

# Mason County News.

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MASON, TEXAS, THURSDAY MAY 29 1919.

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## Two Days Celebration at Mason July 3rd and 4th—Famous Reunion Grounds Big, Free Barbecue on Second Day THE CITIZENS OF MASON EXTEND A HEARTY WELCOME TO ALL. COME! WATCH FOR FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 25 YEARS AGO

From Mason News, June 1, 1894:  
A pleasant dance was given at the home of R. C. Doell Monday night.  
A party composed of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Kooek, Messes Hettie Todd, Clara Morrow, Eugenie McReynolds, Willie and Emmie Burnam and Messrs Marion Morrow and Ed Todd picnicked on the Llano river Wednesday.  
J. J. Williamson and Frank Husband are out through the county selling fruit trees.  
C. Heimberg and daughter Mollie spent a few days past in Brady.  
Miss Mamie Scarborough is getting up a subscription school to begin next Monday.  
Mrs. Guigenheim returned Tuesday from San Antonio, where she has been under treatment for her eyes, and is much improved.  
The young folks enjoyed a pleasant dance at the home of J. F. King of Wednesday evening.  
John D. May was hanged at Karnes City for murdering Frank Martin.  
James Kibbe will establish a Holstein dairy with headquarters at the W. H. H Miller place—Roswell Register.  
The El Paso council have ordained that women cannot wear the divided skirt in that town.

### 15 YEARS AGO

From Mason News, May 27, 1904:  
Little Clarice Thode entertained a number of her friends Friday on the occasion of her birthday.  
Polk Adams, charged with murder at Llano, was refused bail. His trial will be called Monday.  
Herman Zesch sold his woolclip Wednesday for 16 cents per pound. His sheep averaged him \$2.31 each. Miss Kitty Smith gave a pleasant birthday party Wednesday night.  
Miss Mary Leslie went to Menardville Sunday to visit relatives. Little Miss Carrie Willmann has a severe case of the measles.  
W. D. Payne spent last week in Houston attending a meeting of the State Pharmaceutical Association.  
A. W. Kooek is giving a chance on a zophonone with every dollar purchase.  
Messes Mary Harper and Ella Bierschwale tied for the medal given by Judge Jones for the pupil most perfect in attendance and deportment. The Mason High School Faculty had the medal duplicated and gave one to each of them.  
The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Pearl, at Saline ranch died on Monday, after a lingering illness of about two months.  
Miss Ruby Grandstaff is in Brady

### COMMISSIONERS COURT PROCEEDINGS

Be it remembered that the Hon. Commissioners Court of Mason County met in regular session at the Court House in the town of Mason, State of Texas, on Monday the 12th day of May A. D. 1919. All members were present with Judge C. H. Garrett presiding.  
T. C. Wartenbach was appointed Constable of Precinct No. 1.  
The sum of \$800.00 is hereby appropriated and is to be set aside annually out of the funds of Mason County to supplement the funds of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture and A. & M. College of Texas in paying the salary of the County Agent of the Farmers Cooperative Demonstration Work in Mason County. In event said court finds it necessary to revoke this order, same shall be passed on only during month of December next at a time near the close of the season's or year's work. Otherwise the order is to remain in effect from year to year.  
The following quarterly reports were examined and approved:  
C. H. Garrett, Co. Judge; John T. Banks, Co. Atty; S. C. Brockman, Dist. and Co. Clerk; Alva Tinsley, Co. Treas.; G. H. Willis, Sheriff; S. J. Thorne, J. P. Prec. No. 1; F. C. Wartenbach, Const. Prec. No. 1; J. W. Leslie, M. L. Webster, N. Z. Bethel, Hy Hoerster, Road Supervisors; Lee Smart and W. A. Zesch, outchurs.  
ACCOUNTS ALLOWED  
Adolph Heinrich, Work on Katemey slab .....12.50  
Chas. Leslie, Work on Katemey slab .....56.00  
Ernest Heinrich, Work on Katemey slab .....24.00  
Hy Doell, phone call ..... .50  
Wm. P. Carey, cement .....72.50  
Louis Jones, freight ..... 15.00  
Arthur Harkey, freight .....15.00  
P. Wartenbach, work on Katemey slab .....17.50  
H. Smart, work on Katemey slab .....28.00  
Louis Bruce, work on Katemey slab .....9.50  
W. F. Wartenbach, work on temey slab .....35.34  
C. E. Jordan, dragging highway ..... 8.00  
C. C. Webster, dragging highway .....10.00  
Wesley Leach, dragging highway ..... 8.00  
S. A. Express, advertising ..... 32.90  
Dallas News .....87.08  
Palestine Ptg. Co., Election Supplies .....22.50  
S. C. Brockman, Birth Records 9.50  
C. H. Garrett, stamps and express ..... 9.59  
Dr. McCollum, medical services 30.00  
Maverick Clark Co., Stationery 8.65  
H. J. Hofmann, paint, etc ..... 20.00  
R. Grosse, paints, etc ..... 4.25  
Herman Schmidt, Blacksmith work .....10.00  
S. C. Brockman, stamps and express, etc ..... 9.00  
Mason Co. News, Co. printing, stationery, etc ..... 94.85  
G. H. Willis, stamps, express etc ..... 5.00  
R. Grosse, lumber ..... 57.97  
Vedder Drug Co., court house

### ADKINSON--STANDKE

Miss Agnes McCullough, who taught in the local school the past session, left last Saturday morning for her home at Blum, near Dallas. Miss McCullough made many warm friends while here and she is especially well liked by the school children.  
Miss Mary H. Standke, graduate nurse, formerly of Austin, was married to Dr. O. B. Adkinson of Florence, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Gerdes Sunday, May 18 at 3:00 p. m. the Rev James F. Hardie officiating.  
The bride was handsomely dressed in a traveling suit, and carried a beautiful bouquet of white carnations. Both she and the groom presented a picture of supreme happiness while Rev. Hardie, in his usual impressive way performed the sacred rites and made them husband and wife.  
Immediately after the ceremony delicious refreshments were served after which the happy couple departed for their home in Florence.  
Miss Standke has many friends in Taylor, chief of whom are Mr. and Mrs. Gerdes, in whose home she often visited. Their friendship began when Miss Standke was called into the Gerdes home some seven years ago to nurse Mrs. Gerdes. It grew into a love which became mutual and Miss Standke always found a warm welcome there.  
Dr. Adkinson is a leading physician of Florence and well known in Masonic circles. While Miss Standke was nursing one of the doctor's patients they became friends, which ripened into love, resulting in the two souls with but a single thought, two hearts that beat as one.  
May their ship of matrimony be safely guided into the calm harbor of love, where happiness and love triumphant will crown them with joy.—Taylor Democrat.

### GILLESPIE CARRIES ROAD BOND ELECTION

The road bond election held in Gillespie county last Tuesday resulted in an overwhelming majority for the bonds. The vote was 75 for to only 61 against.  
"Hurrah for Gillespie!" Her voters have realized the value of good roads and they are now going to have them. This assures Gillespie county \$125,000 worth of government aid. The News congratulates our neighboring county—wish we had it.  
Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kettner and daughter, Miss Edna, returned home last week from a short visit with the family of Mr. August Mckel, who resides near San Angelo. Mr. Kettner says that on his return he found that a heavy hail did a great deal of damage in the Eden section. He said that crops in the San Angelo section are fine.  
We can save you money on Tires. McCollum Auto Co.  
Bruno Schneider came up last Saturday from Cherokee for a visit of a few days with his mother, Mrs. Mckel. Bruno says that he has a good job there on a ranch.  
Mrs. Alvin Plunkett, who has been visiting relatives in Burnet county, returned home last Saturday.  
Get your cement from Harry Bierschwale.  
MENARD TO HAVE NEW BANK

**CHAS. BIERSCHWALE**  
REAL ESTATE  
ABSTRACTOR AND NOTARY  
IN BUSINESS SINCE 1885  
MASON : : : TEXAS



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slim men, all men*

Different builds of men require a different pattern of fabric, if they are to have that quiet, refined, nicely dressed appearance. All our garments are made by expert tailors who know how to needle the style and fit into the clothes

CLEANING PRESSING ALTERING  
ALL WORK CASH. NO CREDIT.  
**HENSCH, THE TAILOR**  
WITH J. S. KING, THE JEWELER

the guest of Mrs. O. D. Mann.  
Miss Belle Campbell has been sick since the closing of school.  
Miss Ida Hofmann has about recovered from an attack of the measles.  
H. B. Cowles of Wills Point, was here last Friday. He is an applicant for the principalship of the Mason High School.  
Do you want any crockery ware, such as churns, milk pans, jugs or 5 gallon jars? We have a nice assortment.  
City Grocery Co.

