frequently, and by all classes of people you are asked: "Well, when is the next war coming?" Often Germans go further than that and speak specifically of the "next war with France to get revenge." There is war talk on all hands, though Germany is in a state of collapse that is almost hopeless, and is entirely dependent upon the will of the allies for her future.

How much the German believes of what he says is another matter. Probably he is out of his head, but this same disinclination to realize actual conditions as they were led the German to support the military class during the first four years of the war. The German apparently does not think things out any more than he did.

In his attitude regarding the entente the German manifests about the same breadth of vision. Papers are filled with vindictive articles, much of which is furnished by bureaus established for the purpose in Holland and Switzerland, which carry sensation rather than news.

Whether this campaign to stir up

hatred is organized is not certain. But the fact remains that Germans are being inspired with a hatred of France that never existed before, and that makes being good neighbors the more difficult.

Strikes Now the Rage.

It is no uncommon thing for half a dozen or more strikes to occur because one group of people demand better pay, or because a law is not passed as quickly as a certain class wishes. No doubt the conditions are bad, but the strikes for sympathy just make them worse. Employers find that workmen who have come from the front are only half as efficient, not because they are out of practice, but because of the abnormal psychology under which they live now. Mentally, they have become bolshevik, erratic and lazy.

This wave of irresponsibility is one of the greatest dangers Germany faces and makes the establishment of the new republic extremely difficult. The government claims it is due to undernourishment, which is partly true, but not entirely, since groups of men who have been well fed are subject to the same germ of loose thinking.

One of the results of the war has been the lack of respect for law and order and a carelessness with human life. It has made the Germans ready to use arms for any small issue they deem unsettleable otherwise.

Probably it will be a question of years before the German becomes clear-headed and clear-thinking. He started out with an abnormal psychology, inspired by conceit, and the war gradually made him ripe for the mental collapse that took place with the revolution.

Former King's Grandson Leads Revolt. A grandson of King Johannes of Abyssinia, who died in 1880, has revolted and declared himself king under the name of Theodore. The government has sent out a punitive expedition to put down the rebellion.

Japan has 80 artificial dye factories, with an annual capacity in excess of 10,000,000 pounds.

Nice fresh keg kraut. Cheap. J. J. Johnson.

I have a barrel of nice keg pickles which I am selling out at 75 cents per gallon. J. J. Johnson.

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SIZE	PLAIN	NON-SKID	TUBES
30X3	\$14.10	\$16.85	\$3.30
30X3 1/2	17.90	20.80	3.70
32X3 1/2	21.40	24.45	4.05
31X4	27.45	31.85	5.25
32X4	29.00	33.75	5.35
33X4	30.05	33.90	5.50
34X4	30.20	35.00	5.60

Good Year Tires and Tubes

30X3	10.95		2.25
30X3 1/2	13.85	15.10	2.75
32X3 1/2	14.75	17.95	2.85
31X4	17.10	19.80	3.35
32X4	19.60	23.60	3.45
33X4	20.70	25.20	3.60

Defiance Tires

30X3	10.35		
30X3 1/2		14.15	

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SEE US FOR AUTO SEAT home of her uncle, Eugene Zesch. COVERS. McCOLLUM AUTO CO.

Miss Hilda Zesch came in on Monday of last week from Oklahoma for a visit with her father, W. A. Zesch, and other relatives. She is visiting this week at the ranch

Parties who appreciate fine stationery and good Bond Papers should call around at the News Office and see our line.

Our want ads are result bringers

ICE!

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Our ice truck makes regular rounds every morning. Let us have our driver leave a chunk at your place each day.

No truck on Sunday, but the factory is open until 10 a. m.

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Be a Regular at the Receiving Teller's Window!

Make a bank deposit at least once a week. If you haven't a bank account start one today. And, once started, promise yourself that you'll add to it.

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MRS. ANDREWS

The corpse of Mrs. M. C. Andrews was taken through Mason last Tuesday morning enroute for the Long Mountain Cemetery at which place interment was made. Mrs. Andrews died on Monday morning at her home near Cherokee at the age of 82 years and some months. The deceased is the mother of Mrs. Jno W. Walker of this place and was well known by many Mason County people having resided at Erna, this county many years ago. Rev. Garrett conducted the funeral services which were held Tuesday afternoon.

