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HONOR ROLL FOR MASON SCHOOLS FOR PAST MO.

Below is given a list of the names appearing on the honor roll of the Mason schools for the month ending January 12, 1923:

High School

"A" Students—Emily Jordan, Lucille Lange, Calvin Sanders, Ethel Gipsou, Louis Vater, Esther Christilles, Olga Fay Wood, Ruby Plueneke; "B" students, Eva Jean Kidd, Lina Simon, Alva Beach, Dessie Hoerster, Murray Kyger, Claris Sanders, Coralea Tinsley, Thelma Wood.

High school students whose names should have been on last month's list: Ruby Plueneke, Olga Fay Wood.

Seventh Grade—"A" students, Ethyl Lehberg, Ruby Grote, Mildred Montgomery; "B" students, Garner Sequist, Lucille Rode.

Sixth Grade—"A" students, Arcy Murrab, Milton Reichenau, M. J. Green, Christiana Gipsou, Sadie Herring, Mae Grote; "B" students, Ervin Shafer, Roy Schweers, Carl Heinrich, Lucy M. Finlay, Esther Vater, Joyselyn Ellis.

Fifth Grade—"A" students, Lina Millaire, Lucille Probst, Violet Vedder, Louise Breazeale, Dorothy Gamel; "B" students, Virginia Metzger, Daisy Dean Sequist, Maud Smart, Sarah Walters, Evelyn Willmann, Dorothy Zesch, Paul Hallet, Walker Jordan, Henry Plueneke, Daniel Raines.

Fourth Grade—"A" students, Jesse Raines, Elfrida Loeffler, Olivia Donop, Grace McMillan, Virginia Eckert; "B" students, Gordon Donop, Clarence Tilley, Minnie Starks, Ruth Heinrich, Mildred Beach, Ruby Dannheim.

Third Grade—"A" students, Vera Beck, Mary Cecile Lawson, Lee Roy Eckert; "B" students, Charles Gipsou, Elna Storch, Edmund Giersch, Anna Marie Bruce, Milton Vater, Ray Eastman.

Second Grade—"A" students, Leona Banta, Mabel Grote, Juanita Lumburg, Ruby Schweers; "B" students, Ruth Saunders, Alice Willmann, Alice Loeffler, Estella Nicholson, Thelma Land, Cora Grote, Estella Hartmann, Runie Lee Anthony, Louisa Beach, Dorothy Nell Capps, Melvin Cooper, Earl Jordan, Melvin Jordan, Elroy Dannheim.

First Grade—"A" students, Florence Clark, Karilita Hofmann, Margaret Martin, Delmar Sanders, Velma Vedder; "B" students, Woodrow Barber, J. W. Boston, George Hey, Ezra Keith, Jack Lindsay, Leslie Splittgerber, Lee Roy Strackbein, Tom White, Jr., Henry Leifeste, Jane Loring, Anna Marie Rode, Maggie Sanders, Margaret Wartenbach.

MRS. MARTIN PLEASED WITH VIENNA OPERETTA COMPANY

The News is in recent receipt of a letter from Mrs. Max Martin, of San Antonio, in which she states Mason people should avail themselves of the opportunity to attend the entertainments to be given in Fredericksburg on Saturday and Sunday by the Vienna Operetta Company.

Mrs. Martin said she attended several of the entertainments that were given during the company's stay in San Antonio and she was delighted with them.

Her letter, in part, reads as follows: "I wish you would tell the people of Mason County in your next paper that I wrote to you not to miss the opportunity to hear the Vienna Operetta Company on Saturday night, the 27th, and Sunday afternoon and night, the 28th of this month, in Fredericksburg. It certainly is a treat; the singing, the acting and the stage settings are splendid. I attended three of the operettas, and I must say I am delighted. They are unusually fine."

Mrs. Martin states, on Saturday night the company will give, "The Girl of the Black Forest," "The House of Three Girls" at the Sunday matinee and on Sunday night, "Hannelel".

Max Ficker was here Wednesday from the Ranch Branch section and stated the rains of this week were excellent with him and that plowing in black land had to be postponed temporarily, due to it being too sticky.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Brown and daughter, Miss Lillian, and Clifton Adams, of Llano, were visitors in our city on Wednesday.



MARGARET BEECHER IS OF ILLUSTRIOUS FAMILY

"Sunshine Harbor," the Playgoers feature showing Friday night at the Star Theater, adds further glory to the famous name of Beecher, for its star is Margaret Beecher, grandniece of Harriet Beecher Stowe, who wrote "Uncle Tom's Cabin," and granddaughter of the Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, the anti-slave preacher of Civil War days.

"Sunshine Harbor" is not a sea story, but the adventure and romance of a Southern society belle who fled from her luxurious home on the eve of a loveless marriage and went North to make a name and fame for herself as a writer. Of course, she runs away from one romance only to run into another, and as a newspaper reporter she has adventures, and finally an accident that brings about a dramatic reconciliation with her father.

NOTICE TO MASON COUNTY STOCK MEN

In view of the fact a bill is being prepared for presentation to our legislature which, if passed, would do away with the present Livestock Sanitary Commission and would stop the tick eradication work in this State, and if such condition should exist it would greatly injure the stock raising industry. I believe that a united effort should be made to prevent the bill's passage.

Therefore, I ask all the stockmen of Mason county to meet at the court house in Mason next Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock for the purpose of taking some action.

J. W. WHITE.

Mrs. Elva Runyon, who has been a guest in the homes of Mrs. Carl Runge, Mrs. Ben Plueneke and other friends of this city, left on Tuesday for her home in San Angelo.

RAIN HERE IS BIG RELIEF TO FARMERS AND STOCKMEN

The stockmen and farmers of this county are unanimously rejoicing over the showers of rain which were received the first of the week.

While the precipitation was not great the way in which the rain fell made it doubly beneficial. According to local rain gauges the fall amounted to slightly more than one-half an inch; the Mason National Bank gauge registering six-tenths, and Mr. Harry Bierschwalde's gauge measured sixty-three one-hundredths.

It is stated that the rainfall was slightly more in some sections of the county, but reports indicate the rains were general over the county and was sufficient to make the moisture meet and enable farmers to plow. Stockmen are certain the rains will help the grass situation, although where stock water was short the rains were not heavy enough to relieve the situation much.

WORK STARTED ON NEW FRONT FOR HOFMANN DRY GOODS CO.

Workmen are busy at the Hofmann Dry Goods firm getting ready for the remodeling of that store front. The old gallery has been torn away and the necessary changes are being made preparatory for putting in a new glass front.

We are informed this building will be one of the city's most up-to-date buildings when completed and will have a marble front with large plate glass show windows on either side of a big double door entrance with a modern awning to take the place of the old gallery.

CARL RUNGE WAS GUEST OF GARRETT BAZE WHILE IN OKLA.

Attorney Carl Runge returned to Mason the first of this week, after an absence of several weeks in Oklahoma, where he had professional business during the session of Federal Court. Mr. Runge states while in Oklahoma he availed himself of the opportunity to visit Blanchard, and was the guest over Sunday on one occasion with the family of Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Baze. He states Mr. Baze has a good general merchandise business there and is enjoying prosperity. While in Blanchard, Mr. Runge also had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Wilson Hey, Sr., and several other members of the Hey family, who are now residing there. He says these former Masonites are doing well and seem to be well pleased with their locations.

DOELL BROS. WILL ENTER PLUMBING BUSINESS HERE

It is announced Chas. and Rudolph Doell, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Doell, will shortly open a work shop in Mason, and will conduct a general repair shop as well as doing all kinds of plumbing, windmill work and sheet metal work. These young men have recently been in San Antonio making purchases to equip their shop, and the announcement is made they have leased the building just south of the Mercantile Building.

These young men are well deserving and have had quite a bit of experience in the lines of their chosen profession and the News bespeaks success for them.

BIG TURKEY DAY FOOTBALL GAME IN MOVING PICTURES

Otto Schmidt, manager of the Star Theater of this city, has announced he will show a one reel picture of the A & M-Texas University football game which was played in Austin last Thanksgiving Day, at his theater next Saturday night. This special feature reel will be shown in connection with the regular picture on that occasion, with no extra charge of admission.

The reel will be interesting and will not only show the football game, but the student bodies of the two institutions will be shown doing their many capers and field stunts as well as other interesting scenes in connection with the annual football clash between the State's two leading institutions of learning.

The picture for Saturday night will be "The Way of a Maid" featuring Elaine Hammerstein.

50 Years Young

W. A. Zesch had a birthday last Friday and he says he was 50 years young on the occasion.

Mr. Zesch was greatly surprised Friday evening when he arrived home from the day's work and found his wife had prepared a delicious supper and had present a few friends to help him celebrate the occasion. The evening was enjoyably spent at playing dominoes, those present being Max Martin, O. H. Mebus and Martin D. Loring.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ellis came down last week from Menard for a visit with relatives and friends of this city.

