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Friends and Patrons
For a
Joyous Holiday Season
And Hope the New Year Will Bring
Health, Happiness and Increased Prosperity
TO ALL
STAR GARAGE



Merry Christmas

Best Wishes for the
New Year

Your patronage is appreciated. We ask for a continuation of same in 1920.



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25 YEARS AGO

From Mason News, Jan 4, 1895—

J. M. Coalson and Miss M. J. Bratton were married on the night of December 23rd at Katelyce, Mrs. E. Martin died at her home in Mason December 26th.

Born—To Mr and Mrs. E. A. Neiman, a boy, Dec 22; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. White, a boy, Jan. 1; Mr and Mrs. H. C. Boyd, a boy, January 1.

The little two-year old boy of V. M. Loring was severely burned about his face Saturday. He got hold of a box of matches and set his clothing afire before he was found. (It was yesterday Ed Ellebracht and Miss Tony Lang were married on Dec 26th, at Lang's Mill. Rev. Rode officiated. Jim Crosby and bride are here from Indian Territory visiting the family of his mother. John Stengel and Joe Schultz and families of Menard, spent a few days the past week visiting Fred Stengel.

15 YEARS AGO

From Mason News, Dec 23, 1904—

Cards are out for the wedding of A. L. Kothmann and Miss Milda Kothmann. The wedding to take place Jan 18th.

Mr. Thos. Sheppard and Miss Mary Sims were united in marriage Wednesday evening at the Mason House.

Mrs. C. A. Mangham came in Saturday from Stamford for a visit with the family of Ernest Lemburg.

Double Wedding—Wednesday evening Mr. Wallace Boston and Miss Callie Garner and Mr. Ed Boston and Miss Lou Garner were united in marriage at the home of the brides' parents. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Garner, Judge Jones officiated.

J. A. McCollum was in from the Long Mountain country Friday marketing cotton, for which he received 7 cents.

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LEAVES EVERY TUESDAY. HATS CLEANED AND BLOWED.
YOUR SUIT ORDERS SOLICITED. FITS GUARANTEED.

ROY E. DOELL
WITH J. S. KING, THE JEWELER

A LOVE PROBLEM

By MONA DORR.

As the train drew into Medfield, Lillian Thornton glanced appreciatively around the quiet little station. Its cleanliness had impressed her when entering the town.

Having come all the way from the city of Jamestown to teach at the district school, the rural scenery gave her a feeling of contentment.

Glancing out through the window in the tiny waiting room she saw a small runabout stop and a tall man spring out.

He came into the station, and stepping up to her, hat in hand, asked: "Is this Miss Thornton?"

As the girl nodded, he continued: "I'm Douglas Ramsey, superintendent of schools. Mrs. Gray asked me to meet you. You know the roads are so muddy." He threw her a reassuring smile as he picked up her bags and led the way to the car.

On the ride to Mrs. Gray's she learned that her companion was Mrs. Gray's near neighbor, living with his parents.

The beautiful scenery and lovely fields impressed Lillian, who had been used to city life, and the ride had not seemed a two-mile run when the car drew up before a low, old-fashioned cottage. Though it was the month of September, the grass was still a lovely green, and the daffodils, gladioli and other late foliage, in their mingled glory of yellow, pink and red, seemed to nod a bright welcome to the girl.

As they started up the gravelled path the front door was opened and a plump, pleasant-faced woman smiled a welcome to Lillian.

"We'll not require an introduction," said Mrs. Gray as she pressed the girl's hand.

After a few words, Superintendent Ramsey departed with the promise to call for Lillian the next day to introduce her to the new duties at Kelsey school.

Mrs. Gray's family consisted of her husband, a genial, hard-working farmer, and her six-year-old son Richard, who would start into school with the new teacher.

Lillian retired happy that night with the assurance of a pleasant home, one good scholar and the anticipation of several others.

Tuesday morning found Lillian and small Richard starting out for the school, which stood down the road a short distance. On the way Douglas joined them, and as they reached the schoolhouse they saw a group of eager little figures patiently waiting.

"Hello, Johnny! Well, how goes it, Ted?" and so on as the man greeted each smiling face.

When they had all assembled in the schoolroom the superintendent arose and said: "Boys and girls, this is our new teacher, Miss Thornton. How many are going to do their very best to make this a model school this year?"

Twenty-five ready hands shot into the air in acquiescence, and Lillian Thornton knew her first battle was won.

Days flew by into weeks and, with the teacher's city training, the little school was fast becoming a model classroom.

In the meantime the superintendent had become a frequent caller at the Gray homestead, and Lillian looked forward with pleasure to his evening calls.

