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LADY DOING HOME DEMONSTRATION WORK HERE THIS WEEK

Miss Mary Jessie Stone, of the extension department of the A. & M. College, will be in Mason for three days this week for the purpose of putting on some demonstrations for the benefit of those interested in home demonstration work. It was through the efforts of W. I. Marschall, County Agent of Mason County, that Miss Stone's services were secured, and Mr. Marschall has mapped out a schedule for three demonstrations during the lady's stay.

Today, February 22, in the afternoon, a demonstration will be given at Kately.

Friday, February 23, at 3:30 o'clock, a demonstration will be given at Long Mountain.

Saturday, February 24th, morning and afternoon, demonstrations will be given at the court house in Mason.

Demonstrations will be given on Home Made Dress Forms, Cottage Cheese and Salad Dishes, Canning of Fried Chicken, and discussions will be given on various subjects pertaining to Home Demonstration Work. Miss Stone will be prepared to answer any and all inquiries relative to this work and will be glad to have representative audiences at each demonstration.

Mr. Marschall is very anxious for the people of Mason County to derive full benefit from Miss Stone's visit to this place and requests the Boys and Girls Club members to make special efforts to attend and he urges all women of the town and county to attend these meetings, for he is certain Miss Stone will be able to give them some very valuable instructions along the lines of her profession.

MASON COUNTY POULTRY RAISERS HAVE ORGANIZED

Mason County now has an organization, which is to be known as the Mason County Pure Bred Poultry Association and although the organization is quite young the membership now numbers thirteen and from information, sufficient others have signified their intentions to join as will bring the number up to twenty.

The organization was perfected on the 5th of January with officers and directors as follows: Geo. W. Moneyhon, president; E. J. Schuessler, vice-president; Emil A. Jordan, secretary and treasurer. The board of directors is composed of the officers of the Association and Messrs. Ben Kidd, Ervin Jordan and Mrs. Erick Bogusch.

It is stated the local organization has not yet decided as to whether they will affiliate themselves with the Hill Country Poultry Association.

LLOYD IN COMEDY OF THE UNDER DOG

Harold Lloyd in "Grandma's Boy," his newest comedy in five parts, plays the part of a country boy who was afraid. He had no more spirit than a jack rabbit. The other kids had knocked enough chips off his shoulders to start a lumber yard. As a baby he was afraid to call his cradle his own. At school he wore great holes in his stockings, where his knees shook together. At nineteen he was meek, modest and retiring.

The Boy's most precious possession was his old-fashioned Grandma. When the Girl came into his life, and then a Rival who was a big bully, the Boy's days were made miserable. Then came realization of his weakness and cowardice. How he goes out and conquers his fear, captures a desperate criminal that has terrorized the community, thrashes the Bully and wins the Girl provides "Grandma's Boy" with a real, dramatic story and a host of opportunities for hilarious situations and "gags," and some great thrills.

The Star Theatre will present Harold Lloyd in "Grandma's Boy" Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights. It is a Hal Roach production for Associated Exhibitors. Fred Newmeyer directed it from the story by Hal Roach, Sam Taylor and Jean Ravez, and the cast includes Mildred Davis, Mrs. Anna Townsend, Dick Sutherland, Charles Stevenson and Noah Young. Admission: Adults, 50 cents; school children, 25 cents; school children under 13 years, 15 cents.



BAND WILL GIVE CONCERT AT PICTURE SHOW SOON

It is announced the Mason Concert Band will give a concert in connection with the picture show at the Star Theater on Friday night, March 2. The picture to be screened on this occasion will be a Shirley Mason feature, entitled, "Very Truly Yours". The band will give a concert last for one hour. The band has recently purchased a new bass drum and G. F. McDougal has artistically painted "Mason Concert Band" on its sides.

Boy Scouts Met Tuesday Night

On Tuesday night of this week, the Boy Scouts of Mason met at the court house; most all of the members being present, at which time new constitution and bi-laws were made. Roll call was answered with the payment of dues.

Jamie Dean Weir was taken in as a new member. All boys who are interested in the organization, who would like to join, are urged to attend the next meeting which will be held next Tuesday night, February 27th.

LOCAL ORDER OF CAMP FIRE GIRLS DECIDE TO DISBAND

It is announced the local order of Camp Fire Girls held a meeting one day last week and decided to disband their organization. Miss Edna Kettner has been guardian of the order and she has given out the statement that funds now on hand will be given to local schools as an aid to the library fund. The News is informed the amount donated is in the neighborhood of \$30.

SPLENDID RAIN FALLS HERE LATTER PART OF PAST WEEK

Mason and Mason county, last week, on Thursday and Friday, received one of those good old time winter rains. The rain fell slowly, but very steadily for the most of the two days, and according to reports, the precipitation amounted about one and one-quarter inches.

According to information, the rain was general throughout the county, and all the farmers and stockmen are all smiles over the encouraging prospects for good crops and fat stock this year.

Sterling Schmidt, who recently purchased an acre tract of land on the east side of the street leading to the Mason Sanitarium, has had Christian Vater drilling a well on the property this week. He expects to have a residence erected on the lot in the near future. He bought the lot from Conrad Hartman.

YOUNG DARKY BEEN VISITING CHICKEN ROOSTS; JAILED

A young darky, who is said to be the son of Ellie Mason, was jailed Monday in hopes of giving the youngster a severe fright that would make him lay hands off poultry. It is said the youngster sold a bunch of chickens to local buyers last Saturday and later the chickens were identified by the rightful owners.

The boy is quite young to be dealt with as a thief, and in fact, is hardly more than ten years of age, but local officials believed a short time in jail might bring about a cure for the boy. We are told his mother has promised to reimburse the losers.

MASON CO. TEACHERS TO MEET

The News is requested by Prof. L. W. Dumas, principal of the local high school, to announce that the Mason County Teachers' Association will meet next Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the new school building in Mason. It is urged that all teachers in the county be present, for this meeting is called for the purpose of discussing plans for the Interscholastic Meet.

LOCAL TAILOR WILL ADD STEAM BOILER; DRY ROOM

It is announced by Roy Doell, local tailor, that a dry room will be added in the very near future to his equipment. A large steam boiler has been ordered, to supplement the small one now in use in connection with his steam press and which will furnish sufficient steam for a dry room.

Plans for the dry room have been perfected and workmen will begin its erection at once. Mr. Doell states he has long felt the need of a dry room and he feels certain its addition to his equipment will meet with favor from his patrons, for it will enable him to give service on par with the cleaning concerns of the cities and make it possible to give greater satisfaction in his cleaning department on damp and cloudy days.

