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## MONEY TO LOAN

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### 15 YEARS AGO

From Mason News Feb. 10, 1905

**A Sudden Death**—Wm. Graff and Mrs. Walt Smith were called to Fredericksburg last Friday on account of the death of their father, Wm. Graf, Sr. He was quiet aged being over 70 years old, and on the evening before his death he complained of feeling ill but later retired feeling much improved. During the night he was heard groaning and in a few minutes expired his death being attributed to heart failure. He was one of the pioneer citizens of Fredericksburg.

Mrs. L. H. Thode left this week for eastern markets to purchase her spring stock of Millinery.

J. C. Lemburg is laid up this week with a severe case of the la grippe.

Mrs. Belle Bridges, post Mistress of Mason, returned Saturday from a visit to her mother in Kentucky who was severely injured a few weeks ago by a fall. Notwithstanding her advanced age of 80 odd years there is hope entertained for her recovery.

**Born**—To Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Loring a boy on the 7th.

Miss Carrie Bryant

Death has again evaded our midst and borne away the sweet spirit of one who was just budding into beautiful womanhood.

For several days this section has been covered with a mantle of sleet and snow, and a few miles north of us the ice was sufficient to have weighted down and broken telephone lines and trees.

**A Sudden death** Mrs. Dee Coats aged about 25 years, dropped dead Wednesday of last week shortly afternoon.

Mrs. E. J. Lemburg has been suffering from the effects of poison oak.

### 25 YEARS AGO

From Mason News, Feb. 15, 1895.

Mr. L. H. King gave a big dinner in the honor of his old clerks Sunday. Earnest Lemburg, Chas. Mangham, Beno Schmidt, Ben Hey and Ward McMurry.

George Ischar a respected German citizen of this county, died at his home 5 miles south on the 7th inst., after an illness of a few days. He was 71 years 6 months

of age.

Cards are out for the wedding of Mr. E. J. Lemburg and Miss Ida Mangham which took place at the Baptist church, February 27th.

W. E. Avers has purchased the business of H. C. Boyd.

T. E. Matheny and Miss Mattie Boston were married at the Ayers school house Wednesday.

**Social Hop**—A pleasant social hop was given Tuesday evening at the home of Theo. Schmidt (Those present besides Mr. Schmidt and daughter, were, Misses Delia Lindsay, Lola and Belle Bird, Quint Garner, Daisie Wheeler, Winnie Murray, Ann Crosby, Mollie King, Bertha Ochs of Fredericksburg, Lyde Holden, Mrs. R. C. Doell, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schmidt of Ker-ville, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Schaez, Messrs Bob Baird, Seth Gooch Jim and Ova Garner Dolly and Dee Payne, Howard Smith, Ed and Will Broad, Otto and Hugo Koock Less Gallif, Frank Moody, Gratton Crosby, Benno Schmidt, Bud Martin Chas. and Orb Stapleton and Mike Adecock, Chas and Will Worlie.

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+ Many a man has missed +  
+ both riches and success by +  
+ the thickness of a Dollar +  
+ Bill—the Dollar Bill he did +  
+ not Bank at +  
+ COMMERCIAL BANK +  
+ (Unincorporated) +  
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Virgil Boston, the blind musician who is well known to the most of our people came here the last of the week to make his home for the present. He has fitted up a place at the drug store corner on Bridge street has purchased an elaborate peanut and popcorn machine and within the next day or so will be open for business. Leo Hargon has been making his stand and has completed his part of the work.

—Llano News

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.

Attorney Roscoe Runge, secretary of the local school board, returned from Austin last week, where he went to meet and escort to Mason the colored school teacher, Miss Irene T. Jones. The colored school at this place opened last Wednesday.

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

We have just received a new lot Diamond casings. All sizes. Star Garage.

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### MASON - LLANO MAIL LINE

WALKER & WALKER PROPS.

We solicit your passenger traffic and express hauling to and from Llano.

We have GOOD CARS and make GOOD TIME.

### CLEANING AND PRESSING

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

ROY E. DOELL

WITH J. S. KING, THE JEWELER

### MRS. SUE BRIDGES

CHICKASHA, OKLAHOMA

A few days ago word was received in Mason of the passing away on Monday, February the 2nd of Mrs. Sue Bridges, wife of the late J. D. Bridges, well known to the people of Mason and surrounding counties.

For many years after coming from India their home was in Mason where their influence in church and civic welfare was very great, and where their children grew up; but when Oklahoma beckoned the children, the parents followed, to Chickasha where they have since made their home. Mr. Bridges passing out some years ago, leaving Mrs. Bridges still a frail, slight woman as her friends in Mason knew her.

Her last illness was of short duration, and she fell asleep peacefully as a child in its mother's arms. We who knew and loved her rest in the assurance that the Everlasting arms received her.

The News notes from the Menard Messenger that P. C. Baird is a candidate for sheriff and tax collector of that county. Mr. Baird's many friends here will wish him success.

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

All public meeting places in the cities have been temporarily closed to guard against another flu epidemic as the disease seems to be spreading quiet rapidly although the cases are mild compared with those of last year.

Oscar Sequist moved last week from the Zork building to his newly acquired property east of the Mason Drug Co. Mr. Sequist will erect a marble front to his building, having placed the plate glass front in the rear to give more light. Mr. Sequist believes in improving and the News predicts he will spare no expense in making his building modern and up-to-date in appearance.

**MR. MERCHANT**—It is not what YOU know about a certain brand of goods that brings you business, but it depends on what the BUYING PUBLIC knows about those certain brands of merchandise. Use printer's ink in telling the public the good merits of the goods you are handling.

Mrs. Jennie Hamilton of Chickasha, Oklahoma, is here with her mother, Mrs. Bertha Todd, who has been quiet ill for the past week. Mrs. A. W. Koock is also with her mother, who fortunately shows some improvement.

Miss Mabel Loring has been suffering for some days from a very severe attack of the throat trouble. We trust she will soon be all right.

Our neighbour, Brady, is reported to have five hundred cases of the flu. These surley are the days when one needs to put no unnecessary drain upon his health.

We are glad to report that Miss White is convalescent, and we trust that her recovery will be rapid not only from her laboratory injury but also from the after effects of the flu.

Yes that square is going to be cleaned up even if some of the industrial workers do think "it will just get dirty again."

Clean Town Club

Major Doole was moved to the local sanitarium last Tuesday. The News is pleased to report him quiet a bit improved since our last issue.

The News is prepared to take care of all kinds of job printing and can handle the big jobs as well as the smaller ones in a manner which is unsurpassed.

George Brooks rode the W. O. W. goat last Monday night.

The News is informed that Judge M. D. Stator is quiet sick at Llano.

## MONEY TO LEND

On Farms and Ranches  
INTEREST PAYABLE AT ANY TIME OF YEAR

No Delays

Runge & Runge

John Hasse returned home last Sunday from Fort Worth, where he bought 125 head of high-grade cows and shipped back to Mason anticipating a ready sale for them here as stock cattle.