Cleaning, pressing and dying. Hats cleaned and rebacked. Hensch, The Tailor.  
Last Friday marked the closing of the Mason School for the 1918 and 1919 session.  
George Moneynon is not only a good business man but is also an A No. 1 truck and vegetable farmer. He has on exhibit at the drug store a squash of his own raising that is a dandy. George says that it is what is known as a three-in-one squash. It is three of the round white variety that grew together

supplies .....7.00  
Chas. Heier, court house wash- ing .....2.50  
H. Bierschwale, cement .....155.30  
Burrroughs Ad. Mch. repairs .....1.00  
Maverick Clark Co. sta. ....47.88  
Geo. D. Bernard, election supplies .....21.60  
J. J. Johnson, pauper groceries 48.50  
Hall Ptg. Co., sta .....15.00  
Dorsey Co., sta. ....131.35  
Hess & Skinner, specifica- tions of highway .....1010.00  
John T. Banks, legal service 62.50  
Dor W. Brown, farm demon- strator .....16.66  
F. Lange, repair windmill, etc 5.00  
Harve Smart, work on Katemey slab .....3.50  
Chas. Leslie, work on Katemey slab .....7.00  
W. F. Bickenbach, work on temey slab .....4.34  
Court per diam \$24.00 each.  
Road petition of F. W. Lefeste and others considered and Jury of View appointed: E. J. Lemburg, Adolph Loeffler, Lamar Thaxton, H. S. Wood, and John H. Geist- weid.  
The court has been at work steadily since Monday morning May 19, working as a board of equalization

A new bank has been organized in Menard. The capital stock is to be \$25,000 and the surplus is to be \$10,000. Mr. L. C. Smith, the big financier of Kansas City, who owns stock in a number of the banks in this part of the State, is a big stock holder in this newly organized banking institution. Mason county people will be pleased to learn that Mr. Albert Martin, of the Los Moras ranch, and Mr. Oscar A. Hensch of Mason are stock holders as is Mr. Lee Kollmann of London.  
The News is informed that the bank will be opened and ready to transact business about the first of September. At a recent meeting of the stock holders the following officers were elected: A. Mr. Smart, Pres.; A. C. Martin, V. P. A Mr. Heymann, of Junction, Cashier and O. A. Hensch, Assistant Cashier.  
**WILD MUSTARD A PEST**  
From Brady Standard.  
The wild mustard that has come to McCulloch county in the oats from the north is a serious pest if allowed to be harvested with the oats. The writer has seen it ruin good farms because of farmers neglect to destroy it before it went to seed. It produces thousands of seeds to each plant, and will prove to be very hard to destroy if it once gets a start. I appeal to every loyal citizen to do his utmost to destroy every mustard plant on his farm and to encourage your neighbor to do the same. The seed will be ripe in a few days. Do not leave the seed in the field where it is cut. Burn it.  
Yours for service,  
B. D. Black,  
County Agent.

# MASON COUNTY DEFEATS AMENDMENTS

The Official Returns of Saturday's Election in Mason County are as follows:

(Note.—The first column of figures are For Prohibition, the second column Against Prohibition, the third For Suffrage, the fourth Against Suffrage, the fifth For Increased Governor's Salary, the sixth Against Increased Governor's Salary, the seventh For Home Loan and the eighth Against Home Loan.)

Mason Precinct No. 1	78	113	78	133	50	158	70	135
Wagram Precinct No. 2	7	20	0	29	1	26	3	25
Kalemy Precinct No. 3	37	14	25	23	15	37	39	13
Grat Precinct No. 4	15	11	10	18	6	21	15	13
Streeter Precinct No. 5	24	21	20	26	7	38	15	29
Grossville Precinct No. 6	3	21	4	21	1	24	4	21
Hilda Precinct No. 7	18	27	11	33	6	38	10	32
Loyal Valley Precinct No. 8	10	18	8	21	4	23	13	14
Plehwille Precinct No. 9	14	19	6	21	2	25	2	24
Capps Precinct No. 10	10	20	6	23	1	26	3	26
Fredonia Precinct No. 11	27	7	15	20	4	33	7	27
Pontotoc Precinct No. 12	31	18	14	34	10	39	13	32
Eaton Precinct No. 13	8	11	0	19	0	19	12	9
Ranch Branch Precinct No. 14	12	4	11	6	1	15	8	7
Bauer Precinct No. 15	13	8	4	16	1	20	7	14
Totals	307	323	212	413	106	514	221	421

## COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES PLAYS DRAW

### GOOD CROWDS

The Mason High School Commencement Exercises were held at the M. E. Church South last Monday night. The following program was rendered:

- Invocation  
Rev. C. H. Garrett
- Chorus: "Call of Summer"  
Senior Class
- Salutatorian:  
Mae Tinsley
- Class History:  
Meta Loeffler
- Chorus: "Tis Our Festal Day"  
Senior Class
- Class Pledge:  
Nellie Bickenbach
- Plans: Duet: "Joyful Return"  
Messes Loring and Schmidt
- Class Will:  
Allan Doell
- Valedictorian:  
Boris Sorrells
- Song: "Foreword Song"  
Edo Schlaudt
- Graduating Address and Awarding of Diplomas:  
E. D. Shurter, Ph. D.

Diplomas were awarded the following graduates: Allan Doell, Roy H. Zesch, Kurt L. Zesch, Edo A. Schlaudt, Alfred C. Mayford, Boris Sorrells, Dora Jenkins, Mae Tinsley, Meta Loeffler, Nellie Bickenbach.

The Class Motto: "Impossible is Un-American". The Class Flower: "Shasta Daisy." Class Colors: "Yellow and White."

The Commissioners Court adjourned last Tuesday afternoon after being in session for two weeks.

### LAUNDRY.

I represent the Texas Steam Laundry of San Antonio and solicit your business. All work first class. Basket leaves every Tuesday.

Hensch, The Tailor.

E. O. Kochmann was a pleasant visitor at the News Office while in from his ranch last Wednesday. Mr. Kochmann reports his stock doing the best in the world.

SEE US FOR AUTO SEAT COVERS  
MCCOLLUM AUTO CO.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schmidt and little son spent a couple days visiting at the ranch of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bickenbach the past week.

I have all kinds of genuine repairs for McCormick and Deering mowers.  
Louis Schmidt.

Dave Gibbs and two little sons were in town last Tuesday from the Wagram section. Dave says that the rains have been fine with them.

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

Alvah Neill and Ernest Pipes of San Antonio came up last Sunday bringing home "grandpa" Capps, who had been visiting relatives there for several weeks. The former remained in Mason for a visit with his brother, W. H. Neill, while the Pipes young man returned the following day.

### SAVE YOUR GRAIN

Don't fail to take care of the grain you raise this year. We are prepared to make you any sized galvanized grain bins.  
F. Lange

John Hasse had a fine bunch of fat cattle to pass through town Tuesday enroute for Ft. Worth.

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

The plays given by the school on Friday and Saturday nights drew splendid audiences on both occasions. The play of Friday night was given by the pupils of the 11th grade and despite the fact that the admission price was only 20 and 25 cents and the door receipts totaled \$51.75. The play was good and the characters acted their parts well. The title of the play was "Happy School Days."

On Saturday night the Senior Class staged "Standing By" and a record crowd enjoyed the play. The play was a sequel to "The Claim Allowed" which was presented in Mason last year. All who were fortunate enough to get seats pronounced the play exceptionally good and many have been the complimentary remarks passed upon the characters. The crowd attending was as large as the house could accommodate but the reserved seats were sold before Friday at noon after having gone on sale Thursday at 10:00 a. m. consequently many who wanted to attend were unable to. The door receipts Saturday night totaled \$93.35.

### CITY MEAT MARKET

Choice 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. Zesch, Prop.

## MUSICAL AND BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY

Last Saturday night quite a number of friends and relatives gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Brown where they enjoyed a most delightful musical. The music consisted of two violins, two guitars, and an organ; quite a variety of music being rendered. Both up-to-date and colonial, also some vocal music. At the hour of 12:00 they all departed for their homes, after expressing to Mr. and Mrs. Brown as having had enjoyed the occasion splendidly.

On the following day, Sunday May 25, they all gathered, increased by more relatives, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Brown to celebrate the 3rd birthday anniversary of their little grand-daughter Veda Marie Pinson, and the 51st birthday of Mrs. Brown's brother, Mr. J. R. Fleming. It being a surprise to the latter, as he had never given it the thought of being his birthday until inquiring of his lady why she was fixing such a dainty basket to take along for the dinner. Each and every lady brought a well filled basket; and anyone having seen their table would have never thought that hard times had or still prevail.

This sumptuous dinner consisted of vegetables of all kinds, fried chicken and sweet meats of all descriptions.

In the late afternoon, upon the suggestion of Mr. Brown, quite a number of kodak pictures were taken.

Those present to enjoy the occasion were: Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Brown and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Brown and family, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Pinson and baby, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Fleming and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hayes of Brady and Mr. and Mrs. Dee Jones and children of the Pontotoc section.

Contributed.

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## LETTES EXPLAINS SON'S DEATH

Mrs. H. L. Simon, Mason, Texas.

Dear Madam:

I am replying to your letter of March 16th sent to Miss Megarry at Belfast for the reason that many questions which you asked can be more readily answered by us than by Miss Megarry.