CALVIN JONES HERE LAST WEEK FROM FORT WORTH

Last Saturday, Mr. Calvin Jones, who for the past few years has been residing in Fort Worth, was a business visitor in Mason. Mr. Jones still resides in Ft. Worth, but has been in Mason County visiting among relatives and friends of the Katemey community while recuperating from a recent stroke of paralysis. He stated he had been compelled to quit work several weeks ago because of paralysis, which effected his right side and for a time prevented him from getting around at all. While he is still inconvenienced quite a bit, he is experiencing much improvement, being able to use his right leg fairly well, but says the use of his hand has not been restored.

Mr. Jones still owns his farm in the Katemey section and says he calls Mason county his home, although he has been in Fort Worth for four years.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MASON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

During the year 1922 the town of Mason suffered the largest fire loss of recent years. The beautiful home of Max Martin and family was completely destroyed during a high wind at a loss of approximately \$15,000.00. A few days thereafter the barn and a large part of its contents belonging to Wm. Willmann were damaged and destroyed by fire at a loss of approximately \$500. The Zork building was damaged to the extent of approximately \$400 but most of this loss was due to the fact that the roof of the building had to be cut in order to enable the firemen to get at the flames. There were two fires at the Wood-Baze Auto Company and one at J. S. King's Jewelry store, but all of these were discovered in their beginning and were kept under control by the use of hand fire extinguishers. The Volunteer Fire Department desires to urge all persons to equip their homes and places of business with at least one hand fire extinguisher which can be purchased at a nominal cost and will reduce your insurance rate and oftentimes may save your property from complete loss. In case of FIRE call the telephone office at once and report the fire and its location. The young ladies in the office will do the rest by immediately notifying the keeper of the fire wagon and then the members of the Volunteer Department.

Regular meetings of the Department are held the first Thursday night in each month at which routine business is transacted, dues collected from members, and discussions are held for the good of the service, and at intervals practice meetings are held.

During the year 1922, the general public was not solicited nor called upon for donations to the volunteer fire company as our dues and balance from last year were sufficient to meet the current expenses for chemicals, soda, automobile tires, gasoline, repairs, equipment, etc., but during the year 1923 we will have to call on the general public for contribution as our funds are running low. A statement of receipts and disbursements for 1922 follows:

Disbursements	
L. Coats (guarding fire)	\$ 2.00
Mason Auto Company, gas and repairs	45.73
L. F. Eckert, batteries	2.25
Ed. Henrich, washers	1.50
E. Lumburg & Bro., soda	15.00
Henry Hofmann, ladder	13.90
Ben Ritter, freight	3.50
Mason Auto Co., gas and oil	11.04
Louis Schmidt, buckets	1.20
Mason Auto Co., gas and oil	24.30
Wood-Baze Auto Co., tubes	5.67
Fritz Wartenbach, guarding fire	2.00
E. Lumburg & Bro., soda	9.00
L. F. Eckert, acid	22.67
Mason Auto Co., gas and oil	7.54

Receipts	
Jan. 1, 1922, Balance on hand	\$244.35
Jan. 6, By dues from members	17.50
March 3, By dues from members	8.50
June 2, By dues from members	15.50
Nov. 4, By dues from members	7.00
Dec. 12, By dues from members	4.50
Balance on hand January 1, 1923	\$130.35

A. E. GROSSE,
Secretary-Treasurer.

INJURIES SUSTAINED IN FALL PROVE FATAL TO AGED LADY

Mrs. Henrietta Schneider a pioneer settler of Llano County, residing near Castell, fell last Saturday and received internal injuries which resulted in her death on Sunday morning, Jan. 21.

Mrs. Schneider was about seventy-seven years of age, and for the past few years had been living with her children, namely Mrs. Jim Kothmann, Mrs. Fritz Oestreich and Mr. Henry Schneider, but at the time she was hurt, was visiting her sister, Mrs. Carl Otto, near Castell.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Robt. Moerner, of Castell, and interment was made in the family cemetery near the home of her son, Henry.

A large concourse of relatives and friends were present to pay their last respects to the dear old mother and citizen.

May God comfort the bereaved.
—Contributed.

50
GOOD
CIGARETTES
10¢



GENUINE
"BULL"
DURHAM
TOBACCO

REDUCTION IN COST OF MARKETING LIVESTOCK IS MADE

Fort Worth, Texas, January 16.—A sharp reduction in the cost of marketing livestock has been brought about by the Fort Worth stockyards through the operations of the Cattle Raisers and Producers Commission Company according to the report of General Manager E. B. Spiller, made here at the annual meeting. The report discloses that during the first two months of operation, and preceding the beginning of a new fiscal year, 681 cars of livestock were marketed at an average cost of \$9.53 per carload. The report is for the months of November and December, and the livestock that was marketed came from all sections of Texas. The average cost of \$9.53 per carload compares with a charge of \$18 per car for cattle and \$12 for hogs, sheep and goats charged by the private owners and operated commission companies.

As evidence of the quality of salesmanship employed by the Company, it was shown in the General Manager's report that the Company topped the market on steers sold to the packers for both months. The Company is operating now with a membership of 800 and even greater reductions in marketing costs will be possible when the membership is larger and the run of livestock handled greater. The Company which is being operated entirely on a cooperative basis, is in position to handle a much greater volume of livestock at but little more expense.

Ralph H. Harris of San Angelo was chosen President of the Cattle Raisers and Producers Commission Company to succeed Ed C. Lasater, following the annual meeting of stockholders and the election of Directors. Mr. Lasater becomes representative of the Texas organization in the council of the National Live Stock Producers Association. Other officers are G. R. White, Brady, Vice-President; A. C. Williams, Fort Worth, Treasurer; and E. B. Spiller, Secretary and General Manager.

The members of the new Board of Directors are: Thos. P. Hughes, Grand Prairie; A. C. Williams, Fort Worth; Cyrus B. Lucas, Belclair; J. G. Childers, Temple; R. H. Harris, San Angelo; L. A. Maehenehl, Bellville; G. R. White, Brady; J. M. West, Houston; Ike T. Pryor, San Antonio; H. B. Duncan, Burnet; W. W. Turney, El Paso; E. W. Grogan, Amarillo; W. E. Herring, Amarillo; Clifford B. Jones, Spur; J. F. Hartford, Post; M. A. Grisham, Toyah; H. L. Kokernot, Alpine; C. A. Broome, San Angelo; E. M. Halbert, Sonora; R. E. Taylor, Carlisbad, New Mexico; V. A. Brown, Rock Springs; M. A. Hart, New Boston; J. E. Shropshire, Brady; Sidney C. Mason, Sweetwater; J. D. Jackson, Alpine; L. R. Campbell, Italy; Frank Scofield, Hillsboro; E. N. Cory, Divot; Ed C. Lasater, Falfurrias; W. B. Wortham, Nacogdoches; D. S. Donald, Krum; J. E. Montgomery, Tynan; S. E. McKnight, Sonora.

It has been a good while since we have thanked some of our subscribers for a renewal payment on subscription.

Seth Baze made a trip to San Antonio the latter part of last week. While away Seth disposed of his Overland car and purchased an Essex touring car.

Born—A girl, to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. King, on Friday, the 19th.

To cure constiveness the medicine must be more than a purgative; it must contain tonic, alterative and cathartic properties.

Tutt's Pills

possess these qualities, and speedily restore to the bowels their natural function.

NEW BIOLOGY BLDG. FOR T. U. TO BE LOCATED ON CAMPUS

Austin, Texas, Jan. 25.—Members of the building committee of the Board of Regents of the University of Texas have relocated the site of the proposed new biology building that is to be erected on the campus of that institution. The site as originally selected would have caused the cutting down of two majestic live oak trees which have become of great traditional and sentimental importance to those who have gone forth from the University as well as the members of the faculty and present student body. It was largely thru the efforts of Dr. W. J. Battle, who has been prominently identified with the institution for many years, that the trees were saved. The new site of the building was changed just enough to remove the necessity of cutting down the trees. It is stated that the construction of the building will be started within the next few weeks. It will cost \$400,000.

She'll be delighted with a box of King's delicious candy. Get Drug Store.

Edison Photographs (all kinds) on easy terms at Mason Drug Comp'y. 36

Mr. and Mrs. Kurt Martin and children were in from the Block House ranch to spend a few days the past week.

NOTICE OF SELECTION OF COUNTY DEPOSITORY

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Mason County will, at its regular February 1923 term, receive sealed proposals from any banking corporation, association, or individual banker in Mason County, for the selection as the depository of the funds of the county for the ensuing two years. Bids to be presented to the County Judge not later than 10 o'clock a. m. on Monday, February 12th, 1923 and to be accompanied by certified check for not less than 1/2 of one per cent of the county revenue of the preceding year as a guarantee of good faith. The Commissioners' Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

This the 8th day of January, A. D. 1923.

