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## MASON DROPPED THIRD GAME TO BRADY HERE ON MONDAY

The Mason baseball team presented the boys from Brady with a baseball contest Monday afternoon by making five errors and four bad throws, whereby the visitors netted four scores that should not have been recorded. The Bradyites made three errors but only one proved costly.

### The Box Score

Mason	AB	H	R
Wartenbach, 2b.	5	2	1
Willmann, ss.	4	1	1
Keller, 1b.	5	2	1
O. Shearer, c.	3	0	0
Zesch, cf.	5	3	1
Breazale, lf.	5	0	0
McCollum, 3b.	5	3	0
Wood, rf.	5	0	0
Holt, p.	3	1	1
Totals	40	11	5

Brady	AB	H	R
Woosley, cf.	3	0	0
Bailey, c.	3	1	1
Fuller, p.	5	0	0
Adkins, 3b.	5	2	2
Robertson, ss.	5	4	1
C. Fuller, 1b.	5	0	0
Deaton, lf.	5	0	1
Melton, 2b.	5	1	2
Wood, rf.	4	1	0
Totals	40	9	7

Summary—Three base hit, McCollum; two base hit, Robertson; left on bases, Mason 11. Brady 9; Struck out by Fuller, 2, by Holt 11; base on balls off Fuller 1, off Holt 4; hit by Fuller 1 (Willmann), by Holt 1 (Bailey); errors, Wartenbach 2, Willmann, McCollum, 2, Wood, Robertson, C. Fuller, Melton; wild throws Shearer 3, Keller 1. Umpire, Jim Brown.

## Mason Plays Fredericksburg Today

Today, Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock on the diamond at the Reunion Grounds, the locals will cross bats with the Fredericksburg Giants. This will be the second contest of the season for these two teams, the first game having been won by the Giants by a score of 5 to 2. Phinenke will probably pitch for the locals. The game tomorrow at the Reunion Grounds will be with Llano and it is likely that Zesch will work in the box for Mason. Llano and Mason have each won a contest from each other this season, but the general opinion is that the Giants will prove a harder nut to crack than will the Llano bunch, although rumor has it that Llano is preparing to bring a selected team with them. The Mason team is introducing no outside players for either of the two games.

## OFFICIAL BALLOT APPEARS ON PAGE TWO OF THIS ISSUE

On page two of this issue of the News will be found an exact reproduction of the Official Ballot for the Democratic Primary Election that is to be held next Saturday. The ballot as it appears in the News will be voted in Mason County on Saturday, July 22nd, and the News hopes by publishing the same in its columns that our readers will be benefitted in that they can familiarize themselves with the various candidates for State, District and County office, and no doubt, the women voters of the county will find the ballot a convenient reference before casting their vote in the coming election.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Donop returned home last week from Sinton, following a visit of a few days there with the family of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. Y. Neu. Mrs. Neu and sons had been visiting in Mason recently and Mr. and Mrs. Donop took them home, remaining for a short visit. Mr. Donop states that crops look good in that section and says the cotton crop is already being gathered and the ginning season is on in full blast at this time.

Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Mangham, of San Antonio, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mangham and little son, of San Bardina, California, have been here since Saturday, visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lemburg. Mr. Chas. Mangham, of San Antonio, was here for a visit with the Lemburg family from Saturday until Monday afternoon.

Miss Marie Brockman spent a few days in Austin last week, visiting among friends of that city.

## BETTER PROGENY BY CULLING, TESTS WITH POULTRY REVEAL

That culling the poultry flock to get rid of all those birds except the vigorous, prolific layers results in noticeable improvement in the progeny is shown by recent investigations at the United States Experiment Farm, Beltsville, Md. The late moulters selected from a flock of 100 Rhode Island Reds in the fall of 1920 laid seven more eggs per bird during their second year than the original flock as pullets. They were used as breeders the following spring, and the first Red pullets to commence laying in the fall of 1921 were found to be the offspring of these late-moulting hens. Their pullets in a period of seven months have already averaged about two dozen eggs per bird more than the original flock.

But it is not alone in number of eggs that the late-moulter's progeny excel, but also in the value of the product, as the distribution was more even, a much larger proportion of the eggs being laid during the winter months. In the last seven months the daughters of the late moulters not only averaged two dozen eggs per bird more than the original flock, but the value of their product was, figuring at the same prices, about \$1.04 per bird more during the same period. It is expected that this margin will increase during the next five months.

## AGAIN DEMONSTRATES HIS ABILITY AS A PROSECUTOR

The recent term of the District Court, which adjourned last week, again demonstrated to the people that they have one of the most vigorous and capable District Attorneys, in the person of George Christian, that the district has ever had. And this is saying considerable, for the district has had as its public prosecutors some of the leading lawyers of the State. Out of eight trials of the grade of felony in the court just adjourned there were eight convictions.

A prosecutor can also to a certain extent be a persecutor, if he is inclined that way, but George Christian is not a persecutor. He never is in favor of billing a man unless he is convinced beyond a reasonable doubt of his guilt, and thus armed he is becoming a terror to evil doers.

Mr. Christian is a man with a vision, and he concluded months ago, with other thinking men, that if the reign of lawlessness, which is prevalent in every section of the State is not stamped out, that law and order would soon become a farce, with those opposed to constituted law directing the destiny of the country, and telling the people what they should do and what they should not do. The history of the trials of his district courts since the first of January, demonstrates very conclusively that regardless of what others may do and think, that for himself, George Christian, so long as he is District Attorney, will go after violators of the law, be they of high or low estate, with all the vigor, ability and courage he possesses, and he ranks high in each of these attributes. The writer cannot remember the exact number of cases he has tried since the first of last January, but our recollection places the number between twenty-five and thirty, with between twenty and twenty-five convictions, two or three hung juries and two or three acquittals. We doubt if another District Attorney in the State can show a percentage of convictions that will compare with the above.

The Bulletin loves and honors a public official who is capable of performing the duties placed upon him, and who performs such duties without considering their political effect. In an experience of more than 25 years mixing more than the ordinary individual with public officials, we have never known a man to more closely follow his duties, regardless of any political effect they might have, than does George Christian. —Burnet Bulletin, July 13, 1922.

(Political Advertisement)

Miss Ruth Martin arrived home Sunday afternoon after an absence of several weeks, during which time she visited in Indianapolis, New York City, Boston and other large eastern cities.

## M. H. S. HAS HIGHEST RANK IN THIS SECTION OF THE STATE

The Mason High School now ranks higher in point of affiliation than any high school within a radius of seventy-five miles of Mason. It is now offering 23 1/2 units of accredited work, while 15 units are sufficient for entrance to any college or university in the State. Not a unit asked for within the past two years has been denied by the State Department of Education. This is a record equaled by few schools in the State.

The faculty for the high school during the coming year meets the requirements set up by even the larger cities. While two instructors have not been granted degrees, they have both completed a greater number of courses than is required for a degree, but due, either to transferring from one school to another or to some technicality, have not yet received their degrees. Every instructor has had from one to eight years' of successful experience in a first class high school. The grade teachers have from one to three years training in either a normal or college, and have had two to eight years' successful experience.

### High School Faculty

P. A. Bennett, B. A., U. of T., graduate work U. of T., superintendent of schools.  
L. W. Dumas, U. of T., A. & M. C. of Texas, A. & M. C. of Colorado, Vocational Agriculture.

Bertha Duncan, B. A., C. I. A., graduate work, U. of T., mathematics.  
Florence Patton, B. A., U. of T., graduate work, Columbia University, English.

Grace Phillips, Daniel Baker College, U. of T., Spanish.  
Theresa Klapproth, B. A., S. M. U., History and Latin.

### Elementary School Faculty

Winnie Walker, S. W. T. S. N. C., sixth grade.  
Betty Tribble, U. of T., fifth grade.  
Marie Brockman, U. of T., fourth grade.

Orilla Hoerster, S. W. T. S. N. C., third grade.  
Jessie Roark, N. T. S. N. C., second grade.

Mamie Doell, S. W. T. S. N. C., first grade.

These assignments are only tentative and may be changed by the board at any time, should the necessity arise. Last year there were transferred to this school almost one hundred pupils. A much larger number is expected this year. Should there be as many as one hundred and fifty, which would be the same rate of increase as last year over the preceding year, it would probably be necessary to employ an additional high school instructor.

The seventh grade will this year be in the new high school building, and will probably be under the regular high school faculty.

School will begin September 11th. The institute will be held on the week preceding the opening of school. Mason and Gillespie Counties will hold a joint institute at Mason this year with T. R. Garth, Ph. D. from Columbia University and now professor of psychology in the University of Texas, as director.

## NEWS IS DAY EARLY THIS WEEK; ACCOUNT OF CELEBRATION

In conformity with the announcement made in these columns last week the Mason County News is making its appearance a day early this week. The News, has always followed a custom similar to this on the occasion of a picnic or celebration in Mason and we feel that our readers appreciate the spirit of the management of this paper manifests on an occasion of this kind, and will kindly overlook the fact that we are not carrying the usual amount of interesting reading in this issue.

