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MASON EAGLES WIN A PAIR OF GAMES

MASON EAGLES HAVE EASY PREY IN GAMES HERE FRI. AND SAT.

The local baseball team was going fine in the games played on the local diamond Friday and Saturday, when they won over the Field Creek team Friday by a score of 7 to 5.

"Bill" Lawson was on the receiving end for Mason and Robert Zesch was doing the twirling. This is the first game the southpaw has pitched for the locals this season and demonstrated himself as an excellent twirler, having struck out twelve willow gridders in seven innings. Polk relieved Zesch in the seventh.

Saturday's Game One Sided

The game played on the local diamond Saturday was with Calf Creek, and was one-sided from start to end, which is evidenced by the score of 16 to 4 in favor of Mason. Kidd and Polk were the batteries for the Eagles in Saturday's game. Polk was not in the best of form Saturday but the support received from the players prevented him from ever getting in a tight. Polk struck out six batters, while the opposing pitcher claimed only two as victims of the 1, 2, 3 route.

"Big Boy" Shearer was not here to do the catching the games on Friday and Saturday, having hired to Llano for three games which were played Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

The Eagles will clash bats with the Fredericksburg Giants on the grounds at the picnic this afternoon, and on tomorrow, the strong Junction nine will be here to play the local team. Both games promise to be close contests and fans will be afforded a real treat in baseball on these two days.

PLAN TO ENTERTAIN 10,000 VISITORS AT U. C. V. REUNION

Brady is arranging to take care of 10,000 visitors on each of the three days of the U. C. V. Reunion, to be held August 3, 4 and 5th, and will stage one of the greatest celebrations ever held in connection with a reunion of the veterans.

The reunion will be held in the beautiful Dutton grove on Brady creek, northeast of Brady, where a small city has been laid out for the event. The speakers' stand, Red Cross First Aid and Rest tent, concessions, and the like will be located on the north side of the creek, while the tents housing the veterans will be stretched on the south bank. Every comfort and convenience is being arranged for the old veterans, and at least three hundred are expected to be in attendance. For those veterans who are unable to join in the camp, Brady homes will be opened.

Arrangements have been concluded for a full three days' program of music, the splendid Brownwood band of 25 pieces having been contracted for. There will be an excellent program of patriotic speaking, musical numbers and recitations on the reunion grounds every evening. In addition, the Dutton City Park will have a full program of amusement and entertainment mornings, afternoons and nights on all three days. This program will include rodeo events, polo games, horse races, relay races, mule races, cigar races, bull riding, goat roping, etc. A series of three games will also be played by the champion Brady ball team with the fastest ball team in this section.

Satisfactory sale of the ground privileges was made Wednesday, and everything is most favorable for the holding of the most elaborate entertainment ever given the veterans.—Brady Standard.

Mrs. Ed Crabb, of San Antonio, is a guest at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wooten, of the Hay Stack community.

Prof. P. A. Bennett spent a short time in Mason this week, leaving Tuesday for San Marcos to resume his work as instructor in the S. W. T. Normal. He will likely be home by the middle of August to remain.

Willie Marshall, County Demonstration Agent for Mason County, is attending A. & M. College for a couple weeks, taking the short agricultural course.

BAPTIZING TO BE HELD MON- DAY AFTERNOON ON LLANO

The News is authorized to announce that arrangements are being made for a baptizing at the Llano River near the Hedwigs Hill crossing next Monday afternoon at three o'clock. Those parties who recently were converted at the Grit meeting and who desire to be baptized are requested to be present.

The baptizing will be held for the benefit of those joining the Baptist Church and also for those joining the Methodist Church and prefer immersion to sprinkling. The ceremonies will be in charge of Revs. W. H. Gage and Roy G. Rader and it is announced that those requesting Rev. C. H. Garrett to baptize them will await instructions from him as he is now out of town for a few days.

NEW SCHOOL BL'DG. PLANS CONSIDERED

C. H. PAGE & BRO., ARCHITECTS OF AUSTIN REPRESENTED AT MEETING OF BOARD

Mr. Louis Page, member of the C. H. Page & Bro. Architect firm, of Austin was in Mason the first of the week, accompanied by Prof. P. A. Bennett from San Marcos. It is stated that the purpose of Mr. Page's visit here was to confer with the School Board of the Mason Independent School District and to get the board's approval of the plans for the proposed new school building for Mason. Mr. Page met with the board Monday afternoon, but just what business was transacted has not been definitely given out, although it is intimated that the plans for the new school building were submitted and were approved, after making some changes in the original plans as were exhibited several weeks ago in the window at the Mason National Bank. It is said that the architects will draw permanent plans from the approved ones to be sent to different building and contracting companies for the purpose of securing bids for constructing the new building.

The local board will receive a copy of the final plans as soon as they are gotten up and it is stated that Messrs. Grosse and Hofmann will also be furnished with a copy of the plans of the proposed new building.

OATS FIFTEEN CENTS A BUSHEL WITH NO PURCHASERS

Denison, Texas.—A record low price is being paid for oats at Achille, Okla., a small town fifteen miles northeast of Denison, according to farmers who visited Denison today. Oats are being offered for 15 cents per bushel with no market at that price, and it is said that much of the grain is lying in the fields and will never be threshed on account of market conditions.

Cotton around Achille is said to be in excellent condition with few weevils. Other sections report weevils doing great damage, while in many fields where weevils started work some time ago it is said the hot weather has done much good towards eliminating the weevil.

Ed Smith arrived home Monday from San Antonio, after having been away several weeks. Mr. Smith underwent an operation for appendicitis while away and his many friends here will be glad to learn he is again able to be at home and enjoying normal health.

Sterling Bernhard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bernhard, came in Monday from San Antonio for a few days' stay among relatives and friends. Sterling is employed by the San Antonio Public Service Company, and has made a fine young man.

John Light, an old timer and well known over this entire section, arrived in Mason a few days ago and is visiting his granddaughter, Mrs. Johnnie Zirlax. Mr. Light says he will go from here to Brady to attend the Confederate Reunion next month.

Miss Mary Jane Puckey returned last week from Junction, where she had been visiting Miss Clara Fritz.

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MASON COUNTY POLLS LIGHT VOTE

COUNTY RETURNS INCOMPLETE; PROBABLE DEFEAT FOR ALL AMENDMENTS

State Returns Indicate Two Amend- ments Carried

The vote cast in the special election of last Saturday in Mason county was exceedingly light. Tuesday afternoon with three boxes out, the returns indicate a defeat for all of the proposed constitutional amendments. The boxes not in when the figures below were secured are Katemey, Bauer and Capps. Following is how things went in Mason County:

Abolishing Prison Board—For 103; against, 167.
Increasing Confederate Pensions—For 97; against, 181.
Increasing Executives salaries—For 38; against, 237.
Increasing Pay of Legislators—For 41; against, 235.
Restricting Vote of Foreigners—For, 127; against, 151.

The figures show that less than 300 votes were polled throughout the entire county.

Incomplete returns from the entire State as published in the daily papers forecast a victory for two of the proposed amendments. These are the restricting of the foreigners voting and the increasing of Confederate pensions. However, the pension amendment has but about 1500 majority with the incomplete returns and a chance for official returns to change the result is possible.

GRIT MEETING END- ED MONDAY NIGHT

FIFTY-FIVE CONVERSIONS RE- PORTED BY REVS. RADER AND BANKS

What is considered one of the most enthusiastic revival meetings to be held in this section of the country for some time, was closed at Grit last Monday night.

The meeting was conducted by Rev. Roy G. Rader, pastor of the local M. E. Church, and Rev. F. A. Banks, of Katemey. It is said that a total of fifty-five conversions were had during the meeting, thirty-eight of the fifty-five giving their names in to become members of specified churches and the remaining conversions were either re-dedications or had not decided as to which church they wished to join. We are informed that twenty-three additions were had to the Baptist church and fifteen became members of the Methodist church.

Rev. Rader stated that the meeting just closed was one of the best he had ever attended and says he and Bro. Banks are feeling justly proud over the splendid results.

BIRTHDAYS CELEBRATED

Mr. and Mrs. Bartley Buntyn entertained a number of relatives and friends Sunday with a birthday dinner at their pleasant country home near Fredonia. The occasion for the celebration was the 50th anniversary of Mr. Buntyn, and the 25th birthday of his son William. However, the birthdays were not on the same day, but being so near together it was decided to celebrate both on Sunday.

Music on the violin and piano furnished entertainment for the afternoon. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Buntyn, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Buntyn, Mr. and Mrs. Van Buntyn and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Brown and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Brown and family, Mrs. Jack Hayes, Mrs. S. Brown, Mr. Jess Buntyn and children, Mrs. Robertson and daughter, Lillie Mae, and Mrs. R. L. Brown and daughter, Ruby.

A most pleasant day was spent, and everybody left, wishing that their birthdays came real often.

—Contributed.

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FOUR RECOVERING FROM OPER- ATIONS AT LOCAL HOSPITAL

Dr. P. A. Baze, proprietor of the Mason Sanitarium, states that he now has four patients in the sanitarium, who are getting along nicely and on the road to recovery from recent surgical operations. They are Miss Suzie Donop, who was operated upon last Thursday, Mrs. Emil Leifeste, who underwent an operation last Saturday; Edwin Donop also operated on Saturday and Mrs. Wm. Biefeldt, who underwent an operation on Monday of this week.

August Leifeste was here the first of the week from his farm below town. He stated he has been having quite a bit of trouble the past week with his ear and is receiving treatment from Dr. McCollum.