JOHN T. BANKS,
County Judge, Mason County, Texas.

MEETING OF KATEMICY CLUB

Under the direction of Mr. W. I. Marshall, the pupils of the Katemicy High School have organized an Agricultural Club.

Only one meeting has been held, but already the club spirit has been aroused and their enthusiasm bids for promises to the future work of the Club.

—REPORTER.

Born—A girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Loeffler, on Saturday, the 20th.

After Every Meal



WRIGLEY'S

and give your stomach a lift.

Provides "the bit of sweet" in beneficial form.

Helps to cleanse the teeth and keep them healthy.

United States Senator George W. Norris



Nebraskan asks why most important office in our country, the presidency, is left to fill through choices of political bosses instead of by direct primary, the true voice of the voters?

Galvanized Roofing at R. Grosse's.

TWPEWRITER RIBBONS
For almost every make of machine at the News Office.

Vietrola Photographs on easy terms at Mason Drug Company. 36

Irvin Splittzerger is reported as being seriously ill with pneumonia.

FARMER HELPS HIMSELF

Is the farmer coming back? Bless your soul, he is the only fellow who hasn't been away. Factories closed down during the stress of deflation, city workers were thrown out of employment, and capital went into seclusion, but the great industry of agriculture never stopped a wheel. The pluck of the farmers, which has won the admiration and assistance of business and government generally, appears to have turned the tide. Statisticians say that for the United States as a whole, the agricultural outlook is encouraging. The purchasing power of agriculture is 20 per cent stronger than a year ago, although still 25 per cent under 1913. In spite of big crops, the present price ration shows a slight gain for farm products over the low point of a year ago. That will not be a hopeless gathering, then, the annual meeting of organized agriculture at Lincoln this week. The farmer represents one-third of the purchasing power of the Nation, and a larger proportion than that in Nebraska. His success has a meaning for all who live

in the cities. God speed them, then, to their goal, and success to those conferences in Lincoln.—Omaha Bee.

Weather Vane.

A weather vane should be made of metal, preferably of brass, bronze or copper, as these substances are cheap and do not rust. There should be two vanes, separated by an angle of about 22 degrees. It has been found that the double vane form was more responsive to slight changes in the direction of the wind than the single vane form.

Typewriter ribbons, 80c. News Office.

The Spoon.

The first spoon was the palm of the hand. Afterward people used shells they got at the seashore. Then they thought of fitting handles on shells. Though spoons were used ages ago in ancient Egypt, Greece and Rome, it was a long time before they were used in the west of Europe. So late as the fifteenth century the highest form of spoon was the shell with the handle. But by the time Louis XV reigned in France the modern daintily decorated spoon was used.

THE HOME BAKERY

J. C. WINKEL, Proprietor

(One door west of C. C. Smith Building)

Delicious bread baked daily and wrapped in sanitary oil paper. On sale at bakery; also at Manhattan Cafe, Hasse Market and Hibdon Market.

LET THE HOME BAKERY DO YOUR BAKING

Garment Germs May Cause Disease

Our scientific method of pressing clothes kills all germ life, restores life and luster to the clothes and positively produces in every garment

The Natural Body Shape
CLEANING ALTERING REPAIRING

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

J. D. Eckert, Pres. W. E. Jordan, Cashier
E. O. Kothmann, V. P. Kinney Eckert, Ass't C'r.

NO. 1203

THE FIRST STATE BANK

A GUARANTY FUND BANK

We can please you also. If you we?

CAPITAL STOCK -- \$25,000.00

DIRECTORS

OSCAR SEAQUIST E. W. KOTHEMANN
H. S. WOOD E. O. KOTHEMANN
PETER JORDAN J. D. ECKERT
W. E. JORDAN

You Can Enjoy This Purse Protection

SHAKESPEARE wrote the greatest of all advertising truths when through his character of Cassio he said: "Good name in man or woman, dear my lord, is the immediate jewel of the soul."

The greatest properties in the world have been built on the foundation of good name. Reputation and honor bring more interest than any capital that can be invested in business. More important still, they form an absolute guarantee for the Buyer.

There are single words, single names, that today are worth untold millions of dollars. Sheffield suggests cutlery of quality. Dresden brings chinaware to mind. Venice visualizes glassware, Nottingham pictures lace, and Paris—well, Paris fashions have become an international by-word.

These are the names of cities whose workmen have built character by living up to reputation.

Does any man question Gobelin tapestry, the Damascus blade, the violin of Cremona, or of more recent times, the product of Tiffany?

Business men and private individuals interested in the value to them of the art of advertising will do well to remember these facts. They were brought out forcefully in a speech delivered recently in Atlantic City by Earl D. Babst. Mr. Babst explained that reputations of value attach to localities as much as to individuals and corporations.

"The greatest asset in the world is good will," said Mr. Babst.

"Good will, in the simple terms of American business, is 'good reputation.'"

The average citizen who buys, but does not manufacture or advertise, may say: "Advertising is all very well for the SELLER. It makes HIM known, it makes HIM rich, it increases HIS business. But what good does advertising do ME?"

Advertising is more valuable even to the buyer than to the seller. For in a business established by advertising that has cost millions a business has established a NAME worth more than all its factories, machinery and money, and it MUST PROTECT THAT NAME.

The only way to protect a NAME is to protect the PROD-

UCT, by keeping up its QUALITY, by making good THE PROMISES of the ADVERTISING, by doing nothing to injure the chief asset, which is GOOD REPUTATION, GOOD WILL.

A man owning factories or other buildings will not set fire to them and burn them down if he can help it—especially if they are not insured.

The good will, the reputation back of a name, is a property that CANNOT BE INSURED. The good will of the public is the only insurance.

Having built up such a name, it must be KEPT UP. To let it fall, to deceive the public, to diminish quality for the sake of extra temporary profit, is as foolish and destructive as it would be to set fire to uninsured buildings.

ONCE TORN DOWN, A NAME CANNOT BE BUILT AGAIN.

Buyers protect themselves when they learn to test the promises and the fulfillments of advertisers, the value of a NAME ON A PACKAGE or a product of any kind.

A buyer has in his power constantly the standing, the life or death of any advertised product. Once the BUYER abandons it, it is gone.

Buyers should know, and many manufacturers, business men of good character with good products should know, more than they do know about advertising power, its meaning, its value to the producer AND MUCH GREATER VALUE TO THE CONSUMER.

There are advertised articles in which amounts as great as fifty millions and more have been invested, MERELY TO BUILD UP THE NAME. It is not likely that the owner of such a name, with his millions invested in it, would for the sake of temporary profit jeopardize the great capital that the name represents.

The business man who has not learned what advertising can do for him, locally and nationally, might write to Earl D. Babst, No. 117 Wall Street, New York City, for a copy of his speech.

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

ADVERTISING RATES
Local readers and classified ads 7 1/2 cents per line per issue. Display rates made known on application.
SUBSCRIPTION (always in advance one year) \$1.50

All ads placed in this paper, will be run until ordered out.

Foreign Advertising Representatives THE AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION

Uncle John's

LEM PURDY SAYS SINCE HIS WIFE READ COUE' THAT EVERY DAY IN EVERY "SAY" SHE GETS THE BETTER OF HIM.



It Happened Like This
Two thrifty Scotchmen attended an Irish Freestate meeting. At the conclusion the chairman announced: "All doors and windows have been locked and no one will be permitted to leave until they have contributed to the cause."

A minute later a Hebrew fainted and two Scotchmen carried him out.

His a Dry Home
"The toast was drunk in silence," was the sentence on the blackboard.
"James Halliway, correct that sentence," said the teacher.
Jimmy went to the board and wrote: "The toast was ate in silence."

Fast, Faster, Fastest
Judge: Ten dollars.
Motorist: Can you change a \$20 bill?
Judge: No, but I can change the fine. Twenty dollars.

Apologies to Coue
Day by day in every way I'm getting sicker and sicker. All I do is rave and rave, Beer, light wine and lie'er.

Hard Boiled Mule
"Hey Sam, I want my money back. You'll said this here mule wan't blind and he is."
"Hub, what makes you think dat mule am blind?"
"Why. The very minute I turned dat mule out in de pasture he run right into a tree."
"Aw gwan. Dat mule ain't blind. He just don't give a dawggone."

What Think You?
Lending money to Europe is like making a loan to a man whose check has just come back marked, "N. S. F."
Bang, Bang!!
Prof. William Dehn, of the University of Washington, has invented a new kind of dynamite made out of sawdust.
Think of the high explosive that could be made from most breakfast foods.

It'suff. It'suff
'Tis easy enough to be pleasant While burning the boulevard; But to smile all the while While plodding a mile When others are RIDING—that's hard.