One afternoon in midwinter a knock was heard, and one of the scholars admitted Superintendent Ramsey. Needless to say, books were laid aside and attention was claimed.

"Now," said the teacher smilingly, "we will have recitation." And there followed quick sums in arithmetic which were readily answered by the older pupils.

Finally the work was switched to the younger children.

"Richard"—this to the little Gray youngster—"tell us the answer to one plus one."

The boy thought for a moment, then replied: "One!"

The teacher looked askance. "Why, Richard, one plus one?"

"One," he returned again. Then with quivering lips and tearful eyes, "I know, teacher, you said 'twas two; but my mother said it—if 'Smiley—I mean Mr. Ramsey, kept comin' to see you, you two'd be one, so I thought that was an example. You always say to give an example."

LAST ISSUE FOR 1919

This issue of the News is the last one that will be published in 1919. Next week there will be no News issued, following a long established custom the office will be closed during the week between Christmas and New Year.

The year about to close has been one which the editor feels very grateful for. It has been the best year that the editor has enjoyed since he has been connected with the paper. It has been a good year with practically everyone from a business standpoint. A few sad and unfortunate things have been recorded by the News during the past year, but the pleasing bits of news have been in majority by far and we feel that that not only the News but the entire citizenship of Mason county have had a more prosperous more pleasant, and a year in which better health has been enjoyed than was the case in 1918.

With this issue the News extends its very best wishes for the happiest Christmas ever and it is our sincere desire that the New Year will have much in store for everyone.

There was a strained silence for one minute, when a titter, then a burst of laughter was heard from a roomful of lusty young throats; and, worst of all, came the low chuckle of a man.

Lillian's head came up from the desk in double-quick time, and her flushed face and angry eyes met the laughing gaze of "Smiley" Ramsey, as he was lovingly named by his many little friends.

"My dear little girl," he laughingly whispered, "why should you be so angry?"

The school was adjourned one hour before closing time and then many of the older girls came up to comfort poor teacher.

The following autumn there was a pretty wedding in which 25 little children gave their small blessings to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Ramsey; and a lovely new house was erected near the little schoolhouse; but the pupils, and the parents, too—would have none of it until its mistress had consented to teach another year.

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JORDAN--ECKERT

The country home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Eckert was the scene of a pretty home wedding last Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, in which their daughter, Miss Ella, was given in marriage to Mr. Frank Jordan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Jordan, Sr. The simple but impressive ceremony was performed by Rev. Robert Moerner.

To the strains of the wedding march, "Hearts and Flowers," played by Miss Rachel Lewis of Lumburg the contracting parties entered unattended and stopped under an improvised arch where the ceremony was read.

The beauty of the bride was heightened by a gown of white satin, with an overdress of georgette, beaded in pearls. Her veil arranged in cap effect fell in graceful folds to the hem of the skirt. She carried an arm-bouquet of brides roses and ferns.

The groom wore the conventional black.

Following congratulations, the wedding party was ushered into the appropriately decorated dining room, where a bounteous supper was served to immediate relatives and friends.

The bride and groom represent two of our most prominent families, having grown from childhood in our midst.

They will be at home to friends at their newly erected home near Plehweville.

Contributed

R. H. Kidd was down from London a few days last week and was accompanied home by his son.

Cecil and C. C. Smith are at home for the holidays from school in San Antonio.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

The News \$1.50 per year, and is worth it.

SHOW NEWS

The News is informed that the Star Theater will start the picture show on the night of January 1st at 6:30 o'clock. This will be done so if necessary "Daddy Long Legs" may be shown twice thus making it certain that everybody may see this great picture.

Misses Hanie Carter and Marie Brockman are at home from the University for the holidays.

Miss Lula Mildred White reached home Sunday from school in Tennessee to spend Christmas.

OUR MEAT MARKET

Cheapest and best meats possible to obtain. No delivery. Fine light bread also for sale. Pay highest cash price for dry or green.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Snow came in Sunday from Fort Worth to enjoy the holidays with the family of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Saunders.

Mr. J. M. Brown, a popular business man of Mason and Miss Lee Smith, talented daughter of Ex-Judge and Mrs. Glenn W. Smith, were united in marriage Sunday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. Rader officiating. The News joins friends in extending congratulations and best of wishes.

PRESCRIPTIONS

Accurately compounded day and night at Mason Drug Co.

APOLOGIES

The editor of this sheet has had very little time to do anything but set ads this week. We have been unable to devote the time and space to important news items as we would like to, but we ask our readers to overlook this and we promise to do better as soon as the rush is over.