SAN ANTONIO MAN DIED; HAD TWO BROTHERS HERE

Mr. Jim McCollum, of San Antonio, died last week following an illness of several weeks. He was a brother to Dr. C. L. McCollum and former County Judge, S. A. McCollum, of this city. Deceased was 50 years of age and leaves a family to mourn his death.

For several years he had been in business in San Antonio as an undertaker.

Typewriter ribbons, 80c. News Office

FAMOUS CARTOONIST WILL SELECT UGLIEST BOYS OF U. OF T.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 22.—Bud Fisher, famous cartoonist, will select the ugliest boys of the University of Texas for their place of fame in the Cactus, the college year-book, according to Maurice Angly, editor. The various men's organizations will nominate their ugliest representatives for this honor, and the final selection will be made from photographs submitted to Mr. Fisher. The plan is in accordance with that of having Flo Ziegfeld select the eight most beautiful girls for the Cactus.

Underwent Operation

S. A. Hoerster underwent a successful operation at the local sanitarium Saturday evening for appendicitis. The attack was acute and was first noticed by Mr. Hoerster Friday afternoon and grew steadily worse. Physicians announced Saturday afternoon an operation should be made at once for fear the affection might become ruptured before Sunday morning, so the patient was taken to the sanitarium and operated upon shortly after 8 o'clock in the evening.

The News is pleased to report Mr. Hoerster was getting along nicely according to late information.

LOCAL WOLF CLUB CONTINUES TO PAY FOR CATS AND WOLVES

It was announced a few days ago by C. D. McMillan, secretary and treasurer of the Mason County Wolf Club, that the association has paid bounties on 79 wild cat scalps and 31 wolf scalps since its last annual meeting, which was held on October 8th.

The Mason County organization is well pleased with the progress being made in ridding the country of the predatory animals and feels the organizations of a similar nature now functioning in adjoining counties is greatly aiding in the "cleanup".

Mr. McMillan states that the wolf clubs of San Saba and McCulloch counties are doing some splendid work and stated the Kimble county organization is to meet next Saturday to perfect a wolf club and has reasons to believe the time is not far off when the stockmen of Menard County will get in line and organize against the depredatory animals.

Mr. McMillan states that the need of more skilled trappers is being felt in this section and indicated that an effort will be made to secure additional trappers in Mason County.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter M. Martin and Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Knolle went to San Antonio Tuesday for a few days' visit.

FEBRUARY TERM OF MASON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

(Taken from Minutes)

The quarterly reports of the following county and Precinct officers were examined and approved:

John T. Banks, County Judge; Chas. Leslie, Sheriff; R. E. Lee, District and County Clerk; Roscoe Runge, County Attorney; S. J. Thorne, J. P., Precinct No. 1; F. C. Wartenbach, Constable, Prec. No. 1; Henry Doell, Commissioner, Prec. No. 1; Thos. H. Strong, County Treasurer; Will Land, County Road Superintendent; T. M. Butler, Com., Prec. No. 2; G. W. Herring, Com., Prec. No. 3; D. A. Jordan, Com., Prec. No. 4.

Bids were opened for County Depository. Two bids submitted; Mason National Bank, offering 3.3 per cent on daily balances and the Commercial Bank (unincorporated) offering 6 1/2 per cent on daily balances. The latter's bid was accepted and depository awarded accordingly.

Will Land was re-appointed County Road Superintendent.

Dr. W. W. Beach appointed as County Health Officer.

Judge Banks directed to negotiate with F. A. E. Division of the State Highway on leasing or purchasing the following road tools: four dozen axes with handles, four dozen mattocks with cutting edge, four dozen large pick handles, one tent and one grindstone.

Salaries were fixed as follows:

County Judge, \$85 per month; County Superintendent of Schools, \$30 per month; County Clerk, \$125 per year; County Clerk, for keeping finance ledger, \$250 per year; District Clerk, \$400 per year; Sheriff, \$500 per year; County Treasurer, 2 per cent receiving and 2 per cent for paying out all county funds; County Attorney, \$250 per year. (Commissioners Herring and Jordan voting against allowing of this salary; Commissioners Doell and Butler favoring it, and the County Judge voting in favor of it).

Reports of the various road overseers were examined and approved. A list of newly appointed road overseers will appear in the News at a subsequent date.

County purchasing agent directed to purchase following supplies: one treasurer's account book; one desk seal for Commissioners' Court; two annual reports for County Clerk; fifteen Poll Tax Books.

Butchers reports approved: J. W. Hasse, W. A. Zesch, Alvin Donop, Alf Hibdon, W. Q. Fikes, T. O. Reardon.

Wages for Road Hands was set as follows:

Man and one team, \$4 per day. Single hand, \$2 per day. Same to apply to all road work and all road workers, but not to apply to skilled labor.

FARMERS WILL GIVE COMMERCIAL FERTILIZER A TEST

County Agent, W. I. Marschall, states the farmers of Kately and the Peters Prairie sections are this week receiving a car of commercial fertilizer, which they expect to test out on their farms this year.

Mr. Marschall states the farmers of these communities have had soil analyses made of their land and will apply the fertilizer according to instructions which are being received from the company from which it was secured.

The application of commercial fertilizers to farm lands in this county has never been practiced to any great extent and the outcome of the test, which these farmers will make, will, no doubt, be watched with interest by other farmers of the county. It is to be hoped the venture will prove a successful one.

SAMUEL HILL

Mr. Samuel Hill, aged 70 years, 7 months and 10 days, died at his home near Kately on February 11th. Funeral services were held on the afternoon of February 12th and interment made in the Bethel cemetery.