THIRD CLASS POST- MASTER EXAMINA'N

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS AUGUST 13TH; MASON ON LIST DECLARED VACANT

At the request of the Postmaster General, the United States Civil Service Commission announces an open competitive examination to be held on August 13, 1921, to fill the position of postmaster at each of the offices hereinafter named at which a vacancy exists. This is not an examination under the Civil Service Act and rules, but is held under an executive order of May 10, 1921, providing for such procedure.

Following is a list of post offices at which there are vacancies, with the salary and date of the vacancy in each case:

Mason, \$1900, September 1, 1920. Other Texas postoffices appearing on the official list are Alvarado, Aubrey, Baird, Bellevue, Buda, Columbus, Coolidge, Crawford, Dayton, Deweyville, Diboll, Fostoria, Garrison, Grand Prairie, Grand Saline, Hale Center, Holland, Laverina, Montague, New Elm, Odessa, Ozona, Panhandle, Pine-land, Presidio, Royse City, Sabin, Sanderson, Walnut Springs.

Examinations will be held only at the following named places on the date indicated, but the competitor for any office may be examined at any one of the places named:

Abilene, Amarillo, Austin, Beaumont, Bowie, Brady, Burdett, Center, Cleburne, Dallas, Denton, Dublin, Greenville, Henrietta, Houston, Humble, Lagrange, Lufkin, Marfa, Mexia, Midland, Mineola, Nacogdoches, Plainview, San Angelo, San Antonio, Temple, Uvalde.

Applicants must submit to the examiner on the day of examination their photographs, taken within two years, securely pasted in the space provided on the admission cards sent them after their applications are filed. Tintypes or proofs will not be accepted.

Application form 2241, and form 2223, containing full information as to the requirements to be met and the character of the examination to be given, may be obtained from any one of the vacancy offices listed, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C. Applications must be properly executed, showing the examination point at which the applicant desires to be examined, and must be filed with the Commission at Washington in time to arrange for the examination at the examination point chosen.

The above is the substance of a circular letter received by the News a few days since from the Civil Service Commission at Washington with the request that it be given publicity. According to information we have at hand these examinations will be strictly non-political and the Civil Service examiners who grade the papers will not know whether the competitor is a Democrat or Republican.

So far as the News is able to learn there will be no opposition to Mrs. Reynolds, present postmaster here, for the Mason office. It seems that she has won general favor and it is believed that no one would care to strive for the position which she has filled so well during her term in the office.

While you are reading someone else's ad, let someone be reading yours.

TWO DAYS' CELEBRA'N OPENED THIS A. M.

ALL LOCAL BUSINESS HOUSES TO BE CLOSED TOMORROW

The News is out a day early this week, appearing on Wednesday, as all local business houses and firms have signified their willingness to close their doors tomorrow.

Everything was in readiness this morning for the opening day of the two days' celebration and it is announced that the stage is set and all "looks lovely" and exceedingly promising for tomorrow, when the great free barbecued dinner will be served and when the great array of brilliant fireworks will be given late in the afternoon, following the day's activities.

In order to give our readers an idea as to the magnitude of the preparations being made for serving the barbecue, we will say our information is that sixty goats and eight fat heaves will give their lives this afternoon to satisfy the appetites of the hungry throng that is expected and we are informed that the local bakery has been preparing for the occasion the past several days, having had an order from the dinner committee for one thousand loaves of bread.

The baseball game this afternoon will be between Mason and the Fredericksburg team and the contest for tomorrow afternoon will be between Mason and Junction. Both these games promise to be good ones and lovers of the sport are assured of some interesting excitement.

Along with the other entertainment features of the affair, it is announced that two boxing matches will be held: one on each day. The today's match will be a four round bout between KID REX, of Austin, and SAILOR MACK, of this city, and will be had at 1:30 o'clock. The Thursday match will be had at 2:30 o'clock and will be for ten rounds between LEONARD WOOD and SAILOR MACK, both local boxers. Local fight fans expect to see some interesting stunts along this line and visitors will do well to keep these events in mind.


The News hopes to be able to give the celebration a great write-up next week and if indications count, it is likely that this will be worthy of exceptional mention.

SHIRLEY MASON HAS A NOVEL IDEA IN "THE APPLE TREE GIRL"

Isn't it irritating to see your cousin, whom you know is not half as smart as you are, getting a lot more credit and attention than through social "pull"? That's what little Miss Moses, "The Apple Tree Girl" thought and she made up her mind it should not be that way always. So she mapped out a career for herself just as carefully as an architect designs his plans for a house or building. She decided there were three essential things to success and happiness in life for a young girl. They were to be popular with everybody, to be famous and to be married to a millionaire. Having decided she started to work it out and partially succeeded. Where she won and where she lost is all very interestingly shown in the photo story "The Apple Tree Girl" which comes to the Star Theater on Friday, July 29th. Shirley Mason whom everybody knows and everybody loves appears as Charlotte Marlin "The Apple Tree Girl" and that is enough in itself to assure large crowds for the entire engagement.

Eugene Gray, son of former Commissioner A. T. Gray, of the Peters Prairie section, is said to be suffering with serious eye trouble and it is said that the intense dryness of the atmosphere here is rendering successful treatment impossible. We are informed the young man has been advised to go to Corpus Christi or some other point on the coast in hopes of benefiting his condition. Mr. Gray is contemplating sending the young man to Corpus to remain a while in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Pfeifer and Miss Julia Loring, of San Antonio, are enjoying an outing on the Llano river this week near the mouth of Comanche. They expect to remain until Saturday.



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FIVE CHILDREN ARE BITTEN BY MAD DOG

Family on Way to Pasteur Institute Stops at Waxahachie for Breakfast

Waxahachie, Texas.—T. J. Butcher, living on route No. 2, Denison, stopped at Waxahachie for breakfast Saturday morning at Bedford's Cafe with his wife and five children, all of whom had been bitten by a mad dog, and whom he was taking by motor to Austin for treatment in the Pasteur Institute.

The children are:
Raymond Clifford Butcher, 11 years old.
Charles Andrew Butcher, 9 years old.

Le Roy Butcher, 7 years old.
Margaret Butcher, 5 years old.
William Butcher, 3 years old.

The dog that bit the children was a pet of theirs, a puppy only about two or three months old. After the dog was suspected of having gone mad it was killed and the head was sent to Austin. The report returned was that the pup had been suffering from rabies.

Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Butcher were bitten.

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HENRY VANDEVEER HAS HOPES FOR RECOVERY OF EYE SIGHT

Taylor Vandevener and Attorney Lamar Thaxton returned home last week from Austin, where they took Mr. Vandevener's son, Henry, to remain under the treatment of Dr. O. H. Richardson for some time.

Dr. Richardson, who was recently here on a visit with his wife to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Carter, is a chiropractor and visited Mr. Vandevener and his son, Henry, while here. Henry has been blind for many years and it is said that Dr. Richardson investigated his case and gave Mr. Vandevener his assurance of being able to restore the young man's eye sight, if he was brought to him at Austin for treatment for a few months, and assured them that unless he was able to restore the sight there would be no charges whatsoever for his services. The facts of the case have been spread among friends here with quite a bit of interest and it is hoped that Dr. Richardson will be able to accomplish the seemingly impossible, which he feels so confident of being able to do.

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Take in the picture show at the Star opera house each Friday and Saturday night. Show starts at 8:15 o'clock.

MAN WHO MARRIED NINE-YEAR OLD GIRL GETS 28 YEARS

Houston, Texas.—A jury in Criminal District Court has sentenced James Madison Smith to twenty-eight years in the State penitentiary on conviction of three charges, bigamy, false swearing and a statutory offense, growing out of his marriage to Viola Miller, 9-year-old daughter of Mrs. May Miller. Mrs. Miller is also facing a charge of false swearing in connection with obtaining the license for the marriage of Smith and the little girl.

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Barley water for children should be made with one teaspoonful of prepared barley to one and one-half cupfuls of water.

If particles of yolk are in a white of egg you wish to whip dip a cloth in hot water and insert a corner of it into the white. The particles of yolk will cling to it.

Stores Will Close

JULY 28

We the undersigned business men of the town of Mason, do hereby agree, that we will close our various places of business on the 28th day of July, 1921, at 10 o'clock a. m. and keep them closed for the remainder of the day, in order that we may enjoy the picnic, given on that day by the American Legion Fort Mason Post, and in order that we may help the picnic to be a success.

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COWMEN ASKED THAT MEETING BE CALLED

Gathering Would Discuss Relief Measures for the Cattle Industry.

Wichita Falls, Tex.—Cattlemen of West Texas have requested W. W. Turney of El Paso, president of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, to call a meeting of cow men in Wichita Falls at the earliest possible moment to discuss relief needed by the industry and as suggested by Marion Sansom of Fort Worth, prominent cattle raiser and director of the Federal Reserve Bank.

In making the suggestion, Mr. Sansom expressed a willingness, should he be selected, to head the administration of a cattle relief fund, should one be created. Mr. Sansom has been mentioned in a number of times at different places in the State for such a position.

Mr. Sansom is convinced, along with other Texans who have expressed themselves on the matter, that the "Bankers' Pool" will not offer relief to the cattlemen, although he fears that the existence of such a pool will make it harder to secure legislation along the lines desired by the cattlemen.

Resources Taxed

In addition to other objections which have been cited to the present plan, he mentions the fact that loans are provided for only between banks and loan agencies. The resources of these institutions are already heavily taxed, he points out, and the handling of loans through them will result, largely, in a mere shifting of loans, without bringing new money to the industry.