CANDY

Due to the shortage of sugar, buy your Christmas candy while we have it.
Mason Drug Company

The Christian church will have its Christmas tree and program on next Tuesday evening. The program will start at six o'clock.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

TO THE HUNTERS

Biggest line in town, of Ever-Ready Flash Lights and Batteries.
Vedder Drug Co.

Big line of Xmas goods at Vedder Drug Co.

W. A. Lang was a pleasant visitor while in Mason last Saturday from near Castell.

NOW—The soap that cleans. No acid, no grit. Buy it, try it. Sold in convenient size cans.
9-4 City Grocery Co.

The Mason High School turned out Friday for the holidays. It will take up again on Monday after Christmas.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

We now have a complete line of Christmas toys on display.
Mason Drug Company

L. C. Looney put his annual contribution with the News while in town Saturday. He has just finished gathering a 13 bale cotton crop.

The News \$1.50 per year, and is worth it.

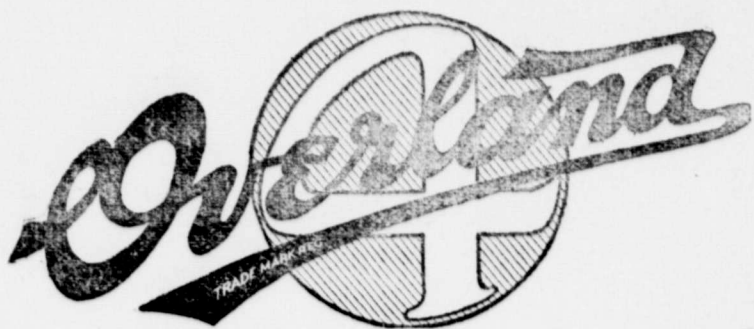
Take in the picture show at the Star Opera House each Saturday night. You'll enjoy it. The show starts promptly at 7:30 o'clock.

Dec Looney and wife left Saturday for Fort Worth to spend the holidays with relatives.

Herbert Gamel was here a short time last week and took his children home for the holidays.

Mrs. Robert Hofmann entertained very delightfully last Saturday at the home of her grandfather, Mr. Jacob Schuessler. The occasion was a miscellaneous show-er and announcement party for Miss Lee Smith, who was married Sunday afternoon to Mr. James T. Brown.

Miss Lucille Smith is at home from Bon Avon to spend the holidays.



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Greatest Improvement
Since Pneumatic Tires

250,000 miles of mountain trails, desert sand, heat, cold, mud and dust demonstrated the quality of every part of the car long before it was offered to the public.

Come in and see this car.
Ask for demonstration.

McCollum Auto Co.

Bill on Drop Letter Rate.
Washington.—A senate postoffice subcommittee has approved a bill introduced by Senator Dial, democrat, South Carolina, providing for a drop letter rate of 1c an ounce. The post-office department indorsed the measure.

Salsazar Forms Cabinet.
Madrid.—Manuel Allende Salsazar has formed a cabinet to take the place of the ministry headed by Premier Foca, which resigned.

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.

GOOD CROPS
HAVE BROUGHT
PROSPERITY

As Gifts Nothing Surpasses
JEWELRY

We carry a complete line of—
RUBY RINGS, CAMEO RINGS
SIGNET RINGS
LAVALLIERS, BRACELETS
BRACELET WATCHES
BROOCHES, CUFF LINKS
WATCH FOBS, NECK CHAINS
SCARF PINS
LA TUSCA PEARL
GILLETTE RAZORS
WATCHES & CLOCKS
CUT GLASS & SILVERWARE
IVORY TOILET SETS
IVORY MANICURE SETS

BEFORE BUYING
INSPECT A FIRST-CLASS LINE
J. S. King
Jeweler
Mason - - Texas

URGE CO-OPERATION
IN CENSUS TAKING

President Wilson Proclaims it
the Duty of Everyone to
Answer Enumerators.

Washington.—The following proclamation on the fourteenth decennial census of the United States is issued by the president of the United States of America:

Whereas, By the act of congress approved March 3, 1919, the fourteenth decennial census of the United States is to be taken beginning on the second day of January, 1920; and

Whereas, A correct enumeration of the population every ten years is required by the constitution of the United States, for the purpose of determining the representation of the several states in the house of representatives; and

Whereas, It is of the utmost importance to the interests of all the people of the United States that this census should be a complete and accurate report of the population and resources of the nation; now, therefore,

I, Woodrow Wilson, president of the United States of America, do hereby declare and make known that, under the law aforesaid, it is the duty of every person to answer all questions on the census schedules applying to him and the family to which he belongs, and to the farm occupied by him or his family, and that any person refusing to do so is subject to penalty.