"GRANDMA'S BOY" AT THE STAR THEATER FEB. 22, 23 AND 24TH

50
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CIGARETTES
10¢



PROMINENT CITIZEN EULOGIZED

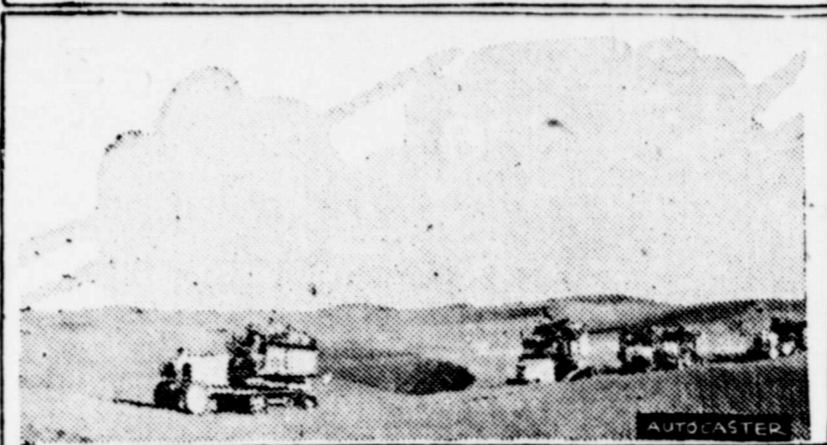
Old Ebenezer Tightwad is known for miles around, and regarded by our populace as the shortest man in town; he's got the tin in bank and bin and notes against us all, and if we fail to get the kale he'll foreclose them in the fall. In days of old when robbers bold went forth to get the dough, they took a gun which weighed a ton, or felled 'em with a blow. Their work was coarse, they did no worse than beat upon the bean, and while their bluff was somewhat rough it was not considered mean. Old Tightwad's style beats that a mile and violates no law; to him it's fun to watch the man coming rolling to his paw. When Lometa was a little burg and lots sold for a song he got a wedge out on the edge—it didn't take him long. Every day in every way he got a little more; his neighbors paid the interest, especially the poor. The widow gave her little home, the father gave his coat; and the balance of us hombres were made to play the goat. He never turned a penny loose, he'd

ADVICE TO THE AGED
Age brings infirmities, such as sluggish bowels, weak kidneys, torpid liver.

Tutt's Pills

have a specific effect on these organs, stimulating the bowels, gives natural action, and imparts vigor to the system.

First Motor Caravan Across Sahara



History was made as this first motor caravan chugged its way across the burning sands of the Sahara desert. This picture was taken in the very heart of the desert, between In-salah and Hoggar. It was a French expedition.

freeze to save a dime, and lived on beans and buttermilk from fall to summer time. When his town would ask a crown to help it quench a fire, or for two bits to school its kids it raised his wrathful ire. To orphan's plea or church call he would not give a bit, and when you mentioned waterworks he simply threw a fit. He's got it straight, or seems to have, that in the final run a man is judged by what he has and not by what he's done. That may be true, I do not know, those jits may buy a fan or get enough asbestos to put one by the Man, but I would rather take a chance with Love and Sweet Content than gamble all my future at the rate of ten per cent.—Lometa Reporter.

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

Let your next tire be a Gate's Super-Tread. Sold by **Otto Schmidt.** 131f

Sam Linden left this week for Rock-springs, after working with E. O. Lowgren for the past several weeks. He expects to buy a shoe shop at Rocksprings or some other nearby town.—**Junetion Eagle.**

Gates' Super-Tread Tires and Tested Tubes. Sold by **Otto Schmidt.** 131f

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

BANKERS AND PRINTERS

The following discussion of the banker and the printer, between the Lometa Reporter and the Dallas News, has been going on for the past few weeks. The Lometa man thusly introduces the comment made by State Press in his last issue:

In discussing a hypothetical case wherein a banker notified a printer that his checking account was overdrawn and sending such notification upon a blank printed in Chicago or New York, the Reporter, a week or so ago, intimated that this constituted one of those times when a feller needed a friend. State Press, that impartial jurist who adjudicates everything terrestrial, celestial and betwixt and between, hands down a timely homiletic on the subject as follows: Even so. But the fact that the bank allowed the home printer to overdraw proves that the banker isn't a bad fellow. As a rule, bankers are good fellows. They earnestly wish to see home enterprise built up. When they give printing orders to far-away printers it is mostly because they imagine the work can be done more efficiently in the larger shops of the larger towns. Sometimes that is so, sometimes it isn't. The country printing office of today is blessedly better than that of yesterday. The equipment and workmanship in many country offices equal the same desiderata in the

larger cities, except that one is on a small scale and the other on a larger scale. A shop with one press can do just as good work as one with a dozen presses, for printing presses are the same everywhere as regards models. The local printing offices do more for the local banks than the local bankers realize, perhaps. And the investment of a dollar or two more in a printing order by giving it to a local shop is usually a good investment.

I am always in the market for hogs and chickens. Get my prices. **J. J. Johnson**

SOMETHING NEW

Whitman's Pink Package at **MASON DRUG COMPANY.** 45

Mr. Ben Cavaness of Mason and Miss Mattie Crouch of London, were married in Menard Friday, February 9th, at the Methodist parsonage by Rev. Harold W. Bennett.

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

After Every Meal

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Richard Lloyd Jones Says About A House Of Cards

EVERY schoolboy knows the story of the two women of the American Revolution who, screened behind a rock, mimicked so well with rifle and drum the approach of soldiers that the hostile red coats took fright and fled.

Ethan Allen, with nothing more than the declamation, "In the name of the Great Jehovah and the Continental Congress," took Ticonderoga.

One Federal scout with a handful of men walked into a federation stronghold in Tennessee, produced from a small water-filled vial a dice-sized cube of phosphorus which burned with fury when exposed to the air before the dazed Confederate officers. This scout then told the enemy that there was a large army of Federal troops over the hill; that they had town full of it unless the Confederates vacated. The Confederates vacated.

The Confederates at Centerville, Virginia, recognizing their weakness and the presence of an overwhelming Federal force, built an improvised fort and mounted some tree trunks so that from a short distance they looked like cannon. They then made their escape, and for days the Federal forces stood their distance, fearing to attack the seemingly impregnable but wholly unimpaired and fetitious fort.

When, as Governor of New Jersey, Woodrow Wilson was advised by his friends that he could not hope to put through certain important planks in his platform because of the strength of the opposition, he replied: "Do not allow yourselves to be dismayed. You see where the machine is entrenched, and it looks like a real fortress, as if real men were inside, as if they had real guns. Go touch it. It is a house of cards. Those are imitation generals. Put the shoulder against the thing and it collapses."

The truly courageous man wastes but little time in measuring the strength of the enemy. He wants only to know that he himself is strong.

Bluff is always a confession of weakness. The hill looks steep from the distance; reach its foot and the grade is easier than it seemed.

The man who has something worth fighting for has neither time nor inclination to assume a pose, nor is he frightened by a pose. Only true and conscious worth dares stand naked among its fellows. Much pose means much lacking.

The greatest are the simplest. The fellow who is afraid to stand alone is the fellow who has to put up the big front. Strike his armor and he falls. The man who is right and knows he is right is stronger than the man who has nothing but shield and armor, but it will never battle the really brave.