Moreover, he shows, the rate to the banks and agencies will be 7 per cent, with the rediscount and brokerage charges probably bringing this to 10 per cent more, he says, than the cattle industry can pay at this time, and entirely too much to permit the saving of the mother and the young cattle and permitting them to grow it out.

Wants Direct Loans

"What is needed," says Mr. Sanson, "is an institution to which the banks and loan agencies who have already done all they can, can send their customers to secure needed relief."

He also points out that the loans made through the War Finance Corporation during the war could be made direct, as well as by the two methods provided for the bankers' pool, but that practically all were made direct—the most workable way.

Mr. Sanson favors the meeting of cattlemen in Wichita Falls—in fact suggested it. Early action on the matter is expected, with a considerable likelihood of the meeting being held here as requested—the first meeting of cattlemen ever held in Wichita Falls.

BIRD THAT LOCKS ITS NEST

Central American Wren Takes Particular Care That Its Eggs Shall Not Be Harmed.

In Central America are many strange birds with stranger habits, but probably none is more interesting than a little brown wren which may be seen along the roadsides or on fences. This little bird, about the size of a canary, builds a nest out of all proportion to its apparent needs. He selects a small tree with horizontal branches growing close together. Across two of the branches he lays sticks fastened together with tough fiber until a platform about six feet long by two feet wide is constructed. On the end of this platform nearest the tree trunk he then builds a huge dome-shaped nest a foot or so high, with thick sides of interwoven thorns. A covered passageway is then made from the nest to the end of the platform in as crooked a manner as possible. Across the outer end as well as at short intervals along the inside of this tunnel are placed cunning little fences of thorns, with just enough space for the owners to pass through. On going out this opening is closed by the owner by placing thorns across the gateway, and thus the safety of eggs or young is assured.

Use for Fire-Killed Timber.

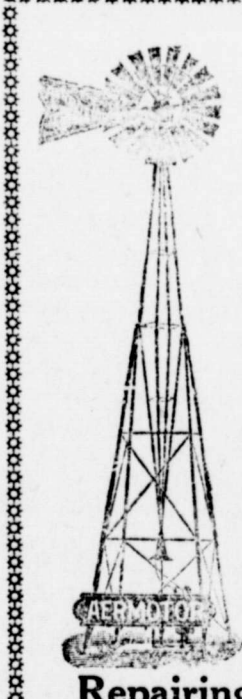
Prejudice exists in certain quarters against the use of timber cut from dead trees, and some purchase specifications insist that only timber cut from live trees will be acceptable. As a matter of fact when sound dead trees are sawed into lumber and the weathered or charred outside is cut away, there is no method known to the United States forest products laboratory by which the lumber can be distinguished from that cut from live trees, except that the lumber from dead trees may be partly seasoned when sawed. All the information available at the laboratory indicates that timber cut from insect or fire-killed trees is just as good for any structural purpose as that cut from live trees of similar quality, providing the wood has not been subsequently injured by decay or further insect attack.

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FROM NEWS FILES OF 25 YEARS AGO

From Mason News, July 31, 1896:

Ed Lemburg returned Friday from St. Louis, where he spent the past two months.

J. M. Stewart left Monday for Arizona to attend a family reunion of the family of his father, B. F. Stewart, who for many years resided here and was treasurer of this county.

Rev. Ben Taylor has been called by the Baptists of this place to preach for them.

R. H. Garner has purchased the Southern Hotel from Wm. Geistweidt for \$1400.

Mrs. I. D. Polk, of Beaumont, is here, visiting her cousin, Mrs. Jennie Reynolds.

Albert Baze is the happy father of a boy that arrived at Camp San Saba last Friday.

Little Frank son of D. H. Bockenbach, fell from a tree Tuesday and hurt his knee badly.

Mason is preparing to hold a big barbecue on August 27th. Farlo Brooks took the contract to barbecue the meat for \$19.75. The stand privileges sold for a total of \$74.10 at auction last Saturday afternoon.

15 Years Ago in Mason

From Mason News, July 27, 1906:

Mrs. Nannie Wright, nee King, and children are here from North Texas, visiting relatives.

J. W. White passed his 52nd birthday last Sunday.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Bogusch, a girl, on the 20th.

Mr. E. M. Fleming and Miss Ellen Sanders were married Monday afternoon at the office of Judge Jones.

Miss Bertha Gentry and Mr. T. O. Sessom were united in marriage Saturday morning at the office of Justice Wilkinson.

The King K. Medicine Company is here and will have a big show tent at the reunion.

E. Lemburg & Bro. have on exhibition a tarpon mounted, which E. Lemburg caught while in Corpus this summer. It weighed over 100 pounds.

Beno Schmidt and family are here from Smithville to attend the reunion and visit relatives and friends.

Attorney S. C. Rowe and family left last week for their home in Ft. Worth, after having been visiting relatives and friends in Mason.

Mrs. J. W. Gamel has returned from an extended visit in San Antonio with her daughter, Mrs. W. C. Lauderdale.

Mrs. C. H. Garrett and children have been visiting with relatives and friends at Richland Spring the past several weeks.

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LEAGUE FOR WORLD PEACE IS PROPOSED

Former Congressman from San Antonio Suggests League of Americas.

Washington, July 23.—A league of Americans, as a step toward a world peace, is suggested by James L. Slayden of San Antonio, former member of Congress from that district, and until recently president of the American group of the Interparliamentary Peace Union. A league of Americans was advocated by Mr. Slayden while serving in the House, and later it was advocated by the Wilson administration at the meeting of the Pan-American Scientific Congress held in Washington.

In an article in the Advocate of Peace, a publication of Washington, Mr. Slayden points out that the Versailles conference was the world's greatest opportunity, but thus far had been a tragic failure in its results.

"The things to do now is to profit by that failure," says Mr. Slayden, "and renew the fight for a law-governed world. Geography and tradition suggest that the American continents are the best field for the experiment. The bankruptcy of Europe and the incomparable strength of America, actual and relative, also suggest American leadership in this great effort for the good of mankind. The world needs an example in co-operation for the common good. We can give that example without peril to our sovereignty or commercial prosperity, and without the erection of a superstate. Our greatest statesmen admit this, and men of business ask for it."

Considered by Committee.

The plan was proposed in a resolution offered by Mr. Slayden in Congress, and although reported by committees at two sessions, it was never

SPECIAL TERM DISTRICT COURT HELD AT LLANO LAST WEEK

A special session of district court was called by Judge J. H. McClean Monday morning when the grand jury was impaneled and the charge delivered. In delivering the charge Judge McClean called attention to the fact that the great crime wave that has been sweeping over Texas, had struck our section with full force and that this was the time to begin to suppress it.—Llano News.

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HEALTH NOTES

(By Dr. M. M. Carrick)

"Public Health is purchasable. With in natural limitations, any community can determine its own death rate."

The human machine is a most delicate device, and it needs inspection and adjustment occasionally, if it is not to be scrapped before its time.

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The children are the State's greatest asset.

Eat your meals with good cheer. Worry and grief retard the digestive processes.

Eat bread and raw vegetables at the beginning of the meal—these stimulate the flow of gastric juice.

When typhoid fever appears in any family, having been contracted somewhere else, special precautions must be taken to keep the disease-germs from reaching other members of the household or neighbors. Directions to this end have been prepared with care by the State Board of Health and may be obtained free upon request.

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"Ouija! What's the good word?"

MY YOUNG sister,
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AND TALKS to Noah,
AND I think she talks,
TO HER best fellow,
WHO'S DEAD but doesn't know it,
AND I used to give her,
THE LOUD, rude laugh,
BUT I'M sorry now,
BECAUSE LAST night,
I WAS home alone,
SO I got the board,
AND PUT in a call
FOR JOHN Barleycorn,
AND OTHER departed spirits,
BUT THE line was busy,
FOR NOTHING happened,
THEN I cheated a little,
AND IT spelled this,
"GRAMMASHOTTA SEVEN."

SO I shut off quick,
TO HEAD off any,
FURTHER FAMILY scandal,
THEN I stopped to smoke,
A CIGARETTE,
AND AFTER a while,
I CRANKED up weejee,
AND ALL of a sudden,
IT STARTED off,
AND QUICK as a flash,
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considered in the House. It was too advanced a step in international affairs in those days, says Mr. Slayden's article, but two years later the Bryan treaties to some extent covering the same idea, were agreed to by about thirty Nations. Approval of the resolution, Mr. Slayden says, was given by several of the smaller American Governments, and there is reason to believe, he adds, that the recent administration of evils of superlative military power in Europe has also caused others to think better of the plan.

"The plan leaves open to the Governments the right to unite their territories," continues Mr. Slayden, "in a Federal Government as has recently been done by five American States. Above all, it points to the courthouse as the proper place to settle international disputes, and that is something we want all countries, large as well as small, to learn. By mutual agreement it could and should reduce armaments in each of the member States, thus saving much money to those unfortunate creatures, the taxpayers."

Not Affect Monroe Doctrine

Mr. Slayden contends that the plan is not an abandonment of the Monroe Doctrine, for it would bring twenty other American Governments to its support. It would also relieve their minds of the ever present suspicion, he adds, of it as a menace to the sovereignty of their countries, and thus tend to develop a better understanding among neighbors. The former Texas Representative points that the historic purposes of the Monroe Doctrine were vouchsafed by President Wilson in an address before the Pan-American Scientific Congress in 1916. The President referred to the necessity for the peaceful settlement of boundary disputes, and that it would be proper and right to have an association of American States that would guarantee to each other political independence and territorial integrity.