The sole purpose of the census is to secure general statistical information regarding the population and resources of the country, and replies are required from individuals only to permit the compilation of such general statistics. No person can be harmed in any way by furnishing the information required. The census has nothing to do with taxation, with military or jury service, with the compulsion of school attendance, with the regulation of immigration, or with the enforcement of any national, state or local law or ordinance. There need be no fear that any disclosure will be made regarding any individual person or his affairs. For the due protection of the rights and interests of the persons furnishing information every employe of the census bureau is prohibited, under heavy penalty, from disclosing any information which may thus come to his knowledge.

I therefore earnestly urge upon all persons to answer promptly, completely and accurately all inquiries ad-

PROGRAM FOR EVENING

Given By
MISS HILDA LEMBURG
On Friday Night, December 26th.
At the Star Opera House

- 1 Aria—One Fine Day
Mme. Butterfly Puccini
- 2 (a) From the Land of the Sky
Blue Water Cadman.
(b) A Birthday ... Woodman
- 3 Elegie Massenet
- 4 A Revelation ... John P. Scott.
- 5 O Fair, O Sweet and Holy ...
Cantor.
- 6 Aria—La Boheme—Valse Lento
..... Puccini.
- 7 Ecstasy Brach.
- 8 The Rosary Nevin.
- 9 (a) Sorter Miss You ... Smith
(b) Happy Song ... Del Riego.

Admission 35 cents. Reserved
seats 50 cents. Seats on sale at
Vedder Drug Company.

dressed to them by the enumerators or other employes of the census bureau, and thereby to contribute their share toward making this great and necessary public undertaking a success.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done in the District of Columbia this 10th day of November, in the year of our Lord 1919, and of the Independence of the United States the 144th.

WOODROW WILSON.

By the president:
William Phillips, Acting Secretary
of State.

Ruling on Textbook
Question Is Rendered

Austin, Tex.—Where the textbook commission has adopted textbooks covering specific subjects it would be without power to adopt a different book being a general treatise on all the subjects theretofore adopted in separate books, and no such general book could be substituted in the schools for the books upon specific subjects heretofore adopted, according to an opinion given Friday by the attorney general's department to the textbook committee. The opinion was prepared by Assistant Attorney General C. W. Taylor.

It is further held in the opinion that the textbook commission having adopted textbooks in physiology, physical geography, physics, chemistry and agriculture would be without power to adopt a general science text covering each of these subjects if the same are to be substituted for either of the subjects covered by the textbooks upon specific subjects.

A textbook on general science, it is held, might be adopted and put in use in the schools, provided it did not displace or be substituted for any one of the textbooks adopted upon the subjects heretofore named. General science might be used as a supplementary book after others adopted upon this specific subject had been used in good faith.

General science might be adopted and used in the schools as an elementary book, provided it did not displace or was not substituted for any other adopted book, it is held.

Former Mexican General Held.

San Antonio, Tex.—Charged with violating the United States neutrality laws, Eduardo Martinez, formerly a general in the Mexican army, was arrested Friday on a fugitive complaint filed by Fleet T. White, agent of the bureau of investigation. Martinez is alleged to have organized an expedition into Mexico consisting of 14 men, who, it is alleged, crossed the Rio Grande near Roma, Texas, in May, 1918, and attempted to capture several towns.

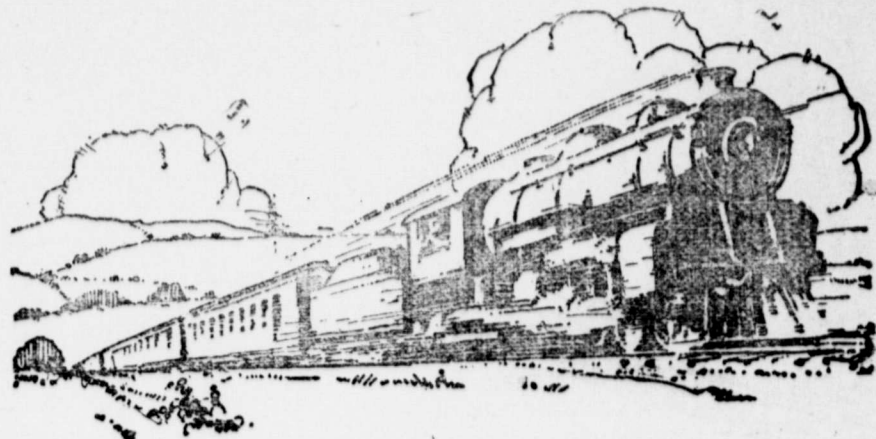
How about your subscription to the News, have you advanced it for another year?

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at Vedder Drug Co.