The friends of Dr. Robert Baze will deeply regret to learn that he is ill of double pneumonia in the sanitarium of Oklahoma City. At the same time Mrs. Baze is quite ill of la grippe. Mrs. Baze it will be remembered is the daughter of Mrs. J. D. Bridges.

Last Saturday night the serial picture, "The Invisible Hand," was started at the local theater. As advertised coupon tickets were issued and prizes awarded are as follows—

Ray Kothmann, who held ticket No. 225 will receive a pass for himself and some one else for the entire serial.

Mrs. Lee Smart, who held ticket No. 119 will receive a pass for herself and some one else for the next 7 episodes of the serial.

Robert Kidd Jr., who held ticket No. 132, will receive a pass for himself and some one else for the next 4 episodes of the serial.

Let me do your windmill repairing or plumbing work Louis Brockman. Phone 911-F-23 5-6p

Dave Kinsey informed us Saturday that he has recently purchased about 40 more acres of land adjoining his farm from Mr. Henry Eckert, paying \$60 an acre. This now gives Mr. Kinsey about 209 acres in his farm.

Alvin Bernhard, of San Antonio, spent a few days in Mason last week and while here took a new lease on this great weekly.

Our stock of tires and tubes is very complete. Only best makes. McCollum Auto Company.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Schroeder left the first of the week for Fort Worth, where Mr. S. goes on business; Mrs. Schroeder accompanied him to enjoy the sights.

Mrs. Dave Ferguson has been on the sick list the past couple of weeks and the News is pleased to learn that she is improving, although slowly.

Clerk Brockman, who returned a few days ago from Austin, reports Miss Marie quite sick in a sanitarium at Austin. Miss Marie was poisoned recently with gas while at work in the University laboratory. Her many friends here will regret to learn this sad bit of news.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schmidt will be interested in learning that their son is very much improved since returning from Austin, where he had his tonsils removed. It seems that his diseased tonsils prolonged his recent illness.

Wear Diamond tires on your auto. They last longer and are moderately priced. Star Garage.

The family of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Metzger left last Thursday morning by auto for San Antonio, at which place they will visit a short time and will then go on to Port Arthur, where they expect to make their home.

For several years Mr. Metzger has been connected with the local ice and power plant, of which he is a stockholder. He and his family have made Mason their home for many years and the citizenship of Mason regrets to lose them as residents, and a host of friends will join the News in wishing them much success in the future.

Pete Jordan came in a few days ago from San Antonio, where he has been attending school. He says that the "flu" there is so bad that all public gathering places have been closed down.

Last Sunday the News man, wife and little Jennie enjoyed a very pleasant day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Ehrhardt.

### A MISTAKE

You often hear the remark made that a nickle won't buy anything now days. The News' want ad rates are a nickle a line. Invest a few nickles in a want ad in the News and you will find out just how much a nickle will do.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

## SATURDAY AFTERNOON

FEBRUARY 14TH.

## Valentine Luncheon

AT THE

## Gooch Building

(Over Hofmann Dry Goods Co.)

Given by

Queen Esther Missionary Society

Starts at 2 O'clock.



# WRIGLEYS



After a hearty meal, you'll avoid that stuffy feeling if you chew a stick of

## WRIGLEYS

Other benefits: to teeth, breath, appetite, nerves. That's a good deal to get for 5 cents!

Sealed Tight—Kept Right



→The Flavor Lasts←

### NOTICE TO TEACHERS

Teachers who wish to have pupils enter events in girls' contests, should send their list to me two weeks before the county meet.

Positively no entrances made on my program after March 13. Be sure your lists are right.

The events will be held in the order listed.

- 50 yard dash—J
- 50 yard dash—S
- Potato race—J
- All up relay—4 in team—S
- Base ball throw for distance—J
- Base ball throw for distance—S
- Base ball throw for accuracy—J
- Base ball throw for accuracy—S
- Basket ball throw for distance—J
- Basket ball throw for distance—S
- Shuttle relay—4 in team—J
- Single relay—4 in team—S
- Basket ball throw for goal—3
- throws 12 ft. from goal—J and S.

Sadie Westbrook  
Katemy Texas.

Mrs. Mangham is here from San Antonio for a visit with her daughter Mrs. Ernest Lemburg and family.

John Deer Disc Plows, Planters, Cultivators and Harrows at Louis Schmidt's.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

The Womans Missionary Society will meet in regular monthly business session at the Church Tuesday afternoon, February, 27 at 3 o'clock. Members are urged to attend these meetings.

Mrs. G. H. King, Sect.

The many friends of J. S. King will learn with regret that he is quite ill, threatened with pneumonia.

Mrs. Julius Levy died Sunday morning at two-thirty o'clock at the Brady Sacitarium of pneumonia. She was about 35 years of age.

### Tell the News the News

Mrs. W. M. Martin informs us that her mother, Mrs. H. Birschwale, will remain at Mineral Wells for three weeks under care of a specialist of that place.

Guy Prater and Miss Anna Teague, a young couple of the Katemy section, were united in marriage last Sunday. Judge Garrett officiated.

Henry Simon was a pleasant caller at the News office last Wednesday and left his annual contribution.

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

Star Garage.

### BEATS KING'S MEN

It is reported to us by Mr. Dan Jordan, a citizen whose truthfulness is unquestioned, that his son Frank Jordan has an ewe that has brought seven lambs within the last eighteen months, two were born on December 29, two on July 29 and three on February 19, 1920.

We are looking for a big reduction in the price of clothing if Mr. Jordan stages in the sheep business.

Otto Schmidt informs the News that he has had a recent letter from Mr. King, manager of the King-Thomas Comedy Co., advising that his company would likely be here in March or April and Mr. Schmidt is planning on making a contract with them. Mason people will remember Mr. King as former manager of the King and Booth Company which has played at Mason on different occasions.

Monday afternoon the Christian Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. C. L. McCollum. After several interesting papers were read and business was attended, Mrs. McCollum served delicious punch and cake to Mesdames, Chas. Birschwale, John Lemburg, H. S. Wood, Robert Kidd, J. S. King, Ben Plummer, Martin Loring and Misses Sarah Puckey and Jennie Loring. Mrs. S. A. McCollum was guest of the Aid.

The next meeting of the Aid will be at the home of Mrs. R. H. Kidd.

The Mason High School basketball team of girls motored out to Katemy last Saturday afternoon and played a match game with the Katemy school team. The game was a victory for the Katemy girls the score being 14 to 10.

On the same afternoon the boys team of Grit and the Katemy boys had a game on the Katemy grounds. They won their game by a score of 49 to 4.