Your son Private Philip H. Simon, 127th F. A. contracted pneumonia on his way over from the United States on the Steamship "City of York." He was not at any time on the Steamship "Otranto" which was wrecked off the coast of Scotland and therefore did not contract the fatal disease from having been in the water. The Steamship, "City of York" sailed direct to Belfast, Ireland, and as your son was ill when the steamer docked on October 7th 1918, he was immediately taken to the Victoria Barracks Hospital in Belfast, where in spite of all the care and attention that was given him, he died on October 9th. He was buried on October 11th in grave number 73 D in the Glenalina Extension of the City Cemetery, Belfast.

With regard to having a photograph of your son's grave taken, we want you to know that at the present time we are having a separate photograph made of the

grave of each American soldier who died on this side of the Atlantic, and though our photographer has not yet reached Belfast, Ireland, where your son is buried, he will be doing so in course of time. You will, therefore, later on receive a photograph of your son's grave from our Headquarters, Bureau of Communication, American Red Cross, Washington, D. C. U. S. A.

With regard to shipping your son's body home, the American Army authorities are considering returning the bodies of all American soldiers buried over here. This matter is entirely in their hands and relatives of the individual soldiers can do nothing about it. If the Army authorities decide that this shall be done they will make all the arrangements and bear all the expense of sending the bodies back to the relatives. In due course you will hear whether this is to be done.

With regard to your son's personal belongings we have been informed by the Effects Department of the U. S. Army here that these were all sent on January 11th 1919 to the Commanding Officer, Effects Depot, Hoboken, New Jersey U. S. A., and by this time you will probably have received them from there. If not we suggest that you might write to Hoboken and make an inquiry.

Ireland is situated about 3,000 miles North East of the United States, and lies between the United States and England. Belfast, the city where your boy is buried, is in the North East part of Ireland and is one of the largest and finest

cities on the island. There are 21 American soldiers buried in the City Cemetery at Belfast, your son Philip being one of them. You will like to know his funeral was conducted with full military honours, which includes the presence of a squad of American soldiers who fire the last salute over their comrades graves and sound the impressive call of "Taps." The graves are all well taken care of, the Army authorities having been to a great deal of trouble to see that they are all in good order, and as long as the bodies remain over here they will always be carefully attended to.

I am sorry you are unable to read the letter which Miss Megarry wrote you. Can you not get some one else to read it for you? I am unable to send you a printed copy of it for the reason we have no duplicate.

I trust that this letter will have given you all the information that you wanted but if I can do anything further for you, will you please let me know?

I can quite understand and sympathize with the loneliness you feel without your dear son, and in closing I wish to send you my own personal sympathy as well as that of the Red Cross Organization in general.

Yours very truly,  
M. E. Ederborough

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

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

# THE MASON COUNTY NEWS

(ESTABLISHED 1877)

V. M. Loring, ..... Owner  
M. D. Loring, ..... Editor and Publisher

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Notice of church entertainments where a charge of admission is made, obituaries, cards of thanks, resolutions of respect, and all matters not news, will be charged at the regular advertising rates.

### ADVERTISING RATES

Local readers and classified ads 5 cents per line per issue  
Display rates made known on application.

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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
- Frank Brandenberger ..... 25.00
- Baptist Ladies Aid ..... \$5.00

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

### YE EDITOR

"Most any man can be an editor," says the town knocker. "All the editor has to do is to sit at his desk six days a week and 'edit' such stuff as this:" "Mrs. Jones of Cactus Creek let a can opener slip last week and cut herself in the pantry. Joe Abraham Doe climbed on the roof of his house last week looking for a leak and fell, striking himself on the back porch. While Harold Green was escorting Miss Violet Wise from the church social last Saturday night a savage dog attacked them and bit Mr. Green on the Public square. Isaiah Trimmer of Running Creek was playing with a cat Friday night when it scratched him on the veranda. Mr. Frank, while harnessing a broncho last Saturday was kicked just south of his corn crib."—Team Work.

### GOTLIEB LORENZ

On Monday night of this week about 8 o'clock the death of Mr. Gottlieb Lorenz occurred at his home near Grossville after an illness of but brief duration. On Sunday Mr. Lorenz had gone over to one of the neighbors and rode a mule and upon returning home about noon the mule jumped out from under him just as he was in the act of dismounting to open a gate. It is said that a bird flew up and caused the mule to jump from fright. Mr. Lorenz was able to ride the mule on home but soon after reaching home he took a pain in the abdomen and later phoned for Dr. Baze.

Dr. Baze examined him but could learn nothing further than he was hurt internally and due to the fact that Mr. Lorenz had suffered several years from a rupture it was thought that this old trouble had been revived from the fall he received, and his condition was not considered serious.

On Monday he took worse and it was not until Monday night about 8 o'clock when death came that he was relieved of his suffering.

The deceased has resided in this county for many years and has been engaged in farming and stock raising. He is survived by his wife and several step-children, also by his aged parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Lorenz, all of this county.

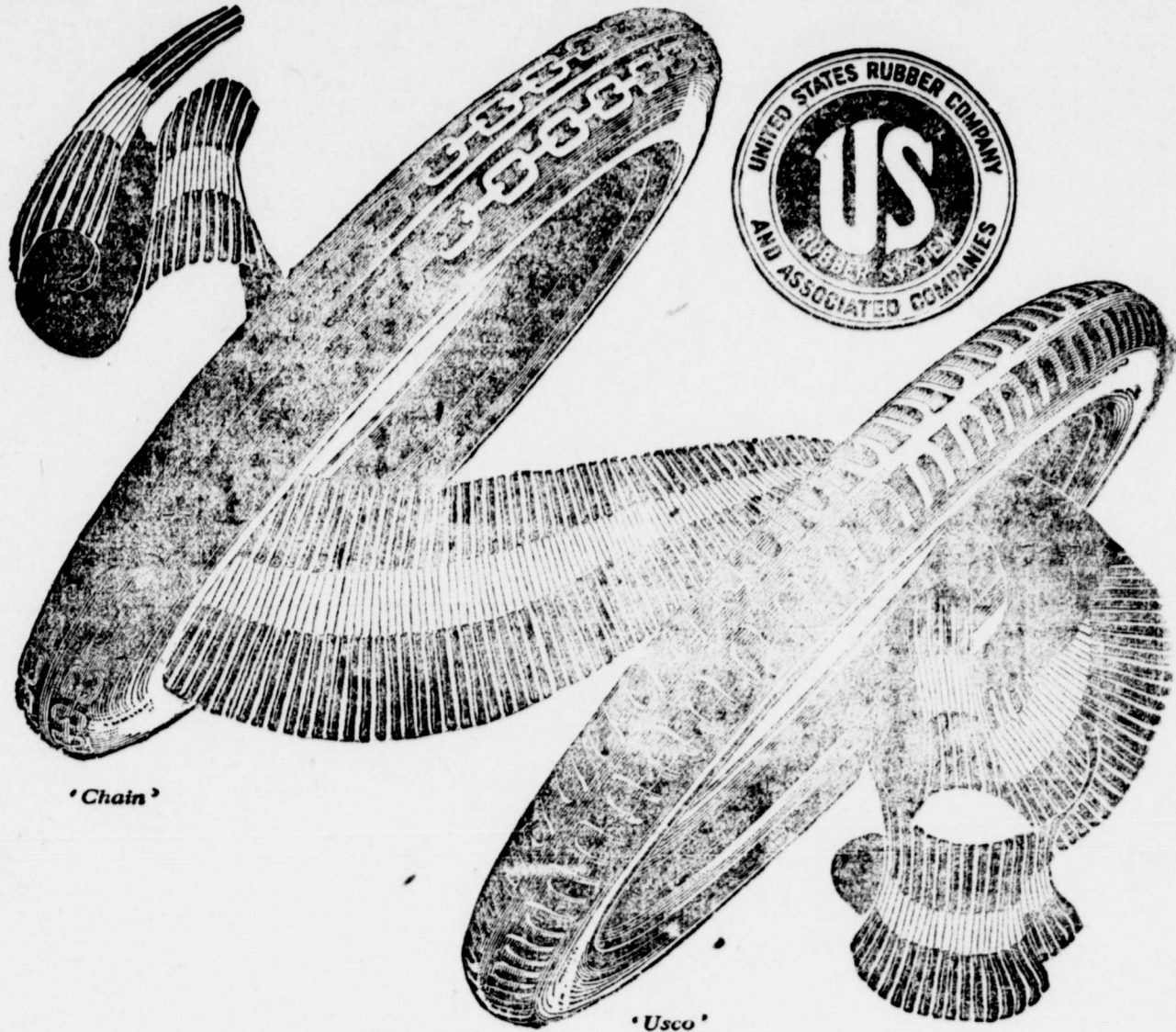
The burial was held on Tuesday afternoon and the interment was made in the family cemetery.

The News extends condolence to the grief stricken wife and parents.