Joe Matthews was recently appointed by the Commissioners' Court of Menard to fill the unexpired term of J. D. Scruggs, deceased, as County Judge of that county.

The Moss & Co store at Llano has resumed business, according to the Llano News of last issue.

J. A. Ritter, of Eastland, is the new court stenographer of the 33rd Judicial District. He succeeds J. E. Burton, resigned.

The Fine Art of Kissing.

By A. WIZE GIE

People will kiss! Yet only one in a thousand knows how to extract the maximum of bliss from ruby lips. And yet it is simple, at least for the initiated. Follow these directions for best results:

First, know with whom you are clinching—don't make any mistakes although a mistake may be a good one. Don't jump like a cat for a mouse and smack the dainty thing on the arm, or in the ear, or on the head.

Do not be in a hurry!
The gentleman should be taller, although this isn't absolutely necessary. He should have a clean face, a kindly eye, and a mouth-full of expression.

Don't be anxious to kiss in a crowd. Two are plenty to corner and nab a kiss, more would spoil the fun.

Take the left hand of the female in your right. Let your hat go to hell! Throw your left arm over the shoulder of the lady and slip it around her right side below her arm.

Do not be in a hurry!
Her left arm is in your right—let there be a faint pressure on that, not like the grip of a vise, but a gentle grasp, full of thought, respect, and electricity. **Do not be in a hurry!**

Her head lies lightly on your shoulder. You are heart to heart. Look deep into her half closed orbs. Gently, but firmly, press her to your vest. Stand firm, be brave but do not be in a hurry! Her lips are almost open. Lean slightly with your head, take careful aim—the lips meet, the eyes close, the heart opens, the soul rides through tempests, but do not be in a hurry! Heaven opens before you, the earth flies from under you like a blazing rocket across the evening sky. Don't be afraid. No fuss, no noise, no fluttering, no squirming. You are twinkling the golden chords of ecstasy.

But do not be in a hurry!

CARDBOARD—BLOTTERS

The News has a good stock of cardboard in assorted colors; also have the large white blotters.

SOMETIMES

If times are hard, and you feel blue, Think of the others worrying, too: Just because your trials are many, Don't think the rest of us haven't any. Life is made up of smiles and tears, Joys and sorrows, mixed with fears; And though to us it seems one-sided, Trouble is pretty well divided. If we could look in every heart, We'd find that each one has its part, And those who travel fortune's road, Sometimes carry the biggest load.

NOTICE TO CAR OWNERS

This is to notify all car owners that the time for registering cars will expire on January 31st. Cars must carry both numbers. Parties failing to comply with these requirements will be prosecuted.

CHAS. LESIE,

45-2tc Tax Collector.

Hard to Fit.—A city man, driving his automobile along a little-used country road, heard something rattle beneath his car. Stopped, looked back and saw a bright metal object lying in the road a short distance behind. It was a plow-point, evidently lost by some farmer.

It was fully half an hour before the next car came along, and its occupant, seeing the first man flat on his back under his vehicle by the roadside, stopped and asked what the trouble was.

The city man emerged and held up the plow-point.

"This blooming thing dropt off my car," he said, "and I've been hunting for half an hour to find out where it belongs."—Everybody's Magazine.

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Sam Awalt, one of the live wires of the Peters Prairie community; was in Mason Saturday and among other business transactions of the day, took a new lease on the News.

Dan Ellebracht was in Mason Saturday from the Art section and stated he recently returned from a trip to San Antonio.

A TEXAS WONDER

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From Our Early Files

From Mason News, Jan. 28, 1898:

Jacob Schuessler and son, Gus, spent last week in Austin.
Ben Hoerster and wife have been visiting in San Antonio the past week.
Virgin Gallagher was sentenced to hang at Galveston for the murder of his mother.

It is reported the Chicago and Rock Island railroad contemplates extending south to the coast through this section.
Chairman Blake has called a meeting of the State Democratic Executive Committee at Dallas on the 22nd of February.

The Mason gin had turned out 970 bales of cotton up to this week.

Marriage License—Frank M. Long and Miss Lark V. Boyd; Michael Burk and Miss Mary Williamson; Lib Parkey and Miss Fannie Hoover; Bob Burnett and Miss Lema A. Allen.

W. H. Sheppard and family have moved to Sterling to reside.

From Mason News, Jan. 24, 1903:

A. J. Boston has sold his property near Eden and will return to Mason.

New Postmistress for Junction

In these days when women are taking charge of politics and public offices, an example of the trend of the times is not lacking in Junction, Earl D. Tracy has been making a good postmaster, but a change is also a good thing occasionally.

A lady postmistress is unusual in Junction, but we have one, for on Tuesday of this week a fine baby girl was born to Post Master and Mrs. Earl D. Tracy, at their home on Holokamp Street. The young lady weighed eight pounds and has been named Ruby Marie.—Junction Eagle.

CHICKENS

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

J. J. JOHNSON

Subscribe for the News today.

A pleasant dance was given Saturday night at the home of J. M. Land.

S. A. McCollum returned a few days ago from Memphis, Tenn., where he was a delegate to the National Farmers Union.

A petition will be presented the Commissioners' Court asking for a public road from Mason to the river along the route traveled to the White and Smith ranches.

Katemey will hold a bond election Saturday for the building of a school house.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Barta, a girl, January 12th.

A number of young people enjoyed a forty-two party at the home of Wm. Wilmann's Friday evening.

Miss Bess Reynolds was called to her home in Edwards County Tuesday by the death of her little 4-year-old sister, of diphtheria.

The C. L. Hofmann Band will give a big masquerade ball on February 13th, at the Gelstweddt Hall.

E. H. Rogusch left Friday for Manila to be absent a few weeks.

12,000,000 BALE COTTON CROP PREDICTED FOR '23 BY EXCHANGE

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 20.—A 12,000,000 bale cotton crop for the country in 1923, which is 2,000,000 in excess of 1922's crop, will not be too much for demands, providing proper measures are carried out in connection with the co-operative marketing program of the American Cotton Growers' Exch. according to Carl Whittaker of Oklahoma, president of the exchange, who was in Dallas today at a conference with officials of the Texas Farm Bureau Cotton Association.

SOMETHING NEW

Whitman's Pink Package at MASON DRUG COMPANY.

John Brandenberger was in Mason Saturday from his ranch in the Hilda community.

Richard Lloyd Jones Says **PLAY WELL YOUR PART**



BEHOLD the movie play. How daringly the actor does his part with but the eye of the camera to see. It memorializes his movements but it does not applaud his act or bring him back with encore. Headlong the players plunge over precipices, bound they lie before the thundering locomotive, wildly they cling to the mane of the maddened horse. They do it with a philosophy that counts it all in the day's work.

The small stage star twinkles in the limelight of sumptuousness and feeds on contented adulation. The player in the out of doors serves art without the stimulation of an audience's admiration.

All credit to the movie players. They take whatever part the scenario provides and perform before the one-eyed auditor in a soldierlike way. Would that we could borrow a bit of their soldiery and infuse it into everyday living.

Would we could live the philosopher who said, "Act well your part, there all honor lies."

So many of us grumble and whine through all our days because we are not cast in the star's part. We object to playing second fiddle. We lack the wisdom to take in the whole drama, to see the beauty of the humble parts, to know that the fair lady-a-glitter with jewels is not invariably the leading lady, that sometimes the poor Goose Girl who never has a chance even to get into a clean frock has the part to be coveted.

In Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar" the great actors will not play the part of the martyred emperor. Rather will they play Brutus or the civilian orator Anthony. In "The Merchant of Venice" they will not play the merchant, but choose to be Shylock, the tortured, humble Jew. It is his speech and crass costumes that give them opportunity for character delineation.

Wise is the man who can look deep enough into his life to see that the stage setting is worth but little. It is the way we do our part that counts.

"Give the marshal stage center," said the great Henry Irving when rehearsing "Robespierre." "I can be seen on the side."

The wise man seeks glory in opportunity. Great generals do not look for easy battles. It is the difficult things that they seek to conquer. They seek to break the strength of the foe.

Every difficulty conquered is a source of joy and pride after the stress of the struggle is over.

Where is the pioneer who has not gloried in the little red school house, the symbol of the frontiersman's battle for betterment?

Hard time experiences are always the most enjoyable conversation in the comfort of after-dinner company among men who have really known what it is to rest from battle. It is pleasant to them to contemplate that they have triumphed with the strength that came from resisting. The man who never had to do anything never has anything to tell.

It's the ne'er-do-well who has to lean upon the stories of what he is going to do, never what he has done.

The fellow who whines for an easy life, who is sure he could hold a big job if only he had the right sort of introduction, and who is too good to play unless he can play in the spotlight may clamor for applause but he stands a slim chance of getting it. Applause goes to the fellow whose work deserves it,—not the fellow who is waiting for it.