Miss Lydia Danheim, the teacher of the Live Oak Hill School, in her customary thoroughness and promptness was instrumental in having a modern school house erected with all the modern school equipments. This is the third school building that stands as monument of her averting work in Washington county. The first she built is at Mount Hill and the second at Gay Hill.

She is considered as one of the strongest educators of the country by continually improving herself she has acquired her permanent certificate and is now among the leading educators of the State. She is loved by children and grown ups for her cheerful disposition. She never has had any trouble of finding a position the positions of vacancies are looking for her. She is also a strong supporter of the inter-scholastic league and her sure to carry off some trophies.

The last compliment and really the greatest is the many friends of Miss Danheim have been trying to persuade her to announce as a candidate for the office of county superintendent but as yet she has not consented.

Brenham Morning Messenger  
Miss Lydia Danheim will be remembered as the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Danheim who only recently moved to Brenham and up to that time were prominent in Mason County.

### "NERO'S HORSES" IN VENICE

Famous Bronzes Returned—Were in Rome for Wartime Safety.

The four bronze horses which adorned the facade of St. Mark's cathedral have again been put in place after an absence of more than two years, due to their transfer to Rome, where they had been kept to avoid capture by the Austrians or destruction by air bombs. The horses are regarded as the finest specimens of ancient bronzes and according to tradition, graced the triumph arch of Nero.

### Testified He Kissed 300 Girls.

The champion "Jack the Hugger and Kisser" of Indianapolis, Ind., is Ez Maroney, a twenty-two-year-old attendant at a skating rink. Maroney, a witness in the trial of a sixteen-year-old girl on the charge of delinquency, told Judge Lehr in juvenile court that he had hugged and kissed 300 girls in the time he had been employed at the rink.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.  
Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE. FRANK J. CHENEY.  
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886. A. W. GLEASON, (Seal) Notary Public.  
Hall's Catarrh Medicine is taken internally and acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. Send for testimonials, free.  
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WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE

## Hayes Theater Co.

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## Star Opera House

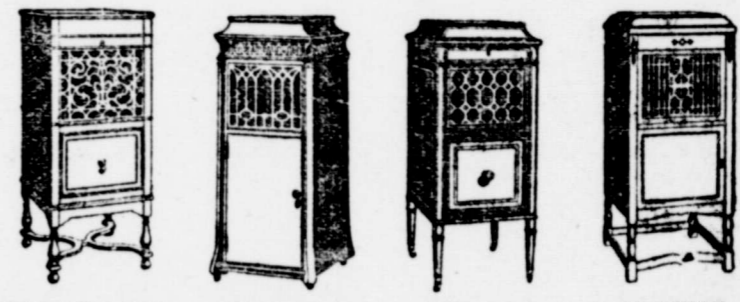
Every Night Next Week

ON MONDAY, THE OPENING NIGHT, "THE NET" WILL BE STAGED. OTHER PLAYS TO BE GIVEN ARE—

- "PRESENTING THE DIVORCE QUESTEON."
- "COMMON LAW."
- "SHADOWS FROM THE PAST."
- "THE BARRIER."
- "THE MASQUERADER."
- "THE LITTLE THIEF."

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Come to our store and ask to see an exact duplicate of the original three million dollar phonograph, which you can buy for \$295.00. There are less expensive models, but if you want a duplicate of the three million dollar phonograph, we shall be glad to make the terms exceedingly convenient.

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Vulcanizing of all kinds

Full Stock of Genuine Ford Parts.

Expert Auto Repairing

All Work Strictly Guaranteed.

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## ADVERTISING RATES

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

Subscription (always in advance) one year . . . . . \$1.50

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**TERMS**—Strictly Cash. Announcements will be inserted in the order in which fees are paid. 20 lines will be allowed each candidate, but he must compose his own announcement message. Any additional lines charged for at our regular advertising rates.

### RATES

Congressional . . . . .	\$15.00
District . . . . .	10.00
County . . . . .	8.00
Precinct . . . . .	5.00

The News is authorized to make the following announcements subject to a majority vote of the Democratic Primary:

For District Attorney 33rd Judicial District—  
**GEORGE E. CHRISTIAN**

For District and County Clerk—  
**S. C. BROCKMAN**

For County Treasurer—  
**ALVA TINSLEY**

For Sheriff & Tax Collector—  
**HERMAN SCHUESSLER**

## SUBSCRIPTIONS PAID

The following have made subscription payments to this great weekly since our last report. Watch the label on your paper and if the date is not changed within two weeks after the list is published we will appreciate your calling our attention to the fact.

M. S. Jim Hey	1.50
D. H. Eickenbach	1.50
Ernest Reichenau	1.50
Mrs. A. D. Lewis	1.50
Herry Loifeste	1.50
Alvin Bernhard	1.50
Emil Behrens	1.50
Herry Behrens	1.50
Fritz Kothmann Jr.	1.50
E. M. Bratton	1.50
John Hubbard	1.50
J. F. Hubbard	1.50
Chas. Fisher	1.50
Henry Simon	1.50

We thank you Who's next?

Don't forget the show at the Star Opera House each Saturday night. The show starts promptly at 7:30 o'clock.

### MICKIE SAYS

AIN'T IT STRANGE HOW SOME GOOD SCOUTS IN THIS TOWN WHO PAY ALL THEIR OTHER BILLS PROMPT AND REGLAR WILL FERGIT THE NEWSPAPER MAN FER TWO ER THREE YEARS AT A STRETCH?



## MARRIED IN MORGUE

**Couple Begin Honeymoon by Viewing the Dead.**

Marriage in a morgue—with numerous dead on marble slabs in the next room!

That is the latest stunt that has hit Denver, Colo. For William Sumpter Reaves, a recently returned soldier, and Miss Eva Pearl Adams were married in Olinger's mortuary by the Olinger chaplain, Rev. G. A. Barth. The bride's brother, J. Fred Adams, who is night clerk at the Brown hotel, was best man.

According to J. Fred Adams, the bridal party, immediately following the wedding ceremony, began their honeymoon by a stroll through the morgue, in the adjoining room, and took a look at the bodies awaiting burial. The bride and bridegroom then departed for a home they have furnished at 2733 West Ellsworth avenue, in Barnum.

The idea of being married in a mortuary, with only a thin door separating the living from the dead, is not one that appeals to most persons, but according to Rev. Mr. Barth the wedding at Olinger's is not the first marriage that has taken place there, although one has not been performed on the premises for a considerable time.

## FIVE DOLLARS A QUART

**Modest Price Fixed for Whale Milk by Captain Loop.**

Five dollars a quart—not a cent less—would be the price he would ask for whale's milk if he established a whale dairy, according to Capt. John B. Loop, a sea mammal expert of Long Beach, near Los Angeles, Cal., who recently returned from a whale hunt in Mexican Pacific waters.