The wish to appear good is the commonest quality of human hearts. The bravery to BE good is the rare measure.

The citizen soldier is the great friend of the state today. Never was moral courage so necessary nor civic bravery such a religious need.

Be right. When you are sure you are RIGHT, don't be bluffed by a house of cards.

poem by **UNCLE JOHN**

There wouldn't be no troubles, if the people didn't tell 'em,—but some ain't satisfied, unless they speak of what's befell 'em. . . . You ketch a chimney-corner full of weather-bound commuters, and, nineteen out of twenty, you would class as trouble-shooters.

The Widdler Hanks has got a case of chronic digestion.—The neighbors knowed it all around, afore they asked a question. She passed out her innard pangs to every saint an' sinner, till most of 'em has got afeard to eat their Sunday dinner!

And old Bill Sipes has croaked about rheumatics in his system, till none of us can understand how we have, ever missed 'em. . . . In fact I limp a few myself, right after Sipes's visit.—It may not be the rheumatics,—but what the thunder is it?

I wish they'd pass a law begosh, that hit the trouble-slinger,—not any common, legal josh,—but a regular hum-dinger! I'd want a law to functionate—a little short of killin'.—Though, if it took that sort of fate, I reckon I'd 'be willin'.

For your Uncle John.

HONEY PHILOSOPHY for 1923

DOWN with the pain killers. Away with the crowd that would make life just a sweet indolent song. These fellers pose as our friends, and yet they'd strip us of protection, and leave us victims of the stealthy and insidious approach of evil and disease. Don't cuss when you have a toothache. Praise the good Lord who sent it along. Pain is the signal of danger. If you don't heed it, it shunts a little louder, an' finally it'll make you hear. Ever have tick-dollars? When you know something's wrong, you start to correct it. If you don't the consequences are up to you. That quack with his pain killer an' his alluring soporifics, is the worst enemy of man. You can't get pure gold without sizzling through the melting pot. Don't kick. Cheer.

PATONS OF ONE FILLING STATION PAY \$8,000 FOR GAS DIDN'T GET

The following statement is sent out by Charles E. Baughman, Commissioner of Markets and Warehouses of Texas, from his office at Austin:

"A defective gasoline pump, short one and one-half gallons on every five gallons, cost the patrons of a filling station in North Texas \$8,000 or more during the last year, according to Mr. Cam H. Murray, state inspector of weights and measures, in an exclusive statement to The Register. Mr. Murray is just concluding a tour of inspection in this section of the State, during which time he has visited every portion of Cooke and nearby counties, making a thorough investigation of conditions. The startling information of what it costs the public when a gasoline pump got out of repair, was given during the course of an interview with Mr. Murray, in an effort to learn the outstanding result of his visit in this section.

Declining to give the name of the station, or the town in which it was located, Murray said he made half a dozen tests of this particular pump, attempting to draw five gallons each time, but getting only 3½ gallons. Murray stated that the owner of the station figured he served about 75 cars per day, in various quantities from 10 gallons down to 3. Striking an average of 72 cars per day, each short 1½ gallons, would make 108 gallons shortage. At 19 cents per gallon, present market price, the loss to the consumers was \$21.42 per day. In a year of 365 days, the autoists patronizing this station paid more than \$8,000 for gasoline that was never pumped into their tanks, according to Murray's figures."

NOTE: There are more than 500,000 automobiles in Texas. If each of these

Sanford Appointment Opposed by Congress



The naming of Judge Edward T. Sanford of Tenn., as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court by President Harding is meeting with opposition in Congress. Sanford was named to succeed Justice Pitney.

should be compelled to stand for such shortage the loss would be \$55,552,000 per year. If only 10 per cent should be called upon to stand such loss the loss would be \$5,555,200. If only one out of 1,000 is thus shorted the loss would be a sufficient amount to maintain this Department for eight months"

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At His Word

Hardware Dealer: "Say, Jones, when are you going to pay me for that corn sheller?"

Farmer Jones: "Humf—You said it would pay for itself in nine months."

Just Like a Woman

She said if I kissed her, she'd scream for her mother.

And I got all confused and red; But just the same I kissed her as I wouldn't a brother.

And she shouted "Sweet Daddy," instead.

Yea Verily

A fool picks a fly from a mule's hind leg. The wise man lets out the job to the lowest bidder.

In Prohibition Hall

"Supposing, friends, that I had here a bucket of water and a bucket of beer, and a mule was led in—which bucket do you think he would drink?"

"Water—water—water."

"Precisely. And why would he drink the water?"

Bass Voice from Rear: "Because he's an ass."

Wisdom of Methuselah

Like unto an overdose of Hootch is the Josabel who telleth thee that thou shalt not embrace her while she sit all evening with eyes closed.

Life doth hold no sadder tragedy than a one-armed man calling on twin sisters.

In the spring doth young man's fancy lightly turn to—what women hath been thinking about all winter.

Never is woman satisfied. If she doth not ensnare a new man, then doth she make over the one she hath.

Shelah—Shelah—Shelah

Poetry Enroute

(Princeton, N. J.)

There was once a man from Nantucket Who kept all his cash in a bucket;

But his daughter, named Nan, Ran away with a man,

And as for the bucket, Nantucket, (Chicago, Ill.)

But he followed the pair to Pawtucket, The man and the girl with the bucket;

And he said to the man, He was welcome to Nan,

But as for the bucket, Pawtucket, (New York)

Then the pair followed pa to Manhasset,

Where he still held the cash as an asset;

But Nan and the man, Stole the money and ran,

And as for the bucket, Manhasset.

Revenge

"Willie, if you don't be good I'll lock you in the chicken coop with the chickens."

"You can lock me in there—but I won't lay any eggs."

TOM SIMS SAYS

A baby in London is cutting a tooth six inches long, so, of course, it is a baby elephant.

In Nynck (N. Y.) a woman attacked a cop, but he escaped.

If you do not believe the French are artists, the most beautiful woman in Paris is said to be 58 years old.

Ten per cent gain in the auto trade is noted. This means a certain per cent loss in pedestrians.

A Dallas (Texas) man has refused a \$1000-a-year gift, but hasn't consented to see a doctor.

It is found most college classes and college men are led by girls.

The weather man never reports a coal wave.

Some day they will make radio go around the world, and then a man can enjoy talking to himself.

Most of this year's June brides have decided to be June brides, but haven't told the bridegroom yet.

A Seattle man has escaped from jail the third time, and if you think this is easy just try to do it.

Hell hath no fury like a woman when you knock ashes on her floor.