"The present is the best time to develop this policy and these agreements" says Mr. Slayden. "The opportunity is Mr. Harding's. Can not he be induced to see it and to glorify his administration by taking the necessary steps to do what the judgment of honest and capable men so generally approve?"

Could Settle With Mexico.

"The writer, who is somewhat familiar with Spanish speaking countries, has always believed that half a dozen fair-minded Americans sitting down at conference with as many like-minded men from Mexico, for example,

would not find it very difficult to just amicably nearly all differences between that country and ours. One is encouraged to the belief that it may be done, for President Harding is reported to be making a special effort to find the best men to represent us in the Southern Republics. If, during his administration, he can secure an all-American treaty that will end boundary disputes, stop revolutions, and establish for this hemisphere the principle of arbitration and judicial settlement of international quarrels, he will build for himself a monument that will endure throughout the ages."

County Judge, John T. Banks, and family returned home last Thursday from an auto trip and visit among relatives and friends at Fentress, San Marcos, Corpus Christi and other cities. Judge Banks stated crop conditions in the coast country are good and says a bumper cotton crop is predicted. He stated having visited Robstown, where Dr. J. M. Thompson and family now reside and says that the family is well pleased there and the Doctor reported he is located and enjoying a splendid practice. This will be of interest to the Thompson family's many Mason friends.

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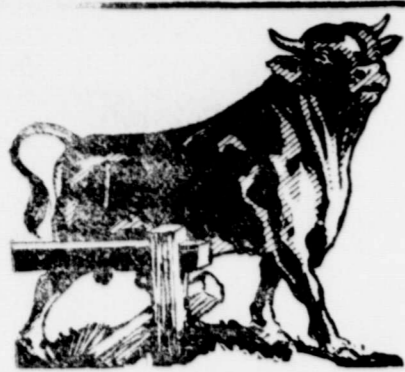
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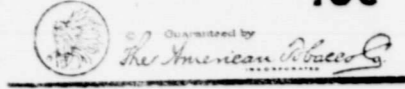
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OBSTACLES
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Lizzie stood frying the crullers a golden brown, while Mrs. Reynolds sat in her favorite corner of the neat white kitchen. Though Lizzie had proven herself capable in every line of housekeeping, Mrs. Reynolds could not quite resign her habit of directing. Everything in the home which she had long made for her idolized and really worthy son had come under her supervision, and it was difficult now to brook other rule, even of competence. And surely, Lizzie was a jewel.

After various and innumerable maids had made fitful and unsatisfactory stays in the pretty flat, Lizzie arrived, and served with a skill seeming too good to be true; and Lizzie remained.

Mrs. Reynolds found it was quite possible to make both friend and comradant of Lizzie without fear of later disappointment. And the elder woman accepted this companionship joyfully, realizing in the comfort received how very lonely she had heretofore been.

For John Reynolds's mother was not one in her exactions to win either confidence or friendship. So now, swaying to and fro in the rocker which Lizzie had brought from the living room, she relieved her mind concerning a certain Betty Standish, who had been presumptuous enough, and successful enough, to win her John's affection.

"It isn't," she told Lizzie, "as if he were a man to be taken with every pretty face. John never did flit around and make love, like other boys. He stayed at home and studied, and that's why he has gotten along so well with his engineering. But now, just with that big promotion ahead and all, for him to be taken with an idle, frivolous creature, who knows how to do nothing but spend her father's money! What sort of helpmeet would she be to a young man whose life for some time to come must be spent in overcoming obstacles? For John will have to travel far and put up with much hardship. Will this musical, tea-party girl, be willing to go with him to the wilds, do you think—when his duty calls?"

Mrs. Reynolds in her eloquence had forgotten Lizzie's presence. The girl admired a tempting cruller on the end of a fork.

"Maybe," she replied, "this Miss Standish loves your boy a lot; love can make people like to do all sorts of hard, unusual things. And maybe she's not so light, after all, Mrs. Reynolds. Do you know her?"

The mother's lips tightened. "I absolutely refused to meet her," she replied, "when John made the suggestion. Of course, he is under a lover's glamour at present, and cannot be reasoned with. But I have heard enough about Steve Standish's daughter to know that she inherits all her father's love of show and luxury; and as her mother died when she was born, she's had no bringing up outside of fancy boarding schools. You can hardly pick up a paper without reading some description of her gown at this 'affair' or her playing at that. And all the money John will have to give her will be what he earns through hard endeavor. Seems—"

The mother's voice trailed off sadly. "John's life has just been spent overcoming obstacles, big ones all along the way. He was just a lad when his father died, and he has been obliged to fight his way to his desire."

Tears filled the faded eyes. Lizzie briskly put her kettle aside, the last fragrant cruller was done. Then she came, smiling and straightening the ruffles over her arms, straight to the old lady's side.

"Now, dear," she said, "don't you fret. John is going to find just the right woman, the one woman for him, because no one could be wholly selfish, I think, and love your John at the same time. There is something so big and fine and noble about him that, well, it just has to bring out nobleness in another. You see, I know—for I love your John."

The mother caught her breath sharply; unbelieving, she looked up into the glowing face above her.

Old Mrs. Reynolds stared, then excitedly she grasped the girl's hands. "Lizzie," she cried, "I really wish that my boy did love you."

"You really mean, O John's mother," Lizzie asked, "that you would welcome me as John's wife if it should happen that he loved me?"

The elder woman's voice was earnest. "I would, Lizzie," she said.

Then Lizzie, with a tremulous little laugh, slipped to her knees and buried her face on the mother's shoulder.

"Then welcome me," she said, "for your John and I, we love each other: I am Betty Standish, dear; Elizabeth Standish, if you please. And I have deceived you in order to win just that welcome. There was no other way after you positively refused to meet me."

The girl raised her face to smile into the other with its dawning light of happiness.

"You see," remarked Lizzie—Betty—demurely, "I can overcome some obstacles myself."

THEY'LL GET YOU SOME WAY

City Scalawags Hard to Beat, According to Testimony of Visitor From Jimpson Junction.

"If them infernal scalawags up there in Kay See can't get you one way they will another!" disgruntledly asserted the gent from Jimpson Junction, who was just back from a brief stay in the Big Burg. "Pretend to do you a favor and then skin you alive! Tuther night in my room in the hotel I was 'tending to my own business when a feller in the next room yelled what in all this and that was coming off."

"I'm nailing my clothes to the floor, if it's any of your by-gosh business!" I hollered back. "I'm a tollable sound sleeper, and don't aim to have my best suit stole while I'm slumbering."

"Why, you pea-green yokel!" he yelled back, "what will you do if the fire department goes roaring by in the middle of the night and you can't yank on your clothes and run after it?"

"By cripes! I hadn't thought of that!" says I. "I would be in a dicens of a fix, wouldn't I? I'll claw my clothes loose from the floor and run the risk of having them stole. I wouldn't like to miss a good fire. Much obliged to you, sir!"

"Well, I done so, and went to sleep, and as far as I know the fire department never made a run the whole night long. And next morning my clothes were gone, and so was the feller in the next room."—Kansas City Star.

Ribbon Fish's Oddities.

"The ribbon fishes," said John T. Nichols, head of the department of recent fishes at the Museum of Natural History, according to the New York Times, "are perhaps the least known of the larger marine species. They are elongate, flattened from side to side with a manlike fin on the back. Specimens are 15 to 20 feet long, being from 10 to 12 inches deep, and about an inch or two broad at their thickest part. They have big eyes and small mouths."

Very few specimens ever come to light and these are usually washed up on some shore or are found floating at the surface in a dead or dying condition. The larger ones are known to grow to be 20 feet or so in length and very likely attain a considerably greater size, but this is a matter of pure conjecture. Young individuals of some of the species but a few inches long are not rarely met with near the surface.

Natal Superstition.

Persons born between October 23 and November 22, when the sun is in Scorpio, have a courageous, loving disposition. Have natural dignity and great persuasive ability. Make friends readily. Have more power over minds of others than over their own impulses. They are aggressive and executive, and naturally fitted to overtake others. They are capable of great things if they can be induced to stay at one thing long enough—but are impatient of results. They are well adapted for government jobs.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Mrs. Alford Honored.

On Wednesday evening of last week, Mrs. Kurt Martin entertained at the home of Max Martin in honor of Mrs. Alford, of San Antonio, who returned to her home Friday, after having been a guest of Mrs. Anna Martin for several weeks.

The evening's pleasure consisted of dominoes and forty-two, there being five tables arranged. Partners were matched by slips of paper which were passed among the guests shortly after their arrival. The progressive style of play was adopted following the first game.

Refreshments consisting of a salad course and pineapple and cherry ice were served to the following:

Mrs. Alford, Mrs. Anna Martin, Mrs. Will Ellebracht, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Hensch, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Plunnecke, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. McMillan, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Martin, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Mobus, Mr. and Mrs. Kurt Martin, Mr. Max Martin and Mr. Martin Loring.

Silver Tea

The spacious and velvety lawn about the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Durst was the scene of a lovely garden party on Thursday evening when the circle of the Wesley Bible Class of which Mrs. Harris is leader, entertained.

A most entertaining program of music and readings whiled the hours most pleasantly. After the program the guests enjoyed an informal hour getting acquainted, each one having their name pinned on them upon entering.

Punch was served from a bowl embedded in green foliage and with the pink touches formed a pretty setting. Serving this delicious beverage were young ladies dressed in white carrying sandwiches in the long armed sandwich baskets, which also carried the pink and white touches.