Have you tried the M-B Ice Cream at the Owl Drug Store.

"THE WHISTLE"  
Featuring William S. Hart  
At Star Theater  
Saturday, July 29th

## WORLD'S LARGEST FISH PIER SITUATED AT BOSTON, MASS.

Boston has the largest fish pier in the world, says the Bureau of Chemistry, United States Department of Agriculture, which supervises interstate shipment of fish under the Federal food and drugs act. The pier is devoted exclusively to the fish business, is 1,200 feet long, 300 feet wide, and is paved with brick and concrete in such a manner that it can be easily cleaned by flushing with water. The pier was built by the State of Massachusetts at a cost of \$3,000,000. Eighty vessels can discharge their cargoes there at the same time.

The shiploads of fish are sold at auction to wholesale dealers, bids being based upon the statement of the captain of each vessel as to the amount and quality of each variety on board. If the buyer is dissatisfied he may call in the Fish Exchange Inspector for an opinion, and either party may appeal to the Arbitration Committee of the Fish Bureau.

On the pier fresh water is used for washing the fish, but it has been found that salt water is more effective in removing fish slime from walls and floors.

## COMMISSIONERS' COURT PROCEEDINGS FOR JULY TERM, 1922

### Accounts Allowed

S. J. Wood, \$10; G. F. McDougall, \$5; Sam Sherwood, \$2; F. Lange, \$9.20; Chas. Leslie, \$6.20; H. O. Schultz, \$2.50; S. W. B. Tele. Co., \$5; Emil Keller, \$15; Mason Co. News, \$10.05; Emil Keller, \$22.50; Curtis Pub. Co., \$13.33; Chas. Leslie, \$24; HBI Ptg. Co., \$15.50; Co. Clerk for freight pg out, \$14.35; \$14.25; \$1; \$12.24; HBI Ptg. Co., \$1.50; J. D. Adams & Co., \$13.82; Emil Keller, \$15; J. H. King, \$1; L. F. Eckert, \$11.77; A. B. Steinhmann, \$3; Dr. C. L. McCollum, \$76; J. D. Adams & Co., \$11; R. Grosse, \$4.50; C. A. Kensing, \$32.25; Geo. D. Barnard, \$49.83; E. B. Garner, \$25.36.

### 1922 Tax Levy

Ordered the following taxes be levied on all taxable property in Mason Co. on the first day of January, A. D. 1922, at rates as follows:

First class—Jury fund, 3 cts on the \$100.  
Second class—Road and Bridge fund, 15 cents on the \$100.  
Third class or General Fund—25 cts. on the \$100.  
Fifth class—(Court House Fund) 5 cents on the \$100.  
Sixth class—(Special road) 15 cents on the \$100.

Poll tax—25 cents on each person subject to poll tax in Mason County.  
Occupation tax—One half the State tax levied on all occupations taxable.  
Levy of school district taxes—Sch. Dist. No. 1, 20 cents on the \$100.  
School Dist. No. 2—25 cents on the \$100.

Sch. Dist. No. 3—15 cents on the \$100  
Sch. Dist. No. 6—10 cts. on the \$100.  
Sch. Dist. No. 7—10 cts. on the \$100.  
Sch. Dist. No. 15—20 cts. on the \$100  
Sch. Dist. No. 25—25 cts. on the \$100.  
Sch. Dist. No. 26—50 cts. on the \$100.  
Sch. Dist. No. 27—55 cts. on the \$100.  
Sch. Dist. No. 28—50 cts. on the \$100.

### Miscellaneous Business

Road petition of Wm. Schmidt, et al., granted.

Agreement made with Mrs. Alma Loeffler for use of roadway for water shoot.

F. C. Wartenbach to vaccinate three head of horses belonging to Mexican in quarantined area.

F. C. Wartenbach and S. J. Wood employed to work in quarantined area at \$4 per day.

Mrs. C. R. Lange allowed \$120 as damages for new right-of-way in Katemey road.

Bids received from C. A. Kensing, Larimore & Grote and F. Lange for furnishing county with one gasoline engine. Bid of C. A. Kensing was accepted. County Clerk ordered to advertise for bids for furnishing county with 10 cords of 16" oak wood to be half dry and half green. Bids to be opened August 14, 1922 at 10 o'clock a. m.

Typewriter ribbons, 50c. News Office

## BUY INTEREST IN CITY PROPERTY IN WEST END UPPER BLOCK

Messrs. Ed. Howard and Wes Smith have recently purchased of Mrs. Anna Martin & Sons an undivided half interest in the lots Nos. 8A, 9A and 10A, situated on the west end of the upper business block of this city. We understand the consideration in the deal was \$6,000.

This is one of the most desirable pieces of business property in the city and extends back 110 feet deep from Main Street to the alley. These lots extend west from the C. C. Smith building and takes in all the land up to a certain distance west of the old Ranck Building. For a number of years this property has belonged to Mrs. Anna Martin & Sons together with Mrs. Henry Keyser, Sr., the latter party retaining her half interest in the property.

## CHANGE MADE IN TIME OF MAIL LEAVING TO FRED'BG

Mrs. Jennie Reynolds, local postmistress, has advised the News of a recent change made by the head department in the time of the arrival and departure of Mason-Fredericksburg mail. She states that the mail leaves Fredericksburg in the morning now at 8 o'clock and is due to arrive at Mason at 12 noon and leaves Mason at two o'clock for return to Fredericksburg. No change has been made in the frequency of the mail as the service is still daily (except Sundays). It is said this change is an advantageous one for rural people living out of Mason on that route, as it will enable these parties to receive mail from the north on the same afternoon it arrives in Mason.

J. L. Bruce, driver of the Junction mail line is endeavoring to have the schedule on that line changed so as to make it possible for him to leave Mason in the morning and go to Junction and return to Mason in the afternoon. In the meantime Mr. Bruce is staying in Junction, as the schedule now calls for a round trip from that point each day except on Sunday.

## STATE VETERINARIAN WAS HERE


Dr. L. G. Cloud, State Veterinarian, passed through Mason the first of the week en route to Fort Worth, after a business trip in South Texas. Dr. Cloud was not here to make any investigation, but stated that Dr. Thaxton, who is assistant State Veterinarian and who is now in Mason would probably remain in this county for a while, and stated he felt confident that any conditions arising on the cattle ranges will be handled by him efficiently and satisfactorily. Dr. Thaxton states that the anthrax situation in the county is under control and he believes it will not become necessary to issue a blanket quarantine on Mason county. So far only a few infected areas are under quarantine.

Miss Russell Knolle arrived in Mason last week for a visit with her father, Dr. W. H. Knolle. This young lady is from New Orleans, La., but is an admirer of life in the country and anticipates quite an enjoyable visit here and among the Mogfords in the Erna section.

E. J. Lemburg states he has been a dealer in merchandise in this city for 35 years; the 12th of July, 1887 marked his first day as a clerk. Mr. Lemburg stated that he began his career as a clerk and a few years later entered business with Mr. B. C. Schmidt, later he and his brother, J. C. Lemburg, formed a partnership and started the firm which is now known as E. Lemburg & Bro.

Mrs. L. J. Fuller, of Brady, came over Monday for a visit in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lemburg. She expects to remain here for a couple weeks.

The city of Llano held a big barbecue on the 15th and a number of Mason people were in attendance in spite of the fact that it was held on Saturday.

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cigarettes  
  
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They are GOOD!

**LETTER CLEARS MYSTERY OF 38-YEAR-OLD KILLING**

Austin, Texas, July 5.—Appearance in Atlanta, Georgia, yesterday of an old letter purported to be the dying confession of H. M. Sharp to a murder in Texas 38 years ago, cleared up a death for which A. L. George served a prison term. George died a year ago after a futile attempt to have the State of Texas right what he claimed to have been a wrong inflicted upon him. George, at the end of his prison term, came to Austin last year seeking to appear before the State Legislature on a quest of having his alleged wrong righted, but death from a physical breakdown intervened.

Atlanta dispatches last night said Sharp, in a letter found in an old machine drawer, confessed that he killed Ed Komerick at Hottentot, Fayette county, Texas, in 1884, while the two were quarreling over a can of sardines. The letter was dated Haltsville, Texas, June 20, 1890.

A. L. George, when he came here seeking reward from the State, said he was charged with the killing, that he was sent to the penitentiary and served his term, all the time protesting his innocence. Broken in spirit, feeble of body and scarcely able to walk, he was taken ill and lay for days at a small local hotel. Local relief organizations took charge of him and he was removed to a hospital where he died. His body was sent to Tennessee for burial. With the body was sent a small handbag which the aged man said contained papers through which he had hoped to prove his innocence.

George's presence in Austin was hardly known at the time. When he was taken ill he sought no help, but bore quietly his sufferings, hoping and looking forward to the time when he could appear before the Legislature or at least a committee of that body. But he died with his hope and dream unfulfilled.