Captain Loop has not determined, however, to establish a whale dairy; he merely made that announcement because Arthur de Eli of 607 North Eighteenth street, Omaha, Neb., who had heard of the seaman's knowledge of whales and of a small cargo of the lacteal fluid of leviathans that he recently brought to southern California, sent a request, "reserving" a sample of the milk.

Captain Loop said he would send a sample to Mr. de Eli.

He permitted members of the B. P. O. Elks to sample the whale milk he took to Long Beach. They declared it richer and more palatable than that of cows.

The captain, who has contributed much interesting information to the general knowledge of whales, says the first thing to do in order to obtain the milk of one is to catch the whale. He has not made public how he does it.

The Star Opera House has made a contract with the Hays Theater Company of Brownwood for a six night engagement here, beginning next Monday night. The Company is playing at Menard this week; having played at Junction last week. From the Junction Eagle the News learns that there are 9 people in the company and from complimentary remarks made by Editor Motely it is to be judged that the local show going public will enjoy the Hays Company's stay here to the fullest extent.

## 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

# ORDER THEM NOW

How many women and young ladies are there in and around Mason who have no engraved visiting cards? Our guess is that there are quite a few.

Why wait? On many occasions you wish for them. They do not cost much, let us show you our samples and take your order so when the next occasion comes up you wont be ashamed for others to see your card as is the case when the name is written.

# MASON COUNTY NEWS

## The FORDSON Tractor

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WE ARE AUTHORIZED AGENTS FOR THE FORDSON TRACTORS FOR MASON COUNTY.

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THE FORDSON MAKES FARMING A PLEASURE.

**L. F. Eckert, Agent**

Messrs Ben Brandenberger, Alf and Nat Reeves were business visitors in the city Monday from the Capitola section. Nat was all smiles over the arrival of a fine girl at his home on Sunday morning.

The Quenn Esther Missionary Society is to have a Valentine social on next Saturday afternoon. It will be held in the rooms over the Hofmann Dry Goods Co.

Wm. Griffith and Miss Estella Wartenbach were married at the Catholic church last Saturday morning, Rev. Father F. D. Hudon officiating.

Mr and Mrs Griffith left Tuesday for McCulloch county to reside, Mr Griffith having accepted a place on the ranch of Mr. Steelhammer.

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

### METHODIST CHURCH

The Church Attendance Revival Continues. Preaching at Mason on the 1st 2nd and 3rd Sundays, at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.

The Woman's Missionary Society will hold its monthly business meeting next Tuesday.

Preaching at Grit next Sunday at 2:30 p. m.

Roy G. Rader, P. C.



**BARRELS WANTED**

We pay highest cash prices for all kinds of second hand Barrells in large or small quantities. Get our prices; special listings on car load lots.

We Pay the Freight.

**McKinney Cooperage Co.**  
Dealers in Tight Barrells

Manufacturers of Slack and Vegetable Barrells  
135 Simpson St. San Antonio, Texas.

## GREAT BRITAIN PLANS TO SALVAGE 1,000 SHIPS SUNK DURING WAR

Work Will Be Confined at First to Waters Surrounding the British Isles—Believed 1,000 Ships Lie at Depths Regarded as Workable—90 Craft, Including Lusitania, Regarded as Beyond Possibility of Rescue.

Official plans have been announced for the greatest feats of salvage ever undertaken, whereby, with the support of the British admiralty, attempts will be made to rescue from the sea 1,000 craft sunk by submarine or other destructive agencies in the war. Operations will be confined for the time to the sea area surrounding the British islands. The work will be extended to the salvage of cargo as well as craft, and thus the money value of what may be saved can hardly be calculated, but it promises to be vast.

Modern methods are said to be equal to the task of raising any craft resting on bottom in not more than twenty fathoms (120 feet) of water. The admiralty figures that at least 1,000 vessels ranging in tonnage from 200 to 10,000 tons lie in waters of workable depth. Cargo can be recovered in still deeper water. Until within a few years divers did useful work at a depth of 182 feet, and that depth was long considered a maximum for their effective operations. Americans set a new record in Hawaiian waters after the war began by lifting a submarine from a bed more than 200 feet deep. If English divers can work at that depth their field of activities will be correspondingly enlarged.

**Locations Charted.**

The British admiralty has prepared a chart showing with close approximation the position of every sunken vessel between Dungeness, a headland at the southern extremity of Kent projecting into the English channel, and the mouth of the Tyne, at the North sea. It is said that as soon as the season for diving arrives it will proceed on such a scale that visitors to all the coast resorts will be able to get a glimpse of it and it will be one of the attractions of the season.

Small black dots on the chart indicate the positions of the sunken craft. The dots lie in strings and clusters. There are patches of them off Deal, and along the Suffolk coast, especially near Aldeburgh, the dots are grouped so closely that they look almost like a single blotch. It was in this stretch of water that the British navy destroyed or captured submarines, and the assailants often went down with their victims.

There is a close-linked chain of dots off the mouth of the Thames. Between Flamborough Head and Whitby, which is on the Yorkshire coast, the Germans for a time reaped a rich harvest, talling off in a line running northeast into the North sea.

An indication of the rewards for salvage is instanced in the case of the steamship Tours, which was lifted

off the Gower rocks, on the Glamorganshire coast, after the ship had been exposed to wind and weather for six months. The salvage men towed her into Swansea and got \$400,000 for the feat.

**No Present Hope for Lusitania.**

Experts in salvage have never permitted themselves to count on bringing the Lusitania again to the surface, or even reaching any of her cargo, for she went down in forty-nine fathoms (294 feet) of water off the Old Head of Kinsale, on the southern coast of Ireland, and there has been no sign of her since she sank there early in May, 1915. The ship was worth \$10,000,000, and she carried more than \$800,000 worth of cargo, and those values have served to fire the imagination of the adventurous and the optimistic. The fact that she is not represented by a dot in the Admiralty list has not extinguished hope that improvements in modern methods may be stimulated by the prospect of the wealth that would reward such a recovery, or that perhaps the sea might carry her shoreward into workable depths.

It would be a miracle if the sea could lift the ship from her resting place, for the ocean bed there shelves steeply. At ten miles from shore, where the messages from the Lusitania indicated she was struck, sinking in twenty minutes, the depth is 294 feet. In order to move the ship landward a distance of five and one-half miles would need to be traversed up an inclined shelf of rock, to a depth of 240 feet, which would still be too great for divers. The 180-foot line is distant more than eight and one-half miles from where the ship went down, the incline still continuing steep, and it would be necessary to move nine miles from the sinking point, or one mile from shore, before a depth of twenty fathoms (120 feet) could be reached. Divers could go down there and rescue treasure, but they could hardly expect to move such a tremendous bulk as the ship to the surface from deeper water; and the sea is not performing uphill feats with such bulk. The sea bed is sixty feet deep half a mile from shore, indicating the precipitous nature of that part of the coast. More lives might have been saved and there would have been a chance of salvage if the master of the ship could have contrived to head her for shore and keep her afloat long enough to travel about nine miles, but even so she could have been beached only on the rocks.