Twenty-three dollars was realized from a silver offering and about one hundred and fifty enjoyed the hours—Brownwood Bulletin.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Loring, of this city, attended the above mentioned affair as invited guests of Mr. and Mrs. Durst. They report having quite a pleasant evening and proclaim Mrs. Durst a charming and delightful hostess.

ARE YOU A HOUSEWIFE?

It takes more than one stroke of a broom to sweep a room—doesn't it? And just as it takes a good many strokes to clean your room, so it takes time to build up your Account here. Make the start here, remember you can join us with only \$1.00. Keep it at week in and week out—month in and month out—and you will have a big bank account all your own. Why not make that start? It's repetition counts.

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Notice is hereby given that it is unlawful to run an automobile with cut-out open, and that hereafter this law will be strictly enforced.

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First Sunday—English Sun. School 10 a. m. to 11 a. m.
 Preaching by Rev. G. W. Schreiber from 11 a. m. to 12 m. and from 7 p. m. to 8 p. m.

Second Sunday—English Sunday School 10 to 11 a. m. Preaching by Rev. Robt. Moerner 11 a. m. to 12 m. Preaching by Rev. G. W. Schreiber, 7 p. m. to 8 p. m.

Third Sunday—English Sun. School from 10 to 11 a. m. Preaching by Rev. G. W. Schreiber from 11 a. m. to 12 m., and from 7 p. m. to 8 p. m.

Fourth Sunday—English Sunday School from 10 to 11 a. m. Preaching by Rev. G. W. Schreiber 7 p. m. to 8 p. m.

Fifth Sunday—English Sun. School from 10 to 11 a. m. Preaching by Rev.

G. W. Schreiber 11 a. m. to 12 m., and from 7 p. m. to 8 p. m.
 Prayer meeting every Tuesday night at 7.30.

MEETING AT FREDONIA

The Church of Christ at Fredonia will open a two weeks' revival meeting on Friday, July 29th. The meeting will be conducted by Rev. J. A. Bradbury, of Sweetwater. Everybody invited.

M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH

Sunday School at 10 a. m.
 Preaching at Loyal Valley next Sunday at 11 a. m. and at Mason at 8:15 p. m.

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INGALLS' TRIBUTE TO GRASS

Beautiful Word Painting of Kansas Statesman That is Recognized as a Classic.

Lying in the sunshine among the buttercups and dandelions of May, scarcely higher in intelligence than the minute tenants of that mimic wilderness, our earliest recollections are of grass; and when the fitful fever is ended and the foolish wrangle of the market and forum is closed, grass heals over the scar which our descent into the bosom of the earth has made, and the carpet of the infant becomes the blanket of the dead. Grass is the forgiveness of Nature—her constant benediction. Fields trampled with battle, saturated with blood, torn with the ruts of cannon, grow green again with grass, and carnage is forgotten. Streets abandoned by traffic become grass-grown like rural lanes and are obliterated. Forests decay, harvests perish, flowers vanish, but grass is immortal. Bequeathed by the sullen hosts of winter, it withdraws into the impregnable fortress of its subterranean vitality and emerges upon the first sollicitation of spring. Sown by the winds, by the wandering birds, propagated by the subtle agriculture of the elements which are its ministers and servants, it softens the rude outline of the world. It bears no blazonry of bloom to charm the senses with fragrance or splendor, but its homely hue is more enhancing than the lily or the rose. It yields no fruit in earth or air, and yet should its harvest fall for a single year, famine would depopulate the world.—From a "Collection of the Writings of John James Ingalls."

Unlucky Birthday.

People born on Saturday (Saturn's day), will have much difficulty in acquiring money and will have to work hard. This may make them melancholy and avaricious and inclined to run into debt. They should guard against carelessness in dress and the reading of evil books. They will be subject to disease of legs and knees. They will have much luck in finding hidden treasure; will be apt to be uncomely and unpopular.

And He Would Not Smile.

"That head waiter would smile and take your last dollar."
"Probably not. He wouldn't accept as little as a dollar under any circumstances."

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Texas News

Jose Lopez and Simon A. Parediez, arrested at San Antonio and returned to New Braunfels to answer a charge of burglary, sawed the bars of their cell in the Comal County jail.

Attempts are being made to locate relatives of Frank Lee, killed near the San Jacinto Battle Field when the truck in which he and Ned Bergin were riding turned over, pinning both occupants beneath.

Miss Margaret Dolliver of Fort Dodge, daughter of the late Senator Dolliver, today was chosen by Governor Kendall to be the Iowa "princess" at the annual Cotton Exposition to be held at Waco, Tex.

Dr. J. S. Sweeney of the Texas state board of health has arrived in Polk County to make a survey of hookworm. Two other counties will be included in the survey, with headquarters at Livingston.

An indictment charging arson was returned by the Dallas County grand jury Friday against W. M. Ray, proprietor of the Regal Hotel at Dallas, which was partially destroyed by fire July 6. Nine persons were injured in the fire.

The attendance at the summer normal school of Howard Payne College has been larger this year than ever before, there being 400 students present as compared to 290 last year. Commencement examinations will take place Aug. 12.

T. F. Hicox, former Rankin ranchman and prominent Reagan County stockman, surrendered to Sheriff Garner of Reagan County, following the killing shortly after midnight of Lamar Schrier, a young stockman at a dance in Rankin that concluded an all-day celebration.

R. Kubala, who was in the Citizen's State Bank on Washington Avenue at Houston, January 19, when that institution was held up and robbed by bandits, identified John F. Martin in the Harris County jail Friday afternoon as the bandit who relieved him of \$92 that he had just received from the paying teller.

H. B. Ingram was treated at the emergency hospital in Dallas as a result of a buzz fan getting in bed with him in some unknown way. When Ingram went to sleep he said the 14-inch fan was behaving as it should on a chair at the side of his bed. He awoke suddenly to find the fan near his feet going at full speed. Ingram's legs and feet were lacerated.

The plan for Texas banks to help finance the co-operative marketing of the Texas cotton crop was virtually ap-

proved at a meeting in Dallas by bankers from reserve bank cities of the state, who met the newly elected directors of the Texas Farm Bureau association, as the marketing body of the Texas Farm Bureau Federation was officially designated.

Cotton receipts at Temple are now averaging between 100 and 200 bales per day of 1920-21 cotton, farmers placing their stored cotton on the market to make way for the new crop which will be rolling in within the next thirty days. Buyers profess to see in extensive selling a realization on the part of farmers that the new crop is going to be of good proportions, and a desire to clean up their holdings in ample time.

Following a report made by a member of the school board of Lubbock of the financial difficulties the board was encountering in trying to enlarge the city schools as rapidly as the demands of the city called for, the Rotary Club underwrote the school board for 100 school desks to be presented to the school free of charge and launched the "give-a-desk campaign" that has already over-subscribed the necessary 100 desks.

Asserting that its night passenger train between Brownwood and San Angelo is being operated at a loss of \$10,000 per month, the Santa Fe railway will, it is said, soon make application to the state railway commission for permission to discontinue the train. Officials of the company recently interviewed citizens and commercial organizations of the towns in the territory affected, explaining the conditions and requesting that no protests be made to the commission when application is made for discontinuance.

In the election held here to determine whether the Luling Independent School District should issue bonds in the sum of \$8,000 for the improvement and maintenance of the school buildings in the district, the measure was defeated, the vote being 56 for and 74 against. As a result fifty-nine citizens of Luling, who signed a note for \$1,500 for the purpose of raising funds with which to put a new roof on the high school building, will be forced to pay the note.

Famine Among Russians.

New York.—The official bolshevik newspaper, Pravda, of Moscow, under date of June 25, telling of the terrible suffering of the Russian people, says that "as a result of the drouth and the crop failure, famine is raging among a population numbering 25,000,000."

Certainly.

When may a man be said to be personally involved? When he is wrapped up in himself.

Unwittingly Set Fashion.

An anecdote in connection with the glove shows how fashions are started. A young and beautiful duchess, having promised to be at an entertainment given for a charitable object, in Trouville, France, found herself late in preparing. She hurriedly took up her gloves and put them on in the carriage. As she entered the brilliantly lighted room, she found, to her dismay, that she had put on one black and one white. The mistake had arisen from the maid having laid out two pairs, not knowing which her lady would prefer—black or white.

Imagine the surprise of the duchess on perceiving that, in all subsequent entertainments of the season, the ladies wore odd gloves, corresponding with the colors of the dress.

Gorgeous Insects.

To gain some idea of the splendor of some of the world's moth and butterfly one should glance over nearly complete collections of them from the tropics as they occur in South America, Asia, Africa and the great eastern and western archipelago, with certain parts of Australia. Such collections are to be found in the United States National museum in the reserve and duplicate series. There is a superb species that comes from Africa, wherein the "tails" to the hinder pair of wings are over eight inches in length. Then we have the gorgeous Atlas moth of the East Indies that measures a foot across from tip to tip of its upper wings.

Glow-Worms.

Glow-worms haunt the open, weedy-covered water-tables beside high roads. Here, after dusk, they scatter the grass with points of golden-green and liquid light. It is a genial rather than a cold radiance—warmer than many stars. At short range its brilliance is extraordinary; but it does not penetrate and only reveals a few grass blades and inches of earth round the source of light. Yet upon those grass blades and grains of sand and soil exist many invisible creatures, who must see, or feel, the glow-worm's little lamp; and to them her passing is far more tremendous than to us would be the blaze of a great comet.—"A Shadow Passes," Eden Phillpots.

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Acceptance of Harding's Plan by Roads Assures Action.