**CHICKENS**

If you have chickens to sell, don't fail to get my prices.

J. J. JOHNSON.

We cordially invite you to get our prices. E. Lemburg & Bro.

Fishing Tackle at Mason Drug Co.

Make your car look like new with our \$1000 wax polish. Wood-Baze Auto Co.

**OFFICIAL BALLOT**  
**DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY 1922**

I am a Democrat and Pledge Myself to Support the Nominees of this Primary.

**For United States Senator**  
Clarence Ousley ..... Tarrant County  
Cullen F. Thomas ..... Dallas County  
Earle B. Mayfield ..... Bosque County  
C. A. Culberson ..... Dallas County  
James E. Ferguson ..... Bell County

**For State Senator of 25th Senatorial District**  
R. M. Dudley

**For Representative of 86th Legislative District**  
H. G. Perry  
B. J. Stewart

**For Congressman at Large**

**For District Attorney, Thirty-Third Judicial District**  
George Christian  
Mitch Johnson

**For Chief Justice Supreme Court**

**For County Judge**  
John T. Banks  
F. C. Dendy

**For Associate Justice Supreme Court**

**For District and County Clerk**  
R. E. Lee

**For Judge Court of Criminal Appeals (Full Term)**  
A. J. Harper ..... El Paso County  
W. C. Morrow ..... Hill County

**For Tax Assessor**  
Sam Sherwood  
W. O. Bode

**For Judge Court of Criminal Appeals (Unexpired Term)**  
F. L. Hawkins ..... Ellis County

**For Sheriff and Tax Collector**  
Chas. Leslie  
R. W. White  
O. H. Holloway

**For Governor**  
Fred S. Rogers ..... Fannin County  
W. W. King ..... Sabine County  
Harry T. Warner ..... Lamar County  
Pat M. Neff ..... McLennan County

**For County Treasurer**  
J. H. Emil Willmann  
Thos. H. Strong  
A. M. Wier

**For Lieutenant Governor**  
W. A. Johnson ..... Hall County  
Col. Billie Mayfield, Jr. .... Harris County  
T. W. Davidson ..... Harrison County  
Joe E. Edmondson ..... Anderson County

**For County Surveyor**  
J. H. King

**For Attorney General**  
W. A. Keeling ..... Travis County

**For County Attorney**

**For Railroad Commissioner**  
J. C. Mason ..... Taylor County  
Allison Mayfield ..... Grayson County

**For County Chairman of Democratic Executive Committee**  
J. J. Hightower

**For Comptroller**  
Lon A. Smith ..... Rusk County  
Wm. M. Woodall ..... Nolan County

**For Precinct Chairman**

**For State Treasurer**  
Ed A. Christian ..... Bexar County  
W. D. Carroll ..... Comanche County  
L. E. Tension ..... Bosque County  
C. V. Terrell ..... Wise County  
A. H. Kerr ..... Tarrant County  
George G. Garrett ..... Dallas County

**For Public Weigher Precinct No. 1**  
H. Puckey

**For Commissioner of the General Land Office**  
J. T. Robison ..... Morris County  
J. C. Thompson ..... Foard County

**For Justice of the Peace Precinct No.**

**For Superintendent of Public Instruction**  
Jefferson G. Smith ..... Upton County  
S. M. N. Marrs ..... Travis County  
Ed R. Bentley ..... Hidalgo County

**For Constable Precinct No. 1**

**For Commissioner of Agriculture**  
George B. Terrell ..... Cherokee County

**For Commissioner of Precinct No. 1**  
Henry Doell.

**For Congressman for the 16th Congressional District**  
C. B. Hudspeth

**For Commissioner of Precinct No. 2**  
W. J. Griffith  
T. M. Butler

**For Associate Justice Court of Civil Appeals Fourth Supreme Judicial District**  
Edward W. Smith.

**For Commissioner of Precinct No. 3**  
J. D. Woodward  
G. W. Herring

**For Commissioner of Precinct No. 4**  
Dan A. Jordan  
H. Hoerster

**EDITOR'S NOTE**—The above is an exact reproduction of the official ballot to be voted in Mason County at the Democratic Primary Election to be held July 22, 1922. It is published in the News that our readers may acquaint themselves with the ballot before the holding of the election next Saturday.

Salvet Stock Tonic (a medicated salt) in all sizes, at Mason Drug Company.

**Talcum Powder Profits**

Talcum powder sells for \$10,000 a ton retail, while talc at the mine is priced at \$25 a ton. Coal dealers still have a lot to learn.—Toledo Blade.

**NEWS IN BRIEF IN NEARBY TOWNS**

**SPECIAL SESSION OF GRAND JURY CALLED AT JUNCTION**

Junction, Texas, July 10.—Judge J. H. McLean and District Attorney George Christian arrived in Junction Sunday afternoon after closing a term of court in Burnett county at which several burglary and bootlegging cases were tried and six convictions secured, thus increasing the penitentiary population by six from that county.

Monday morning the Court appointed H. F. Grobe, W. A. Quisenberry and J. F. Ragsdale, jury commissioners, to select sixteen men from whom twelve would be selected as members of a special Grand Jury to convene Tuesday morning at nine o'clock. This special Grand Jury will investigate conditions growing out of the recent tragedy at Telegraph in which O. L. Freeman was killed. Troy Fleming was arrested last Saturday and placed under \$3,000 bond to await the action of the Grand Jury. The sixteen men from whose number the special grand jury will be selected, are: B. B. Reese, Clay Holland, G. R. Ragsdale, E. H. Kothmann, E. J. Cowsert, H. W. Bierschwale, Roy Williams, W. C. Jones, L. A. Warren, E. E. Bolt, Ben Neal, Stanton Bundy, G. T. May, Allen Gibson, A. F. Hodges and Frank Rembold. District Attorney Christian and County Attorney Fred Knetsch will render the necessary legal assistance to the jury when it convenes.

Junction, Texas, July 10.—The six-

teen men summoned as Grand Jurymen for the special July session were present Tuesday morning, except G. T. May, whose place was taken by A. W. Loeffler. The Court imposed a fine against Mr. May for being absent, but the fine was remitted when Mr. May offered a satisfactory excuse to the Court. The following 12 men were selected by the court as grand jurymen: B. B. Reese, Hal Holland, E. H. Kothmann, G. R. Ragland, E. J. Cowsert, H.

**PROHIBITION OFFICERS ARREST TWO PROMINENT CITIZENS**

(Fredericksburg Standard)  
On last Friday afternoon two U. S. Prohibition Enforcement Officers entered the place of business of Schandua & Reichenau, radiator manufacturers and tanners, and after looking the premises over arrested both of the proprietors. They took with them about two hundred feet of copper coil and destroyed a gallon jug which was setting on the rear porch of the establishment. When approached by the officers for the defendants, the enforcement officers stated that they were in the possession of affidavits charging the defendants with the manufacture of whiskey stills. Both of the citizens were placed in the local jail and the sheriff was given instructions to hold the prisoners "non-communicate."

On Saturday morning the officers, the defendants, together with Deputy Sheriff Apelt, and the defendants attorney left for Austin for a hearing before the U. S. Commissioner. On account of the fact that the witnesses for the government were not on hand and because the defendants attorney Alf. P. C. Petsch is due to attend the Officers Training Camp from the 11th to the 25th of this month, the hearing was postponed until the 26th instant. Upon the occasion it will develop who the informers of the government are and what kind of evidence there is to justify the arrest of these two business men and to justify the "non-communicate" instructions of the officers. In the meantime, we are willing to prophesy that there is nothing to the government's case, but the unreliable imagination of some "guy seeking a job in this department of the government in order that he may be able to make a living without work", and that a great injustice has been done to both of the defendants. Both of the gentlemen rank among our most respected and progressive citizens, and it is deplored that the officers did not make a more careful investigation before making the arrest.

If you want printing, we can do it for you and we take pains in turning out neat and attractive work. Get our prices on letter heads, note heads, statements, bill heads, envelopes, wedding and society stationery. THE NEWS OFFICE.

Just received a shipment of low-heel Pat. Leather strap sandals. E. Lemburg & Bro.

Othello Traweek, of Port Arthur, arrived in Mason Sunday afternoon for a visit of a couple weeks in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Carter. Othello states that he left his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Traweek enjoying good health.

Gates' Super-Tread Tires and Tested Tubes. Sold by Otto Schmidt. 13tf

W. Bierschwale, A. W. Loeffler, Alfred Hodges, S. S. Bundy, Ben Neal, W. C. Jones and Roy Williams. The jury was sworn in at 9:30 a. m. H. W. Bierschwale was appointed foreman and the charge delivered by the Court, and returned to the grand jury room about 10 o'clock to begin their work.

Information is to the effect that the accused party was not indicted and was set free. The murderer of Freeman is still at large.