## AMERICA'S IMMORTALS

ROY W. REEVES, Corporal, 96th Company, Sixth Marines.

Corp. Reeves, whose home is with his mother, Mrs. J. W. Reeves, 3769 Chamour avenue, East San Diego, Cal., was decorated for an act of conspicuous intrepidity in action with the enemy near Blanc Mont, France, October 3, 1918. During a stiffly contested hand grenade fight Corp. Reeves saw a grenade fall in the midst of five of his comrades. Without hesitation he rushed forward and picked it up, hurling it from the trench. The grenade exploded a few yards from his hand, hitting him severely, but averting injury to all of his comrades.



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## United States Tires are Good Tires

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

## McCollum Auto Company

### TRANSFER CARS

All parties desiring to run service cars to the reunion grounds during the 3rd and 4th of July celebration will see F. B. McCollum.

### 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. J. S. King, Tax Assessor Mason Independent School District.

### SALE OF PRIVILEGES

FOR 3rd AND 4th OF JULY CELEBRATION AT MASON

The following privileges will be sold at Auction at the Court House in Mason on Saturday, June 14 at 2 o'clock.

- One Bevo Stand.
- Two Lemonade Stands.
- Two Ice Cream Stands.
- One Milk Shake and Glace Stand
- One Candy, Cigar, Tobacco and Chewing Gum Stand.
- One Novelty.
- One Peanut & Popcorn.
- One Feed Store
- One Restaurant & Chili Stand
- One Hamburger.
- One HoMy Horse.
- One Knocking Machine
- One Dance Platform

The above with any other privileges will be sold, so long as they do not conflict with any named herein. Terms: Half cash when sold, other half to be paid on evening of first day.

For any information write or phone E. J. Lemburg, Chm

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

Our want ads are result bringers

### CHILDREN'S DAY PROGRAM

On next Sunday evening at 9 o'clock, a Children's Day Program will be rendered at the M. E. Church, South. Everybody is invited to attend.

### OLD HATS MADE NEW

We are prepared to clean and re-hat hats in a first class manner and prices are very reasonable. Manuel Lopez

The News regrets to learn of the serious illness of Mr. Jacob Durst. He is said to have taken ill last Thursday afternoon and has been bedfast since. We hope to learn of his early recovery.

Don't forget the show at the Star Opera House each Saturday night. The show starts promptly at 9:00 o'clock.

Miss Katherine Jenkins is at home from Lubbock, where she has been teaching school, to spend the summer vacation months.

If you like to keep your milk nice and fresh get you one of Lange's milk coolers. F. Lange

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Neill leave this week for San Antonio for a visit with relatives and to be there upon the return of Mrs. Neill's brother who is expected home from France.

### SOME BIG FIGURES

The American Hereford Journal in its issue of May 15, has quite a bit to say about some fine registered Hereford cattle raised by O. Harris & Son of Harris, Mo., which were auctioned off on the 6th and 7th of this month. The Herefords are the Repeater Models and the prices were astonishing. There were 20 bulls that brought a total of \$129,100 or an average of \$6,455 each; 153 females brought a total of \$203,000 or an average of \$1,327 each. The 173 head brought a total of \$332,100 or but little short of a third million dollars. Repeater's Model 500003 by Repeater sold for \$35,000 in the above auction sale.

Mr. E. O. Kothmann, one of Mason County's big stockmen, is looking the Repeater Model Herefords and we venture to say that he feels he made a wise choice when he decided to raise them, and he will become still more stuck on them after reading the above figures.

Mrs. J. E. Alexander and little child are here from their home in Redland, N. M., visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Jenkins

### Weekly Health Talks

Where Most Sickness Begins and Ends

BY FRANKLIN DUANE, M. D.

It can be said broadly that most human ills begin in the stomach and end in the stomach. Good digestion means good health, and poor digestion means bad health. The minute your stomach fails to properly dispose of the food you eat, troubles begin to crop out in various forms. Indigestion and dyspepsia are the commonest forms, but thin, impure blood, headaches, backaches, pimples, blotches, dizziness, belching, coated tongue, weakness, poor appetite, sleeplessness, coughs, colds and bronchitis are almost as common. There is but one way to have good health, and that is to put and keep your stomach in good order. This is easy to do if you take Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It is a wonderful tonic and blood purifier, and is so safe to take, for it is made of roots and herbs. Dr. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., stands behind this standard medicine, and it is good to know that so distinguished a physician is proud to have his name identified with it. When you take Golden Medical Discovery, you are getting the benefit of the experience of a doctor whose reputation goes all around the earth. Still more, you get a temperance medicine that contains not a drop of alcohol or narcotic of any kind. Long ago Dr. Pierce combined certain valuable vegetable ingredients—without the use of alcohol—so that these remedies always have been strictly temperance medicines. If piles are torturing you, get and use Pierce's Anodyne Pile Ointment. The quick relief it gives is hard to believe until you try it. If constipated, Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets should be taken while using Anodyne Pile Ointment. Few indeed are the cases which these splendid remedies will not relieve and usually overcome. They are so good that nearly every drug store has them for sale.

Catarrh for Twenty Years **PERUNA**

Mrs. M. S. Davis, 1607 10th Ave., N. Nashville, Tenn., writes:

"After having been a constant sufferer from catarrh for more than twenty years and after trying almost every remedy advertised, and having lost all hope, I very reluctantly began the use of Peruna about two years ago. Everybody says I look younger now than I did twenty years ago, and I actually feel younger and better, and weigh more. I am recommending it to my neighbors and all with whom I come in contact."

Sold Everywhere **MADE ME WELL** Liquid or Tablet Form

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

# ALL EYES ARE ON SOMERSET

Do You Mason County People Want to Make Money in Oil?  
Here is a Conservative Investment Offering Wonderful Opportunities.

Our Valuable Holdings Comprise 616 Acres in the Somerset Oil Fields. Our Company is Capitalized for \$100,000, Is Chartered Under the Laws of the State of Texas and Is Under the Management of Well Known, Reliable and Successful San Antonio Business Men. Eighty Producing Wells Around Our Holdings—

Still more wells are being drilled, and others have been contracted for. Well No. 1 is on the tract adjoining three of our leases. No. 2 drilling. Texas Company well in Carnahan-Whitaker well in. Gulf Production Company well is in and is producing 40 barrels daily. The deep test Kerr well is in and may develop a gusher any day. In which event, our property would advance in value immediately many times.

Geologist's report: Harold Evans Elliott, geologist and petroleum technologist, of Spokane, Washington, in his report in our properties, says: "The lease occupies a splendid, and I am safe in saying, practically a PROVEN FIELD. I strongly recommend the development of this property, as I consider it as one of the most valuable undeveloped properties upon this structure and can see nothing but success and profit by the development thereof. If desired, we will send a complete copy of this report to those interested."

Expert geologists have repeatedly cited the likeness of the Somerset field to the best paying shallow fields of Oklahoma, fields that have produced for years with a steadiness that produced a fortune. Shallow production alone would make this field pay. The bigger tests for deep production being made close to our holdings make our offer the best, we believe, on the market.

We Offer Only Five Hundred Shares For Sale at This Time.

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Date.....

Gentlemen: I hand you herewith my check for \$.....  
for which enter my application for and issue to me.....  
..... Shares of stock in the GULF STATE OIL COMPANY, at \$10.00 par value, fully paid and non-assessable. Send my stock by registered mail to

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R F D or Street.....  
Town and State..... (WRITE ADDRESS PLAINLY)

Make Check Payable to Gulf State Oil Company.

### Tan-No-More

THE SKIN BEAUTIFIER  
Protects  
Cleanses  
Improves

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.

**BAKER-WHEELER MANUFACTURING CO.**  
DALLAS, TEXAS

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Report of Alva Tinsley County Treasurer of Mason County, Texas of receipts and expenditures from February 1, to April 30 1919, inclusive:

**Jury Fund, 1st Class**  
Balance last Report, Filed February 7, 1919 ..... 614.14  
To Amount received since last Report ..... 92.37  
By Amount paid out ..... 170.65  
Balance on hand ..... 535.86

**Road and Bridge Fund 2nd Class**  
Balance last Report, Filed February 7, 1919 ..... 4,580.52  
To Amount received since last Report ..... 1,022.53  
By amount paid out ..... 5,212.38  
Balance on hand ..... 390.67

**General County Fund, 3rd Class**  
Balance last Report, Filed February 7, 1919 ..... 2,164.00  
To Amount received since last Report ..... 3,228.79  
By amount paid out ..... 5,034.56  
Balance on hand ..... 4,298.23

**Court House Fund, 5th Class**  
Balance last Report, Filed February 7, 1919 ..... 9,897.05  
To Amount received since last Report ..... 513.45  
By amount paid out ..... 2,050.26  
Balance on hand ..... 8,359.94

**Special Road Fund 6th Class**  
Balance last Report, Filed February 7, 1919 ..... 7,636.88  
To Amount received since last Report ..... 1,018.03  
By amount paid out ..... 5,889.22  
Balance on hand ..... 2,765.69

**Highway Fund, 7th Class**  
Balance last Report, Filed February 7, 1919 ..... 3,001.05  
To Amount received since last Report ..... 870.55  
By amount paid out ..... 19.41  
Balance on hand ..... 3,952.19

List of Bonds and Other Securities on Hand:  
Six No. 26 School Dist. Bonds at \$100.00 each—\$600.00  
Four No. 27 School Dist. Bonds at \$500.00 each—\$2,000.00  
Two hundred W. S. S. at \$5.00—\$1,000.00

Indebtedness:  
Court House Bonds \$40,000.00  
Two Special Road Warrants at \$1,000.00 each ..... 2,000.00  
One Warrant for Tractor \$1,350.00  
Eighteen Special Bridge Warrants at \$500.00 each ..... 9,000.00

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Mason

Before me the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Alva Tinsley, County Treasurer of Mason County, who being by me duly sworn, upon oath, says that the within and foregoing report is true correct.