The appetite for applause is an early evidence of weakness. Big men do not mind the opinions of their contemporaries. They are too busy minding their business.

Poem BY UNCLE JOHN



I recollect the overshoes my Aunt Malindy wore. . . . The kind that used to last her mebbe seven year or more. . . . They buckled up as tight as wax, fer keepin' out the snow, —we likened Aunt Malindy's tracks to maps-of Mexico. . . . There weren't no moisture filtered through, when Aunt Malindy strode across the fields to Centerview, or up the county road. We'd allers hear her comin' long before she landed there, for the overshoes was real, that our auntie used to wear. . . . an' when she firmly kicked the mud, from off their spacious soles, the pups would start to barkin', and the rats would hunt their holes!

Now, . . . Ethyl Maude has got a pair, —or maybe it's a set, —she wears 'em nearly everywhere, whenever walks is wet. . . . A pair of rubber nipples, mounted on her dainty toes, and a crupper back around the heel, to keep 'em on, I s'pose. . . . Seeh little hangin' baskets ain't built fer snow or floods, but they look about as plenty as Ethyl's other duds. . . . It may be they're as healthy as the big, old-fashioned serts, but if Aunt Malindy seen 'em, they'd be apt

Yo' own Uncle John.

HONEY PHILOSOPHY for 1923

Now is the time for all our philosophers to get busy an' philos. Who's smilin' because the income tax blanks are out again? Everybody's gettin' the best of it. Here we are sittin' around the table in a friendly game an' we've got to have a kitty. Every cent spent for ourselves share an' share alike. The fellow that can't chip in much isn't asked to, an' the chap that's had luck in the game drops in quite a pile. Seems as if it was a bit mean for the little fellow or the big fellow to dodge the ante. Suppose we fixed it so that everyone had to chip in the same amount before he could sit in. That would be fair enough, wouldn't it? Boy, the little fellow that's let off lightly ought to smile and let the tightwad that's hit hard should smile, too. He's hit the ball an' won the cigars ahead of the game. Pay up an' cheer up, an' if you want to win the next pot study the game an' play it



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Society

Bridge Club

Mrs. Joe Gresham was hostess Saturday afternoon to the members of the Bridge Club and a few invited guests. A delicious salad course was served to the following persons: Mmes. Seth L. Baze, Walter Lindsay, W. I. Marshall, P. A. Bennett, Arch Metzger, John Lindsay, Tom White, Elgin Eckert, M. D. Loring and Misses Grace Phillips, Florence Patton, Julia Bierschwale, Marie Brockman, Zella Wood.

Next meeting of the Club will be held with Mrs. John Lindsay.

Mrs. J. S. King Entertained

Last Friday afternoon, Mrs. J. S. King was at home to a few friends. The afternoon was enjoyably spent in social conversation.

A very amusing contest was held in which Mrs. Mike Jennings won a very pretty linen handkerchief as a prize and Mrs. Ben Pluenneke was consoled with a bottle of catsup.

A dainty two course lunch was served to the following guests: Mesdames

Elva Runyon, of San Angelo; Carl Runge, Jim Brown, Mike Jennings, Otto Mebus, Holmes King, L. H. King, Otto Schmidt, Ben Pluenneke, M. D. Loring and Mary Ellen Sands.

Baptist Ladies Auxiliary

The Baptist Ladies' Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. Henry Saunders on Thursday afternoon of last week.

"Prayer and the Uttermost Parts" was the subject of the lesson.

Several interesting talks were given by members.

A reading, "Planting the Apple Tree", was given by Mrs. C. S. Velder.

After the program, music was furnished by the victrola, and refreshments consisting of a salad course, chipped potatoes, sandwiches and chocolate were served to members and the following invited guests: Mmes. Harvey Land, Holmes King, Henry Doyal, Will Land, R. C. Doell, Leon Mayo, L. H. King, M. F. Carter, Tom White and Miss Lydia Henrich.

Spanish Club

The Spanish Club is being held every Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Following are the names of the officers elected at the first meeting, also name, motto, and colors.

President, Lucille Lange; vice-presi-

dent, Ella Mae Metzger; secretary and treasurer, Coralea Tinsley.

Name—"Las Muchachas Alegres."
Motto—"Alegres Siempre Alegres"—(Happy Always Happy).

Colors—Yellow and Red.

Members of this club are Lucille Lange, Coralea Tinsley, Ella Mae Metzger, Opal Garrett, Margaret Clark, Marie Heinrich, Ella Mae Probst, Willie Mae Bickenbach, Esther Christillis, Olga Fae Wood, Danie Herring and Alva Beach.

The following program was carried out last Monday:

Spanish Recipe—Ella Mae Metzger.
Short Spanish Story—Danie Herring
Piano Solo—Ella Mae Probst.
Spanish Description of a Fruit—Opal Garrett.

Little Miss Geneva Jordan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will Jordan, celebrated her 6th birthday anniversary on Thursday of last week, and was hostess to a number of little friends with a party in the afternoon.

Ladies' Aid Program

Following is the list of thirty questions to be discussed at the next meeting of the Ladies' Aid at the home of Mrs. H. S. Wood, with Mrs. W. I. Marshall joint hostess:

Could any of the beasts talk with Adam and Eve?

Who held the first conversation with the serpent?

What did the serpent say to Eve about God's instruction?

What happened to Adam and Eve when they ate the forbidden fruit?

What were the first kind of "clothes" made of, and who made them?

What time of day was the voice of God heard walking in the garden?

Where did Adam and Eve hide from God and why hide?

Who held the first conversation with God, and where?

What was the first thing upon which God placed a curse?

What did God say to the serpent; to Adam and to Eve?

What kind of clothes did God make for Adam and Eve?

Where did Adam and Eve go after leaving Eden?

What kind of a guard did God set over the garden of Eden?

What was the name of the first child born in the world?

Who was the first farmer? Who was the first shepherd?

Who made the first offering to the Lord? Describe same fully.

Who committed the first murder? Where was Abel killed?

Who was the first man cursed in the world?

What did God say to Cain about Abel's blood?

What was Cain's reply to God about the killing of Abel?

How were those who should meet Cain to know him?

Where did Cain go from the presence of the Lord?

What was the name of the first grandson born in the world?

What was the name of the first city,

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Who was the first polygamist? Name the wives.

Who was Seth, and how old was his father when he was born?

When did man first begin to call upon the Lord?

How old was Adam when he died? How old was Seth when he died?

Who was the oldest man that ever lived, and what year did he die?

Who was the grandfather of Methuselah, and how old was he?

Little Velma Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wes Smith celebrated a birthday anniversary last Friday with a party for a crowd of little friends.

Presto Club Program

The Presto Music Club met at the High School Building last Friday at 3:30 o'clock.

A general review in harmony was had and chapter 24 was the lesson in history. The first lesson of public school music was had also.

The following program will be had Friday, January 26th.

Piano Solo—Virginia Eckert.
Recitation—Maggie Metzger.

Duet—Esther Christillis and Ruby Pluenneke.

Reading of "A Great Musician"—Daisy Dean Seagist.

Piano Solo—Virgil Banks.

S. S. Class Entertained
Miss Bessie Grote entertained her

MRS. FRED SCHMIDT AT HOME TO GUESTS LAST THURSDAY

On Thursday of last week, Mrs. Fred Schmidt was hostess to a few friends from Mason at her attractive and commodious ranch home in the Peters, Prairie section. At the noon hour a delicious meal was served and late in the afternoon the guests were again invited to the dining room and a second sumptuous feast of the occasion was enjoyed. Those present included Mmes. Runyon, of San Angelo, Otto Schmidt, Carl Runge, Robert Hofmann, C. D. McMillan, Ben Pluenneke.

Sunday School class on Saturday afternoon. After various games were played refreshments were served to the following guests: Clara Rader, Rita King, Virgil Banks, Pernecia Sanders, Inez Land, Eulela Barber, Ida Mae Pryor, May Grote, Lina Simon, Ruth Woodward, Ruby Grote, Ophelia Gillmore, Minnie Schweers, Benellen Land, Sarah Walters.

Little Miss Pauline Keith celebrated her 8th birthday anniversary on Tuesday of this week and was hostess at a party for her little friends from four to six o'clock in the afternoon.

Grote, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Eli E. Jordan celebrated his birthday Wednesday with a party for a number of his little friends and playmates.