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**Mason News**

**Mason County News**

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Last Friday night a light shower of rain fell here, but we are informed good rains were received in some sections. Parties from Fredonia reported a good rain and it is said Brady had a good rain. Howard and Wes Smith reported good rains at their ranches in the southwestern portion of the county. Reports from other sections were to the effect that the rain was light and did little more than to cool the atmosphere.

**ATTENTION, STOCKMEN**

It is economy to vaccinate against Blackleg early—Purity and Globe Aggressins sold here—always in stock. MASON DRUG COMPANY.

Taking three grades of steers for instance—the purebred, the grade and the scrub—an experiment in finding the cost of production of the animals showed the cost to be about the same for the three grades. As near as possible the same amount of feed and care were given each steer, and each taken at practically the same age. On marketing the steers, the purebred brought a third more than the grade, and the grade brought nearly a third more than the scrub. This evidently shows the wisdom of raising purebred animals.—Southland Farmer.

**Built by Small Sales**

The world's tallest structure, Woolworth building, now houses 12,000 workers. And 100,000 people a day pass in and out of this building which was erected by the 5-and-10-cent-store man as his monument. Woolworth's real monument, however, is the business he created. Its present manager expects sales this year to reach 100 million dollars.

We carry a good stock of fine bond papers at all times, but have sample cabinets which enable us to show you anything in the paper line on a moment's notice and if not in stock, will get it for you in a few days' time THE NEWS OFFICE.

Spalding Baseball Goods at Mason Drug Company.

**FORMER CONGRESSMAN MARTIN DIES, PASSES AWAY AT HOME**

San Antonio, July 13.—Martin Dies, former congressman from the Second District, died at his home in Kerrville this morning following an operation Saturday.

In the passing of Martin Dies the State of Texas loses a man who was well versed in State and National politics. He moved to Kerrville about one year ago from Beaumont in search of health which he had lost. For many years he represented what was known as the shoe string district of East Texas in Congress and he was a forceful man on the floor of the House of Representatives.—Brownwood Bulletin.

**HOW ABOUT IT?**

As we "get" it, the American merchant marine can't hope for full passenger lists unless it has full passengers.

We are asked for a definition of courtesy. Courtesy, the Missus tells us, is what keeps a woman smiling when a departing guest holds the screen door open and lets flies in.

There are grocers who collect their bills promptly, also those that sell to prominent families.

A man in Kansas City got 30 years for stealing 30 cents worth of groceries. We Americans have our faults but we do hate a piker.

Despite their many and obvious faults our colleges turn out a few good pitchers every year.

It isn't that it is so difficult to earn a living. The hard part is to get it after you have earned it.

You might not guess it to see her on the street, but the flapper is very charming in gingham apron and dust cap.

Some men lead a peaceful home life and some have wives who call them "darling" in public.

Occasionally a small boy wonders how Adam and Eve got along without somebody to run errands.

A man too practical to believe in the saving power of faith usually can be counted on to cash the stranger's check.

If you have a well-trained conscience, it will keep its mouth shut when there is a big profit to be taken.

Mediums admit that nearly all spirits are liars. Death apparently doesn't change folks after all.

Prayer is powerful if it is mixed with equal parts of sweat.

The world has always had reformers, but the most efficient reformer is old age.

**J. C. HARBER TO ENGAGE IN CONFECTIONERY BUSINESS**

The R. Hutschenreuter building on the south side of the square has been remodeled so as to provide two store rooms, the east half of the building being occupied by Mr. Hutschenreuter with his photo studio, while the west half has been leased to J. C. Harber, who will occupy it with a confectionery. In addition to a complete line of confections and cold drinks, Mr. Harber will carry fruit and vegetables. He expects to be ready for business by the end of the week. Mr. Harber's many friends will be pleased to see him again a member of Brady's business circle.—Brady Standard.

**PASS THE APPLES AGAIN**

When every pool of Eden was a mirror That unto Eve her dainty charms proclaimed

She went undraped without a single fear or Thought that she had cause to be ashamed.

'Twas after she had eaten of the apple Her eyes were opened and she understood

That she forever more would have to battle With the much disputed question of the nude.

Since then she has devoted her attention.

Her time and all her money to her clothes; And that was the beginning of the convention

And modesty as well, I do suppose.

But change has taken place in fashions recent, And girls conceal so little from the men

I think that it is time, by all that's decent,

That some one pass the apples round again.

—Christian Courier.

**TOM SIMS SAYS**

When a bathing girl wants flesh-colored stockings she gets tan.

Speaking of operations, it must be a gland and glorious feeling.

Maine woman shot her husband and went free; but it's a bad habit.

This new buttonless underwear isn't new. Ask the laundryman.

Sometimes we think a pessimist is a man who pays taxes.

Senator Johnson wants to protect California nuts. It is about time to leave Hollywood alone.

Detroit boy serving a sentence in his father's jail feels at home.

Very few women can cuss. They won't listen to their husbands long enough to learn.

Some people will hang an auto license on anything that runs.

Strange things happen. A senator has been caught speeding.

The hardest thing on earth to lose is a bad reputation.

"Single Bandit Robs Train"—headline. A married bandit wouldn't have that much nerve.

Only thing wrong with our young folks is they have the gimmies.

You can't tell by the noise. A nickel makes more racket in the collection plate than a dime.

People who long for the good old days would hate to drive a horse.

We think the best looking girl in the movies is selling tickets.

If overwork caused baldness some men would never have to shave.

If you don't pay as you go, you are gone.

Men who think they are sharks usually forget sharks are big fish.

Basements are yawning for next winter's coal and that's about all the mine operators are doing.

Every now and then a writer turns out to be a wronger.

When in Rome do as the Romans do; but when in bad don't do as the bad ones do.

Most of these big movie salaries are stage money.

Looks as if woman's work in hunting a husband. She does it before and after marriage.

There is a happiness shortage. Don't lose any.

Tourists in Europe say they are overcharged. Well, they went over to hit the high spots.

Health hint: Show the fly swat's swat.

Maybe when a restaurant in France wants to act highbrow it prints the menu in English.

Everybody will be back at work soon except the chaperones.

People not only live in their autos, but speeders die in them.

June bridegrooms find it hard to live a double life on a single salary.

There is no use in starting trouble. It is a self-starter.

The first radio concert was a tomcat on the back fence.

These pool room signs "No Minors Allowed" have nothing to do with the minor strike.

The Japs are leaving Siberia, but not leaving her much.

What has become of the old-fashioned woman who was raising a husband and ten children?

The man who is all wrapped up in himself isn't going anywhere.

When a man steps on your hat that's one overhead expense underfoot.

Ireland is having a hard time; but just wait until she tries to pass a soldier bonus.

When an undertaker sees an un-screened restaurant he goes home and gets out his coffin catalogs.

There is a bright side. If you don't enjoy your vacation you will enjoy coming back.

"Average man can't love but one woman," says W. L. George. No, not on the average man's pay.

You often see a girl who wouldn't know her mind if it was made up.

There are only 700 Eskimos left. Where will we get our janitors next winter?

When two fishermen meet, the recording angel writes shorthand.

**CHICKENS**

If you have chickens to sell, don't fail to get my prices.

31-1f J. J. JOHNSON.

Typewriter ribbons, 80c. News Office.

**A TEXAS WONDER**

For kidney and bladder troubles, gravel, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and irregularities of the kidneys and bladder. If not sold by your druggist, by mail \$1.25 Small bottle often cures. Send for sworn testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall 2826 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo.

**The sign of one-quality tires**

The Goodrich dealer's sign does not mean one thing about one tire and something else about another. It means the same thing about every Goodrich tire—one quality only.

You can buy the Goodrich "55" clincher fabric 30 x 3 1/2 for your light car, or the famous Goodrich Silvertown Cord in any size—and be certain that you are getting one quality only in material and workmanship. And you make your purchase on the basis of Goodrich fair list prices, which means that you are getting full value in tire and in service.



Buy your tires, tubes and accessories where you see this Goodrich dealer's sign. It means satisfaction in every transaction.

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TUBES FABRICS SILVERTOWN CORDS ACCESSORIES

**FROM NEWS FILES 15 Years Ago In Mason OF 25 YEARS AGO**

From Mason News, July 23, 1897:

Buck Roberts and Dick Garrett seriously stabbed each other at Willow City last Friday.

The Voca baseball team defeated Mason Saturday by a margin of 30 scores. The Voca boys scored 23 runs in the 5th inning.

R. Grosse, wife and child left Monday for a few week's visit to Galveston. Alma, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Hamilton, was hurt Wednesday by falling from the loft of the barn and striking on her head.

Miss Sophie Leslie was a visitor in San Antonio the past week.

J. C. Baxter, wife and child and Miss Ethel Millerkin, of Pleasanton, and Frank Millerkin, of Brady, spent the past week visiting Mrs. W. B. Sands.

Mr. Adolph Vater and Miss Madona Dannheim were united in marriage last Wednesday.

Mrs. John Crosby and children of Indian Territory are here visiting Mrs. C. Crosby.