**A "Marine Cemetery."**

Many other craft also found a grave off Old Kinsale. It is estimated that

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more than ninety craft of various kinds were sunk there, converting it into a marine cemetery. All of them, like the Lusitania, seem to be beyond resurrection until or unless invention can find a way to enable divers to descend to much greater depths than has heretofore been possible. So the admiralty is letting Old Kinsale alone as beyond practicable range for effective

operations in salvage. Loss of the Lusitania deprived the Cunard Line of a wonderful ship in respect to capacity and speed, but it involved the line in no loss of money for construction outlay or cargo value. The English government assumed most of the risk and paid it, and the remaining value was covered by insurance in various English companies.

The potential loss fell, of course, on the company, for such a ship would have been a most serviceable and profitable carrier for the remainder of the war.

Another serious loss to be reckoned as final, along with the Lusitania, was that of the Justicia of the White Star Line, 32,000 tons burden, which maintained a fight of nearly twenty-four



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hours with German submarines before she went down in deep water off the north coast of Ireland. She had been built for the Holland-America Line, and was taken off the ways at Belfast at the outbreak of the war and assigned under charter to the White Star fleet. On one of her early trips she carried 30,000 bushels of grain to Europe, and after this country entered the war she made frequent trips as a transport, carrying 5,000 men at a time. When attacked, in July, 1918, she was on a westward course, carrying no passengers, but with a crew of more than 600 men. At the first blow her captain decided he could proceed to an Irish port under the ship's own steam. He emerged without serious damage from a running fire with the original submarine. Then he encountered another submarine. The ship stood the shock of nine torpedoes before going down out of sight of land.

### Lusitania and Justicia.

Although it may not be possible to salvage such famous crafts as the Lusitania and the Justicia the tasks in workable water are sufficient to keep salvage men busy for a long time. Great Britain lost in the war by official figures computed to last March—four months after the armistice—9,043,744 gross tonnage. The ship values at \$200 a ton were estimated at \$1,808,748,800; the cargo values, at \$100 a ton, at \$904,374,400; the property, money and lives, insured at \$10 a ton, at \$90,437,440; the earning power, at \$7.85 a ton per month, \$1,340,331,217, making a total for ships sunk of \$4,143,891,857. Repairs for damages cost \$452,187,200 and earnings lost during repairs were \$69,184,641, making the loss in damages \$521,371,841, or a grand total of \$4,665,263,698. Probably at least half the loss for ships sunk occurred within workable distance of the coast. If the proportion were one-quarter the rewards for salvage would yield fortunes to successful salvage men.

The established companies are perfecting their equipment, and foreign companies will be as ready and eager to enter the field.

Other totals of losses for ships sunk and for repairs were distributed as follows: United States, \$409,276,245; other allies and neutrals, \$2,639,044,515—making the world's grand total \$7,773,584,458. Salvage work naturally will be undertaken wherever practicable.

Authentic records of salvage show that from a depth of 182 feet a Spanish diver, Angel Erostarbe, recovered \$45,000 in silver bars from the wreck of the steamer Skyro, sunk off Cape Finisterre; Alexander Lambert saved \$350,000 from the Spanish mail steamer Alphonso XII, sunk in 162 feet of water off Las Palmas, Grand Canary, and W. Ridyard recovered \$250,000 in silver from the Hamilton Mitchell, sunk off Leuconna reef, China, in 150 feet.

### COON TRAP LANDS EAGLE

Bird With Eight-Foot Wing Spread Caught in Connecticut.

An American eagle having a wing spread of nearly eight feet is in captivity at the farm of Byran Stratton at Hartland Hollow, Conn., having been caught in a trap.

Stratton set the trap near his spring for a raccoon. The eagle, caught by one toe, put up a stiff fight and tried to bite Stratton when he released it from the steel jaws after fastening its legs with his belt. He has offered the bird to the City park of Springfield, Mass.

### Love Note Admitted as Will.

One of the queerest wills ever admitted to probate in San Francisco is a love letter, written by Harry F. Elaine, a San Francisco artist, to Carmelita Cadogan, his fiancée. The letter was written by Elaine two weeks before he fell in action in France. In it he expressed the wish that all he owned should go to Miss Cadogan in the event of his death.

### RICH GOLD DEPOSITS FOUND BY ACCIDENT

Recent Strikes Made in Manitoba and Western Ontario Arouse Interest.

Two rich gold strikes, one at Copper Lake in Manitoba, about 50 miles north of Le Pas, and the other in the Contact bay region in western Ontario,

about 200 miles east of Winnipeg, have started a rush of fortune seekers to Canada, a rush that recalls the beginning of the stampede for the Klondike.

The vanguard of the army of gold seekers already is in both fields. It consists of prospectors, lumberjacks and laborers who were in the vicinity of one or the other strikes when the news broke. The vanguard is being reinforced daily by retired prospectors, clerks, newspaper reporters, returned soldiers and others until both fields have been claim-staked for many miles round.

Both the Copper Lake and Contact bay fields are in the center of the Canadian mineral belt, which abounds in all kinds of ore. The vastness of the mineral territory and the hardships that must be endured by parties that go for extended stays have prevented the development of these areas, large sections of which never have been explored.

The Copper Lake gold strike was made by Jacob Cook, an Indian, who tripped and fell over a rusty spur of quartz jutting up from the ground. Impelled by anger more than by curiosity, he struck the spur with his pick and uncovered evidence of gold. Within a few minutes he had opened a pay streak four inches wide and several feet deep.

The find in western Ontario was made by Robert Wachman of Chicago, and Gus Larssen, a prospector. Wachman was fishing in the wilds of western Ontario and was invited by Larssen to take a pick for "exercise." Wachman had been exercising only

two days when he struck a vein of gold that assayed at a high rate, although its extent has not been determined.

### JUSTICE AND PARSON

Shoots Quotations From Scripture at Litigants to Solve Cases.

Rev. Levi Hite is the justice of the peace in Grand Prairie township, near Marion, O. He has been in office now three years and has just had his first jury case.

Heretofore he has been able to talk litigants into a settlement—through the Bible. Rev. Mr. Hite proudly boasted that when a person wanted to "sue on" another person he got them together, brought out the old Bible and read Scripture to "em until they saw their way out of "lawing each other" and effected a satisfactory settlement.

The other day, though, the Rev. Hite was unable to make Peter Manley and O. M. Gay, Grand Prairie township farmers, "see the light," and they demanded a jury trial. Manley claimed Gay owed him \$86.60 for labor in husking corn. Gay filed a counter claim for \$200 against Manley for damages. The jury found for Manley.

### PUTS BAN ON KISSING

Scottish Judge Can Not See It as Part of Religious Ceremony.