You may have seen funnier films than the first two reels of "Daddy Long Legs"—but we haven't.

A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder for kidney and bladder troubles, gravel, diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism, and irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. Regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.25. One small bottle is two months' treatment and often cures. Send for sworn testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street, St. Louis Mo. Sold by druggists.



The railroads of the United States are more than one-third, nearly one-half, of all the railroads of the world. They carry a yearly traffic so much greater than that of any other country that there is really no basis for comparison. Indeed, the traffic of any two nations may be combined, and still it does not approach the commerce of America borne upon American railways.
—United States Senator Cummins.

Ask Any Doughboy Who
Was "Over There"

and he will tell you that American railroads are the best in the world.

He saw the foreign roads—in England and France, the best in Europe—and in other Continental countries—and he knows.

The part railroads have played in the development of the United States is beyond measure.

American railroads have achieved high standards of public service by far-sighted and courageous investment of capital, and by the constant striving of managers and men for rewards for work well done.

We have the best railroads in the world—we must continue to have the best.

But they must grow.

To the \$20,000,000,000 now invested in our railroads, there will have to be added in the next few years, to keep pace with the nation's business, billions more for additional tracks, stations and terminals, cars and engines, electric power houses and trains, automatic signals, safety devices, the elimination of grade crossings—and for reconstruction and engineering economies that will reduce the cost of transportation.

To attract to the railroads in the future the investment funds of many thrifty citizens, the directing genius of the most capable builders and managers, and the skill and loyalty of the best workmen—in competition with other industries bidding for capital, managers and men—the railroad industry must hold out fair rewards to capital, to managers and to the men.

American railroads will continue to set world standards and adequately serve the Nation's needs if they continue to be built and operated on the American principle of rewards for work well done.

This advertisement is published by the
Association of Railway Executives

Those desiring information concerning the railroad situation may obtain literature by writing to The Association of Railway Executives, 61 Broadway, New York.

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I am in the market for furs of all kinds. Will pay best prices at all times. See me at Hofmann's ware house
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GET MORE EGGS.
By feeding Martin's Egg Producer. Double your money back in eggs or your money back in cash. Guaranteed by Vedder Drug Co.

Just Received a factory shipment of Goodyear Casings.
McCollum Auto Co.

Give us a trial with your prescriptions.
Vedder Drug Co.

Big line of Xmas goods at Vedder Drug Co.

Try our HOWE (red rubber) inner tubes. You'll never want any other kind.
Star Garage.

Toilet and Manicure sets at Mason Drug Company

We are ready at any and all times to fill your prescriptions.
Vedder Drug Co.

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Merry Christmas



To Our Friends and Patrons:

ONCE AGAIN THE OLD YEAR WANES AND WE STAND ON THE THRESHOLD OF THE NEW MUCH GOOD HAS COME INTO OUR LIVES AND FORTUNES THESE PAST TWELVE MONTHS AS WE REALIZE THAT MUCH OF THIS GOOD WAS TURNED OUR WAY BY OUR CUSTOMERS. WE FEEL GRATEFUL, AND TAKE THIS MEANS OF EXPRESSING OUR THANKS FOR THEIR VALUED PATRONAGE AND WISH EACH AND EVERYONE MANY HAPPY RETURNS OF THE SEASON AND HOPE THAT THE NEW YEAR WILL OVERFLOW WITH HAPPINESS AND PROSPERITY



Mason Drug Co.



Through Your Prosperity and Patronage

We now represent
A NEW INSTITUTION
on solid footing

WE APPRECIATE
YOUR PATRONAGE AND GOOD WILL

WE WISH YOU ONE AND ALL

A Very Merry Christmas
AND A
New Year
even more prosperous than the
one about to close

The First State Bank



A Merry Christmas

AND A

Happy New Year TO EVERYBODY

I THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATRONAGE THE PAST YEAR AND RESPECTFULLY ASK FOR A CONTINUATION OF SAME

J. J. JOHNSON



WE THANK

Our Friends and Patrons

FOR THEIR LIBERAL PATRONAGE DURING THE YEAR ABOUT TO CLOSE WE EXTEND

Our Best Wishes For

Christmas

AND A

New Year

FILLED WITH JOY, CONTENTMENT AND PROSPERITY

A. J. & A. C. LEMBURG



Price Advances 25 percent

At Mid-Night, December 31, 1919 Stroud Stock Advances From \$10 to \$12.50 per Share

Are You Able to Save Money? Are You Going to Be a Success? Are You Investing Your Earnings Wisely? That's the Question.