BIRTHS

Since our last report the following births have been recorded by County Clerk, S. C. Brockman: Mr. and Mrs. Ery'n Geistweidt, a girl, (stillborn) May 10. Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Alexander, a girl, May 5th.

Nice fresh keg kraut. Cheap. J. J. Johnson.

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Next Sunday May 18, A. M. Rev. G. Rapp will conduct the services at the Lutheran Church in the German language. Rev. Rapp was the minister of the St. Paul's congregation twenty eight years ago. Next Sunday is to be a day in remembrance of Rev. Rapp and the congregation. All members, and friends are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Baird and little Miss Nadene, and John Baird's two children who are making their home with Mr. and Mrs. Baird, came down last Wednesday from the ranch in Menard county for a visit and to bring Miss Edna Baird, who will remain in Mason for a visit with Misses Mayme Bickenbach and Pearl Land. Mr. Baird says that his section is needing rain at the present as they have not been favored with as much as has this. He says that the oil prospects on the Los Moras ranch of Mr. Chas. Martin is looking better all the time.

SPECIAL REQUEST

To All Methodists and Friends of the Methodist Church:

You are cordially invited and urgently requested to attend the special Centenary services to be held at the church on Sunday May 18th, 1919. The Centenary program and plan will be laid before the church in full. No member of the church must be absent, and all friends will be interested to hear the details of the greatest movement inaugurated by the church explained. The big drive starts at noon.

COME. You cannot afford to remain away.

John T. Banks, Campaign Director
I. E. Wood, Pastor.
S. A. McCollum, Church Lay Leader.

A. C. Lumburg, S. S. Superintendent
Mrs. J. T. Banks, Pres. W. M. S.

JUNCTION VISITORS

COMING

The News has been informed that on next Monday a crowd of Good Road Boosters from Junction and London will visit Mason and a mass meeting will be held at the court house that afternoon at two o'clock. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the proposition of getting the highway which comes to Mason from Austin and goes on west. The Junction people are trying to get the highway thru Kimble county and have asked that our citizens arrange to meet with them and give them a hearing on the above date.

The Mason Commercial Club will entertain the Kimble people by serving them dinner.

Everybody is invited to be present at the meeting at the court house Monday afternoon and especially all who are interested in good roads.

WILL YOU FAVOR US?

The News always considers it a favor when we receive news items over the phone. We want all the news we can get, and appreciate it for YOU to phone 57 when you know a personal item or any other item of local interest.

Phone 57

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If all the tired, overworked, run-down women in this community could realize how our delicious Vinol, which contains Beef and Cod Liver Peptones, Iron and Manganese Peptonates and Glycerophosphates supplies the vital elements necessary to enrich the blood and create working strength, we wouldn't be able to supply the demand.

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Burdett, N. Y. "I keep house for my family of three, and raise chickens. I had a nervous breakdown, so I was unable to work. The doctor did not seem to help me, and a cousin asked me to try Vinol. It built me up—I now have a good appetite and am well and strong."—Mrs. Loyal Palmer.

For all run-down, nervous, anemic conditions, weak women, overworked men, feeble old people and delicate children, there is no remedy like Vinol.

Vinol Creates Strength

Mason Drug Co. and Druggists Everywhere.

The Commissioners Court is quite busy this term and it is likely that it will be in session for another week.

Are you prepared to vote intelligently? If not better read up some. So far as the News is concerned we are going to do quite a bit of scratching.

Next Saturday a week is the day of election, at which time four proposed amendments to the State Constitution are to be voted on.

The News learns with regret of the illness of Mr. Ery Hamilton, and we trust that he will soon be able to be out.



The Flow of Meat

Two-thirds of the live stock in the United States has to be raised in the West.

One-half of the consumers of meat live in the East.

In other words, most of the live stock is one or two thousand miles distant from most of the people who need it in the form of food.