A pleasant social was given last Friday night at the home of Ben Hoerster. Mrs. Hattie Reeder returned Friday from a visit of several weeks to friends at Granbury.

For high class dry goods, come to E. Lemburg & Bro.

From Mason News, July 19, 1907:

Dan Lehmburg is expected home from Austin in a few days; about well again.

Thos. Murray and family gave a delightful barbecue Thursday at their ranch in honor of Mrs. Elliot, of El Paso.

Jim Schmidt and family have moved here from Brady.

Jack Lewis gave an enjoyable lawn party last Friday evening to a few friends, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. P. A. Baze. Those present were Misses Kate Lindsay, Olive Thorne, Minnie Hey, Ora Smith; Messrs. Dudley Price, Garrett Baze, Tom Moneyhon, J. B. Brown, R. H. Lowrey and family.

Alfred Kensing had a team drowned in the Llano river Monday when he attempted to cross in a wagon following a rise.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lemburg, a boy on the 12th.

Mr. Essery, living near Camp Sara Saba, died Friday from dropsy, aged 63 years.

Ed Smith and wife plan a visit to relatives at Colorado city next week.

Service on prescriptions, day and night. Night phone 79-L; day phone 21. Owl Drug Store.

**PRESCRIPTIONS**

Accurately compounded day and night at Mason Drug Co.

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E. O. Kothmann, V. P. Kinney Eckert, Ass't C'r.

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MASON - - - TEXAS

July 19th and July 20th

FREE BARBECUED DINNER ON THE 20TH  
BASEBALL BOTH DAYS  
DANCES BOTH NIGHTS  
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LAST DAY  
STATE AND DISTRICT CANDIDATES TO SPEAK  
MUSIC THROUGHOUT BOTH DAYS—MASON CON  
CERT BAND

**Complete Program Not Yet Made Up**

The above will give News readers some idea as to what can be expected during the celebration on the 19th and 20th, but the complete outline of program is not yet arranged, although within a few days these details will have been attended to.

The barbecued dinner is a feature that is assured and practically every detail pertaining to it has been looked after.

The baseball games will be played at four o'clock each afternoon. Wednesday, it will be Mason vs. Fredericksburg and Thursday, it will be Mason vs. Llano.

The famous "Midnight Five" Orchestra of San Angelo has been engaged to furnish music for the dances at the Legion Hall on both nights.

Goat Roping and Cigar Races with attractive purses for the winners will also have places on the program.

The great display of fireworks for the evening of the second day has been arranged for and this attraction is far more expensive and will, no doubt, prove much more

State and District candidates and orators of prominence have been invited to be present and deliver addresses on these days and in due time these arrangements will have been completed.

Nothing is being left undone in preparing for one of the grandest and greatest celebrations in the history of Central West Texas.

**TALK ABOUT IT TO YOUR FRIENDS—COME AND BRING THEM WITH YOU.**

**MASON AWAITS EVERYONE WITH A HEARTY WELCOME**

Under Auspices of Fort Mason Post of American Legion

**SOCIAL EVENTS**

Mr. and Mrs. Martin D. Loring were at home to a few friends on Thursday evening of last week. A pleasant evening was spent at playing table games, the following being present: Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Schmidt, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lindsay, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Ellebracht, Mr. and Mrs. Seth Baze, Mrs. Cliff Arthur, Misses Mary Lumburg, Cleo Wood, Zella Wood, Marie Brockman, Julia Bierschwale; Messrs. W. L. Marshall, Irl E. Larrimore, Floyd McCollum, Roy Doell.

If you know of some news items that would interest News readers, phone it in. If you don't know the details, give us an idea and we will do our best to get the particulars.

The following parties enjoyed a watermelon feast at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Seth Baze last Saturday night, following the picture show: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lindsay, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Grote, Mr. and Mrs. Martin D. Loring, Mrs. Callie Baze, Misses Julia Bierschwale, Elizabeth White, Mary Jane Puckey, and Walker and J. W. White, Jr.

Let your next tire be a Gate's Super-Tread. Sold by Otto Schmidt. 13tf

The News is in receipt of a letter from Mrs. A. W. Kooek, of Austin, advising that she and Mr. Kooek are to visit for several weeks in Detroit, Michigan and asks that the News be sent to their address of 2071 23rd St. They will visit Mrs. Kooek's sister, Mrs. Emil Bogusch.

Stop at our fountain when in town. Try our variety of drinks. They satisfy. Owl Drug Store.

**Entertains Sunday School Class**

Miss Susie Donop entertained her Sunday school class last Friday afternoon from 4 to 6 with a lawn party. Various games were played, after which each pupil was given a slip of paper and pencil and asked to write as many Golden Texts as they could in an allotted time. Miss Luella Rode received the prize, a New Testament, having written seven texts in six minutes. The delicious refreshments were an outstanding feature of the occasion. All reported having had a most enjoyable time.

**Galvanized roofing at R. Grosse's.**

Dr. Hess Stock and Poultry Powders. Guaranteed. Owl Drug Store.

At the three days' reunion at Brady last week the baseball honors went to Brady. Games were played each afternoon between Brady and Fredericksburg; Brady taking the first two games and the Fredericksburg boys took the final game. The scores were: 3 to 1, 11 to 3 and 3 to 0.

**Cooper's Cattle Dip, \$7 per 5 gallon can, at Mason Drug Company. 17**

In a baseball game between Simonville and Willow Creek on the latter's diamond last Saturday afternoon the Willow Creek team won by a score of 6 to 2.

Prescriptions carefully compounded day and night. Owl Drug Store.

**Galvanized Roofing at R. Grosse's.**

Mr. and Mrs. George Stengel and children, of Menard, were guests of relatives and friends in Mason a few days recently.

Fresh cement and re-enforcing steel always on hand. Harry Bierschwale. 18

Subscribe for the News today.

**SUBSCRIPTIONS PAID**

The following have made subscription payments to this great weekly since our last report

Chas. J. Fischer	1.50
Mrs. Louis Ellis	1.50
Christian Loeffler	1.50
T. E. Matheny	1.50
W. A. Cunningham	1.50

We thank you for your help

Mr. and Mrs. Ur Wood and children came up last week from San Antonio for a visit among relatives and friends. Ur is in the employ of the government and his duties are that of keeping books on the stock and equipment belonging to the U. S. Government at the Army Headquarters in San Antonio. He has held this position for a number of years and says he is well pleased with the work.

**Typewriter ribbons, 80c. News Office**

Miss Lorena Winkler left the first of the week for her home in San Antonio after a visit in Mason among relatives and friends for a couple weeks.

**TO THE PUBLIC**

In order to correct a false report, we wish to state that we are the sole owners of the Sunshine Confectionery, that we have absolutely no connections whatever with any other firm and that we are operating the Sunshine Confectionery absolutely independent of any other concern.

We appreciate the business that we have been receiving and ask that we may be given an opportunity to further serve the people when in need of anything in our line.

Respectfully,  
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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Sentiment and the Law**

By DOROTHY WHITCOMB

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"But law and sentiment are the same thing," said Rogers the old corporation lawyer. Somebody had been lamenting the average jurymen's liability to bring in a verdict upon the evidence alone. "Sentiment is law," Rogers repeated. "It is law in its embryonic state, uncrystallized, but often better law than written codes.

"Do any of you remember the Bright murder trial of the late seventies?" he continued, looking round at us. "No? Well, there have been many murders since then, and doubtless it was not of epoch-making importance. Yet I was led to undertake the defense of Howard Bright through sentiment.

"It was pretty Lorna Bright, the cousin of the young man, and secretly engaged to him, who persuaded me, by her protestations of Howard's innocence, to undertake so desperate a case. Old Charles Bright had driven his son from his home, because he preferred the life of a musician.

"Charles Bright was one of those cantankerous old men who are cordially hated by their neighbors. He had a big estate at Lanark, Md., to which he retired after having disposed of the business which he hoped Howard would inherit, at a price of two or three hundred thousands. Among those who hated him most strongly was Pete Jones, a small farmer whose lands he had taken when a mortgage fell due.

"Now we come to the murder. On Thanksgiving eve, 1875, the servants of the old man were aroused by a cry and the sound of a shot. They ran out of the house and saw their master lying dead with a bullet wound through his head. Some fifty yards away stood Howard, a rifle in his hands. He made no resistance and was arrested and duly committed for trial.

"As I said, gentlemen, it was Lorna Bright who insisted that I undertake her cousin's defense. She had been in the house at the time of the murder and had known no more than the servants; yet she was confident that her cousin was guiltless.

"Howard's story was that he had come home on Thanksgiving eve, to seek a reconciliation; that he had brought an old rifle he had taken away, with a view of joining his father duck shooting on the Potomac, a sport to which the old man was very partial, and in which he always used a rifle. When he was within fifty yards of the house, however, he heard a rifle discharged in the distance and saw his father, who had been standing near the door, fall forward dead.

"I was convinced of the young man's innocence by my first interview with him. I assumed that Jones was the guilty man. Jones was at this time living in a cabin about fifteen hundred yards from the site of old Bright's house. There seemed no way in which Jones could be trapped.