BUY NOW

To save this 25 percent YOU must act promptly. The seed of success for many has been the inspiration of a worthwhile investment. Out of the first hundred dollars well invested many have started on the road to independence and good fortune. In presenting your loved ones, therefore, with a substantial interest in San Antonio's manufacturing plants, you are inspiring the saving of money and at the same time harboring a greater enthusiasm for San Antonio's certain success as a manufacturing center. How could you better encourage your boy or girl? By purchasing stock immediately, you will save 25 percent, as the price of stock will advance to \$12.50 at midnight Dec. 31. Have your boy or girl financially interested in this Texas automobile company.

Half a Million Dollars Subscribed

More than half a Million dollars has been subscribed by more than 2100 representative cotton planters, lawyers business men, salaried people and wage earners, who will participate in the manufacturing and distributing of Stroud Trucks, Tractors and Automobiles to be produced in the Model Stroud Plant, which will be erected on the fifty acre Stroud tract in San Jose addition, San Antonio.

Officered By Experienced Men

SSAM W. STROUD, President.—a banker and automobile man, originally from Oklahoma, who has been in the automobile business in Texas for years.
C. K. McDOWELL, Vice-President.—a substantial citizen of Del Rio, Texas, County Judge of Val Verde County, Texas for a number of years and attorney for this association.
F. W. LEMBURG, Secretary-Treasurer.—a banker for twenty-one years in Mason County. This is the man who has charge of the funds of the Stroud Motor Mfg. Assn.
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 * Mason, Texas.
 * Dear Sir—Enclosed please find check for \$.....
 * for which reserve shares at par
 * value of \$10 per share
 * Name
 * Address
 * Business
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Buy your holiday goods early. We have the biggest assortment in town Vedder Drug Co.

Mary Pickford herself says that "Daddy Long Legs" is her greatest picture—and she couldn't afford to say so unless she felt certain the public would agree with her.

Christmas goods of every description at our store Mason Drug Company



"So you and Cora have decided to embark upon the sea of matrimony, Brill?"
"I am happy and fortunate in saying 'yes.'"
"Cora is a fine girl," declared Myron

Blair. "I'd ought to know, for she is my sister-in-law. She will make you a good wife, only—one piece of advice, cut out the mother-in-law."
"I hardly understand you," spoke Wallace Brill, with manifest resentment.
"You will when you get further along in your experience. See here, as relatives prospective by courtesy, I can be plain with you. If one principle was instilled into my nature by prejudice and observation it was the mother-in-law problem. When I married Bella Mayne I made up my mind

to run no risks of having a fussy, meddling old lady on my hands. Of course I said nothing to Bella. Of course I treated Mrs. Mayne with all due respect. Firmly, persistently, though, I adopted a policy of procedure that set up the bars against any mother-in-law invasion. I settled down in a house at the farther end of the village on purpose, so Mrs. Mayne wouldn't find it convenient to run in on us every day. When the two children came along I saw to it that they didn't come under her rule and influence in any way. No, sir! I tell you, Brill, the man who wants a well-ordered household must keep the mother-in-law at a distance. Hello! There's a man I want to see on business," and the voluble speaker darted off.
Wallace was glad. In another mo-

ment he would have been unable to control his indignation. To him the mother of his bride expectant was almost a part of herself, and a person for whom he felt a dutiful and respectful consideration. Then, again, Wallace knew something of "the system" of Myron Blair and its results. It had not worked, except for the selfish benefit of shallow, self-opinionated Blair. As Wallace was well aware it had brought misery and unhappiness to others—victims who made no complaint, but silently experienced their wretchedness because they were of a noble, self-sacrificing nature. When Blair installed the daughter in a home two miles away, Mrs. Mayne experienced a loneliness that might have been easily avoided. When Blair jealousy

PROGRAM AT THE STAR THEATRE

TUESDAY NIGHT December 23 GABBY DESLYS in "INFATUATION" 6 reel feature ADM. 10-15-20 CENTS	SATURDAY NIGHT December 27 ANITA STEWART in "SHADOWS OF THE PAST" 5 reel feature ADM. 10-15-20 CENTS	SATURDAY NIGHT January 3 GLADYS LESLIE in "MISS DULCIE FROM DIXIE" 5 reel feature ADM. 10-15-20 CENTS
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THURSDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 25

Feeling that our patrons prefer something special for the holiday season, we have secured "Daring Hearts" to be screened on the night of December 25th. This is a 5 reel feature starred by Francis X. Bushman and Beverley Baynes. The expense of this picture will necessitate our charging 35 cents admission for all. [7 years and up]

THURSDAY NIGHT, JANUARY 1

"Daddy Long Legs" starred by Mary Pickford in 7 reels, will be shown on New Year's night. Admission 50 cents. [7 years and up.] This is a high-priced picture, it has been very highly recommended to us and we have had many requests to show it. People who have seen it say everybody should see it. Show will start at 6:30 o'clock sharp.