Alva Tinsley,  
County Treasurer.  
Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 12th day of May 1919.  
S. C. Brockmann,  
County Clerk, Mason Co., Tex.

### TEACHERS EXAMINATIONS

Notice is hereby given that on Friday and Saturday, June 6 and 7, Teacher's Examinations will be held in the examination room at the court house. All parties desiring to take the examinations will keep in mind the above date.

C. H. Garrett, County Judge and Ex-Officio School Supt

Mrs. Lawrence Schuessler and little son of Eagle Pass are in Mason the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Schuessler and other relatives Mrs. Bass and Miss Lottie Bass, mother and sister of Mrs. Schuessler, are also here for a visit.

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

Marvin Jordan of the Plehweville section was a pleasant caller at the News office while in town last Saturday.

Tell the News the news.

Last week the farmers of the county were quite busy saving small grain. The frequency of the rains in this section are making this kind of work a big game of chance.

All manufacturers of automobile casings have reduced prices 15 per cent. We have a well assorted line of the best casings. Get our prices.

If you want feed phone 42. m221f Star Garage.

**TAILORED CLOTHES**  
For men and young men

**Young Man Wanted**

Made to order and at prices you can afford to pay

First class tailoring and all manner of altering and repairing. All work Guaranteed.

**M. LOPEZ**

Messrs Frank and Chas. Geisweidt were here last Saturday from their ranch in the Hilda section. The former stated that the Mexican girl who resides on his ranch and attempted suicide last week is getting along nicely and is now able to be up.

\$ 5 to 20 gallon stone jars, with lids, at reduced prices.  
Louis G. Probst.

Mr. E. W. Kothmann last week sold 11 head of registered Hereford bulls to Mr. J. W. White. The bunch brought Mr. Kothmann \$1,900. Mr. White bought the bulls for Mr. Hal Mangrum, a big stockman and rancher of Uvalde.

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

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Tart received a letter a few days ago stating their little grand-daughter had died on Friday of last week at Genece, Kansas. The child was but 7 months and 14 days old and its death was due to bowel trouble. The child was the baby of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Tart, who formerly resided in Mason and have many friends here who will sympathize with them in the child's death.

**CATLEMEN 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.

Mr. Alf Reeves left his annual subscription fees with the Newsman while here Saturday. Mr. Reeves says machinery and tools to be used in putting down the test well for oil in his part of the county are being placed on the ground just as fast as the rainy weather and muddy roads are allowing the truck drivers to come and go. He stated that four loads were brought over from Brady the day before. Mr. Reeves says that some good road work is being done in his section and that a couple of concrete slabs are being put in. When it comes to good roads Uncle Alf says no one likes them better than he.

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.

Seth Martin is the owner of a new Buick-Six car.

A. R. Latham, one of the biggest stockmen of the Fredonia section, and his son John, were in Mason last Saturday. Mr. Latham says that cattle and crops are both doing fine in his section and that the good people of that section are getting their share of the good rains. Messrs Mike Jennings and John Holt were here with them.

Mr. Walter Martin left Sunday for Galveston where he went to attend the annual convention of the State Bankers Association. Misses Esther and Ruth Martin, who are attending school in San Antonio will join Walter at Austin and they too will take in the convention.

### STOMACH TROUBLE

Mr. Marion Holcomb, of Nancy, Ky., says: "For quite a long while I suffered with stomach trouble. I would have pains and a heavy feeling after my meals, a most disagreeable taste in my mouth. If I ate anything with butter, oil or grease, I would spit it up. I began to have regular sick headache. I had used pills and tablets, but after a course of these, I would be constipated. It just seemed to tear my stomach all up. I found they were no go at all for my trouble. I heard

**THEDFORD'S**

# BLACK-DRAUGHT

recommended very highly, so began to use it. It cured me. I keep it in the house all the time. It is the best liver medicine made. I do not have sick headache or stomach trouble any more." Black-Draught acts on the jaded liver and helps it to do its important work of throwing out waste materials and poisons from the system. This medicine should be in every household for use in time of need. Get a package today. If you feel sluggish, take a dose tonight. You will feel fresh tomorrow. Price 25c a package. All druggists.

**ONE CENT A DOSE**

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### WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Woman's Missionary Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Ben Jordan Tuesday afternoon, June 3rd. The following program will begin promptly at 4 o'clock.

Subject.—Making Democracy Safe Industrially.  
Leader, Miss Mackie Leslie.  
Special Music, by Mrs. J. M. Thompson and Miss Pearl Jordan.  
Song.—"Sweeter as the Years go By."  
Bible Lesson.—Joshua 24, 14-28. God's Hand in a Nation's Life.  
Prayer, by Mrs. S. A. McCollum.  
A Modern Joshua, by Mrs. Holmes King.  
Solo, by Mrs. Dor Brown.  
Democracy and its New Foes, by Miss Nanie Carter.  
The City Beautiful, by Mrs. Ed Smith.  
Christian Democracy in the World of Labor, by Mrs. Will Zesch, Mrs. E. W. Schroeder, Mrs. H. Land, Mrs. Bynum, Mrs. A. W. Metzger.  
Champions of Democracy, by Mrs. John Starks.  
Making Democracy Safe, by Mrs. P. A. Baze.  
Song.—"Near the Cross"

Henry Dodd and Robert Pries rode the W. O. W goat last Monday night.

Max Piuenecke was up from Hilda last Monday and reported a fine rain the day before. He said a light hail fell but that no damage resulted. Max was here straightening out his war-risk insurance papers.



Mr. Herbert Gamel was in from his ranch near Harper the first of the week and was accompanied home by his children little Misses Celesta and Dorothy, who have been staying with their grandmother and attending the local school.

Tom Holmes was here Saturday from the Streeter country and was exhibiting some fine wheat and oats which he had raised on the Chas. Worlie place. Mr. Holmes said that he had about 12 acres in the wheat and about 4 acres in oats. The samples were fine and represent about the best crop in the county. Tom's biggest obstacle was getting the people to believe the wheat was of his own raising for it looked entirely too good for Mason county, but this year has been a good one on the farmers and for several years we have not been able to know just what our farmers can raise. Old Mason County is as good as the best when she gets rain and we've been getting it.

#### ELECT PRIMARY TEACHER

The local school board has elected but one teacher for next term of the Mason school up to the present and that is the re-election of Miss Mayme Doell, as the Primary teacher. Miss Mayme has been the Primary teacher here for several years and her services have been such that the board feels it almost a necessity to keep her.

Emeth Keller was here Saturday from their ranch on the Liano. Emeth says that his crops are good and that his corn is in tassel.

A complete assortment of fishing tackle at Mason Drug Co.

Henry Schmidt was here from the Kamey section last Monday and added one and a half "pesos" to the News' bank account.

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

#### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks to the good neighbors and friends, who by their kind words and actions tried to lessen our sorrow during the illness and at the death of our husband and father. Especially do we feel grateful to Rev. Schreiber and to all who brought and sent flowers. Mrs. Henry Gatt, Sr., and children

Another one of Mason county's over-sea soldier boys has reached home. We have reference to Fritz Grote, Jr., who arrived home on Tuesday afternoon, having been given his discharge at Camp Bowie

Mrs. Gamel will leave the latter part of the week for San Antonio where she will spend some time visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. C. Lauderdale.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Sheppard, of Brady, came over last week for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Lige Garner and family. Mr. Sheppard says that he and his wife are both enjoying good health.

Irvin Ellebracht has sold his jack to Messrs Ed and Emeth Keller.

#### LAUNDRY

I represent the Peerless Laundry of San Antonio, and will be pleased to have your laundry business. The basket leaves each Tuesday morning. Manuel Lopez.

Mrs. Wilson, of Marble Falls, is here visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. L. McCollum.

Will Bauer stated last Saturday that he had just harvested a fine oat crop which amounted to 30 big wagon loads of hay. He expects to have it baled.

### CRYING NEED For PAINT

There is a crying need for paint on thousands of houses throughout Texas — GOOD paint that will beautify and satisfy. If you want the best use MASURY.

Reasonable in price, and wholly dependable in quality.