Basketball is becoming almost as popular as football, even if it has no kick.

Days are getting longer, but there aren't as many this month.

Wives are sometimes better men than their husbands.

About the time you get over Christmas somebody has a birthday.

Manchuria wants America's worn-out street cars. But what would that leave us to use?

A sure sign times are getting better is skin game men are being caught with bigger hauls.

With 8 hours a day to work some people spend it all worrying about how they look.

Quickest way to begin a thing right is to begin it right now.

Our favorite toast during these dry days is buttered.

Nice thing about having a family is you can ask the judge to pity them when you get arrested.

The fine thing about having a husband is you can tell him who else you could have married.

"Raise them not to dance cheek to cheek" advises a writer. Sure, feed them on onions or garlic.

Longer winter lasts the longer it will be before we have to try to open street car windows.

Reader asks if the boy seeing with a transplanted pig eye is liable to get a sty in it. No.

All of us wonder where on earth our money goes.

Chicago's new railway station will be 40 stories high. All the scenery in that town is sideways.

In Seattle, a crazy man thought he was Harding. Women wonder what the crazy man will think next.

Los Angeles man says all of us are three-fourths ignorant, so we say it is neo-fourth less than he is.

The chances are two to one your merchant is only dunning you as others have dun into you.

We can't think up anything more useless than cut glass.

London doctor says Bolshevism is due to bad teeth. We knew there was something loose in their heads.

The canned beef 3000 years old found in Egypt doesn't seem so very old to restaurant eaters.

Chicago man fainted when he saw his wife's new hat, so it must have been a stunning lid.

There seems to be money in too many things besides working.

Every week has too many nights to stay up late on all of them.

Just to be the first, we predict a hot summer.

CARDBOARD—BLOTTERS

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

A whale skull, so large that it had to be sawed into eight pieces for handling and crating, was recently found on the shore of Alitak Bay, Alaska, by a representative of the Biological Survey, United States Department of Agriculture, who was in the Territory investigating the fox farming industry. First aid was given by the courteous skipper of a passing ship, who took it to a near-by cannery, from which place it was possible to send it to the States. In accordance with a co-operative understanding the skull was sent to the Smithsonian Institution, at Washington.

Wright's Condensed Smoke.
Wright's Ham Pickle.
Wright's Smoke Flavor.
At Mason Drug Company. 36

From Our Early Files

From Mason News, Feb. 25, 1898:

Miss Ida Thomas and Mr. Ainsley Fleming were married Wednesday evening at the home of Joe Thomas, the bride's father.

Miss Laura Ritter is ill of pneumonia. A party composed of Misses Alice Blakey, Hermedia Mobus, Rattle Ricks, Maggie Payne, Eugenia McReynolds; Messrs. C. S. McCrary, J. C. Lumburg, R. E. Crawford, Beno Schmidt, Dolly Payne, spent Sunday at Mill Creek Ranch, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. White.

Chas. Leslie left Tuesday for New Mexico.

W. E. Jordan, the Katemey gin man reports having ginned more than 800 bales of cotton.

Marriage License—Mr. Arthur Parter and Miss Sallie Bishop.

The following persons picniced at Spice Rocks Tuesday: Misses Ada Garner, May Hamilton, Hettie and Bertha Todd, Emma Chenault, Effie Gamel, Ruby Grandstaff, Hermedia and Lillian Mobus, Mary and Ella Schmidt, Daisy and Lillie Wheeler, Lillie McReynolds, Sophie Leslie, Florence Fellmore, Nellie Schaubard, Applewhite, Belle Bird, Clara Sands; Messrs. Will and Jim Lumburg, Otto Evers, Ben Hey, Manks King, George Leslie, Paul Allen, Otto Bogusch, Jeff McSwain, Wes and Howard Smith, Chas. Stapleton, Will Hol-

land, Holmes Doole, Lawrence Christopher, Edgar Mobus, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Hamilton, Mrs. Ed Todd, Mrs. J. E. Schaag, Mr. Ery Hamilton, Mrs. D. G. Grandstaff, Mrs. G. W. Todd, Mr. and Mrs. Grundy, Mr. W. E. Coffman.

From Mason News, Feb. 21, 1908:

Mrs. E. W. Schroeder celebrated her birthday Friday with a number of friends to enjoy the occasion.

Mrs. L. Gugenheim went to San Antonio Saturday for a short visit.

Elmer Skaggs, aged 17, died at Long Mountain Saturday about noon.

Born—A girl to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Simon on the 7th.

Mr. S. W. Skelton died Monday morning at his home five miles west of Mason.

Walter Schreiner is here, gulating cattle for spring delivery, paying \$12.50 for yearlings and \$17.50 for twos.

Mr. Albert Schuessler and Miss Elizabeth Glerisch were married Friday evening.

Grand Jury—E. H. Bogusch, N. A. McWilliams, C. W. Darby, Henry Hoerster, Frank Simon, Elias Capps, Ben Brandenberger, Frank Clark, Wm Turner, Alf Reeves, Henry Keyser, T. A. Rolston.

Miss Myrtle Mangum who is attending Bible school at Pilot Point, is expected home this week.

WORK BEGINS ON LEGION PARK

(Menard Messenger)...

At the regular session of the Commissioners' Court Monday afternoon an order was passed to improve the public square as advocated by Roy McCoy Post of the American Legion. The Court agrees to build a concrete walk and curb around the public square which will extend one hundred feet south of the court house. The American Legion agrees to build the interior walks, plant flowers and set out trees, water and maintain the park.

PRISONER BREAKS JAIL

The R. E. Lee, recently arrested in connection with the burglarizing of the Ben F. Simon store at Roosevelt, broke jail last Saturday night, and very diligent efforts on the part of the sheriff and his deputies has not brought any results so far.

It is thought he escaped between 12 and 1 o'clock.

About two months ago, while Monroe Smith was deputy and jailer, Arice Terry broke jail here by prizing out one of the iron spans over a window and pulling the iron bars apart. As this

Editorial

"AND THE TRUTH SHALL MAKE YOU FREE"

To The Glory of Womanhood

NO greater tribute has ever been paid to the women of America than is found in the calm analytical report of the University of Wisconsin which dispassionately discloses the fact that widows and self supporting mothers sent 153 sons and daughters to the University this fall to join the freshman class. Mothers registered 93 sons and 60 daughters.