The learned divorce judge, Lord Sands, of the Scottish sessions, has delivered a portentous pronouncement on kissing, both as regards religious and amatory custom. It had been said in a case before him that the respondent had kissed the respondent merely as a part of a religious ceremony after communion service.

Lord Sands said it might be all very well for elderly saints to greet one another with a chaste religious salute, but it was a different matter when it comes to young married women being promiscuously kissed by casual male acquaintances who happened to be fellow communicants.

Lord Sands held that the kissing in the case in question had exceeded religious custom.

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## CALLED HER FAMILY TO HER BEDSIDE

Six Years Ago, Thinking She Might Die, Says Texas Lady, But Now She Is a Well, Strong Woman and Praises Cardui For Her Recovery.

Royse City, Tex.—Mrs. Mary Kilman, of this place, says: "After the birth of my little girl...my side commenced to hurt me. I had to go back to bed. We called the doctor. He treated me...but I got no better. I got worse and worse until the misery was unbearable...I was in bed for three months and suffered such agony that I was just drawn up in a knot... I told my husband if he would get me a bottle of Cardui I would try it... I commenced taking it, however, that evening I called my family about me... for I knew I could not last many days unless I had a change for

the better. That was six years ago and I am still here and am a well, strong woman, and I owe my life to Cardui. I had only taken half the bottle when I began to feel better. The misery in my side got less... I continued right on taking the Cardui until I had taken three bottles and I did not need any more for I was well and never felt better in my life... I have never had any trouble from that day to this."

Do you suffer from headache, backache, pains in sides, or other discomforts, each month? Or do you feel weak, nervous and fagged-out? If so, give Cardui, the woman's tonic, a trial.

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### BOMBS IMPRACTICAL IN FIGHTING FOREST FIRES

Suggestion Given Serious Consideration by Officials of Forest Service.

Ingenious, imaginative persons have recently proposed as a method of fighting forest fires that gas bombs be dropped from airplanes. Officials of the forest service, department of agriculture, say that this suggestion is entirely impractical. There is no analogy between the suggested method and the use of poison gas bombs in fighting, because a fire cannot be "poisoned," but must be smothered. Although one part of a poison gas to one million parts of air might be sufficient to kill soldiers, yet 750,000 parts of inert gas to a million parts of air probably would not suffice to put out a fire.

The only kind of a gas which will assist in stopping a fire, forest officials declare, is an inert gas that will neither burn nor support combustion, such as nitrogen or carbon dioxide.

From the standpoint of cheapness and ease in handling, carbon dioxide would probably be the most promising gas, were gas bombs to be experimented with in forest fire fighting. However, as soon as an attempt is made to work out practical plans for such an undertaking difficulties become apparent. If an airplane, carrying 500 pounds of gas bombs containing 300 pounds of carbon dioxide, succeeded in dropping the bombs exactly on a fire covering some 700 square feet, and if the gas liberated did not escape outside this area or rise more than ten feet above the ground, still such an attack would be far from effective. The 300 pounds of gas would be equal in volume to about 3,000 cubic feet, and so the atmosphere surrounding the fire would be about 43 per cent carbon dioxide and 57 per cent ordinary air. Since the air contains 21 per cent oxygen, this mixture would contain 21 per cent of 57, or 12 per cent oxygen—enough to support combustion. From such facts forest service officials believe that effective use of gas bombs for fire fighting in forests is entirely out of the question.

### DESERTERS ANNOY PARIS

Thousand Former American Soldiers Resort to Petty Thieving.

French authorities are planning a raid on all persons wearing American uniforms who are not supplied with proper credentials and leaves of absence. The situation which may bring about this action is the presence of 1,000 deserters from the American army in and around Paris.

These deserters, in a majority of instances, are homeless and have resorted to petty thieving to procure means of subsistence.

The military attache of the American embassy has been authorized to hold a courtmartial on any American soldier arrested. Many of these deserters have suddenly found themselves unable to move about the country, because the railways are now charging full fare for uniformed men, instead of one-fourth the regular rate, as formerly.

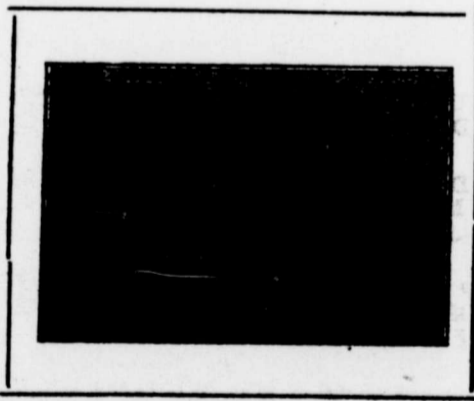
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# RACE SUICIDE HITS RUSSIA

Birth Rate Decreasing Due to Physical Conditions.

## MARRIAGES ARE NUMEROUS

Government Offers Inducement for Ceremony by Making Official Gift of Expensive Cloth to Every Newly Wedded Couple—Decree Granting Absolute Equality to Women is Contributing Factor to Further Race Suicide.

Marriages, made easy by official decree, are more numerous than ever before in Russia, but race suicide is rampant, according to a representative of the Jewish International Workers' union who has returned to Berlin after spending two years in observing conditions throughout the soviet republic.

**Undernourishment the Cause.**  
Physiological conditions, arising from the long period of undernourishment, is said to be the cause of fewer children. Liberal marriage and divorce laws are responsible for the increasing number of marriages. One of the government's biggest inducements to marriage is the official gift of approximately 34 yards of expensive cloth to each newly wedded couple.

The greater number of Russians are so reduced economically that they have contracted marriages for no other reason than to obtain the cloth offered by the government. Many of these couples, after the ceremony, sell their cloth for sums varying from 3,000 to 4,000 rubles, split the receipts and then go their separate ways.

**No Trouble to Get Divorce.**  
The government's decree granting absolute equality to women is also a contributing factor to further race suicide. Not only in theory, but in actual practice, the Russian women enjoy men's liberties and responsibilities. Having been granted the same wages the same political treatment and the same duties, many of the women, being thus forced to become breadwinners, are compelled to for-

sake home duties.  
The bolsheviks, who take the position that marriage, although a sacred institution, should not be maintained after husband and wife cease to live together in harmony, have greatly simplified the matter of obtaining a divorce. They seek, however, to maintain family life, but are learning that their decrees, when put into action, tend to family disintegration.

## STILL WAITS FOR RESCUE

Unromantic Ohio Sheriff Foils Bright Scheme of Fair Maiden.

"When the clock in the steeple strikes 1, bring a letter, a saw and a file, come for me." This appeal, written on daintily scented pink note paper, fluttered from a window of the woman's section of the county jail at Tiffin, Ohio.

Three youths passing rescued it from a snowdrift.

"I'll pay you well, if you'll only get me out of here," the writer promised.