"All at once I had an idea. The body had not yet been buried, though the inquest was over. It occurred to me that a bullet fired at such a short range would have had velocity enough to have drilled a clean instead of a jagged hole in the head. I examined the wound and found, not only that the wound was hopelessly torn, so far as measuring its size went, but that, instead of being parallel with the earth, or horizontal, it had a downward angle of some 35 degrees.

"That discovery sent me wild with eagerness. It was easy to deduce from this that the bullet had been fired from a considerable distance. As you doubtless know, gentlemen, at all but point blank ranges the sight on the rifle is elevated, so that the ball, in its trajectory, takes first an upward and then a downward course. In other words, I had here a triangle, one angle of which measured 35 degrees, and the base line, as I surmised, about 1,500 yards—that is to say, the distance between the murdered man and Jones' cabin. The two other sides, of course, represented the ascending and the descending lines of the bullet's flight.

"The rifle, I deduced from this, must have been sighted to 1,150 yards. "The district attorney consented to take a walk of inspection with me. I explained to him that I wanted to look over the ground; on the way I told him of my theory. He ridiculed the idea, but together we made our way

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District	10.00
County	7.50
Precinct	5.00

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The News is authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary:

**For Representative, 86th District:**

B. J. STEWART  
H. G. PERRY

**For Sheriff and Tax Collector:**

CHAS. LESLIE  
R. W. WHITE  
O. H. HOLLOWAY

**For County Treasurer:**

THOMAS H. STRONG  
ANDREW M. WIER.

J. H. EMIL WILLMANN

**For Tax Assessor:**

W. O. BODE  
SAM SHERWOOD

**For District and County Clerk:**

R. E. LEE

**For County Judge:**

JOHN T. BANKS.  
FRANK C. DENDY

**For Commissioner, Prec't. No. 1:**

HENRY DOELL

**For Commissioner, Prec't. No. 2:**

T. M. BUTLER.  
W. J. GRIFFITH

**For Commissioner Prec't. No. 3:**

J. D. WOODWARD.  
G. W. HERRING

**For Commissioner, Prec't. No. 4:**

DAN A. JORDAN.  
HENRY HOERSTER.

**The City**

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Located in the Bridges Building, one door east of Louis Schmidt's Store

into the swampy bottom of the dried-up rivulet. Suddenly we came upon foot tracks converging toward a single spot from either bank. I stooped and scraped up a few handfuls of earth. After a moment I came upon the rifle barrel.

"When we had disinterred it we found that it was sighted to 1,150 yards.

"That is all, gentlemen. Jones, surprised, made a complete and dramatic confession, and afterward paid the penalty of his crime. But, as I was saying, sentiment has its proper place in law, and if sentiment hadn't led me to undertake young Bright's defense he would have died a shameful death and Lorna Bright would not have been a happy wife for nearly forty years."

**Improvement of the Mind.**

"You used to think the study of the classics was unnecessary."

"I am beginning to change my mind," replied the solicitous parent. "I believe I'd rather have my son keeping his attention on the classics than reading some of the jokes in the college papers."

**Photographs of Mars.**

More than 100,000 photographs of Mars have been taken at the Lowell observatory, Flagstaff, Ariz. Numerous exposures are made on each plate with the expectation of getting the moments of best definition of the planet.

**A Great Relief.**

Western Paper—A Hot Springs widow says the latest proposal she has received was from a Central avenue barber, who said that after working hard all day he longs to go home to a face that doesn't need anything done to it.—Boston Transcript.

## HAMM BROTHERS CONTINUE TO LEAD

We are glad to announce that during the month of June we again sold more cars of live stock than any other firm at this market.

We take this opportunity of thanking those who favored us with their business, there by enabling us to make such a wonderful show ing for which we are very grateful.

Our commission charges which we re duced to pre-war prices over one year ago are as follows:

Cattle ..... \$12 per car  
Hogs, Sheep and Goats ..... \$8 per car  
Hogs, Sheep and Goats \$12 per doubledeck

We do our own selling in every department and we are here to Serve

HAMM BROS. L. S. COM. CO.  
Ft. Worth, Texas.

### UNIQUE HITTING RECORD

Every player of the Chicago Americans made one or more hits off Baker, Cleveland, in a game played April 28, 1901. This in itself is not so remarkable but every hit of the 23 made by the White Sox was a single. There was not an extra base drive in the lot. As a hitting oddity this probably will remain a record for some seasons.

### WITH ONE TOSS CAN PITCHER WIN GAME?

Markle Throws One Ball and is Given Credit.

Peculiar Situation Brought About in Ninth Inning of Recent Cincinnati-Brooklyn Contest—Couch Loses Out.

Is it possible for a pitcher to throw only one ball to a batsman and officially get credit for winning a ball game?

It seems so under the present rules that determine games won and lost by pitchers.

President Johnson of the American league discarded the games won and lost by pitchers several years ago, be-



Pitcher Couch.

cause he didn't believe such records told a true story of a pitcher's worth. The American league substituted a system that showed the earned runs

made off each pitcher in an effort to determine the effectiveness of the American league twirlers.

The great desire to know who won or lost the game, however, has caused the two major leagues again to use such records relative to the pitchers.

It doesn't seem as if it is possible to establish any set rules to cover this feature of baseball. For example:

Recently in the National league, Brooklyn played at Cincinnati. Couch pitched eight and two-thirds innings for Cincinnati. He retired in the ninth with two down, when Brooklyn broke the 5 to 5 tie, forging ahead by one run.

Markle replaced Couch and on the first ball pitched the Brooklyn batter was retired, ending the inning.

Cincinnati in the last half of the ninth made two runs, winning the game 7 to 6.

The records give Markle, who pitched only one ball, credit for winning the game.

While probably correct from a baseball standpoint, it hardly looks like a sane conclusion. Seems as though the official score should be permitted to reach a verdict based on fairness.

### Sporting Squibs of All Kinds

Kansas City, Mo., is enjoying tennis by electric light.

Summit (N. J.) Golf club is fittingly named as it is located on a mountain top.

The annual intercollegiate cross-country run is booked for New York November 18.

Mrs. Mallory's failure to reach the finals at Wimbledon will save Mlle. Lenglen from another severe heart attack.

French Olympic games committee will provide seats for 60,000 at 1924 festivals. The track and field sports will begin June 23, 1924.

Weequahio park, Newark, will stage the annual A. A. U. track and field championships Friday, Saturday and Monday, September 8, 9 and 11.

Daniel Younger of Baltimore, one of the prominent long-distance runners and walkers in this section until a few years ago, plans to stage a comeback.

Frank Hussey of Stuyvesant high school (N. Y.) was clocked for the 100 yards in 9 9-10th seconds by five A. A. U. timekeepers in a recent meet there.

Belgium is sending over another welterweight boxer, Charles Lantern, who is said to be even more aggressive and pugnacious than Pete Heben.

## ALL LATEST NEWS

News That Is News, When it Is News, for All.

### STATE, NATIONAL, FOREIGN

Happenings the World Over of Important Events Condensed to Good Reading.

#### WASHINGTON NEWS.

About 25,000 tons of anthracite coal per month is being mined. Anthracite fields, like the unionized bituminous areas, are tied up by labor conflict.

Dr. J. C. A. Everwijn, Dutch minister at Washington, has resigned his post, it was announced Monday. The resignation was for personal reasons. His successor has not yet been named.

The first real split in republican senate ranks over the administration tariff bill came Thursday during consideration of the cotton schedule with a result that 10 committee amendments proposing increased rates on various kinds of yarns and on silver and roving were rejected as fast as they were reached. The majority opposition was led by Senator Lenroot of Wisconsin and reached its maximum strength on the first roll call, 12 republicans opposing the committee rate on a roll call by which the amendment was rejected, 32 to 24.

Chile has accepted the Peruvian proposal that in case no plabiscite is held in Tacna Arica and Chile and Peru can not decide the sovereignty of the province by direct negotiation, both countries will request an exercise of the "good offices" of the United States, it was stated tonight upon receipt of the Chilean reply from Santiago.

Dissension in the American-Brazilian centennial commission which recently led to the resignation of Frank A. Harrison as a member, had an aftermath when letters written by Harrison to President Harding were made public, in which the alleged attitude of members of the commission, including John H. Kirby of Houston, was denounced. The working of the commission, it was stated, became so distasteful to Harrison that he tendered his resignation, which was accepted by the president.

James H. Wilkerson was nominated several days ago by President Harding to be federal judge for the Northern Illinois district, succeeding former Judge Kenesaw M. Landis, who resigned several months ago to become arbiter of organized baseball.

#### STATE AND DOMESTIC NEWS.

A negro identified by Helen Goldstein as the murderer of her mother, Mrs. Fannie Goldstein, shot to death two weeks ago, was confined in jail in Beaumont Monday. The negro was brought into the city from another county, where he has been confined since the killing.