Now learn the story of the self sacrifice of these mothers. One hundred and twenty-five were housewives, 5 were nurses, 3 dressmakers, 3 milliners, 2 matrons, 2 stenographers, 1 a dramatic critic, 1 a librarian, 1 chaperon, 1 musician, 1 retired farmer, 1 club manager, 1 business woman, 1 caterer, 1 hotel proprietor, 1 saleswoman, 1 beauty operator, 1 canner and finally, one a telephone operator. Truly of such mothers as well as children is the Kingdom of Heaven.

Fathers who sent boys to college embraced a variety of the most menial callings.

Such is the American melting pot. Such is the hunger for education to provide education that will fit the rising generation for better things than father or mother ever knew. From the seeds of sacrifice may come to us in a single generation development that will spell a newer and a better America. Let these youngsters not forget.

Government Gambling

WHILE our dear old Uncle Sam frowns on gambling he seems to indulge in the sport quite freely in the conduct of his own affairs, all of which shows the difference between national and personal moral conduct.

The total amount appropriated by Congress for the fiscal year of 1923, which began July 1, is \$3,747,935,382.64. This is \$319,280,984.10 less than the appropriation for 1922. What the deficiency appropriations for the current year will foot up naturally is problematical.

The preliminary estimate of total expenditures for the current year is \$3,771,258,452 or \$24,223,139.36 more than has been appropriated. The preliminary estimate of total receipts for the current year is \$3,073,825,311. This of course indicates a deficit at the end of this year of \$673,210,071.64. At the close of the last fiscal year there was a balance on hand of \$272,105,512.63.

In this way the government goes calmly ahead with the certainty of a deficit so far as human minds can foresee, but yet with the knowledge that there is a good gambler's chance that things will come out all right. Heart is taken from the fact that the estimated receipts for 1922 were exceeded and anticipated expenditures were \$759,000,000 less.

No individual or corporation of course would dare conduct its business in such a way, yet there is little else the government can do unless a still heavier tax burden be placed on the people to provide for a margin of safety, and gracious knows taxes are heavy enough, as heavy in fact, as they are unscientific.

window had never been repaired, the present sheriff has been keeping Lee in the iron cage. By some means, presumably with a table spoon, he unlocked the cage door and then lock it. After he was in the run-around, it was an easy matter for him to get on the outside of the jail through this defective window.—Junction Eagle.

Norris Expensive Box Candy at Mason Drug Company.

The Junction Eagle announces Mrs. Bob Motley will move to Junction and take charge of the Hodges Hotel.

When renewing your subscription to your daily or semi-weekly paper or for farm papers and magazines; hand the business to the News. We will appreciate the favor.

The Kerrville Mountain Sun is now owned by C. E. and W. A. Salter. One of the Salters has been connected with the Sun several years, associated with J. L. Sullis, who sold his interest in the paper.

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

J. J. JOHNSON

Photographs on easy terms at Mason Drug Company.

Punchettes



THE COMING REVIVAL
MEN must turn from the material madness of this hour.

There is no salvation in the things of the world.

The kingdoms of this world have utterly failed to feed the soul, comfort the heart, bind the bruised spirit, soothe the aching head, and give mankind an outlook of hope and salvation.

Men must come back to God. They must appeal to Christ. They must listen to the Holy Spirit.

Yea, they must be born again.

Serious men are thinking these things. Consecrated Christians are preparing for the coming revival. There is no repentance after death. There will be no preaching in hell.

No one will have a chance to be saved after he has closed his eyes in death.

Men are staying away from the church because they are afraid to listen to the gospel. That is a sign of the coming revival.

Men are dodging ministers. That is a sign of the movement of the conscience.

Evil men are hating and persecuting Christian ministers who believe in the blood of Christ. That is a sign of the approaching day of repentance.

The rustle of the wings of the spirit of eternal hope and salvation can be heard.

Ministers and churches should awake and begin to pray.

The revival is coming.



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

Make it a box of King's chocolates. I will have plenty of Cane Seed. See me if you need any. J. J. Johnson. 49tf
Owl Drug Store. 28-tf

Society

Woman's Missionary Society

The Woman's Missionary Society met at the home of Mrs. Carl Runge on last Wednesday afternoon for their second social meeting of the year. Mrs. Runge was assisted in entertaining by her sister, Mrs. Otto Schmidt who received the guests in the beautiful reception room which was decorated with flags and pot plants.

The following program was carried out with Mrs. Jennie Williams as leader:

Bible Lesson.
Prayer by Mrs. Tracy, of Bastrop.
Reading—Mrs. Ed Smith.
Music on the Edison.
Synopsis of some of our Missionary Work—Mrs. John Starks.

Mrs. Tracy told of some of the work being done in Bastrop, also complimenting the work of the Society in Mason.

Talks were made by several members, telling of visits they had made to nearby cities and the work being done there.

An interesting contest was conducted, in which all present had an opportunity to search for and discover, among the flags, much about the work of the Woman's Missionary Society. Mrs. Wm. Splittgerber made the highest grade and was awarded a new testament.

Refreshment of chicken salad, potato chips, hot chocolate and cake were served to the following members and invited guests:

Mmes. Will Land, E. Barber, Wm. Splittgerber, Jim Brown, Williams, L. King, Robt. Lee, A. G. Lee, S. A. McCollum, John Banks, Ben Jordan, Lamar Thaxton, John Starks, Allan Murray, Ed Smith, and the hostesses, Mmes. Carl Runge and Otto Schmidt; guests, Mmes. Young McCollum, J. S. King, Ben Plunneke, Roscoe Runge, John Lemburg, O. Hensch, R. C. Doell, Jenkins, Tracy, of Bastrop, Miss Betty Tribble.

Hoerster-Cappel

Local relatives and friends of the Ben Hoerster family, residents of San Antonio, are in receipt of the following wedding announcement, which will be read with interest by many Mason people:

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hoerster announce the marriage of their daughter Ella Mae

to Mr. Edward C. Cappel on Wednesday, February fourteenth nineteen hundred twenty-three San Antonio, Texas.

At home 748 Peck Ave.

Parent-Teachers Met Mon. Afternoon

An interesting meeting of the local Parent-Teachers' Association was held at the high school building on Monday afternoon. A splendid program was enjoyed and much business transacted.

According to reports \$87.80 was cleared from the lyceum courses which were held during this session of school and it was decided that plans be made at an early date for the securing of a lyceum for the next session of school.

The Club wishes to thank Mrs. W. M. Martin for her valuable assistance in handling the sale of season tickets.