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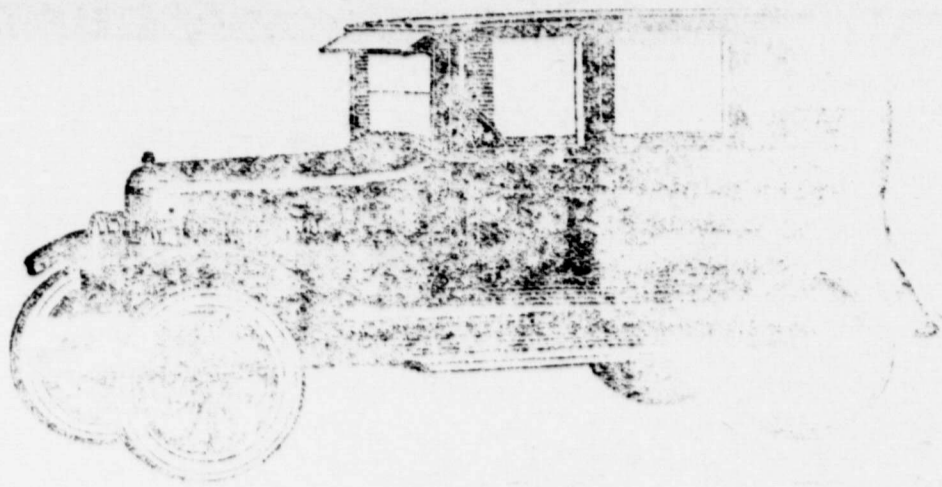
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A Task She Enjoyed.

tered each night with a sense of almost childish delight. The tiny kitchen was a playhouse, the gas range a toy stove that would do real cooking, and the mistress of it all was so proficient in the art of preparing tempting meals as in the work of her down-town world. A gate-leg table with snowy cloth and blue china, a low bowl of pink roses in the center, relieved the brown rolls and butter, juicy steak, potatoes and apple jelly, borne in on a tray from the kitchen.

The forenoon was passing, typewriters clicked and Eleanor was busy at her desk when the door opened quietly to admit a young man of dignified bearing.

"Miss Denslow?"

"Yes."

Eleanor was on her dignity in business hours.

"I have a letter of introduction from Mr. Russell Webster."

So little thought did Eleanor give to business during home hours, she had forgotten the letter of last evening. She read the note, asking "Can I be of service to you?"

"I would like to dictate a few letters and wish to make an appointment for each forenoon. May I have a private room?"

"Certainly, Miss Folsom." She spoke to an assistant. "Mr. Balcome would like to dictate."

There was a trace of disappointment on the countenance of Mr. Bruce Balcome as he followed Miss Folsom. For several days Miss Folsom was assigned to him. This did not suit him in the least, for he had been told that he would find Eleanor Denslow a congenial companion, and he had looked forward to meeting her. He had been attracted at once and congratulated himself that he had brought a letter of introduction, so that the acquaintance might progress rapidly. But it did not progress readily. It did not progress at all. The acquaintance had commenced with a bow and a few words, and a bow without the few words was all he was getting now. This would not do. He was a young man of determination, and the dignified aloofness of Miss Eleanor served only to make him more desirous of knowing the young lady inside that business shell.

The next morning he opened the door and walked directly across to Miss Denslow, greeting her with a smiling "Good morning. I hope you are disposed to grant a favor today. I wish to get out an unusual amount of work before tomorrow. Would it be possible for me to engage your services this evening? I can always do better work when the noise of the day is stilled." With a calm exterior he awaited her reply. Eleanor heard his request with surprise and looked at him closely, trying to see if there was anything more than business in this suggestion.

"I am not in the habit of extending my office hours into the evening."

The answer was neither what he hoped for nor what he feared. Eleanor never knew how it was that she consented to return to the office that evening. Neither did she know how it had come to be a regular thing for her to dine with Mr. Balcome twice a week, returning to the office for an evening's work on his book.

The time was not all spent in dictation. Many interesting points came up to be discussed. Of course, when they stayed late Mr. Balcome could not allow her to go home alone. One evening they stopped work earlier than usual. Eleanor did not know that he had so planned it. When they reached the apartment, Mr. Balcome said:

"It is too late to go to the theater and too early to go home. I think you will have to be kind, and invite me to come in, Miss Denslow."

She could not refuse, so for the first time the gray and rose nest was invaded by a man. That night Eleanor sat long in the gay cushioned chair, thinking back over the days to that first time when Bruce Balcome had walked into her office and into her life. She could not remember when she had commenced to think of him as other than one of the many customers who went in and out of her office. How had she let down the bars that separated her business and her home life?

A few nights later she found a box of roses at her door. Burying her face in their sweetness, she spied a note.

"My Dear Miss Denslow—I am going home tomorrow."

She read no further. "Going home—going home—without a word." She clenched the note tightly in her hand. "Then he does not care. And I thought—I thought—" She dropped her head on the table, her feelings too deep for tears. Was it true? Had she read it right? Slowly she raised her head, dreading, yet longing, to see the words again. Her fingers loosened on the note. Yes, but there was more. Perhaps he explained. She glanced along the lines:

"Your assistance has meant much to me, and I shall miss our evenings together. My hope is that you, too, will miss them, and that your evenings will be so lonely you will be ready to give me a warmer welcome when I return than you did at our first meeting. I look forward to spending next Saturday evening with you, and I shall not come to dictate, but, if your smile of welcome invites, to ask for something. Yours always, BRUCE BALCOME."

"Yours." He had underlined it. Had their companionship meant as much to him as it had to her? She would know soon, but how could she wait? It was a waiting time filled with glowing hopes. She walked home at night as in a dream, cooked her dinner in a dream, and as she sat down to it pictured a blue-eyed companion opposite.

Saturday came at last, and even the room itself seemed to wear an air of expectancy. The pink rosebuds which showed their blushes against the soft gray of the vase must have been responsible for the rose flush on the face of the room's occupant, a flush which deepened as steps sounded outside and a firm hand knocked at the door. She could not move to open it. Another knock, then a voice, "Eleanor," and, as she drew the door back, the dream figure that had been tenanted her room vanished as Bruce Balcome stood before her, a question in his eyes.

"Eleanor, I hope you have been lonely this past week, as horribly lonely as I have been."

Her eyes spoke for her as they looked into his, and he drew her to him closely.

"Dearest, do you know what a frigidly cold greeting you gave me when I first met you. As a punishment I am going to compel you to a lifetime of greetings of this kind," and he lifted her face to his in a greeting such as only lovers know.

Two months later Eleanor stood in the rose and gray nest alone, for the last time.

"Goodby, little nest. I loved you, but you have a rival. He has stolen me away from you. I am sorry to leave you, but, oh, so glad to go with him, anywhere."

Says Business Rivals Urged Murder Charge



Mrs. Hiram Knox, of Houston, Tex., who actively and successfully managed her husband's business of building railroads, running saw-mills and logging lumber camps, claims business rivals urged murder charge now against her in mysterious killing of her husband. All of the West is interested as she was known as "Lady Bountiful" for generous gifts to poor children of Texas. Photo is of Mrs. Knox and her children.

Bruce Balcome's Rival

By ANNE RICHARDS

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It was an attractive room, this nest in the big apartment building which was home to her, and one knew that she loved it, seeing the affectionate look with which she gave it greeting. Throwing her hat and coat over the couch, she accepted the invitation of the bright-cushioned gray wicker chair and opened the letter which she had picked up on entering.

"My Dear Miss Denslow—A friend of mine, a writer, is to be in Cleveland for a few weeks, and I have given him a letter of introduction to you, knowing that you will furnish him the best there is in the stenographic line, and also that the acquaintance will be mutually agreeable. Bruce Balcome is a most interesting companion, a man I know you will like.

"Trusting that success is still with you, I am, yours very cordially,
"RUSSELL WEBSTER."

"Russell Webster does not know that business belongs on Commerce street, and has no place in this sky tower of mine," and, laying the letter on the table, she commenced the preparation of her evening meal, a task she enjoyed as thoroughly as any housekeeper with all the appurtenances of housekeeping.

Eleanor had left home some years before, resolved to build up a business as public stenographer, and success had rewarded her efforts. She now had a business that kept mind and hands well occupied. For several years she had lived in a boarding house. Never safe from intrusion, even when in the supposedly sacred precincts of her own room, her dream had been of a cosy apartment where no one could intrude.

Then, too, she longed for the dainty furnishings which are not found in a boarding house. For Miss Eleanor loved two things, artistic surroundings and solitude. She mingled with crowds during the day, and when night came found her own companionship the most congenial.

Three months previous to this time her dream had taken material form, and the novelty had not yet worn off the pretty apartment which she en-

Take in the picture show at the Star Opera House each Friday and Saturday night. Show starts at 7:15 o'clock.

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

LADY WAS IN A BAD FIX FROM NERVOUS INDIGESTION

Biloxi, Miss.—"I had, for a year or more, nervous indigestion, or some form of stomach trouble," says Mrs. Alonzo Ford, 1117 Clay Street, this city. "The water I drank at that time seemed to constipate me. I would suffer until I got so nervous I wanted to get down on the floor and roll. I felt like I could tear my clothes.