Fifty years ago, when live stock was raised close to every consuming center, the country butcher could handle the job after a fashion.

But the job got too big.

Now millions of animals have to be moved hundreds of miles to millions of people. Somewhere on the way they have to be turned into meat.

The packers solved the problem. They set up plants where the "live haul" and the "meat haul" were in the right balance. They built up distributing systems—refrigerator cars, refrigerating plants, branch houses. They saved time, money and meat everywhere. The stockraiser benefited in better markets and higher prices; the consumer, in better meat and lower prices.

As the country grew, the packers had to grow, or break down. Because of its present size and efficiency, Swift & Company is able to perform its part in this service at a fraction of a cent per pound profit.

Swift & Company, U. S. A.

DOUGHBOYS SCHOOL HAS 6,000 PUPILS

Reports of Work of A. E. F. University Given Out.

OPEN IN BEAUNE, FRANCE

Several Thousand Other American Soldiers Studying in Famous Schools Abroad—One Morning a Week Given Over at Doughboy College to Department of Citizenship, for Work in Civics, General Information and Foreign Relations.

Doughboy college, a university for soldiers only; already one of the largest schools in the world, is booming along with 6,000 students pursuing its 200 different courses at Beaune, 20 miles south of Dijon, France. This is the American Expeditionary Force university and it is certainly one of the most interesting educational institutions in the world.

Secretary Stokes of Yale, chairman of the committee which has represented in this country the army educational commission, has received detailed reports of the work of the A. E. F. university thriving on alien, if friendly soil. The university is composed of these colleges: agriculture, arts, business, education, engineering, industry, trades, journalism, law, letters, medical sciences, music and science.

The preliminary catalogue shows more than 200 different courses, the largest number being in agriculture, engineering, letters and science. A student at Beaune can carry on almost the same work as he could at a representative American university. Under economics and social sciences, for instance, are the following courses: fundamental economic theory, economic history, trusts, labor problems, elementary sociology, social psychology, social problems, modern philanthropy, transportation, delinquency, modern social theories, money and banking, corporation finance and modern social betterment movements.

An interesting feature is that the Saturday mornings' work is given over entirely to the department of citizenship, for work in civics, general information and foreign relations. The teaching faculty includes over 500 men drawn from the army and from the experts—several hundred in number—sent over by the Y. M. C. A. for developing the plans of the army educational commission.

The organization of the university includes a superintendent, Colonel Reeves, formerly president of Norwich university, Vermont; an educational director, Professor Erskine of Columbia university, chairman of the army educational commission; the directors of the various schools, the faculty, etc. Each term is for three months, the first term being March, April and May; the second, June, July and August. Each student carries as a minimum three lectures or recitation hours daily during five days of the week and four and a half hours daily in study periods, Saturday afternoons and Sundays are free.

Many in Allied Schools. In addition to the university at Beaune, the army educational commission has arranged for students to attend British and French universities. A recent cable from London reports the enrollment of American soldiers on detached service in British universities as follows: Oxford 200, Cambridge 205, London 725, Edinburgh 215, Glasgow 265, Sheffield 20, Bristol 21, Birmingham 75, Manchester 75.

In France there are 2,000 students at the Sorbonne in Paris alone. Of these 400 are in law, 650 in letters, 798 in science and 150 in medicine. The number at the Sorbonne is so great that it has been necessary to appoint a special American reference librarian, namely, Capt. A. Law Vogue of the Engineering corps, former reference librarian of the Mechanics Institute in San Francisco.

About 2,000 American students are at the other French universities, including a large number at Bordeaux, Toulouse and Grenoble. At each of these universities there is an American army officer in charge and a representative of the army educational commission as a sort of dean of students. No student is detailed to a French university unless he has had at least two years' work at an American college and agrees to remain to complete the three months' term.

The officers and professors of the French universities have done everything in their power to facilitate the studies of American students. For instance, Mme. Curie at the Sorbonne, who with her husband discovered the element radium, has set apart certain hours for the reception of American students in the Radium Institute.