It was from a girl who is held for alleged forgery. The three youths were debating whether to take the risk of a rescue when Sheriff Charles J. Mutchler pounced on them, materially aiding them in coming to a decision. The "clock in the steeple" struck, but there were no signs of rescuers.

## THIS CAT A SHOPLIFTER

California Tabby Found With a Nest Full of Stolen Articles.

Tootsie, a tabby-cat of San Bernardino, Cal., has been proved to be a shoplifter.

She is the pet of a lunchroom proprietor and she lives in his lunchroom.

He saw her entering the lunchroom early one morning with a shaving brush in her mouth. He watched. She carefully deposited it in her own especial corner. In the "nest" were found more than a dozen other shaving brushes.

The owner of a near-by drug store identified the brushes as his property.

The theory has been advanced that Tootsie thought the brushes were kittens, which would account for her great care in removing them from the drug store to her "nest."

Clerk Brockman issued license to wed to the following since our last report:

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## CITATION BY PUBLICATION

No. 986

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Mason County—Greeting:  
 You are commanded to summon Augustine Gonzales, by making publication of this citation once each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Mason County, Texas, to be holden at the Court house thereof in Mason on the fourth Monday after the first Monday in February, A. D. 1920, the same being the first day of March, A. D. 1920, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 28th day of January, A. D. 1920 in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 986 wherein Hacienda Gonzales is plaintiff and Augustine Gonzales is defendant and a brief statement of the cause of action being as follows:

Suit for divorce, costs of court etc.; plaintiff for cause of action sets forth cruel treatment and misconduct on part of defendant towards plaintiff and refusal of defendant to longer live with plaintiff as his wife, all being acts of such a nature as to render their further living together as husband and wife insupportable. Herein fail not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court at office in Mason, Texas, this the 3rd day of February, A. D. 1920.  
 (Seal) S. C. Brockman, Clerk Dist. Ct. Mason Co., Texas.  
 By J. H. King, Deputy

## CITATION BY PUBLICATION

No. 980

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Mason County—Greeting:  
 You are hereby commanded to summon Michael Foley by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Mason County, Texas, to be holden at the Court House thereof in Mason on the fourth Monday after the first Monday in February, A. D. 1920, the same being the first day of March, A. D. 1920, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 29th day of August, A. D. 1919, and an Amended Original Petition filed in said Court on the 30th day of January, A. D. 1920, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court, No. 980, wherein Ellen Foley is plaintiff and Michael Foley is defendant and a brief statement of the cause of action being as follows:

Suit for divorce, custody of minor child Eddie May Foley and costs of court; plaintiff for cause of action sets forth cruel treatment and misconduct on part of defendant toward her of such a nature as to render their further living together as husband and wife insupportable.

Herein Fail Not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Mason, Texas this the 2nd day of February, A. D. 1920.  
 (Seal) S. C. Brockman, Clerk Dist. Ct., Mason Co., Texas  
 By J. H. King, Deputy.

## BIRTHS

Since our last report the following births have been recorded by County Clerk, S. C. Brockman:  
 Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Stone a girl February 6th.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Morris a girl February 7th.  
 Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Keith a boy February 7th.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Miller a boy February 8th.

Judge Garrett officiated at the marriage of Mr. Wesley Bauer and Miss Lula Thompson, which took place last Sunday.

## Under False Colors

By OTILLIA F. PFEIFFER

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On Monday of a certain week of his uneventful life Bryce Morgan considered that he had reached the acme of felicity. The following Saturday morning he was sorely disillusioned, but rather than spend eight idle days back in the city, he decided to pass another week amid an environment the crass superficiality of which had bored and depressed him.

He was senior clerk in a city mercantile establishment, and just before his annual two weeks' vacation came around he drew a prize. An extensively advertising soap concern had offered rewards to the first two persons who correctly solved an enigma, bringing in the avowed excellence of their wares. Morgan was forwarded an order on a new fashionable summer resort for two weeks free board and housing. The place was pleasant, the economy grateful, but what Morgan cared more for was the opportunity of mingling with real blue-blooded aristocrats. To his disappointment he found that the various sets were divided into exclusive cliques, the men offish and skeptical of outsiders without credentials or an introduction, the women dressed up dolls, languid or insolent with a stranger.

The latter included all but one. It was on that Saturday morning when he longed for congenial companionship that Morgan met Miss Edna Revere. He had noticed the quiet, reasonably dressed young lady at the table and in the hotel parlors, but had never spoken to her. He had to, that eventful morning, for he rescued her from destruction in the plunge of a speeding automobile not 15 seconds too soon to save her life, and as she nearly swooned in his protecting clasp, spoke fervently:

"Don't faint—the danger is over." Very naturally Edna Revere was grateful. Very naturally, too, Morgan was attracted to congenial acquaintance amid his practical isolation. There was a rest on a shaded bench, an expression of thankfulness, and two young hearts were brought to a communion of gratitude and satisfaction that led straight into the broad, smiling fields of pleasing friendship.

After that for three consecutive days they met, and there were delightful hours on the lake and strolls into the woodland. Each maintained a certain reserve as to themselves, but intuitively recognizing a mutual liking that made one to the other acceptable. It was Friday morning when Bryce sat in his room reflecting over the fact that he was deeply in love with his chance acquaintance. His face was not of happy aspect, his thoughts not at all serene. It

was a serious situation. There was a very exclusive and stylish lady at the hotel who showed marked distinction to Edna. Her name, Revere, was the same as that of Edna, and the evening previous Bryce had observed the two conversing in a close, friendly way.

Bryce joined Edna a few minutes later. They went down to the lake and sought a shaded spot, conversing casually, but a certain sense of restraint influencing both. Finally Bryce spoke.

"Miss Revere, I expect to leave here tomorrow."

"I am sorry, I shall miss you," was the reply, given with an unmistakable note of sincerity.

"If it was not for certain circumstances," continued Bryce, "there is something I would be tempted to disclose to you."

"No circumstance should arise between real friends as we are, that should deter perfect confidence," replied Edna sweetly.

"Then I am going to tell you that I love you."

Edna's eyes drooped, she was silent. "I am sorry I did not tell you more about myself," went on Bryce dejectedly. "I have a confession to make. I have been sailing under false colors. I am out of my natural circle. In fact, Miss Revere, I am not rightfully one of the giddy crowd where I have no place. Neither wealth nor social position are mine."

"Why, I am glad of that," spoke Edna, clearly—relievedly, it seemed.

"I came here by a freak of chance," proceeded Bryce. "I was one of the fortunate competitors for a free vacation—"

A merry laugh interrupted Bryce. In some mystification he regarded his companion. She had drawn closer to him.

"You have company then, Mr. Morgan," she said cheerily, "in your darling invasion of the chosen few, for I also am a prize winner."

"You!" exclaimed Bryce incredulously.