Bridge Club

Mrs. John Lindsay entertained the Bridge Club Saturday afternoon at the home of her mother, Mrs. J. W. Gamel. A dainty salad course was served to the following guests: Mmes. Walter Lindsay, Joe Gresham, W. I. Marschall, Kinney Eckert, Eli E. Jordan, Seth L. Baze, Arch Metzger, P. A. Bennett, M. D. Loring and Miss Zella Wood.

The next meeting of the Club will be held with Mrs. W. I. Marschall.

Entertained

Mrs. Elgin Eckert and Mrs. Roscoe Runge entertained on Tuesday afternoon at the beautiful ranch home of Mrs. Eckert, in honor of their mother, Mrs. J. C. Lemburg, it being her birthday anniversary.

A delicious luncheon was served to Mmes. J. C. Lemburg, Belle W. Bridges, Erv Hamilton, Chas. Bierschwale, J. W. White, Jennie Reynolds.

Pie Supper

Everyone has a special invitation to a "pie supper" at the Peters Prairie school house on Saturday night, March 3, 1923. 50-2tc

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The News is requested to announce that Rev. L. M. Wood, of Brady, will hold services at the local Presbyterian Church next Sunday. Services will be held, both in morning and at night. Everybody is invited to attend.

Friends of Mr. C. C. Wood were glad to see him on the streets on Wednesday afternoon, after having been confined to his bed for several days with rheumatism. Mr. Wood stated he slipped and fell during the heavy recent snow, and injured a knee, but he thinks he will soon be fully recovered.

Miss Jessie Doell, who teaches school at London, is at home while recuperating from a siege of influenza.

Mrs. Wm. Thacker, of Austin, expects to return to her home next Sunday, following a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wootton, of the Haystack community.

J. W. White, Jr., is suffering from a painful injury sustained Sunday afternoon while at the Mill Creek Ranch. He fell from a bluff and a rock fell on him, bruising one of his legs. The injury is not considered serious, but nevertheless causes the little fellow quite a bit of pain and inconvenience.

NEED GLASSES?

Dr. Jones, the Eye Man, at Dr. McCollum's office, Wednesday, March 7th. Eyes Examined, Glasses Fitted, Headache and Eye Strain Relieved.

At Katemey, March 6th; Pontotoc March 8th. Itc

Phone 143 for fresh vegetables and fruits, Mason Grocery Company. 48

S. A. McCollum returned from Marlin last Thursday, after a stay of several weeks. It is announced he is some improved in health from the visit, but he is not as materially benefitted as was to be hoped.

SEED POTATOES

4 cents per pound, \$3.50 per 100 lbs., \$5 per bag, 11 pecks. J. J. JOHNSON. 49tf

Will Locate in Port Arthur

The News has been informed that Mr. and Mrs. Otto Mebus who left Mason a couple weeks ago for San Antonio, have gone to Port Arthur and have purchased a rooming house in that city with the intention of making their future home there.

A young son of Mr. and Mrs. Memory Pike, of the Streeter section, sustained a painful injury to his foot on Tuesday of this week while riding with his father on a seeder. The little fellow fell off the seeder and one foot was caught by a disc and a gash several inches long was cut in the foot.

County School Superintendent, John T. Banks, has been spending the greater part of this week visiting the various schools of the county. A lady from the State Department of Education has been here and accompanied Mr. Banks on a tour of inspection.

Word was received here a few days ago to the effect that Mrs. J. M. Stewart was hurt at Phoenix, Arizona, when an auto she was driving turned over, pinning her underneath it. It is said the injuries sustained were not of a serious nature. The many local friends of Mr. Stewart will regret to learn of the accident to his recent bride.

Mrs. J. P. Lyle, who recently went to San Antonio for an extended visit, has written back for the News to be sent to her address.

Miss Julia Bierschwale returned Tuesday from a visit with relatives and friends in San Antonio.

SEED POTATOES

Triumphs and Irish Cobblers, 4c per pound, Mason Grocery Company. 48

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Boston, of Oklahoma, arrived in Mason one day last week and are visiting among relatives and friends for a short while. They expect to go from here to Rockport for a visit with a brother of Mr. Boston's.

Typewriter ribbons, 80c. News Office.

Ford

FOUR REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD BUY A FORD CAR THIS MONTH

I
The unprecedented demand for Ford Cars throughout the winter months has taken the entire output of the Ford plants working at capacity, indicating that the demand this Spring will be far in excess of the number of Ford Cars that can possibly be built.

II
January was the tenth consecutive month in which retail deliveries exceeded 10,000 Ford Cars and Trucks. Requirements for February, the month when preparations are already under way for Spring business, called for 118,407 Cars and Trucks—more than 24,000 in excess of the number we can possibly produce.

III
Ford dealers in many parts of the country are already finding it necessary to specify future delivery dates on Ford Products because there are no reserve stocks to draw from.

IV
Your order placed now will protect you against delay or disappointment later on—it is the only way you can be assured of reasonably prompt delivery.

We consider it important to give you these facts, so that if you are planning to purchase a Ford Car, Truck, or Fordson Tractor for use this Spring or Summer you can list your order at once and take advantage of our dealers first opportunity to make delivery.

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IT HAS STUCK ROBERT BURNS CIGARS BETWEEN YOUR TEETH, WORN OUT YOUR JAWS ON WRIGLEY'S AND POSTED YOU ON WHAT TO BUY TO CURE CORNS, WARTS, BUNIONS AND INGROWING TOE NAILS.

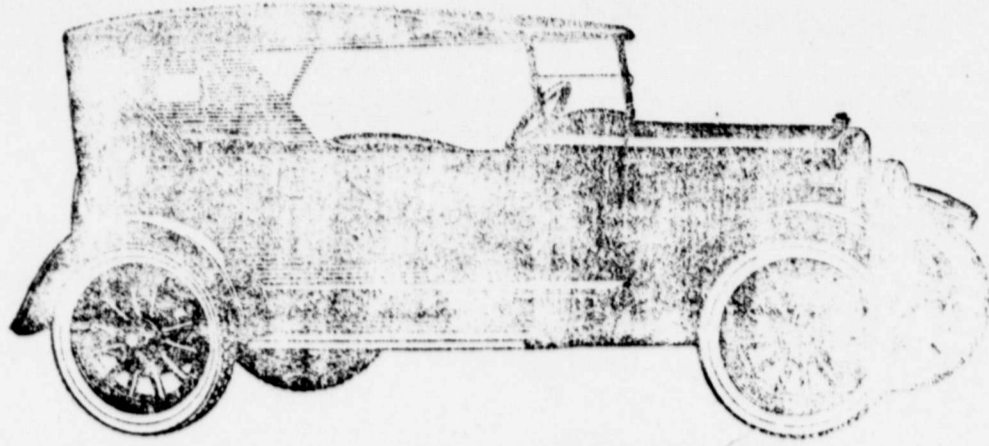
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MASON COUNTY NEWS

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See the Overland advertisement in the February 17th Saturday evening issue

WOOD AUTO CO.,
Mason, Texas.