Special emphasis is being placed on agricultural education, an army farm

school having been opened at Aubry April 1. It is under the supervision of President Butterfield of the Massachusetts agricultural college, a member of the army educational commission. It takes care of students who are not sufficiently advanced to pursue agricultural courses at the university in Beaune. More than 1,000 are in attendance and about 550 acres of land are available for farm demonstration work. In addition to these facilities, agricultural "institutes" covering three days are being held at various places.

Correspondence School Also. Another important development is that of the correspondence college. The subjects in which students may take correspondence work are as follows: Civics and citizenship, salesmanship and personal development, gas engines, automobiles, farm management, arithmetic, geometry, history of the United States, shorthand, algebra, trigonometry, shop arithmetic, advanced shop mathematics, steam boilers, heat and steam engines.

In addition to the above opportunities there is, as already announced, a system of post schools in the army, which has been developed by Frank Spaulding, superintendent of public schools of Cleveland, who, with Professor Erskine and President Butterfield, make up the army educational commission sent over by the Y. M. C. A. These give instruction in common school subjects and lead up to divisional high schools, where the instruction is midway in grade between that of the post schools and of the university.

General orders No. 30, issued by General Pershing February 13, provides for following subjects for divisional high schools:

1. Vocational and Industrial: Carpentry, telephone repair; telegraphy, wire; telegraphy, wireless; land surveying, road construction, horseshoeing, automobile repairing, cobbling, tailoring, barbering, cooking, baking, nursing, agriculture, salesmanship.

2. General: Algebra, trigonometry, mechanical drawing, economics, American and English literature, advanced French, Italian, Spanish, German, advanced history, etc.

Running through the whole educational plan abroad is the emphasis on citizenship. Not only is instruction in this subject emphasized at the various schools but "institutes" are held at various places for intensive instruction. The first of these began in Verdun March 26. The troops were brought in by their commanding officers in groups of 200 to 500; speakers presented problems of public health, community betterment, economic relations, etc. Exhibits and motion pictures were used to enforce the lessons.

Vocational Guidance Provided. Emphasis is also being placed on vocational guidance. A group of experts is stationed at Le Mans, where most of the troops are quartered for several weeks before sailing home. Here everything possible is done to supply soldiers with information regarding the industrial situation in America, and to give the men personal advice as to trades and occupations. Commenting on this movement Mr. Stokes said:

"The army, with the help of the educational commission sent over by the Y. M. C. A., has developed one of the most interesting school and college systems ever inaugurated. It should have a great influence in helping to maintain morale during the trying months of demobilization and in fitting men for larger usefulness on their return.

"Too much credit cannot be given to General Rees, the officer directly in charge, formerly chairman of the committee on education and special training of the war department, and to the army educational commission. The American Library association has also helped enormously by providing reference libraries in all large centers, while the Y. M. C. A. has sent over about 1,500,000 textbooks, covering almost every branch of knowledge. In many cases as many as 10,000 to 25,000 textbooks of a single type have been ordered.

"The work has now become so far reaching and important that I am glad to see that plans long under consideration have resulted in its being taken over entirely by the government."

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We are prepared to clean and reblock hats in a first class manner and prices are very reasonable.
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The little 6 day old child of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Pike, who reside near Streeter, died last week and the interment was made on the 12th at the Coffey Cemetery.

NOTICE
I am now assessing taxes for Mason Independent School District. And those who find it convenient to call at my place of business when in town will do me a favor by giving me their rendition.
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Tax Assessor Mason Independent School District.