**R. GROSSE - MASON**

## CLEARANCE SALE ON CASINGS AND TUBES

PRICES EFFECTIVE FROM MAY 15 TO JUNE 7, 1919

Racine Tires and Tubes			
SIZE	PLAIN	NON-SKID	TUBES
30X3	\$14.10	\$16.85	\$3.30
30X3½	17.90	20.80	3.70
32X3½	21.40	24.45	4.05
31X4	27.45	31.85	5.25
32X4	29.00	33.75	5.35
33X4	32.05	33.90	5.50
34X4	30.20	35.00	5.60
Good Year Tires and Tubes			
30X3	10.95		2.25
30X3½	13.85	15.10	2.75
32X3½	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		
30X3½		14.15	

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**BOOKKEEPERS -- STENOGRAPHERS** are still in great demand at Washington. Unprecedented commercial prosperity is predicted for the United States, which means high office salaries. We train for these extraordinary opportunities.  
**SAN ANGELO BUSINESS COLLEGE**

**MONEY TO LEND**

We represent one of the best Loan Companies in the State and are in a position to make favorable loans on Mason County Stock Farms and Ranch Lands.

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**ATTENTION!**

We are now prepared to do your half-soleing also your tire and tube vulcanizing. We guarantee our work and work at moderate prices. Phone us your wants.

**WALKER & WALKER, Mason, Texas.**

Mrs. Kurt Martin underwent an operation at the local hospital last Sunday afternoon for appendicitis. Dr. Baze assisted by Dr. Wolfe, of San Antonio, and Dr. McCollum performed the operation. The News is pleased to learn that Mrs. Martin is getting along nicely.

J. W. White, Mr and Mrs. Tom White and Walker White returned home Tuesday from a business trip to San Angelo. Mr. White reports good rains in that section, but says that the hail of a few weeks ago did quite a bit of damage to crops.

**ICE!**

**Delivered Daily**

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.

**MASON ICE & POWER CO.**



**Sentinels of the Home!**

There is a deal of talk on preparedness.

**ARE YOU PREPARED?** This world is full of vicissitudes. You may be in the best of health today, with fine prospects in business. There may come a siege of illness. There may come a loss of position. Be prepared. Start a bank account.

**Open Your Account With Us**

**THE COMMERCIAL BANK**  
 (UNINCORPORATED) OF MASON

**MASON COUNTY DEPOSITORY**

MRS. ANNA MARTIN PRESIDENT    C. L. MARTIN VICE-PRESIDENT    MAX MARTIN CASHIER

**VACATION TRIPS FOR THE PUBLIC**

Railroads Are Now Urging People to Travel.

**RETURN TO OLD METHODS**

Not Much Will Be Chopped Off Transportation, but Excursion Rates Based on the One Way Charge Will Be Restored—Service Bureau Manager Says "Uncle Sam Is Out for Railroad Travel This Summer With an Ax."

Let those who are thinking of a vacation trip prepare for it now. Last year vacations were mostly thinking. Discouragement of travel by the railroad administration ended preparations and punctured the outing hopes of almost everybody. Now it will be different. In the breezy language of the manager of the main service bureau in Chicago: "Uncle Sam is out for railroad travel this summer with an ax."

Not much will be chopped off transportation, but there will be a return to old methods of excursion rates based on the one way charge instead of the favorite scheme under government control of no discount if a passenger prefers to ride back rather than walk.

As one way rates are higher than they used to be the new excursion rates will be higher than they were before the war. Nor will they be so low as before government control of the roads. How much lower than at present is best told by the manager of the Chicago bureau of service, Howard H. Hayes, who says:

**How They Figure It.**

"Suppose you have a friend in the clothing business who gave you 20 per cent discount on a suit of clothes. Let that stand for the discount the railroads gave on a round-trip ticket from what you would have paid if you bought two single tickets, one each way. Now, you bought a \$30 suit of clothes and paid \$24 for it with your 20 per cent discount off. All right. Now, your friend says, the suit is worth \$40 and was worth that last summer when he wouldn't give you any discount and did not care whether you bought it or not. But this year you can have it with the same old discount, for \$32. See? It is not possible to go into the rates for this summer now; they will be announced about June 1 when the excursion season opens.

"Last year," continued Mr. Hayes, "our clothing store, so to speak, had nothing in the windows, no lights inside or out, and there was no desire to show goods. This summer we will be all stocked up and lighted, with pullers-in at the door. In the windows we will have announcements of more trains, more advertising, fast schedules, observation cars, liberal stop-over privileges, wide choice of routes, every inducement to travel in comfort and convenience."

**Many Visit Parks.**

When the government took over the roads all expenditure was stopped. This included booklets and folders formerly used by individual roads. There was then established the United States railroad administration bureau of service, national parks and monuments. Mr. Hayes was placed at its head. The purpose of this bureau was to invite travel to national pleasure reserves. All other kinds of travel was discouraged. The twelve great forest parks of the west were open all last year to tourists, although some of the hotels were closed. With all the discouragement of the high costs of living, higher taxes and decreased transportation facilities the number of park visitors in the war period of two seasons was increased 32 per cent over the highest record of 1916. This year it is expected to be more than six hundred thousand or a further increase of one hundred thousand over last year. One of the noticeable things by the park management last year was the magnitude of the automobile travel coming from every state of the country. Automobile associations and manufacturers believe this travel will be greater this year and are preparing for it.

**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

**Ford**  
 THE UNIVERSAL CAR

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**

**SUBSCRIPTIONS PAID THROUGH THE WANT ADS.**

The following have recently set their subscription figures ahead by paying the amount opposite their name, and we appreciate their remembering us very much. May many of our other readers follow their example:

Ernest Jordan	25
Alf Reeves	1.50
Henry Schmidt	1.50
Chas. Houy	1.50
Ben Pluenncke	1.50

**REMOVAL NOTICE**

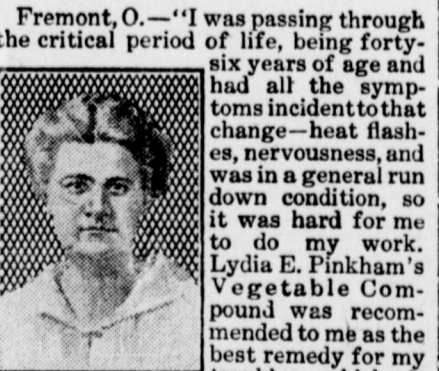
I have moved my feed business to the C. C. Smith building and am with the City Grocery Co. Parties desiring feed will find me ready to fill their wants at all times. Phone No. 11    Wm. Donop

Tell the News the news

The News learns that Mr. Hofmann has purchased something like \$25,000 worth of wool from the wool growers of this county up to the present, and that he has purchased in the neighborhood of \$15,000 worth of mohair. This represents approximately \$40,000 that Mr. Hofmann has paid out to farmers and stockmen in the past few weeks for wool and mohair and there is still a good deal in the country that is being held. We understand that the wool Mr. Hofmann has been buying has brought 50 cents per pound to the grower.

**THAT CHANGE IN WOMAN'S LIFE**

**Mrs. Godden Tells How It May Be Passed in Safety and Comfort.**



Fremont, O.—"I was passing through the critical period of life, being forty-six years of age and had all the symptoms incident to that change—heat flashes, nervousness, and was in a general run down condition, so it was hard for me to do my work. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was recommended to me as the best remedy for my troubles, which it surely proved to be. I feel better and stronger in every way since taking it, and the annoying symptoms have disappeared."—Mrs. M. GODDEN, 925 Napoleon St., Fremont, Ohio.

Such annoying symptoms as heat flashes, nervousness, headache, irritability and "the blues," may be speedily overcome and the system restored to normal conditions by this famous root and herb remedy Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

If any complications present themselves write the Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., for suggestions how to overcome them. The result of forty years experience is at your service and your letter held in strict confidence.

**WANT COLUMNS**

LOST—On Fredericksburg road near T. A. Saunders' gate, an engineer's 100 foot steel tape. Finder leave at News Office and receive reward. m2912

FOR SALE—A grain bin. Apply to J. W. Lee m3013p

BULLS FOR SALE—A mail bunch of 2 and 3 year old, full blooded Hereford bulls, in fine shape. Apply to Ed Bickenbach. m2912

GOOD FULL BLOODED—Poland China Service Boar For Sale Cheap m22

Wm. Willmann.

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,  
 Ery Hamilton.

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

**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.

6-6    Mayhew Produce Co.

**BIRTHS**

Since our last report the following births have been recorded by County Clerk, S. C. Brockman:

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Carter, a girl May 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sessom, a boy May 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Lem Gibbs, a girl, May 19.

Mr. and Mrs. James Butler, a girl, May 15.

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.

Jim Milligan informs the News that he will leave shortly for Coleman to be away a few weeks on business.

Dr. Le Gears Stock Powders, Buy it in Mason from Mason Drug Company a17

## ALSACE JOYFUL AT DELIVERANCE FROM GERMANY

People Glad to Be Once More Joined to France.