Washington.—Official announcement has been made that the railroads had acceded to the request of the administration that they waive their demands for compensation for alleged inefficiency of labor during the period of federal operation of the railroads will make possible a speedy settlement and the payment of between \$400,000,000 and \$500,000,000 in cash to the carriers.

Enabling legislation to carry out the program of the administration formulated in conferences between representatives of the government and the railroads will be recommended by President Harding in a communication to congress next Tuesday. Bills are expected to be offered in both branches of congress designed to give legal sanction to the plan decided upon. A direct appropriation will not be requested, it is understood, but authority will be asked whereby the government will raise the funds necessary to effect the settlements with the railroads.

To Fund Railway Indebtedness.

Although officials declined to discuss the nature of the recommendations which will be submitted to congress, the plan that has been under consideration contemplates the use of the war finance corporation as an agency to advance funds to the railroad administration on securities given to the government by the railroads.

The government, it is understood, will fund the indebtedness of the railroads to it because of capital expenditures made during federal control. This indebtedness is estimated roughly at between \$700,000,000 and \$800,000,000.

Director General Davis of the railroad administration recently estimated that the claims of the railroads against the government would aggregate approximately \$1,250,000,000. The government has settled with 40 or 50 roads on a basis of about 40 per cent of the face of these claims. If the remaining claims are settled on the basis of those settled to date, roughly the railroads will get around a half-billion dollars.

\$25,000,000 on Guaranty.

That will be for the period of federal control. The government still owes the railroads about \$250,000,000 on the guaranty for the six months after federal operation.

The government has proceeded upon the assumption, however, that to facilitate the settlement of the claims the railroads should not press for compensation for alleged inefficiency of labor during the federal control period, because to determine allowances for inefficiency of labor would be almost an impossible task. It was the belief of government officials that the government could not go into a fine analysis as to the inefficiency of labor and that adherence to that claim by the railroads would simply defer final settlements for an indefinite period.

There has never been a dispute as to large sums that are due the railroads. The only hitch was the railroads' demands for allowances for alleged inefficiency of labor. For example, a carrier might make a total claim of \$10,000,000 of which \$4,000,000 was based on the ground that the labor expended in maintenance was not efficient as it was in the period preceding federal operation.

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COURT HOUSE NEWS

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Alexander, a boy, July 17th.
Mr. and Mrs. John Humphreys, a boy, July 16th.
Mr. and Mrs. Louis Johnson, a boy, July 23rd.
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Runge a boy July 24th.

Marriage License

Mr. Eli Bauer and Miss Rina Roters, July 26th.

MRS. KATHRIN ISCHAR

The News has recently been furnished with the following data concerning Mrs. Kathrin Ischar, whose death occurred at her home a few miles south of Mason on Wednesday, July 20th, mention of which appeared in our last issue:

Mrs. Kathrin Ischar, whose maiden name was Miss Kathrin Kruse, was born in Fredericksburg, April 14, 1857, coming to Mason and being married to Mr. Bernhard Ischar, January 1, 1885. Mr. Ischar preceded her in death, having died April 20, 1905. She is survived by seven children: Misses Olga, Hattie and Katie, Mrs. M. Eidelbach, of Houston, Texas; Mrs. Alfred Reichman, of Mason, and Emil and Beno Ischar, one grandchild, Helen Reichman, one sister, Mrs. J. A. Landwermyer, of Turrell and three brothers, W. M. Kruse, of Kately, Jacob Kruse, of Fredericksburg, and Frank Kruse, of Ira, also survive. Mrs. Ischar's death was caused from heart trouble, with which she had been ill for some time.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at three o'clock at the Catholic church in Mason and the services were conducted by Rev. Father Hinton, whose diocese includes Mason, Menard, Llano and McCulloch counties. Interment followed in the Crosby cemetery. The pall bearers were Messrs. Wm. Hofmann, Chas. Kettner, Louis Schmidt, Eugene Zesch, August Metzger and C. L. Martin.

Out-of-town parties here to attend the funeral were Mrs. M. Eidelbach, of Houston, Mrs. Chas. Schultz, of Edge, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Kruse, Mr. and Mrs. Will Engelhardt, Mrs. John Keller, Mrs. Eugene Fischer, Mrs. Helmann and Mrs. Moritz, all of Fredericksburg.

TAPS

The remains of Private Alfred E. Kothmann will arrive in Mason today, Wednesday, via Llano according to a telegram from Ft. Sam Houston to Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Kothmann, parents of the deceased soldier, who lost his life on the battle fields of France on November 11, 1918.

The body will be taken charge of by the Fort Mason Post of American Legion and will be guarded in military fashion at the court house in Mason until Friday morning, when the Legion will have it removed to Hilda for religious services and final interment at five o'clock Friday afternoon in the Hilda cemetery.

Private Alfred Kothmann was a sharp shooter while in the service and it is said he was wounded on November the 9th, taken to the hospital on the 10th and died on the 11th, the day the Armistice was signed. He was born April 3, 1893 and attained an age of 25 years, 7 months and 8 days.

Pall bearers for the funeral will be George Kasper, Paul Martin, Rudolph Martin, Max Plunneke, Silas Brandenberger, Wesley Brandenberger, Eugene Geistweidt, Emil Weissmann, Henry Schultz, Fritz Behrens, Dan Eckert and Chas. Donop.

Friends and relatives are invited to attend the funeral services to be held next Friday.

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CATTLEMEN URGED TO SEE LEGISLATORS

Fund For Tuberculosis Eradication Work Is Endangered

Fort Worth, Texas.—Letters to about 150 cattlemen who are conducting accredited herd tuberculosis eradication in Texas were sent out today urging that they get in touch with their State legislators and ask them to support the appropriation of \$20,000 for conducting the work. The item is included in the budget of J. E. Boog-Scott, chairman of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission of Texas, which has been stricken out by the joint House and Senate Appropriations Committees. The letters were sent from headquarters of the commission here.

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The local cotton buyers have paid as much as 11 cents for middling cotton this week, on that account we have noticed that a large quantity of last year's cotton was sold and delivered at the depot.—Fredericksburg Standard.

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UNIVERSITY CATALOGUES ARE NOW BEING DISTRIBUTED

AUSTIN, Tex., July 27.—Copies of the University of Texas catalogue are now being distributed to students and will be sent to any who request them from the office of the registrar, E. J. Mathews. Full information regarding degree requirements, new courses and instructors is contained in the new book recently published. There is very little difference between the appearance or contents in this catalogue and that of previous year books except in the announcement of additions and changes in courses. Due to the fact that the classification of State high schools has recently passed from the control of the University to that of the State Department of Education, the list of affiliated high schools has been eliminated from this year's catalogue.

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SECOND TERM OF UNIVERSITY SUMMER SCHOOL OPENED MON.

AUSTIN, Tex., July 27.—Students began registering for the second term of the University of Texas Summer School Monday, July 25, and enrollment will continue for the first ten days of the term. The University Summer Normal will be continued for two weeks longer, as an eight weeks' session has been given for the first time in the summer. According to Dr. D. A. Penick, dean of the second term of Summer School, about 1200 students are expected to enroll for that session, judging by the increased attendance in the first term over last year's figures and about 75 teachers will compose the faculty. Most of the student activities such as the Daily Texan, the Longhorn Band, the Pre-Medical Society, the Hogg Debating Club and the Rusk Literary Society will continue to function during the second term.

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You'll enjoy the pictures at the Star Opera House. Shows every Friday and Saturday night. Don't forget, it starts at 8:30 o'clock.

Max Martin made a trip to San Antonio Friday, taking home, Mrs. Alford, who had been visiting with Mrs. Anna Martin. Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Knolle accompanied him; the party returning Saturday.

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Goethe, always careless of custom and tradition, went often to the Brentano home. It did not take him long to discover that the lovely Maximilliane was extremely unhappy, and he did what he could to make her smile. He romped with her step-children, and he played a bass viol at family concerts.

Both were younger than Brentano, and both were palpably bored by his merchant friends and their talk of sales and profits.

At first Brentano was delighted to have Goethe come to the house. His visits made Maximilliane happy, and that pleased the husband, who had grieved when he saw his wife smile so seldom. But he grew suspicious. He counseled Maximilliane to see Goethe less often, and there were violent scenes in the household. Goethe sided with the young wife, and continued to call frequently. Brentano could not conceal his wrath and his flaming jealousy. He upbraided them, and there were "terrible moments." Goethe finally rushed away in anger from the house, determined never to be embroiled in such quarrels again. He plunged into the writing of "Werther," and Maximilliane passed out of his life.

Right Way to Read.

The only way to read with any efficiency is to read so heartily that dinner time comes two hours before you expected it, Sidney Smith wrote. To sit with your Livy before you and hear the geese cackling that saved the capital and to see with your own eyes the Carthaginian sutlers gathering up the rings of the Roman knights after the battle of Cannae; and to be so intimately present at the actions you are reading of that when any one knocks at the door it will take you two or three seconds to determine whether you are in your own study or on the plains of Lombardy looking at Hannibal's weather-beaten face—that is the only kind of study that is not tiresome, almost the only kind that is not useless.

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CLOTHING PRICE WENT HIGHER DURING JUNE

New York.—Clothing, with an average increase in price of nine-tenths of 1 per cent, was the only necessity that went up during the month of June, according to statistics covering the entire United States, made public Saturday by the National Industrial Conference Board.

Food was the only item that went down, the decrease being figured at three-tenths of 1 per cent. All other items, the report said, remained stationary. The decrease in the average living cost was figured at two-tenths of 1 per cent.