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ELECTION PROCLAMATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Mason;

To each Presiding Judge of Election of each Precinct in Mason County, Texas:

You are hereby commanded that you open the polls for an election for or against prohibition; for or against the amendment to Section 2 Article 6, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing qualifications for male and female voters; for or against the amendment to Section 5, of Article IV, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, in regard to the salary of the Governor of the State of Texas; for or against the amendment to Section 50, Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing that the Legislature shall have power to give or lend or authorize the giving or lending of the credit of the State for the purpose of assisting citizens who are heads of families to acquire or improve their homes; at your place designated by law as the voting place of said precinct, ON THE TWENTY-FOURTH DAY OF MAY, 1919, and that you keep said polls open during the hours designated by law to-wit: From 8 o'clock A. M. to 7 o'clock P. M., and that you proceed, in conjunction with the judges and clerks of said election, and in accordance with law, to count the votes polled in said precinct at said election, and thereupon, after certifying correct returns thereof officially, in triplicate in connection with said judges and clerks, you seal up and deliver through one of the judges of the election, on or before the Monday next following the day of election, one copy thereof to the County

Judge of this county, one copy of said returns to the County Clerk of said county, to be kept by him in his office open to inspection by the public for twelve months from the day of the election, and the third copy of said returns to be retained by the presiding officer of the election for twelve months from the day of election. Said returns must show: First, the total number of votes polled at such box; second, the number polled for and against each amendment, accompanied with poll and tally lists.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, and of this writ make due return, with your endorsement thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and official seal at Mason, Texas this first day of May A. D. 1919.

C. H. Garrett, County Judge
Mason County Texas.

Dr. Le Gears Stock Powders, Buy it in Mason from Mason Drug Company

Justice Thorne held court a few days ago and bound John Cranford over for action of the Grand Jury in the sum of \$750. Bondsmen are John Leslie and S. C. Brockman.

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with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions, and in order to cure it you must take an internal remedy. Hall's Catarrh Medicine is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Hall's Catarrh Medicine was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years. It is composed of some of the best tonics known, combined with some of the best blood purifiers. The perfect combination of the ingredients in Hall's Catarrh Medicine is what produces such wonderful results in catarrhal conditions. Send for testimonials, free.
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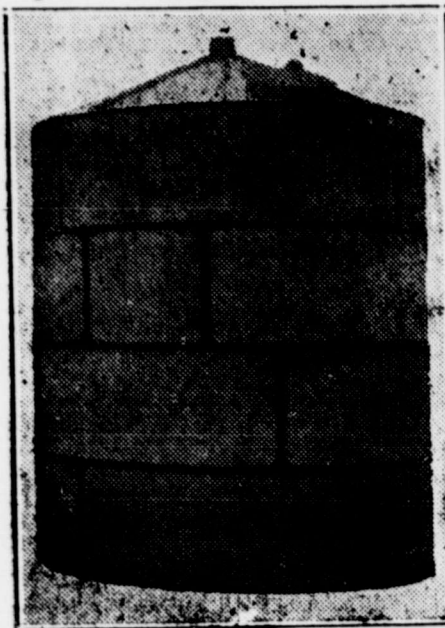
No doubt you have received copy of our mimeograph report of records of tick eradication for the month of April. Wish to state that we are highly pleased with the record made of dippings and inspections for the month making a total of 67,410 herds and 1,024,429 cattle. This is the best monthly record made on tick eradication work under the direction of the Fort Worth State and Bureau offices. We should all be proud of this record and at the same time endeavor to make a greater record for the succeeding months.

I may state for the information of all employees that cattle owners of Burnet County hired local attorneys for assisting the county authorities in prosecuting violations of the tick eradication rules and regulations. One cattle owner was fined twenty-five dollars for refusing to dip four cows. It is believed that cattle owners in other counties who are considerably interested in tick eradication, could be induced to take similar action in their respective counties.

Yours truly,
Dr. H. Grafke,
Inspector in Charge.

If you would like to have accident or health insurance, I have just the kind of a policy you need. No trouble to show and explain the different policies and quote premiums. Martin D. Loring, agent for the Maryland Assurance Corporation.

Tell the News the news.



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LLANO, TEXAS.

ELABORATE PROGRAM FOR TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

Members From Throughout the State Will Deliver Addresses on Timely Subjects.

The Texas Press Association will hold its fortieth annual convention in San Antonio June 12-14. Secretary Sam P. Harben of Richardson has announced details of the convention and the program that has been arranged.

Convention headquarters will be maintained at the Gunter Hotel, and the sessions will be held in the ballroom of the hotel. Arrangements have been made for a special train out of Dallas to carry the delegates from the north, east and west portions of the state who will gather in Dallas as a starting point.