### CELEBRATIONS EVERY WEEK

All Classes Join in the Demonstrations Which Are Truly Representative of the Alsatian Spirit—New Order of Things Creates Most Difficult Problems in History of Alsace—Economic Question and the German Population Are Most Important Subjects for Consideration.

A tour of this charming little province of Alsace leaves no doubt in one's mind about its utter joy over being once more in the arms of the mother country. Whatever doubt one may have had, a visit to the cities, villages and country districts of Alsace removes this uncertainty, and everywhere the native Alsatian has demonstrated his enthusiasm and ardor for the French republic, writes Carlisle MacDonald in the New York Herald.

Since the armistice many worldwide persons have gone to Alsace to seek proof of their skepticism, only to remain and sing the "Marseillaise" and join in the more or less continuous celebration which has been going on throughout Alsace since the German domination was removed. There is no question about it—the people are genuinely glad to be once more joined to France.

#### Makes Tour as France's Guest.

I have just completed a comprehensive survey of Alsace in company with a large party of allied correspondents, during which we were the guests of the French government and the chief officials of Alsace. Leaving Paris by special train, we went direct to Strassbourg, where the whole city was besieged and en fête. A luncheon was tendered by the municipality and later we visited the delightful old Venetian quarter of the city, the cathedral, with its famous clock, and the tomb of Marshal Saxe.

In the evening we were the guests of the French high commissioner, Mr. Maringer, at a large banquet. While the plate still bore the German eagle, the hearts of those present and sentiments expressed by the speakers were unmistakably French. Native Alsatians, who had lived through the entire German occupation, rejoiced that the German menace had been removed and expressed the firm hope that never again would Boche soldiers cross the Rhine. The most prominent men of Strassbourg were present at the banquet and the whole spirit of the event was French.

We were pleasantly surprised to be introduced to a large group of pretty Alsatian girls, members of the best families, who came to the French government building following the banquet. The charm and vivaciousness of the girls, who were attired in the native costume of Alsace, soon made us forget there was such a thing as a peace conference or a council of ten. Later the assembled company joined hands and danced the native farandole revel, the jazz being forgotten in the enthusiasm for the old dance.

#### Torchlight Parade for Visitors.

Another interesting event of the evening in our honor was a torchlight parade formed by thousands of Strassbourgers and several bands. The procession passed the French building in review and went winding through the quaint old streets of Strassbourg, the marchers singing and shouting. This was no new affair, as I learned later, for ever since the armistice hardly a week has passed that there has not been several of these demonstrations. All classes join in them and they are truly representative of the spirit of the Alsatians.

After the dance the festivities were continued at a kermesse, or large fair, attended by several thousand persons. A tableau, symbolic of the return of Alsace to France, brought forth prolonged applause and cheers.

After this we paid a short visit to Germany, just across the Rhine from Strassbourg. There we saw the German at home, and I must say that there were few who did not seem perfectly well fed and contented under French occupation. When questioned they all ask for "fett." Returning, we inspected the docks at Strassbourg, which the Alsatians hope to develop. Leaving Strassbourg we visited Colmar and Mulhouse, and at both places were enthusiastically welcomed by the citizens.

Considerable ground was covered in an automobile ride through beautiful agricultural districts and picturesque little villages. During the entire trip we were able to meet and talk with

many Alsatians in all walks of life, so that the impressions we received were the result of a rather wide range of thought.

#### Fear Serious Economic Condition.

While all this happiness over the return to France is real and sincere, Alsace is faced with the most difficult questions in her history, created largely because of the new order of things. Ever since Alsace was taken over by Germany, in 1871, virtually all the trade of the province has been to the East, with Germany and her allies. With the stroke of a pen, so to speak, Alsace has terminated these trade relations and new trade fields must be developed. At present many of the mills and factories of Alsace are idle, largely for the same reason that the mills and factories of other European countries are idle—lack of raw materials and an unsettled state of affairs generally. Alsatians are wondering how this economical reconstruction is to be brought about and where their new markets are to be.

The German, with all his oppression, has developed in the two provinces many useful industrial organizations, and these have invaded every phase of commercial life. Electricity, for example, has nearly reached perfection. For a time the luck of the commercial aid which Germany gave, however selfishly, will be felt by Alsace.

But only for a time, for the true Alsatians are united in their desire to remove everything German from their lives and once more breathe and act freely and have the liberty of action which has not been theirs for more than 48 years. While the German had a kind of efficiency, it was the oppressive sort which the Alsatian did not like. It was like the lifting of a pall for the Alsatians to rid themselves of the German, who ruled them with a stiffness and harshness which did much to keep burning the French spirit. The Alsatians, I believe, will be glad to renounce some of the material improvements brought to them by the Germans in payment for being returned to the French fold. They hope that the allies, and among them they of course include the United States, will assist them in their serious reconstruction problems. Observing the fine courage and enthusiasm of the Alsatian people, one is sure that a few years will see this little province more prosperous and certainly more contented than ever before in its history.

#### German Element a Problem.

Next in importance to the economical question is the problem of dealing with the large German population in Alsace. The population of Alsace-Lorraine today is not more than 2,000,000 persons, of whom between 300,000 and 400,000 are of the German element as distinguished from the native. When Germany took the two provinces, she immediately began to exploit them. Her first step was to urge the Germans to settle in Alsace and Lorraine and with that peculiar obedience to all things coming from the government, the Germans immediately began to colonize in both the provinces.

These Germans came in, settled down, established business firms, and became part of the life of the community. Many of them have been there 40 years and their children, although German, know no other home but Alsace. Their only language is that of Germany and they have retained all the characteristics of the Teutonic race.

In this connection the language situation in Alsace is interesting. In Strassbourg, for example, the largest city, German is largely spoken, although there is nothing markedly German about the city. But as it has been frequently said, Strassbourg is neither German nor French, but Alsatian. To appreciate this one must see the city and talk with the people. They have certain German characteristics, such as stability, but their manner and ways are decidedly French. The combination of the two has produced a charming personality, the Teutonic giving a sort of restraint which the French character oftentimes lacks.

Throughout the province German is the prevailing tongue. The better educated people in Alsace, more especially in Strassbourg, speak French fluently, but the average Alsatian uses German, not through choice, but because it was forced on him years ago and he has become accustomed to it.

#### School and Religious Problems.

Two other vexatious problems are those of the schools and religion. Alsace is devoutly religious and has built up a system of religious schools which it likes and which meets the general approval of the people. Should France attempt to introduce her nonreligious school system a delicate situation would certainly arise which might easily shake to the foundation the firm faith and love which Alsatians now have for the mother country. Just what form of government will be adopted for Alsace-Lorraine has not been decided upon, but it is probable that the provinces will be administered as separate provinces rather than integral departments of the French republic. Should this system be adopted it would offer a graceful solution of the religious problem by giving Alsace a free hand in

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But France has a way of absorbing other peoples which is remarkable when you examine her history; and in her original way it is not overoptimistic to predict that within a few years the Alsatians and Lorrainers will have become quite French under the mother country's jurisdiction. The Alsatians and Lorrainers will enjoy the little personal liberties which were denied them under the administration of the Germans. Now that the numerous "verboten" signs have disappeared and the German command has given way to the easy request of the French, the Alsatians will not be long in being once more completely united with France.

#### Adopt Married Man.

Although he is 24 years old and married, Lewis Summers Walker has secured foster parents for the Dauphin County Court at Harrisburg, Pa., has approved the application of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham P. Simmers to adopt him as their son. Walker has made his home with the aged couple for some years, and they made him their son to escape legal technicalities when they will him part of their estate.

#### Like Daniel Boone.

Clarence Kenton of Warrensburg, Ky., a 20-year-old great-nephew of Daniel Boone, is living up to the blood of the great he has in him. He is a successful hunter and trapper. His catch so far this season includes 67 skunks, 47 opossum, 122 muskrats, four coons and two minks. He has marketed already from his own catch \$645 worth of furs and has bought from other boys more than \$1,000 worth, which he shipped to market.

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

### HENRY GATT, SR.

In the death of Mr. Henry Gatt, Sr., which occurred at his home in the Fly Gap section on the 18th of May, Mason County has lost another one of her early and pioneer settlers. Mr. Gatt's death was due to Bright's disease and the dropsy which had been troubling him for several years. His exact age was not known but he was known to be 81 years and some months.

Mr. Gatt was born at Hanover, Germany and came to America about the year 1845 with his parents and settled at Fredericksburg where they resided for several years, later moving to Llano county. He came to Mason county about 35 years ago. The Gatts were among the early settlers in this country and helped rid the country of the Indians. The deceased's father was killed by the "red men."

Mr. Gatt is survived by his aged wife, 4 sons and 2 daughters. The sons are Henry, Emil, Frank and Dan all of this county; the daughters are Mrs. Hulda Bohnebiest of this county and Mrs. Sabina Bauer, of Hext, Menard county. Four children have preceded him in death. There are also 20 living grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

The funeral services were held at the family residence on Tuesday afternoon of last week at 3 o'clock and the interment was made in the family cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev. G. W. F. Schreiber of the German Methodist church, of which church the deceased had been a member since early childhood.