"Every night, and night after night, I had to take something for a laxative, and it had to be kept up nightly. My side would pain. I looked awful. My skin was sallow and seemed spotted. I would look at my hands and arms, and the flesh looked lifeless.

"I happened to get a Birthday Almanac, so I told my husband I would try the Black-Draught, which I did. I took a few big doses. I felt much better. My liver acted well. I made a good, warm tea and drank it that way. Soon I found

that nervous, tight feeling was going, as was the pain in my side. I found I did not have to take it every night. Soon, after a few weeks, I could leave it off for a week or so, and I did not suffer with constipation. . . I gained flesh. I have a good color, and believe it was a stubborn liver, and that Black-Draught did the work.

"I went to my mother's (Mrs. Deeters) one day, and she wasn't well at all. . . I told her we'd try Black-Draught. We did, and now she keeps it to take after eating. It certainly helped her, and we neither will be without it in our homes. It is so simple, and the dose can be regulated as the case may be. We use small doses after meals for indigestion, and larger doses for headache or bad liver."

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STUDENTS WORKING WAY THRU TEXAS U. MAKE BEST GRADES

Austin, Texas, Jan. 25.—That students who are working to earn their expenses while attending the University of Texas make better grades and complete more courses during the year than the average student is shown by statistics compiled by Dean T. U. Taylor of the College of Engineering. There are now 148 students of engineering who are doing outside work, such as waiting table, washing dishes, sweeping floors, drafting, clerking, carrying paper routes, bookkeeping, painting, carpentering, and doing janitor work.

"These students averaged during the fall term over 19 hours a week in outside work, earned an average sum of \$36.81 per month, and passed in an average of 4.07 courses. The average for all students in the University for 1920-21 was completion of 3.37 courses, so the working students carried the equivalent of two courses in outside work and passed in more actual courses than the average student. Furthermore, 15 per cent of the working students made the honor roll, while only 10 per cent of the whole enrollment of the College of Engineering gained the same honor."

Seth Baze was numbered among the sick for a few days this week.

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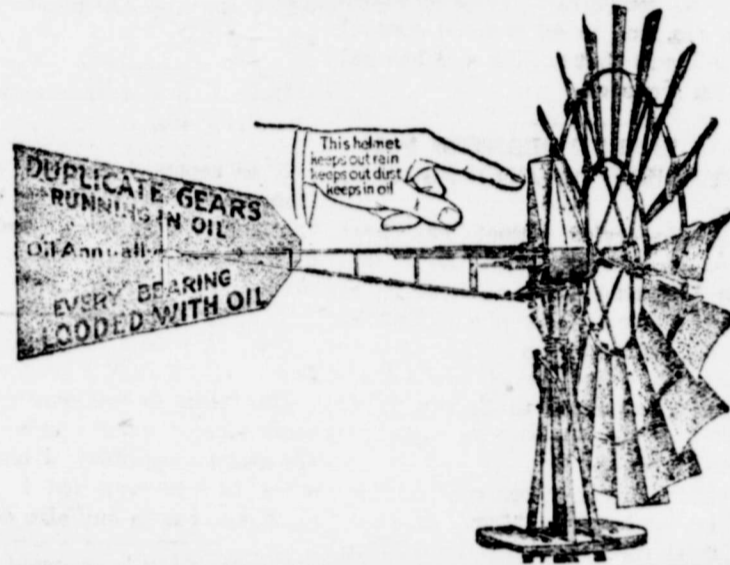
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REUNION OF THOS. J. WOOD FAMILY SEES LARGE GATHERING—INTERESTING PICTURE

Edd Broad has a most interesting family group picture, made at the reunion of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. J. Wood, their children and descendants, on the first of the year, and at which, four generations were represented. The group picture shows the assemblage of 38 people, including Mr. and Mrs. Wood, their eight living children, and also grand-children and great grand-children, and was made at the Edd Broad residence on Sunday, December 31st. Not only is the picture remarkably clear, but Mr. and Mrs. Wood show how well they have preserved their youth and good looks by being hardly distinguishable from any of the "children." Children of Mr. and Mrs. Wood appearing in the picture are their sons, Tom of Brady, and Innis of Brownwood, and their daughters, Mrs. Tom Baker of Girvin, Mrs. Edd Broad and Mrs. Stella Grimes of Brady, Mrs. Ollie Slaughter of Nebraska, Mrs. T. Simon and Mrs. Williford Ellison of Fredonia. Other family members attending the reunion were the wives and husbands of the children, the grandchildren and great-grandchildren. —Brady Standard.

CHICKENS

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81-tf J. J. JOHNSON.

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CASTELL SCHOOL IS VISITED BY DISTRICT AND CO. AGENTS

On Tuesday afternoon, January 16, the Castell school was honored by having the following visitors: Messrs. A. J. Cotton, former County Agent of Llano County; C. H. Clark, new County Agent for Llano County; Smith, District agent, Swallow State Horticulturist, and Willie L. Marshall, Co. Agent of Mason County.

The school was royally entertained for about an hour with a few remarks by each of the above visitors, after which Mr. Cotton made his farewell speech, closing the program with a genuine handshake with the club members. We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Clark in our midst with full intentions to cooperate with them.

Mr. Cotton will leave for Burnet County where he will serve as a county agent. We wish him the best of success, and extend a hearty welcome to our new County Demonstrator. —CLUB REPORTER.

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MASON COUNTY NEWS.

Strange, if True.

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Necessity Disappears.

Pardita—"If you continue much longer to play poker with my father, I won't marry you." Jack Dashing—"If your father continues to play poker with me much longer I won't need to."

Real Success. That is failure when a man's idea ruins him, when he is defeated by it; but when he is ever growing by it, ever true to it, and does not lose it by any partial or immediate failures—that is success, whatever it seems to the world.—A. Bronson Abbott.

Girl a "Miss" When Under Ten. In England "Miss" was formerly applied only to females under ten years of age.

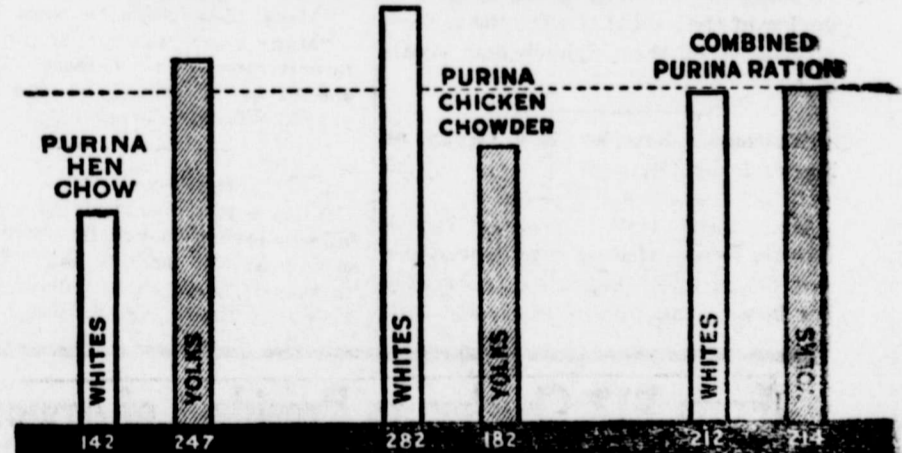
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QUITE A BIT OF SICKNESS REPORTED IN THIS SECTION NOW

There is reported an unusually large number of people suffering with colds, influenza and other winter illnesses in our county at this time. Superintendent Bennett states the local school attendance has been very light recently, owing to illness of children and a similar statement is given out by County Superintendent, Banks, who says the attendance reports from various school districts of the county indicate that much illness is prevalent among children at this time. The school at Freedom was temporarily suspended two weeks ago, due to an unusual amount of sickness in that section and has not yet been reopened.

PUBLIC PATENT GRANTED FOR COTTONSEED DELINT'G PROCESS

A public-service patent has been granted at the request of the United States Department of Agriculture to Loren G. Polhamus, the inventor of the process of delinting cotton seed with gaseous hydrochloric acid, and efforts are now being made to develop it on a scale that can be used generally for planting seed.

The delinting of cotton seed is practiced to remove the "fuzz" or short fibres from the surface of the seed, in order to avoid the clogging of the planting machines, and to facilitate prompt germination of the seed.

Prompt germination of the seed before the drying of the surface soil has been recognized as desirable in that it aids in securing a more complete stand. Lack of a full stand is one of the serious and general factors in restricting the production of cotton and is especially serious in Texas and in the irrigated valleys of Arizona and California.

Chemical delinting with strong sulphuric acid also has been advised, with the probable advantage of disinfecting the seed as well as removing the fuzz, but no safe and practical process of chemically delinting large quantities of seed has been developed. The use of gaseous hydrochloric acid avoids the most serious difficulties, however, of the sulphuric-acid treatment. Exposure of the dry seed to hydrochloric acid disintegrates the lint, so there is no need of the wetting, washing, and drying of the seed that were the serious difficulties of the sulphuric-acid treatment.