"Yes, I am a stenographer in the city, and hailed with delight free entrance into an anticipated paradise. Like all of us poor children of the common world, I have been ignored, except for a distant relative, a lady I met here who has been very kind and friendly to me. But for Mrs. Revere and you, dear friend, it would have been rather depressing."

"Then I have not been presumptuous."

"You have helped make my stay beautiful!" declared Edna.

She was ready to be kissed, and willingly Bryce kissed her. It was the tender seal of their engagement.

## SPECIAL NOTICE

The Commissioners Court of Mason County at the January 1920 term ordered that notice be given by publication in the Mason County News that all gates on public roads in Mason County must be kept in good repair by the person who owns the land that such public road leads through.  
 C. H. Garrett, Co. Judge.

## ARTIST REJECTS \$200,000

Will Keep Vow to Complete Paintings in New York Church.

Devotion to church art work in New York, to which he consecrated himself eleven years ago, has caused Theodore E. Tsavalas to turn down an offer of \$200,000 to return to his native country, Greece and paint a series of pictures for St. John's church in Marathon.

Tsavalas has been painting the great murals and frescoes in the Greek Church of the Holy Trinity on 72d street for eleven years, receiving no salary. Occasionally the congregation is asked for a contribution for the artist, and it is always generous.

Tsavalas vowed to the bishop of the cathedral in Sparta, Greece, eleven years ago, that he would never return to Greece until he had completed the paintings in the New York church. The work was then expected to take twelve years. It will take three years more than was first estimated.

## Melting Silver Dollars to Make Change

Ten millions of dollars, all in silver, are being melted into silver bars at the United States mint, in Philadelphia. Later the bars are to be turned into dimes, quarters and half dollars. The government finds it cheaper to melt the dollars than to go into the market and buy silver, now selling at the highest price in many years.

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YANKEES FIRST IN DARING FEAT

Make Descent of Victoria Falls in South Africa.

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Accomplish Hazardous Climb of Over 400 Feet and Stand Where No Human Foot Had Ever Trod...

Two daring Americans have performed a world-beating feat—the descent of Victoria falls, in South Africa.

Scaling a precipice of 360 feet with a rope, they accomplished a hazardous climb down the remaining rocks to the extreme bottom of a great pit—a total of more than 400 feet—and stood where no human foot had ever trod.

First to penetrate the pit were Pliny W. Horne and William Stowell, both

of Los Angeles. Horne is a camera man and Stowell a film director for a film company. They are members of the Smithsonian African expedition, a party of scientists and motion picture men touring Africa.

Never in history, since the missionary-explorer, Doctor Livingstone, discovered Victoria falls in 1855, has any living thing been at the bottom of the chasm, save baboons and birds.

Just Imagine This. To appreciate what the Americans did: Imagine a cleft in the earth 400 feet deep and of a width varying from 250 to 400 feet; sheer, perpendicular cliffs, absolutely without footholds; the chasm at right angles to the Zambesi river, which cascades over the one long side of the narrow, longitudinal pit, leaving the opposite cliff bare, mist-bathed and forbidding; imagine the chasm a hole in the earth, with only one narrow outlet near one end, a gateway with rocky sides falling vertically into a swirling pool of water, a maelstrom aptly called the Boiling Pot.

Had the rope broken there would have been no escape for Stowell or Horne from the bottom of the pit. They couldn't swim the whirlpool current. There was just a narrow ledge to stand on, no path along the bottom's edge to the gateway from the chasm into the gorge.

And Stowell and Horne made not one descent—but two. Previous to penetrating the full distance, they first went over the cliff of Cataract island to the bottom of Devil's cataract, the most westerly cascade of Victoria falls, a distance of 260 feet.

For maximum safety in daring a spectacular and unprecedented feat, a hand winch and 550 feet of rope were brought from Bulawayo, 280 miles away. The winch was set up on the top and weighted with bowlders, the rope passing over a log lodged at the edge. The winch was operated by Thomas McEwen of Bulawayo, a veteran and expert "rigger," and a crew of Barotse natives.

A board saddle was rigged up at one end of the rope. Horne was tied in. Then, armed with a stick to fend himself from the jagged side of the rock wall, he went over the edge of the precipice backward and was let down.

After he disappeared over the brink he was invisible to the men at the winch. So other members of the Smithsonian party, led by Dr. J. E. Armstrong of Los Angeles, stood watch on the opposite side of the chasm.

Recorded by Movie. Here also was posted another movie camera, operated by Henry N. Kohler of Chicago, taking long-distance pictures of the descent. With binoculars trained on the descending man—who seemed to be crawling down the sheer wall like a fly, for only the swaying guide rope could be seen, and not the rope bearing the weight—Doctor Armstrong watched for signals of distress.

After Horne reached the bottom and untied himself in a blinding rainstorm of mist from the adjacent Devil's cataract, that left him drenched, dripping and cold, the camera, the tripod and other paraphernalia were lowered down to him one at a time. Then Stowell made the descent.

The slow work of letting two men

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down and the separate pieces of camera equipment and the tedious, perilous climbing over rocks at the bottom to set up the camera consumed the whole day.

Next day the second and most spectacular descent was made. On the third day, directly opposite Rainbow falls, the camera man "shot" some beautiful scenes.

This stunt was a motion picture triumph. For the camera, set up on the narrow ledge at the bottom, covered in full sweep the magnificent picture of the cascades of the main falls nearly half a mile up the canyon, the picturesque trickles of Rainbow falls directly opposite the place of descent and the superb contrast of the nearly dry rock walls of the eastern portion of the cataclysmic chasm.

Prediction Drove Many Insane. The statement by Professor Porta to the effect that the world would come to an end on December 17, drove 40 residents of Detroit to temporary or permanent insanity, according to Dr. Henry F. Vaughan, city health commissioner.

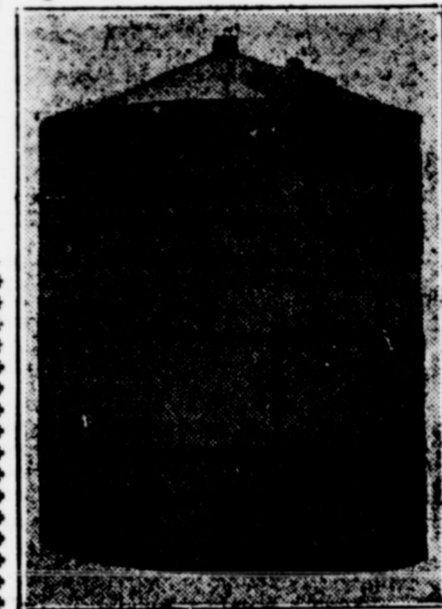
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Dr Wm Thaxton who is finishing a veterinary course in a Columbus, Ohio, college this year was in the city Saturday on his way to visit home folks in Mason for a few days. Dr. Thaxton is considering locating here when his school is out in the summer. —Brady Sentinel

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