The feature of the convention will be a patriotic session with a special program covering half a day. A service flag will be presented to the association by Mrs. J. L. Landrum of Austin in behalf of the Girls' Canning Clubs of Texas. This flag will show the number of members who have served or are serving their country.

The program as announced is as follows:

"Is the Public Office a Public Trust, or a Sinecure?" Governor Will P. Hobby, Lieutenant Governor W. A. Johnson, State Controller Henry B. Terrell, Railroad Commissioner C. E. Gilmore, Commissioner of Banking and Insurance George Waverly Briggs and State Game, Fish and Oyster Commissioner William G. Sterrett. All these are former active newspaper men of Texas.

Musical selections, Mr. and Mrs. R.

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Hunt's Salve, formerly called Hunt's Cure is guaranteed to stop and permanently cure that terrible itching. It is compounded for that purpose and four times money will be promptly refunded without question if Hunt's Salve fails to cure Eczema, Tetter, Ring Worm or any other skin disease, for the box.

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Get your cement from Harry Bierschwale.

Mrs. Ben Pluennke entertained the Ladies Aid Society of the Christian church last Monday afternoon.

Kenny Kothmann was in town last Monday from the ranch near Castell. Kenny stated that they had been getting plenty of rain in that section but their farm in Menard county has been needing rain and so far has gotten but very little.

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Marveseal will fix that leaky roof fireproof, Waterproof and Airtight. Cheaper than paint. Unconditional guarantee for 10 years. Make no mistake. There is only one original. That is Marveseal Asbestos Fiber Roof Cement. Shingle, Metal or Paper Roofs. Sold on three months time. Beautify your home, stop your leaks, go to bed and do not worry about fire from bad flues.

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T. Craig, Athens Review.

"How I Secure Foreign Advertising," Buford O. Brown, Vernon Record, and John Hibdon, Pecos Enterprise.

"Taking Wildcat Oil Advertising," George O. Boynton, Hamilton Herald, and W. A. Smith, San Saba News.

"Propaganda Advertising," Dean Will H. Mayes, University School of Journalism, Austin, and John F. Lubben, general manager, Galveston News.

"Just Rambling," James H. Lowry, Honey Grove Signal.

Reading, Mrs. Gertrude H. Alkine, San Antonio.

"Putting Needed Jazz into the State Organization," Arthur Lefevre, Houston Texico Star.

"Zone System of Postage for Publications," Congressman J. J. Mansfield of Ninth Texas District.

Patriotic session, to be addressed by Hon. R. E. L. Knight of Dallas, Hon. A. P. Barrett of San Antonio and Mrs. J. L. Landrum, Texas Girls' Canning Clubs, Austin.

Presentation of service flag. Addresses by Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. members who have been overseas.

Music by military band. Address by commanding officer at Camp Travis.

Musical selection, patriotic, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Craig, Athens Review.

"Memories," Jud Mortimer Lewis, Houston Post.

"Exchange—Better Fraternal Feeling as a Result," Colonel William A. Bowen, Arlington (Tex.) Farm and Fireside.

"The Follow-Up System on Subscription Expiration," Sam A. Roberts, Haskell Free Press, and J. W. Harrell, Atlanta Citizen Journal.

"Getting Rich in the Oil Game," Edgar P. Haney, Wichita Falls Tribune.

"What the Texas Press Association Can Do for Advertising," O. S. Bruck, vice president Southwestern Advertising Agency, Dallas.

"Why? Applying to News and Job Stocks," Harry Olmstead, manager Southwestern Paper Company, Dallas.

"Advertising in Texas—Co-Operation With Results," W. C. L'Arcy, president D'Arcy Advertising Agency, St. Louis.

"The World's Messenger, The Press," Mrs. J. L. Landrum, Texas Girls' Canning Clubs, Austin.

"A Fish Out of Water, or a Penny Ante," Major N. P. Houx, former publisher Mexia Daily Herald.