SATURDAY NIGHT January 10 ALICE JOYCE in "THE CAMBRIC MASK" 5 reel feature ADM. 10-15-20 CENTS

SATURDAY NIGHT January 17 HARRY MOREY in "FIGHTING DESTINY" 5 reel feature ADM. 10-15-20 CENTS

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restricted the children to only occasional formal visits to their grandmother, it almost broke her heart. The absence of her mother at critical junctures in her life meant suffering and a broken constitution for Bella, and the boastful, insensate Blair fancied that as a model disciplinarian he was a decided success.

Wallace Brill had not known a mother's care from early childhood. When he began to pay attention to Cora Mayne it seemed as though her mother came to fill a precious place in his life.

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Wallace was doing well in a business way. He had been thrifty and had accumulated sufficient to enable him to start out in life with a home of his own. When he first spoke to Cora of this it was in the presence of her mother.

"Well, I settled about a lot today," he announced in his brisk, pleasant way. "I say, mother, there's one disappointment. I have tried to get as near as possible to the old homestead here, but the only vacant lot that fitted to my money requirements was two squares down the street."

"That—that is not far, is it, Wallace?" spoke the old lady. Her tones were tremulous.

"If you will put on your spectacles, mother," went on Wallace, "we'll all draw up to the table and look over some plans for a new house I got from the architect today. "There," as he settled her in the most comfortable chair and directly at his side, "with such counsellors as you precious two, I'll warrant we'll have a regular little palace."

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"I'm throwing myself on that room," emphasized Wallace with a token of rare pride in his tones. "Sunlight on three sides, ventilation perfect, convenient to all the other rooms in the house. What do you think of it, mother?"

"Your den, I suppose?" said Mrs. Mayne.

"Oh, no," replied Wallace promptly. "That's your room, mother."

"My room!" faltered the old lady, all a tremble.

"All your own, and no one else's," declared Wallace. "How do you like it?"

Mrs. Mayne fixed her faded eyes upon the speaker with a devotion and gratitude that thrilled him mightily. Then upon his shoulder sank her silvered head. And then, her arm about him, joining in the grateful sobbing of that dear old soul, Clara Mayne clasped both in her arms and Wallace Brill felt that life was indeed sweet.

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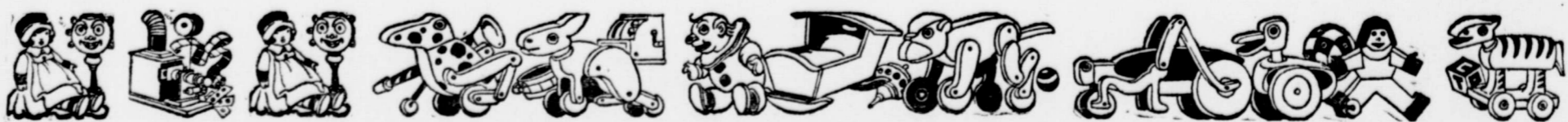
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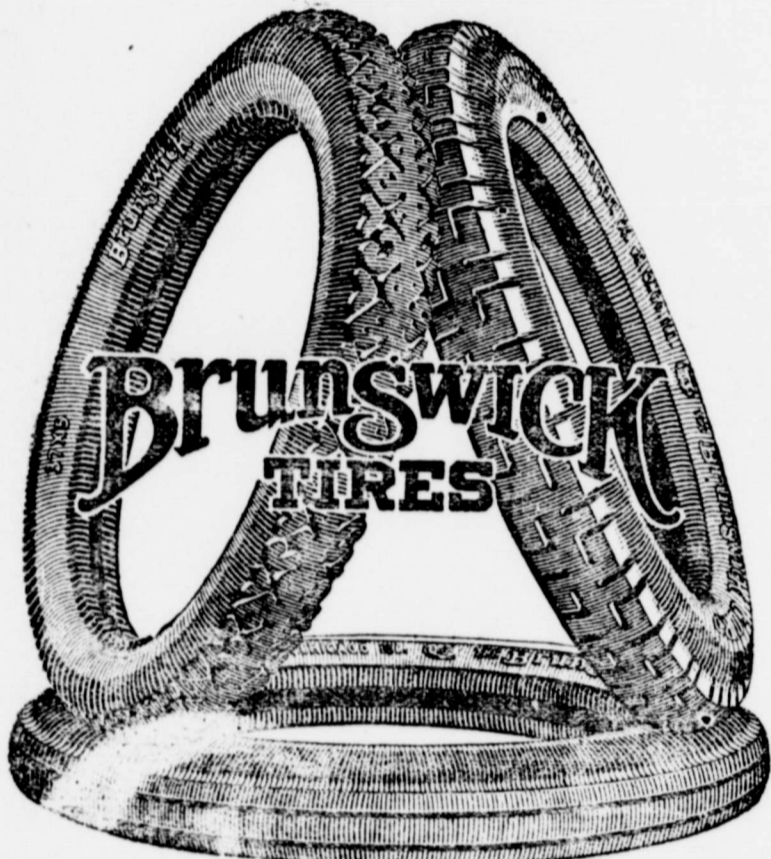
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ORDER OF RAILROAD COMMISSION UPHeld