W. E. Connell, president of the First National Bank of Fort Worth, was elected treasurer of the Texas and Southwest Cattle Raisers' Association at the meeting at Corpus Christi of the executive committee. He succeeds S. B. Burnett, who died recently. Mr. Burnett was treasurer of the association since it was formed.

The secretary of war approved the appointment of General Robert E. Steiner of Montgomery as brigadier general in charge of troops in Alabama and Florida and extended federal recognition to him at the same time. The approval was given by Secretary Weeks Tuesday.

Large sums available for reinvestment the first of the month gave an added impetus to the demand for new bond offerings, which reached a total of \$86,250,000 as compared with \$30,000,000 last week and a weekly average of \$100,000,000 in the early months of the year.

#### FOREIGN NEWS.

Great Britain is preparing to make the first interest payment on the war loans made her by the United States. One million pounds in gold, approximately \$5,000,000, is being collected for shipment to America in the near future.

#### Acreeage Abandonment Shown.

Washington.—Publication in the August cotton report of the department of agriculture of information on the abandonment of cotton acreage up to July 1, is required under a resolution by Senator Heflin, democrat, Alabama, adopted Tuesday by the senate. The resolution recited that the boll weevil and other causes had resulted in abandonment of much cotton acreage and the acreage statement is called for next month instead of next December as usual.

## Texas Items

Another thrilling experience with fire was undergone at the Orange oil field last week, when losses that may reach \$50,000 were sustained.

Advertising matter for the Caldwell County live stock show and annual fair has been sent out announcing the date, September 16 to 22, inclusive.

Continued sunshiny weather has caused the cotton crop in the section of Luling to improve until there are good prospects for a normal crop now.

Martin Dies, former representative in congress from the second district, died at Kerrville, Thursday.

One of the largest seizures of drugs made by the police department, was made at Galveston a few days ago.

The annual meeting of the Association of Old Fellows lodge secretaries of Texas will convene at Corsicana, July 27th.

In an election held at Yoakum a tax of 60c was voted on property recently added to the Yoakum School District, the vote standing 623 for and 290 against.

Work on the Middle Buster highway north of Gonzales is coming along nicely, all of the concrete construction now completed and the grading and grubbing is progressing rapidly.

The controversy between the Cuero Chamber of Commerce and the national congress over a postoffice letter stamp to be used on all outgoing mail, advertising the Cuero turkey trot, has been adjusted.

The interstate commerce commission has asked the Texas railroad commission to hear an objection to the granting to the Grand Prairie and Northern railroad a certificate of convenience and necessity.

As a result of the enforcement of the tick eradication law in Lavaca county, a farmer has been fined \$50 for refusing to obey an order to dip his stock, and a complaint has been filed against another.

Farmers from every section of Navarro County report that they have a good corn crop already made, and that cotton is growing rapidly and fruding well, and so far the boll weevil is doing but little damage.

The sixth district conference of the Texas Medical Association met at Corpus Christi this month. Physicians from practically every county between there and San Antonio and other South Texas counties were present.

F. B. May of Wharton, an exclusive pecan dealer, reports the pecan crop in that section almost a complete failure. Fifty-one cars of pecans were shipped out of Wharton County last season, amounting to about \$250,000.

Stahl Bros. of Gonzales, shipped out two carloads of eggs last week, consigned to the Cuban markets. Each car contained 500 cases. Eggs are now bringing from 17 to 20 cents per dozen, but the local receipts have been small the last week.

The city council of El Campo at last meeting voted to extend the sewer system so that it would take in the new high school building which is being built in the north part of the town. The contract for the work was let at a price of \$1800.

The commissioners court of Williamson County in session placed an order of record calling for bids to be opened August 1 for construction of the last lap of the Meridian highway from the Travis County line at Round Rock through Georgetown to the Bell County line at Jarrell.

Samuel Hicks, Maurice Cooper, Lroy Paul, and George Lovell of Center, spent several days fishing on the

Sabine river last week. They report having caught 300 pounds of fish and also caught a seven-foot alligator gar, weighing 200 pounds.

The Attorney general's department at Austin approved the following bond issues: Canton Independent School District, Van Zandt County, \$9000, maturing serially, 6 per cent; Montgomery County Common School District No. 8, \$10,000, maturing in twenty years with five-year option, 6 per cent.

The first bale of 1922 cotton was sold on the streets of Robstown Friday. The cotton was raised by Herbert Gibson, local farmer, residing two miles southwest of there, and after having been ginned by the Robstown Gin and Ice Company it was removed to the chamber of commerce, where it was sold at public auction by the secretary.

Young corn and cotton of Fort Bend County are looking fine, but must have rain to make a crop. Showers fell in many portions of the county Wednesday, but did not last long enough to do any good.

Schulenberg has a building boom on, a good many modern bungalows being under construction.

District Clerk A. Philquist of Austin was given the scare of his life when he discovered a six-foot chicken snake in the hood of his automobile, which was parked near the county courthouse. Mr. Philquist made the discovery when he got into his car to go to dinner. His S. O. S. was heard by Deputy Sheriff Jim McCoy, who quickly dispatched the reptile.

### INDICATION OF LAYING HENS

Spread of Distance Apart of Pelvic Bones is Valuable Sign of Fowl's Condition.

As a hen stops laying there is a tendency for her to take on fat. This is noticeable in examining the pelvic bones, the two bones which can be felt as points on either side of the vent. When the hen is laying these bones become comparatively thin and flexible. When she is not laying they feel thicker and less flexible, due to the fat which has accumulated there. The spread of distance apart of these pelvic bones is also a valuable indication of whether or not the hen is laying. When laying they are wider apart than when not laying.



Keep charcoal where the fowls have ready access to it at all times.

See that your poultry runs and coops are clean before the little chicks begin coming.

The goose is the great holiday bird and finds ready sale on the large city markets at that time.

Get a supply of the most-needed poultry remedies and keep them on hand for emergencies.

The sooner eggs are set after being laid the better. There is no such thing as setting them too soon for best results.

Keep grit and oyster shell before the fowls, also plenty of clean water, and make sure that the fowls are not bothered with mites or lice.

#### Strength in Proportion.

It is impossible to name the strongest animal since some of the smallest insects have more strength in proportion to their weight than the very largest animals. An ant, for instance, may carry a load fifteen or twenty times its own weight, while an elephant could scarcely drag twice its weight.

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**CHARACTER ESTIMATES OF GEO. CHRISTIAN, CANDIDATE FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

San Antonio, Texas, June 29, 1919.  
 During the first part of 1919, I had the fortune to know Mr. George Christian as a comrade in arms in France. From February the 10th until April 21st, when we were discharged he and I were constantly together, he being company commander and I first sergeant of a casual detachment, principally composed of Texas men. Nearly all of these men came from the hospitals, where they had been sent wounded from the front.

We were at the time in billets in a little hamlet in Northern France, where it was bitterly cold and rained or snowed most of the time. The men had no protection other than their homes in the neighboring haylofts. Owing largely to unavoidable difficulties in transportation, they were insufficiently fed, and to some extent were in need of clothing. Everybody had his quota of cooties, and most of them had carried more substantial ailments from the hospitals. Hardly anyone had received any pay for more than four months.

Such were the difficulties that Mr. Christian had to contend with. Within an incredibly short space of time he had the men satisfied without any personal incentive to soldier, they soldiered because they admired and liked him. He had won them by his keen and sympathetic understanding of their needs, his fairness and impartiality, his firmness and his own example in the performance of military duty. Thus, when we were finally started on our way home, our detachment, though larger than any we came in contact with, stood top-notch on the innumerable physical and equipment inspections.

I think the story of these results achieved by Mr. Christian speaks louder for him than any mere words of commendation that I might add. He had the admiration and devotion of the men in a far greater degree than any company commander I have ever known.

Yours truly,  
 C. W. TRUEHEART.

El Paso, Texas, June 29, 1919.  
 Mr. Christian was my most valuable officer in training at Camp Travis, and he was given the tremendous job of keeping all the numerous records of the company. In a very short time, he won the respect of all of his men for his kind and just treatment of them, and when we went to France he was literally loved by every man in the company.

In France Christian kept up his good work, and when we went into the trenches in the St. Mihiel salient he began to prove his worth. In the fighting he was fine. He was cool and steady and very dependable, and never shirked on any kind of work.

The company was in the line from the middle of August until the twelfth of October without being relieved, and was then sent with the 96th Division to the Meuse-Argonne Front, where it stayed until the Armistice, after which it was sent to Germany with the Army of Occupation. While on the Argonne Front Christian was promoted in recognition of his good services.

In closing I will say that Christian was the most valuable officer I ever had. No work was too hard nor was any danger too great for him to go into when he was called upon. His men loved him and his fellow officers loved and respected him for his conscientious and upright standards and good work.