Whitman's Sampler Box Candy at Mason Drug Company. 45

Mrs. Maud McWilliams, of Taylor county, is here visiting among relatives and friends. She expects to leave for her home some time next week.

ORAN TINSLEY BUYS INTEREST IN BUSINESS OF FRED E. KEY

Announcement is made that Oran Tinsley and Fred E. Key have recently closed a deal whereby the former acquires one-half interest in the blacksmith and repair shop of Fred Key. Mr. Tinsley stated he would continue to work in the Eckert Garage until the first of February, at which time the newly formed partnership becomes effective.

We are informed these gentlemen contemplate adding to the mechanical equipment of the shop and do auto repairing in connection with the business which Mr. Key has heretofore conducted.

Make it a box of King's chocolates. Owl Drug Store. 28-tf

It is reported Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Mebus are contemplating leaving Mason in the near future and will probably locate in San Antonio or Port Arthur.

Mrs. Mag Kuhn has just recovered from a recent illness of grippe.

The News is headquarters for good bond papers; quality being our motto. We make a specialty of handling bond paper in bulk and sell it in large or small lots cut to any size desired.

Holmes King is reported on the sick list this week.

Whitman's Celebrated Box Candies at Mason Drug Company. 45

When you think of bond papers, think of the News.

A new concrete sidewalk has just been completed in front of the Wood Auto Company's place of business.

Social Cultivation. A friend is one whose acquaintance has been cultivated. To obtain good results, his faults should be plowed under and his feelings never harrowed. -Boston Transcript.

If you have a friend or a neighbor that is borrowing your News to read, ask him to subscribe. It only costs \$1.50 a year and if it is worth borrowing occasionally, it is worth that measly figure.

Hope Miss Naxdore Sees This. "Many a girl wastes her time trying to cultivate her vocal range, when she should be practicing on the cooking range." -Boston Transcript.

Now—and Then. When a young man meets a girl and falls in love with her, he should avoid saying, as one used to say, "Will you be mine?" It is more tactful in these days to whisper, "May I be yours?"

THROUGH THE WANT COLUMNS

NOTICE—The party taking a portion of a spool of wire from my place might save himself some trouble if he returns it. I am pretty certain who he is and don't care to make him any trouble, but will if he does not return the wire. L. C. Fleming. 1tp

FOR SALE—Four good Big Bone Poland China pigs must go at once. See Geo. W. Moneyhon. 1tc.

EGGS FOR SALE—Black Minorca, from extra good layers, \$2 for 15. Phone 923-F-31, Roy Leifeste, Art, Texas. 46-1tp

WANTED—To exchange a seven-passenger Studebaker car for a light truck or Ford touring car. Studebaker is in good mechanical condition. Elgin O. Kothmann. 46tf

CORN—For shelled corn delivered to Mason, Texas, at \$1.25 per bu., apply to W. D. Green. For shuck corn at \$1 per bu. at crib, apply to Elgin O. Kothmann. 46-tfc

BULLS FOR SALE—Two Brahmas, coming fours; seventeen-eighteenths breeding and gentle. H. Dan Kothmann Castell, Texas. 45-4tp

FOR SALE—Rhode Island Roosters and Cockerels. Extra good stock. See Chas. Eckert. 45-4tp

LOST—A cole black bitch with white streak in breast and a little white on a fore foot where she was caught in trap. Been missing since Jan. 3rd, answers to name of Kate. \$25 for recovery, J. N. Andrews, or notify J. A. Brewer, London, Texas. 44-4tp

FOR SALE—Used Car Bargains: One Ford edan, two Ford Touring cars, one Ford Truck with stake body. All in good condition. Granite City Motor Co., Llano, Texas. 43tf

PIANO and HARMONY—Miss Agnes Witt will give lessons in piano and harmony. If interested, inquire at parsonage of J. W. A. Witt. 43-4tp

TOWN PROPERTY For Sale—Undivided 1-2 interest in lots 8, 9 and 10 on N. W. cor. square. Fronts 112 feet and 110 feet deep. Also undivided 1-2 interest in lot 150x150 feet just north of above lots. Apply to F. A. Gerdes, Mason, Texas. 34-tfc

Norris Exquisite Box Candy at Mason Drug Company.

Sterling Schmidt has been numbered among the sick this week.

LOCAL BUSINESS PROPERTY SOLD IN TRANSACTION WED.

In a deal closed on Wednesday, Mr. L. F. Clark and Mr. E. Larrimore became the owners of the T. A. Lange business property located about the middle of block No. 1, northeast of the courthouse.

The consideration in the transaction was \$6,000 for the building and lot, the lot being 30x110 feet.

This building is at present occupied by the City Cafe and E. F. Stengel's grocery store.

It is the intention of Messrs. Clark and Larrimore to place a modern glass front in the building within the next sixty or ninety days, and as soon as this work can be completed, the Mason County News will occupy the east half of the building.

Mr. Clark has not stated what he intends to do with his half of the building.

Mason High Loses One; Wins One

In basketball contests on the local courts last Saturday afternoon, the local high school teams lost one and won one game when the Mason boys defeated the boys from Long Mountain and the Long Mountain girls defeated the Mason girls. We have been unable to learn the scores in the games.

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MASON COUNTY CLUB MEMBERS AWARDED PRIZE SETTINGS

We are just in receipt of a letter from Miss Murray, Poultry Specialist of the Extension Department, saying that six Mason County Club members have been awarded prize settings of eggs by Texas Poultry Breeders. These prizes were awarded on good reports, showing at fairs and general club interest and this goes to prove that it pays to be "on the job" in club work. The letter follows:

College Station, Jan. 15, 1923.
Mr. W. L. Marshall, Mason Texas.
Dear Mr. Marshall:

Dessie Hoerster, Art, Texas has been awarded a prize setting of White Rock eggs by Mrs. Sam Poyner of Weatherford, Texas; Robert Schmidt, Katemey, Texas has been awarded a prize setting of Rhode Island Red eggs by Mrs. J. S. Adams of Dallas, Texas. Ollie Bell Epler, of Streeter, Texas has been awarded a prize setting of White Rock eggs by Mrs. Tom Q. S. of Route 3 of Waco, Texas. Esther Weldemann, Mason, Texas has been awarded a prize setting of White Rock eggs by Mrs. Sam Poyner of Weatherford, Tex.; Harold Schmidt, Katemey, Texas has been awarded a prize setting of White Leghorn eggs by Wm. C. Pearson of Denton, Texas; Minnie Keller of Mason, Texas has been awarded a prize setting of Partridge Rock eggs by Miss Alta B. Ritter of Orange, Texas. These were to be furnished early in the year. Therefore I suggest you notify these club members immediately and insist that they make arrangements with the breeders awarding the eggs to have them shipped at once, as early hatching is of paramount importance.

The Texas breeders this year have been most kind and generous in donating these prize setting of eggs to poultry club members. To show our sincere appreciation of their offer to us I hope you will encourage and help these club members all you can to raise a real flock. Also, insist that they keep careful record of the same, make exhibit at the community and county fair, and report to the breeders awarding the eggs at the close of the year the progress they have made. These breeders do not require this report and the eggs are absolutely free, but I am sure they will appreciate it. With kindest regards, I am, Yours very truly,
MYRTLE MURRAY,
Poultry Specialist.

Buy her a box of Norris Chocolate Brazil Nuts at Mason Drug Comp'y.

Galvanized roofing at R. Grosse's.

Last year inspectors from the Bureau of Animal Industry passed on the health of nearly 25,000,000 head of sheep with special reference to the presence of scabies, a parasitic disease that causes a great deal of loss to ranchers if it is allowed to gain headway in flocks. More than 8,800,000 of these sheep were dipped to destroy the parasites. The disease is quite prevalent in a number of the Western range States, but the work of live-stock health officials is resulting in improvement.

CHURCH NOTICES

GERMAN METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School every Sunday at 10 a. m.—Harry Pincenneke, Supt. Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. (except 4th Sunday at 11 a. m.) Prayer Meeting every Tuesday night at 7 p. m. English services on 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays at night.
REV. J. W. A. WITT, Pastor.

M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH

Rev. D. G. Hardt will fill his appointment in Mason next Sunday. English preaching at 11 a. m.; preaching in German at 2:30 p. m. English service at Art Sunday night.

On Friday night, Feb. 2nd, Rev. A. E. Rector will preach at Long Mountain and will preach at Art Saturday morning, Feb. 3rd, and on Sunday morning.

D. G. HARDT.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. L. M. Wood will be in Mason next Sunday and will preach at the local Presbyterian Church. Services will be held both morning and night. Everybody cordially invited to attend.

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Since our last report the following have made subscription payments to the News, for which we extend them our thanks:

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