Authority to Require Roads to Install Agents at Depots in State Sustained.

Austin, Tex.—That the railroad commission of Texas has authority to require railroads to install agents at depots is the effect of the refusal by the supreme court to grant a writ of error in the case of Angelina & Neches River Railroad Company vs. the Railroad Commission of Texas, from Travis County.

The railroad company sought an injunction to restrain the railroad commission from putting into effect its order requiring the railroad to install an agent at its depot at the station of Etoile, Nacogdoches County. The injunction was denied by the district court and an appeal to the court of civil appeals judgment of the lower court was affirmed. This was the first time the question was ever presented in Texas.

In the opinion of the appellate court it was stated that while the "statutes on railroads do not in terms require agents to be furnished at railway stations and do not authorize the railroad commission to make such appointment, it becomes a duty and such authority arises by imperative implication from the many duties placed upon railway companies and the authority given the railroad commission to enforce compliance with such duties."

"The statutes require that freight shall be delivered to the owner, agent or consignee," continues the opinion; "that baggage shall be checked when taken for transportation by the agent or servant of such corporation; that they shall erect suitable buildings at stations for the protection of passengers and freight, shall keep depots or passenger houses lighted and warmed and subject to egress and ingress for an hour before and after departure of trains and other duties which can not be performed without the presence of an agent or other servant."

It was held that the depot buildings could be automatically lighted and warmed, but the presence of an agent or other servant would necessarily be required to perform those duties.

"The authority to require compliance with the statute would be futile if it did not carry with it the authority to require the presence of such agent or servant," held the appellate court. "All reasonable canons of interpretation and construction would necessarily involve such authority. A statute should not be enlarged by implication unless it was enacted. But if that be necessary the implication will be indulged in."

This judgment of the court of civil appeals has been in effect sustained by the action of the supreme court in refusing writ of error. The appeal from the district court was to the third court of civil appeals at Austin, and by that court transferred to the fourth court of civil appeals at San Antonio. The opinion was written by Chief Justice W. S. Fly.

Constitutionality of Suffrage Act Upheld

Austin, Tex.—The women voters of Texas Saturday won a victory when the Third Court of Civil Appeals in a special sitting upheld wholly the constitutionality of the woman suffrage act of the fourth called session of the Thirty-Fourth legislature, which permits women to vote in primary elections. The court, by unanimous opinion, written by Associate Justice C. H. Jenkins, affirmed the case of Tom M. Hamilton vs. Lee R. Davis, tax collector, appealed from the district court of McLennan County. The case is to be taken up to the Supreme Court. Hamilton sought an injunction to restrain the tax collector of McLennan County from issuing poll tax receipts to women. The district court sustained a general demurrer and the injunction was not granted.

Besides sustaining the constitutionality of the woman suffrage act, the appellate court held that Hamilton was

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not entitled to bring a suit by injunction to restrain the tax collector of McLennan County from issuing poll tax receipts, since injunction is an equitable relief granted by a court of chancery or equity to prevent irreparable injury as the consequence of a wrongful act for which the law courts offered no relief, or at least an adequate relief. It was held that Hamilton had a complete remedy provided by statute by contesting the proposed election if dissatisfied with the results thereof.

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Fifty dollars reward for party or parties killing a buck out of season or a doe or spotted fawn at any time.

One hundred dollars reward for party or parties caught hunting on any premises of the undersigned with what is called "head lights."

A posted sign painted in red has been adopted by the association and all parties will take notice of the posted sign.

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Henry W. Keller, Ass't Sec. & Treas.

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C. L. Martin.

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S. L. Jeffers.
J1pd

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10/23 Max Martin.

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J1pd F. W. Schmidt.

POSTED—All parties are hereby warned against hunting, trapping or trespassing on any of the lands owned or controlled by the undersigned. Violators will be prosecuted.

J1pd

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L. S. Wendel.

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J1pd A. R. Evers.
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