Yours truly,  
 CLARK WRIGHT,  
 Major 343 Machine Gun Battalion.  
 (Political Advertisement)

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Christian Loeffler was a pleasant visitor to the News office the last of the week from his home in the Hilda section. Mr. Loeffler stated that folder topping has been in progress in his section and but few farmers have yet to top their corn. He says the corn crop will be fairly good in his community.

All leather work shoes for \$2.50. E. Lemburg & Bro.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ellebracht, of San Antonio, came up the first of the week for a visit of a few days among relatives and friends and to take in the celebration here this week.

I am always in the market for fat hogs and chickens. Get my prices, J. J. Johnson. 31-1f.

D. H. Bird came in this week from Carrizo Springs to join his wife who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Puckey, and to remain for a few days among relatives and friends of Mason.

**The Circus People**

By MARVIN ST. JOHNS

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"It's a sinful shame!" declared prim, straight-faced Miss Tabitha Duncan. "Aunt Lucia must have taken leave of her senses!" chorused Bart Duncan, her nephew.

The criticisms were not generous. Both were pensioners on the bounty of Miss Lucia Wardeu, age thirty-five, looking ten years younger, and, although missing most of the joys of life, by no means soured, and still hoping and longing that some day Love would come along and help fill out her lonely life.

She had given Miss Lucia a home, she had educated Bart.

For this reason any deviation from personal or household rules was viewed with concern by the twain of selfish time-servers. What had aroused their present consternation was the fact that Lucia had not only allowed a traveling circus to show on a lot she owned, but had visited it several times.

"It's just terrible, Bart!" pronounced the agitated Tabitha. "Bart, I believe that Lucia has fallen in love!"

"Incredible!" he gasped. "It's true. It seems that those two little acting girls are under the charge of a man calling himself Henry Morton. He used to be a balloon acrobat, but had a bad fall. His brother, now dead, was also an actor, and had trained the children. Morton is traveling with them as their guardian. I won't say that he is not a polite, dignified gentleman, but he has fascinated Lucia, and I hate him. Well, that isn't the worst of it."

"What next?" "Why, somehow the two children have caught the measles and can't go on with the show. Morton has canceled their contract and Lucia, soft-hearted Lucia, has turned the house into a hospital."

"You don't mean to say that she has taken those two children?"

"Yes, I do, and Morton is there, too, helping nurse them."

It was all true. Without pausing to analyze feelings or motives, Lucia Wardeu had drifted into a new environment.

Never had an ingenuous, true-souled little woman more appreciative friends. After the hardship, uncertainties and discomfort of half a season of roughing it with the circus, the little children snuggled down in the pretty, cozy home of Miss Lucia like birds housed in a cherished nest.

Their uncle would scarcely leave their presence. His ministrations were assiduous and untiring. When Lucia came into the sick room, a sort of glorified contentment came into his bronzed, serious face.

Lucia learned the history of the little ones, left under a year's contract with the circus company, with which their father and uncle had been connected.

"That is all over now," Morton told her, with profound satisfaction. "It has been a providence that their illness came at a time when your kind heart opened the doors of your beautiful home to the homeless and distressed."

He told her how he had never married because of the hard round of duties, the broken fortunes of his brother and his family had required. And then one evening, as they sat in the glow of the firelight and the shaded lamps, the little ones asleep in each other's arms, like cherubs, Henry Morton boldly, bravely told this superb friend that he loved her.

She was waiting for the declaration, for she was hoping for it.

"We must do something!" declared Miss Tabitha to her nephew two days later, when she learned how matters stood.

Morton had gone away to close out a little piece of property he owned at a distance.

"Leave it to me," replied Bart, after he had gained every detail he could as to the past life and antecedents of Morton.

Four days later he sent for Miss Tabitha in great excitement and exultation of spirits.

"I've got him!" he chuckled. "That hint you had about his living at a certain town five years ago has brought results. I wrote to a law firm there. They sent me a photograph of him. Look there!"

Triumphantly, he handed to his relative a photograph. It pictured Henry Morton—only in a convict's suit.

Henry Morton had just returned to the village as Bart and his aunt appeared.

"I have come upon a solemn mission," said Bart. "Aunt Lucia, this man is an ex-convict!"

The astonished Lucia took the proffered photograph. With supreme confidence in her face she handed it to Mr. Morton.

"My friends," said the latter with a pitying smile, "you seem to have happened across a picture of mine taken

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**TO THE VOTERS OF MASON COUNTY: LATE MOLTERS, GOOD LAYERS**

I have been engaged in the performance of my official duties in the respective counties of this district constantly since the first part of January of this year, having but recently attended upon a Special Term of the District Court of Kimble County, convened the 10th day of July. It has been impossible for me to make a canvass of the district in behalf of my candidacy. Derelict, indeed, is the public official who places personal considerations above his sworn duty. I regret that I have been unable to avail myself of the pleasure of attending the gatherings of the citizenship.

I would respectfully call your attention to the fact that I am seeking the district attorney's office for a second term. During my first term of service, I have not lost sight of the fact that I am a public servant, sworn to perform the duties resting upon me without fear or favor. I am not a politician by nature or training, and I have in no manner sought to build up my political fences by courting the favor of any man or class of men. I have endeavored to represent the entire body of the good citizenship of this judicial district, to the end that the law might be enforced, with no other purpose than to do what I could in my official capacity to enforce the law through the legally constituted tribunals of this State. I have been free and unhampered in my efforts on account of the fact that at no time during my tenure of office have I been under obligations to individuals. I have at all times been secure in the knowledge that no man or set of men "had my hands tied."

I am seeking a second term as district attorney on my record as an official, to which I respectfully invite your attention. Since the first of January of this year I have tried in the various district courts of this district 27 cases of the grade of felony. Of this number 22 convictions have been secured, 3 have been acquitted and 2 have gotten hung juries.

If given a second term at your hands, I will carry into my work the experience gained in an honest effort to serve the people of this district to the best of my ability in the forefront of my thoughts, will ever keep the idea that law enforcement without fear or favor is the only means of perpetuating the institutions of this government. Enforce the law and you will safeguard the principles of freedom, justice and democracy. Thereby posterity will receive a heritage to which it is rightfully entitled.

I respectfully submit my claims for election to a second term as district attorney for your consideration.  
 GEORGE CHRISTIAN,  
 (Political Advertisement)

When I was an actor in a stage drama, as to the 'trouble' you refer to, that alludes to some financial troubles of my dead brother."

Miss Tabitha thought it best to plant herself with another relative. Bart sneaked into obscurity. As to Lucia, Mr. Morton and the little ones—they became part and parcel of the happiest family circle in all Christendom.

**Sure Sign.**

Moke—"Does yuh really love me or does yuh jes' think yuh do?"  
 Moka—"Yas, indeedy, honey, I really loves yuh; I ain't done any thinkin' yet."—Black and Blue Jay.

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

(By R. M. Sherwood, Poultry Husbandman, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.)

How to judge the poultry flock to save the layers and dispose of the poor ones without resorting to the tedious process of trap-nesting, is a very live question just now. The Texas Agricultural Experiment Station is constantly besieged with questions like these: Has the hen with yellow beak and shanks laid many eggs? Is the late molting hen a good layer? How do the public bones in the good layer differ from those of the poor layer?

The Station has, for some time, been studying the relation between body characters and the number of eggs the hen has laid. In a study using S. C. White Leghorns, it has been found that color of beak and color of shanks are two of the most accurate indicators of egg production. The fowls with the yellow beak and shanks in September and October, had been the poorer layers. Late molters were the better layers. Counts were made of the number of primary wing feathers molted on October 4th. Those hens molting afterward, being termed late molters, laid as many eggs from October 1st to February 1st, as did the early molters. It is thus seen that the late molters, having continued longer in production the previous season, were not later in beginning the succeeding season's production. This was not found universally true in the fowls observed, but in general the conclusion seems justified.

A thin pliable skin, free from fatty deposits, and pliable public bones were indicators of high production. The width of the pelvic arch capacity, depth of body, and length of keel were found to be much less accurate indicators of egg production than the other characters mentioned.

The characters that showed the greatest correlation with egg production were those which were probably fairly uniform when the pullets began to lay, but showed changes and differences as the laying season progressed. For instance, in cases where many eggs were laid, the yellow pigment was used in the egg yolks, and the shanks and beak became pale; fat went to the egg yolk rather than to the body; lime that in poor layers would have gone to the bones was utilized in the production of egg shell, and feather growth, which requires large quantities of food, was retarded while the hens were laying heavily. It was interesting, therefore, to note that the hens under observation which actually laid more eggs were the ones in which the yellow pigment faded completely from the beak and shanks as the season progressed; their skin was thin, free from fat and pliable; the public bones were pliable, and the hens usually molted late.

The hens must have laid for a number of months or a season before good layers can, with much certainty, be selected. Therefore, to avoid carrying too many poor layers until their performance can be found wanting, the successful poultry raiser should first secure stock from fowls of known high production, because egg production is inherited. He should give them proper feed and care to allow them to lay eggs according to their breeding. He should then cull, as described above, those that for some reason have not responded to the care and attention given them.

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