The statistics showed the decrease of living costs during the year ending July 1 amounted to 21 per cent. Counting the reduction up to July 1, however, living costs still show a net increase of 61 per cent over those of July 1, 1914.

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MODERN "CARMEN" AT WORK

Gathering of Women Cigarmakers Presents a Colorful Sight in Spanish Cities Today.

The Carmen of the opera is no idle fancy of a poet. She was and is very real in Spain today. They are known as cigarreras, and their age may be anything from twelve to sixty. They are paid but a peseta a day, and as no human being can live on that, they devote a good share of their time to a business said to be the oldest in the world. It is no uncommon thing to find as high as 50 babies in cradles or crawling about the feet of the girls as they work. For comfort the girls discard the greater part of their clothing when they start to work, but retain a red rose in their hair or great silver earrings.

They are boisterous and rough, and the visitor is hailed with demands for money and given the vilest of curses if he refuses. But the girls sing as they work. Every one has a tiny mirror before her in which she sends constant glances, and the little clothing she retains is colorful as the rainbow. They all have lovers who almost without exception abuse them, beat them and take away their earnings. She stands this as long as the lover is true to her, but if he looks elsewhere he had best beware of a stiletto blade between his shoulders. The older women make the cigars and the younger the cigarettes.—Denver News.

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By HAZEL V. PARIS.

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The game was nearly over when Jack received a pass the length of the floor and, cleverly dodging Ringe, the opposing guard, made a pretty basket. The enthusiastic audience cheered wildly. As he ran forward, at the next tossup, and received the ball, the big guard fairly ran him across the floor, and giving him the brunt of his shoulder, sent him crashing against the brick wall of the gymnasium.

When Jack awoke next morning in the college infirmary and tried to sit up he found his leg in a cast. A stiff and swollen boy swore softly at his fate. The game with Banford was only two weeks distant! Just then the door opened and in came the nurse. Of course Jack realized she was young and pretty, but he only groaned: "How soon will I be out of this harness?"

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"Wouldn't you like your mail?" She didn't appear to hear. "Or the cards that came with these?" indicating several vases of flowers.

Jack turned his face toward the wall just as the doctor entered, and Miss Kimball, with a distressed expression, started for the door. "Here, boy, what's this? Sulking so soon? Nurse can't help it."

"Doc, is there any chance that I can play against Banford?"

"Not one. That leg'll be in a cast for three weeks yet." Assuming a gentler tone, "Sorry for you, Knowlton. I played not so many years ago. Now do not take it out on Miss Kimball. You fellows, when you come here, get too impatient. It's not the fault of the nurses and doctors that you kill each other. Be as decent as you can to Miss Kimball. She's new to the work, and we want to make her happy. Pretty, isn't she?" with a twinkle in his eye.

Jack's only answer was another groan.

For days Jack grumbled and sulked, not because he was in pain, but because he was eager to get back to the "gym" to practice. At other times he responded to nurse's efforts to cheer him and apologized winningly for previous bad temper. She, on the other hand, read and coaxed, arranged flowers and gossiped, in fact did everything she could to keep her patient in good humor. Fraternity brothers returned to the house with the report that "Jack's all cut up, poor chap. All he thinks of is the Banford game. But say, he has a peach of a nurse."

The day of the big game finally came, and Jack eagerly read numerous accounts; statistics, lineups, criticisms. His heart sank as he saw that betting was three to one against his team. At five o'clock the sub-captain, Allen, (a "frat" brother and a "freshie") came in.

"Don't take it so hard, old boy. We're bound to win."

"When you're my age, you won't be so blamed optimistic," growled Jack.

"Well, you're to know the score at the end of the halves. The big 'bugs' here said it was a bother, but 'Doc' insisted. Say, you oughtn't to be lonesome here. The fellows are all envying you." He winked significantly.

Slowly the hands of the clock dragged around to eight. Several times Miss Kimball came in, once with an armful of flowers.

"Your friends haven't forgotten you."

"Room looks like a funeral. Way I feel. Lucky I'm on the third floor and weighted down."

She nodded sympathetically, but even the pretty curl escaping from under her white cap didn't compensate for the lump in Jack's throat. His night! The night he had looked forward to for three long years, since he'd been a freshman "sub," and next year he'd be—his thoughts trailed off. Then he groaned. He not there! Perhaps that "sub" was fumbling. Then he tossed a bit, turned to the wall, and sobbed violently. Gradually, tired by the strain of many days, he fell into a restless sleep, punctuated by more or less connected and vehement. "At a boy! Go it, Allen! We've got 'em! Steady there, Ayer, steady!"

As the door opened suddenly he

Daisy's Ring

By HAROLD SINCLAIRE

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Bart Wilson, at the jewelry counter, looked up in surprise as he heard Daisy Martin ask falteringly:

"What kind of ring can I buy for five dollars?"

"Not a very good one," he returned; then as her pretty brown eyes filled, he added, "but you might give me that much as a deposit, and pay the rest later."

"I didn't know you ever sold goods that way," Daisy said softly, and for the first time Bart, smarting from a hurt given him by a heartless city girl who had flirted with him during the past couple of months, noticed how lovely the girl's face was.

"I never have," he said smiling, "but it is never too late to change my methods. Don't tell anyone about it, will you?"

"Oh no, no," she cried in alarm, "and you won't tell that I have bought it?" and the tears started in her sweet eyes.

"Why, surely not," he returned, wondering at her emotion, and briskly turning matters into a thoroughly business channel, he pulled out a tray of rings, and asked:

"How high do you want to go?"

The girl's eyes lingered upon a dainty little pearl cluster ring, and Bart finally let her have it at cost, twelve dollars, telling her to pay him the other seven as she saw fit. He laughed at himself a little scornfully the rest of the day when the transaction recurred to him, but by the next forgot it, for his heart was still heavy with the sorrow the city girl had made for him.

Daisy came in a week later with a dollar, and he was somewhat surprised to see the ring on her finger, for he had thought she was buying it for someone else.

While the two lived near each other, they moved in different circles, Bart being in one of the older sets, so he did not meet her socially until the charity entertainment at Christmas in which all the young people of the town participated. There was a program made up of local talent, and afterwards a dancing party. Bart, who was very popular, danced with the various belles of the place, but began to notice that Daisy did not seem to be asked, and so he inquired of his partner why so pretty a girl

awoke with a start. "Oh! I'm sorry!" exclaimed the nurse.

"The score?"

"We've won. Fourteen to twelve." His whole body relaxed, and with a tremendous yell he threw off the covers.

"Sh! You'll wake the others!"

But he only laughed, held her hand, and kissed it as he emitted shout after shout, until orderlies and nurses came running in from all parts of the building. Just at that moment hundreds of voices, it seemed, burst into the "Victory Song," and as the last echoes died away,

"In days of triumph our cheer will ring:

Scorning defeat we'll laugh at its sting.

Brothers united, one mighty band, Strong in our hearts and truthful.

Truthful, too, —'s colors e'er shall stand.

Brown and Blue."

And the last cheer was given: "Knowlton! Knowlton! Knowlton!" He sank back and fell asleep.

as she seemed to be neglected.

"Oh, I don't know. She just doesn't seem to take, I suppose, and then since the talk about her ring, I guess people think they had better know just who she is going with before they are seen with her."

"What talk?" Bart gasped, skillfully guiding his partner into a recess as the music ended, so she could continue her conversation.

"Why, she has a ring that she says was given her by someone who cares a great deal for her, and who knows her better than anyone else. She won't tell who that someone is, and people are talking," and the girl threw up her head.

Bart looked serious, but said nothing, and excusing himself started to cross the floor, intending to ask Daisy to dance with him. He saw several of the older girls go up to the little figure and evidently say something to her that was not kind in its nature, for Daisy sprang to her feet, her eyes blazing. Then her head drooped and she seemed to wilt as she resumed her seat dejectedly.

In a moment the young man was by her side, asking gently:

"What is it, Daisy?"

The girl turned, her sweet young face changing from white to crimson, and then paling again, but she said nothing.

He turned to the tormentors. "Perhaps you will tell me the trouble."

"A mysterious person has given her a ring, and she won't tell who it is," said the elder of the young women.

Calmly, he took Daisy's little hand, on which appeared the offending ring, and drawing it through his arm said coldly:

"My dear, while I thank you for keeping our engagement a secret, still I think you have gone a little too far. As you have respected my wishes not to have it known until after the first of the year, I'll solve the mystery of this ring, and tell these ladies, and they can spread the news all over town, that you obtained this

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ring from me," and with these words he swept the astounded girl from the room.

"Get on your wraps," he told her, "and I will take you home," and he waited in the hall, fully conscious of the buzzing tongues inside as the news spread like wildfire.

"What made you buy the ring, Daisy, dear?" he asked.

"The girls say I'm too quiet for the boys to like me, and I thought if I had a pretty ring they would think someone out of town cared for me."

"You poor little thing," he cried. "I wonder, darling," he whispered, bending his head over hers, and pressing her hand, "if you are willing to make what I said tonight strictly true?"

Daisy raised her eyes to his. Bart gathered her into his arms and covered her soft lips with his own.

Daisy now has a half a dozen very valuable rings, but prizes that little pearl cluster more than any, and she and Bart already have measured another one on her little finger, a plain, broad band, that he is to put on the day she is eighteen, which will also be her bridal day.

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His Typewriter

By FREDERICK CLARKE

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"Then you do love me," he whispered, as he held her in his arms and tried to reach her lips with his.

Rosy made no audible reply, but gave a little sigh of satisfaction and cuddled closer in the encircling arms.