"Printing the News as It Happens—Without Hope or Reward," J. O. Boehmer, Eagle Pass News-Guide.

"Advertising Taken from Various Angles," Dr. S. P. Brooks, president Baylor University, Waco.

"The Necessity of Closer Relationship Between State and National Associations," the Hon. George E. Homer, chairman legislative committee, National Editorial Association, Denver, Colo.

"The Managing Editor," Tom C. Gooch, Dallas Times-Herald.

"Legislation—Needed Changes," Lee Satterwhite, president Panhandle Press Association and editor Panhandle Herald.

"Annual Essay," Miss Irene Davidson, College of Industrial Arts, Denton.

"Annual Poem," Miss Margie Neal, Carthage.

"Annual Oration," George Waverly Briggs, Austin.

Two Ellington Aviators Killed.

Houston, Tex.—Falling from an unknown height while flying over Deer Park Tuesday, Lieutenants Henry C. Mucke and J. P. Haddock of the United States aviation service, stationed at Ellington Field, were instantly killed.

SURPLUS FUNDS CAN BE USED ONLY FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES

Austin, Tex.—The attorney general's department has rendered an opinion banks may be used for the following purposes only: To increase its capital stock, to pay off and satisfy bad loans and obligations due by it and to loan to its customers as other moneys of the banks are loaned, and to invest the same in securities in the manner provided by law.

Josephus.

Flavius Josephus, the most celebrated of Jewish historians, was born at Jerusalem in 37. As a mark of gratitude for favors, he assumed the family name, Flavius, of the Roman emperor Vespasian. The date of his death is unknown. His most important works are "History of the Jewish War," "The Antiquities of the Jews," two treatises, "Against Apion of Alexandria" and "A Discourse on the Martyrdom of the Maccabees," and an account of his own life.

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BIG SUM FROM LICENSE FEES FOR TEXAS ROADS

State Probably Will Receive 1200 Government Trucks for Highway Building Work.

Austin, Tex.—The report of the chief clerk of the state highway department for the period ending April 30, 1919, shows that \$1,077,519.26 has been deposited to the credit of the state highway construction fund since the first of the year. This amount represents one-half of the total license fees paid during the first four months of the year for road purposes. The other half of these fees has been retained by the several counties in which the collections were made. The amounts retained by the counties constitute special county road maintenance funds.

The federal bureau of public roads has been furnished by the war department with a provisional list of surplus army trucks, available for allotment by the federal bureau to the several states to be used in road building work. The total number of trucks now available is 20,000. The trucks have a carrying capacity of two, three and five tons. The number of trucks that Texas will be entitled to receive under the tentative plan made for allotment of the trucks is 1,200. The tentative plan provides for their distribution by the federal bureau to the counties of states through the several state highway departments.

The figures available indicate the total carrying capacity of all privately owned trucks now in use in Texas is very little more than the total carrying capacity of the 1200 big army trucks that Texas will get.

We can save you money on Tires. McCollum Auto Co.

900,000-MILLION-BUSHEL WHEAT CROP FORECAST

Washington.—The greatest crop of the winter wheat ever produced in any country is in prospect for this year's harvest. Friday's forecast of production, estimated by the department of agriculture, places its size at almost 900,000,000 bushels—in exact figures, 899,915,000—which would make this year's harvest worth \$2,034,000,000 at the government's price guarantee of \$2.26 a bushel.

Kansas is producing an enormous crop, the forecast of production for that state being almost 22 per cent of the country's total indicated output. Oklahoma has a forecast of slightly more than 54,000,000.

The acreage is the largest on record, and the area abandoned from winter killing, overflows and other causes is extremely low—1.1 per cent. Growing conditions have been splendid, and the crop from April 1 to May 1 made an improvement, bringing it to 100.5 per cent of normal, which is the highest condition on record for May 1. Continued good growing conditions from now to time of harvest might result in a crop larger than 900,000,000 bushels.

Tell the News the news

Mr. and Mrs. Kurt Martin and children were down a few days the past week from the Block House ranch. Kurt stated that the rains of a few days previous had been light in his section.

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