The News extends sympathy and condolence to the grief stricken wife and children.

Mrs. A. W. Kucek sustained a fall last Saturday afternoon while trying to catch a chicken and it is said the fall caused her to hurt the side which was operated upon several months ago. The News trusts that the injuries will not be serious.

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

Mr. Herman Schuessler, Sr., of the Castell section was a visitor in Mason last Monday afternoon. He reports a fine rain in his section the day before, but says that they had none of the fall. Mr. Schuessler says that corn is beginning to tassel and looks fine. He predicts some oats in his section as turning out something like 50 bushels to the acre and better.

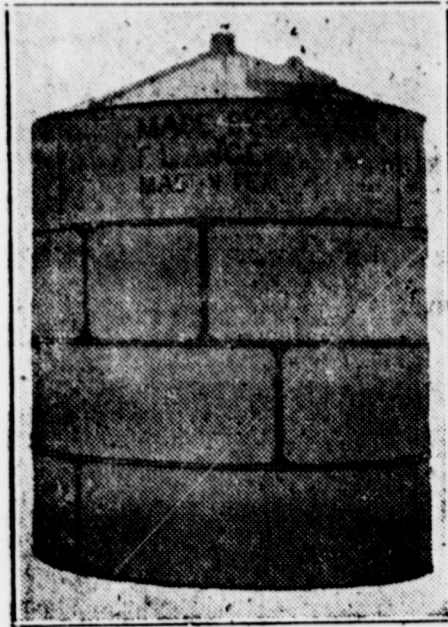
We have all colors of straw hat dye.—Mason Drug Co.

Miss Ida Mae Lemburg entertained quite a number of friends at a party at the home of her parents on Wednesday night.

Mr. Arthur Prater, of the Katemcy section, was brought to town last Sunday and is quite sick at the local sanitarium.

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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. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. All Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.



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## REPATRIATE 500,000 RUSSIAN PRISONERS

### U. S. Medical Officers Supervise Work of Sending Men Home From German Camps.

The task of repatriating approximately 500,000 Russian prisoners in the twenty camps in Germany which have been under the supervision of American army medical officers began a few days ago, according to word received by the branch of the American Red Cross at Coblenz. The work of sending these prisoners of war back to Russia began in accordance with the decision of the allied armistice commission at Spa, and advices received at Coblenz indicate the undertaking will soon be completed.

The Americans connected with relief work among Russian prisoners number more than 1,000. The principal duties of the Americans are to see that the Russians are properly fed and to supervise camp sanitation. Food shipments, handled by the American Red Cross, have been passing through Coblenz for several weeks, but these will cease soon and it is expected that within two months all American missions and soldiers in Germany who have been connected with relief work among Russian prisoners will be out of enemy territory.

Allied relief work at the various Russian camps was decided upon several months ago by the allies as a precaution against half a million Russians returning to the native land and joining the bolsheviks. Under the plan that is being followed, the Russians are being released in small groups and sent to various parts of the country and transported to their homes. In this way there is no danger of their joining the bolsheviks in large bodies. It is believed by officers. The difficulty attendant on shipping food across Germany also was one of the reasons for the decision to repatriate the Russians as soon as possible.

to the neutral and allied countries. The administration is purchasing in the United States only wheat, rye, flour, beans, some rice, and vegetable oil products, and in addition, condensed milk and some other special foods for children.

### LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT

Both the Man and Woman Were Well Advanced in Years.

Virginia O. Saunders, seventy-one years of age, eloped with Mrs. N. B. Bean, a widow, thirty-nine years old, to Clayton, Mo., where they were married. Saunders was formerly mayor of Webster Groves, and is a retired dry goods merchant.

Saunders met Mrs. Bean about a year ago when she was visiting in St. Louis, and after she left they corresponded. Several months ago, Saunders says, Mrs. Bean returned to St. Louis and he proposed marriage. She accepted, but no wedding date was decided upon.

"It was a love match from the start," Saunders told a reporter, "and we were only undecided about the date. I met her at the station, and feeling romantic, we decided to elope to Clayton. Our friends will be considerably surprised to hear what we have done."

### GETS HIS FATHER OUT

Boy Shows His Savings Bank to the Judge.

When Harold Gorski, twelve years of age, entered Judge Boyer's court at Evanston, Ill., recently he sounded like a walking savings bank. Pennies, nickels and dimes jingled merrily in his pocket. Harold sidled up to Judge Boyer:

"My daddy has been arrested," he sobbed. "I don't want you to do anything to him. Here are my savings. Please let him go."

Harold then dumped the contents of his pockets on Judge Boyer's desk. It totaled \$9.87.

"I won't tell on you," Harold whispered as Judge Boyer seriously reminded him of the graveness of attempting to bribe the court.

Joseph Gorski, Harold's father, was charged with violating a health ordinance. He was released on probation.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Bohnlan and daughter of Hondo City, came up last Sunday to be present for the High School Commencement Exercises. Edo Schlaudt, who was one of the graduates, is a nephew to Mr. and Mrs. Bohnlan.

J. W. Baxter and Miss Ella were here last Monday from the Fredonia section. Mr. Baxter says that the rain of Sunday night was good in that country and that the hail did not strike them.

## WAR ON FAMINE JUST BEGINNING

### Hoover Says America Must Provide Supplies.

### NOW AT THE WORST PHASE

Shipping Conditions Are Not Satisfactory on Account of Strikes in Many Countries, and, as Result, There Is No Question That the Entire American Surplus Will Be Absorbed—Enemy Countries and Neutrals Must Pay Cash.

In the harvest year from August, 1918, to August, 1919, Europe must import 29,000,000 tons of foodstuffs from overseas, and to meet this there is available a total of about 35,000,000 tons, Herbert C. Hoover, chairman of the food section of the supreme economic council said in Paris.

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"We are at the worst phase of the European famine that was inevitable after this world war," Mr. Hoover said.

The economic food council is on top in the fight against famine and food distribution is organized to supply the affected areas in Europe outside of Russia, Mr. Hoover said. The American relief administration has organized the systematic feeding of the undernourished children, numbering between 500,000 and 1,000,000.

The United States will supply to Europe foodstuffs valued roughly at \$2,500,000,000. Enemy countries and neutrals will pay cash for what they receive.

### Will Not Raise Wheat Price.

The relief authorities are doing their best to control the effect of the large demands on the American market. Mr. Hoover said that a statement by him on the possible price of wheat had been misinterpreted. He had said that in view of the demands of price control with regard to wheat, sugar, pork products and cotton seed products would be dangerous to the American consumer. The control of the pork was removed, and, Mr. Hoover said, had proved to be a disadvantage to the consumer.

Mr. Hoover said he wished to emphasize that the control of the price of wheat would be maintained to the full extent of existing authority and that the American consumer need not be alarmed that there will be a material rise in the price of that food essential. America will sell more wheat than she has, but the exports are being regulated to reserve a sufficiency for domestic needs.

### Purchases Army Supplies.

The American army stocks of pork products in France, more than 60,000,000 pounds, had been purchased by the relief council and should furnish a sufficient supply of fats until harvest for liberated countries.

Germany is being supplied with fats without competing in the American market for pork, and the European draft on the American pork is limited

Miss Josie Bickenbach returned home last week from San Antonio after a visit of several days.

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G. H. Willis, Sheriff  
F. C. Wartenbach, Const

Two thoughts on a Spring day.  
1st. Let's go fishing.  
2nd. Let's buy our fishing tackle in Mason from  
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### LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining uncalled for in this office for the week ending May 24 1919.

Amr. Express Co.  
Duncan, Mrs. Ben  
Geller, Ivan  
Harial, Rev.  
Harvey, Mrs. Ellen  
Hofmann, Rev.  
Nichols, Ervin  
These letters will be sent to the dead letter office June 9, 1919 if not delivered before. In calling for the above, please say "Advertised," giving date of list.  
Jennie Reynolds, P. M.

Auto casings have dropped 15 per cent in price.  
Star Garage.

H. L., the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schmidt, has a rising on one of his legs and it is causing the little fellow quite a bit of pain.

### SOME POTATOES.

Mr. Jim Milligan was a caller at the News office a few days ago and he spun one of the biggest potato yarns we ever heard. He said that he had a fine potato patch in his garden and that the spuds were growing so fast and getting so large that the ground had cracked all around the roots. When he added that he and Mrs. Milligan were unable to get a good night's sleep for the noise made by the cracking ground, we ordered him from the office, and as he left he yelled back that "Fifteen of the potatoes would fill a half-bushel bucket."

### Use MARTIN'S SCREW WORM

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Mr. F. A. Grote was in town last Saturday from his farm a few miles southeast of town and reported a good rain at his place the night before.

Cecil Smith who has been attending school in San Antonio the past session, came in last Saturday to spend the vacation months.

### A TEXAS WONDER

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