"You'll never let anything come between us?" he pleaded, this time succeeding in turning the pretty face to his, and preventing any reply by covering the little mouth. At last, however, Hugh managed to gain from the bashful young girl her confession of love, and then the two began planning for an early marriage. This was Tuesday night.

Wednesday morning a cloud arose on the horizon of their love. Rosy was singing at her work around the house, when Kathryn Steward ran up the steps. Kathryn had been married three months, and Rosy was extremely anxious to confide her engagement to her friend, so she ran to open the door. Before their greetings were fairly over she began to pave the way for her confession.

"Hugh was here last night," she smiled.

"Hugh who?" Kathryn asked, although she knew as well as Rosy.

"Hugh Howard."

"Well, what of it?" Kathryn asked, going over to the mantel and arranging her hair before the glass.

"Why, I—well—he was here," Rosy faltered.

Kathryn turned. "You don't mean to say that you are interested in him?" she said. There was real concern in her voice.

"What makes you say that?" Rosy cried, her eyes filled with tears.

Kathryn forgot her hair, and took her friend in her arms. "I'll tell you," she said, softly.

"Rich knows Hugh very well indeed, and he told me the other night that he was crazy about a typewriter. Those were his very words."

Poor little Rosy began to cry. Perhaps, if left to herself, she might have sent for Hugh and asked for an explanation, but under Kathryn's persuasive direction she wrote him the following note:

"I am going to ask you to forget what happened last night, to treat it as though it never occurred. Do not try to see me, for I never want to meet you again."

"ROSE PARSONS."

"And now you are coming to our summer cottage with me," Kathryn said decidedly, and before Rosy recovered her breath, Kathryn had explained to Mrs. Parsons, packed Rosy's suitcase, and borne her away.

As the cruel letter slipped from her fingers into the mail box Rosy gave a little sob, and might have written another to recall it, if she had not accidentally come across Hugh on the way to the depot. He did not see her as he was walking beside a remarkably pretty girl, and the two were laughing and talking in an animated manner, although there was nothing lovelike in their attitude. Still, to Rosy, this was proof positive of his perfidy.

Just as Hugh was thinking with joyful anticipation of the evening, he

received Rosy's letter, and could scarcely believe his eyes as he read the few words her epistle contained. "Well, of all things!" he said at last, drawing a deep breath.

He went to Richard Steward and asked him if he knew anything about the matter.

"I haven't the remotest idea," that young gentleman returned, and then added:

"Come up with me Saturday, and ask Rosy for yourself. We'll say nothing to the girls about your coming, and take them by surprise."

On Saturday the two went over to the station to meet Richard, and Rosy felt her rebellious heart give a throb of joy when she saw Hugh with her host, although she pretended to be very angry, and would not speak to him.

They all climbed into the boat which was to take them to the Steward cottage, and then Hugh asked quietly:

"What did you tell Rosy about me, Kathryn?"

Kathryn's face grew a little redder than it had been since she first saw Hugh with her husband, but she said stoutly:

"I just told her you were crazy about a typewriter. I think you ought to be ashamed of yourself, Hugh."

Hugh and Richard looked at each other, and then burst into a roar of laughter, while the two girls looked furious.

"So I am," Hugh said at last. "but it is a machine, not a girl. I'm going to have the agency for it, and that is one reason I can think of getting married at this time."

Richard and Kathryn effaced themselves as soon as their guests reached land, and Rosy made up for her willingness to believe evil, although she did ask meekly after a time:

"Who was that I saw you with the other day when we were coming to the depot?"

"Why, the girl who gives demonstrations on the typewriter. She taught me how to get a high rate of speed from the machines so I could show them to better advantage."

Rosy looked up at him with a little shame-faced smile, and then buried her face tearfully but happily on his shoulder.

Balked in City Building.

Chicago, Ill.—A city to be located near Niles, Mich., and inhabited by more than 20,000 Hebrews was revealed Friday as another scheme, promoted by Max Schallman, self-styled representative of soviet Russia, who is under arrest here for alleged violation of the espionage act.

Famine Among Russians.

New York.—The official bolshevik newspaper, Pravda, of Moscow, under date of June 25, telling of the terrible suffering of the Russian people, says that "as a result of the drouth and the crop failure, famine is raging among a population numbering 25,000,000."

Four Drown in Floods.

Independence, Kan.—The bodies of Mrs. William Wood, her father, John Pennil and her two children, Henry, aged 5, and Robert, aged 2, who were drowned near Cedarville when a cloudburst brought a wall of water down Cedar Creek, on the banks of which they were camping, were recovered today. The body of Mrs. John Pennil has not been recovered.

HAVE FUN WITH BRIDEGROOM

Harmless Teasing by Bridal Attendants is a Feature of the Afghan Wedding Ceremony.

The ceremony of the mirror, is perhaps, the oldest custom in connection with the Afghan wedding ceremony. A mirror is placed before the bride, and the bridegroom is asked to sit at the bride's left. A shawl is held over them, and the bride unveils and looks in the mirror. Husband and wife see each other's face for the first time. It is their first real meeting, says Khalil Ali Shah, in Asia magazine. The bride is shy and does not open her eyes, and the bridesmaids and others chaff her freely.

An engraved silver bowl is then brought, with a little sherbet and a plate of white rice pudding. The bridegroom drinks a little of the sherbet and offers the bride a sip. She closes her lips tight, but force is applied and a spoonful put into her mouth; so also with the rice pudding. A shower of roses announces the termination of this rite. When the bridegroom attempts to rise, he finds he is held down to the floor; a corner of his coat has been sewed to the carpet. There is a roar of laughter. The offender is found—probably a younger sister of the bride. She refuses to undo the stitches unless a gold coin is given to her. As soon as this toll is paid, the bridegroom calls his attendants to bring his shoes, but one of them is missing. Some one declares she knows who has the shoe. It is returned on payment of two gold coins, and the bridegroom is freed from his tormentors.

BEAUTY IN COMMON THINGS

Kitchen Garden Will Furnish Really Exquisite Ornaments for the Living Room Flower Vases.

Have you ever thought of going to the kitchen garden to find something wherewith to fill your flower vases, when nothing can be found in your garden proper? asks a writer in Christian Science Monitor. Why wander aimlessly around that said garden, just because it is a flower garden, when a little farther on in the kitchen garden that gorgeous blaze of pale lemon color is just the thing to go with your deep-blue jars and jugs. "But," you will probably say, "that's cauliflower gone to seed, and who ever heard of decorating a drawing room with cauliflower?"

Prejudice, mere prejudice! Cast it to the winds, you will never regret it, and go and cut spray after spray of those delicate lemon blossoms, being careful to strip the leaves from the stems, then collect all the deep-blue Chinese jars and wedgwood jugs you can muster, arrange the cabbage flowers therein, and, judiciously placed on chests, window sills and bureaus, their effect will be absolutely charming.

The blossoms seem to arrange themselves, each spray standing out clearly from the parent stem, not all falling together as laburnum has a way of doing, when one tries to arrange it in vases. A combination of warm-gray stone walls, old prints, pale blue and mauve chintzes, and the pale-clear lemon of cauliflower blossoms in blue jars in quite delightful, though other color schemes would give an equally happy effect.

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Getting Out of the Difficulty.

Carol was the happy recipient of an invitation to a party, and after going to each member of the family and asking him or her to take her there and in each instance being told a good reason why they couldn't do so, she mournfully turned to me and said: "Mother, write a letter and tell them it's the wrong day."

Style and Clear Thinking.

A good style is the vivid expression of clear thinking.—Huxley.

Pioneers' Prairie Bunk.

The necessity of finding a more convenient and comfortable place than the ground upon which to sleep produced the "prairie bunk." This one-legged bedstead, now a piece of furniture of the past, was improvised by the pioneer in a unique manner. A forked stake was driven into the ground at a proper distance from the corner of the room and upon it poles, usually of hickory, were laid reaching from each wall. These poles, where they touched the walls, rested in the openings between the logs or were driven into auger holes. Upon these poles slats of clapboard were placed, or linden bark was interwoven from pole to pole. Sometimes an old-fashioned "cord bed" was made by using basswood bark for the cord. On this framework the housewife spread her straw tick or piled the luxurious mound of her homemade feather bed. Such a sleeping place was usually known as a "prairie bedstead," but sometimes it was called a "prairie rascal."—Mildred J. Sharp, in the Palimpsest.

Thermometers Grow Old.

Even thermometers become old, and consequently inaccurate with age, mercurial instruments reading too high and spirit instruments too low. In the former case the bulb appears to shrink, thus forcing the quicksilver too far up the stem. This gradual shrinkage is supposed to be due to the fact that the external pressure on the bulb may be considerably higher than the internal pressure, the air as far as possible having been removed before the glass is sealed.

On the other hand, the spirit thermometer is sealed with the bulb covered in a freezing mixture, in order to lock up in the glass as much air as possible. The instrument thus starts with the internal pressure which in time appears to be reduced either by expansion of the glass under the internal pressure or by leakage.

Beard and Mustache Defended.

Dr. Arjan Das, in the Indian Medical Journal, deprecates the fashion for cropped hair which is gaining in India. He says hair is an additional ornament for a rich woman, and often the only ornament of the poor. The shaving of mustache and the epilation of nasal hairs is bad, as they prevent the introduction of even minute particles of dust entering the nose. Worse still is the increasing practice of shaving the beard, as this protects the throat and hinders dental neuralgia. Shaving has become the fashion both with Hindus and Mohammedans, though a bearded man among the latter is shown more respect.

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