Men have often complained that women workers take up their work merely to serve them in the interval between school and marriage. If this is the case it may be one of the reasons why women have not made swifter advance in commercial world. They have in the past been reared with the understanding that marriage was the end and aim of their existence. In fact, until very recently, women's existence without marriage was not enviable for they were nearly always dependent upon some member of their family who look-

ed upon their welfare as more or less a burden. Independence for women is comparatively a very recent innovation but a very blessed one, nevertheless. We feel that already the business man's attitude toward them has been changed. The polls will also help to increase their worth in business. They will take a more serious attitude toward their work because each succeeding experience at the polls will tend to make them more analytical of affairs and conditions.—Exchange.

Andrew Schreiber, a member of the Sunshine Confectionery, sustained a painful injury a few nights ago when he received a fall while getting around hurriedly at his place of business. It will be recalled Mr. Schreiber received a fall a few years ago and sustained a torn ligament in one of his knee joints and the recent fall reheart the knee. For several days he has had to use crutches in getting around.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. White and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom White spent several days in San Antonio last week, returning to Mason Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Ellebracht left Friday for San Antonio, after a week's visit in Mason.

CATERING TO PLAIN PEOPLE

"A man in the public eye should be careful of his personal appearance."

"You are quite right, sir," replied Senator Snortworthy. "When campaigning in the back districts I have frequently spent an hour trying to make my attire sufficiently negligent to meet with the approval of my constituents. Carefully creased trousers have cost me several hundred votes and had I ventured to wear spats anybody running against me would have had a walkover."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

POWERFUL SEARCHLIGHT

Searchlights so powerful that they give a vacationless sunburn to the crews that test them are now being manufactured. These powerful lights cast a ray the intensity of which is equivalent to the light of 300,000,000 candles. Thus, every moment that they are in operation they produce as much candlepower illumination as the entire population of the American colonies at the close of the Revolutionary war used in two years and a half.

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

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.

Wm. Hofmann and Mrs. Loula Loring returned home last week from St. Louis, where they purchased seasonable dry goods and millinery for the Hofmann firm.

Subscribe for the News today.

Charlie Chaplin and Bride-to-be



Charlie Chaplin has found his true love. He admits it—and so does she, Pola Negri. They are engaged—and to be married within the year. They are so sure of it that they posed in a fond embrace for the camera—and giggled in their happiness.

KNEW WHEREOF HE SPOKE

The auctioneer was endeavoring to dispose of a stock of cigars, of which the labels were undoubtedly the best part.

White was among the listeners and, having sampled this particular line, was not quite in agreement with the auctioneer's recital of their virtues.

"Yes," said the auctioneer, waxing eloquent, "these cigars are absolutely without equal in this country today. You may go and pay three times the price, but you will never obtain better quality. In short, gentlemen, you can't get better; whatever you do, you can't get better."

White was unable to restrain himself any longer.

"No, you can't get better," he broke in. "I smoked one last week and I haven't recovered yet."

Mr. W. D. Walker has accepted a clerical position in the local store of Myers Bros.

Get our prices before buying your next order of groceries. Mason Grocery Company.

E. J. Lemburg returned last week from St. Louis, where he spent a couple weeks at market. He states he purchased quite a lot of seasonable and up-to-date dry goods and the patrons of the Lemburg Store will find them with a very complete and attractive line for spring and summer.

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

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.

Miss Mackie Leslie left last Saturday for McAllen to resume her duties as teacher in the school of that place, after having been called here at the death of her father.

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, 9226 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo.

"It Speaks!"

On March 10, 1876, in a noisy machine shop at Boston, the telephone was born. Alexander Graham Bell, the young teacher of deaf mutes, had dedicated his life to restoring the precious gift of voice to his pupils.

During his experiments he discovered a new principle of sound transmission which brought the hope that some day men might hear each other's voices though separated by hundreds of miles.

That dream has come true. Today you may send your voice—you—to anyone anywhere in the United States by Long Distance telephone. It will carry you to your family and friends; it will bring them to you.

Ask the Long Distance operator about Station to Station calls, particularly the low rates prevailing after 8:30 p. m.

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Your Voice is You—Visit Them by Telephone

Nervous Break-Down

MRS. ANNIE LANGE, of R. F. D. 1, Burlington, Tex., writes as follows regarding her experience with Cardui: "Some time ago I had a nervous break-down of some kind. I was very weak and so nervous. I had fainting spells and suffered a great deal, but more from the weak, trembly, no-account feeling than anything else. I knew I needed a tonic, and needed it badly. I began the use of Cardui to see if I couldn't get some strength, as I knew of other cases that had been helped by its

use. I soon saw a great improvement, so I kept it up. I used seven bottles of Cardui, and can say the money was well spent, for I grew well and strong. Am now able to do all my housework and a great deal of work besides."

If you are weak, run-down, nervous and suffer from the ailments peculiar to women, it is very likely that Cardui will help you, in the way it helped Mrs. Lange and has helped thousands of others, during the past 40 years. Ask for, and insist on, Cardui.

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**SKINS OF PREDATORY ANIMALS
YIELD REVENUE TO GOVERNMENT**

During the past year an average force of 266 hunters, trappers, and poisoners was employed under the supervision of the Biological Survey, United States Department of Agriculture, and many thousands of stockmen participated in the distribution of poisoned baits during the organized drives against predatory animals. Part of the men employed were paid by the Federal Government and part by the States and other co-operating agencies, which contributed \$196,405 to the work. Hunters are required to turn in as evidence the skins or scalps of animals killed when found in suitable condition. Such positive evidence was obtained during the year in the case of 30,986 predatory animals, of which 687 were large gray wolves, 27,185 coyotes, 2,827 bobcats and Canada lynxes, 173 mountain lions, and 114 bears. Bears are generally regarded as game animals and are protected by some state laws. No effort is made to take any except individuals known to be destructive to stock. In addition to the dead animals secured, it is estimated that not less than 50,000 coyotes were killed in connection with extended poisoning operations, but their carcasses were not found.

The killing of about 80,000 predatory animals represents a saving of live stock and game for the year amounting to over \$4,000,000. Skins sold during this period yielded \$34,202.75, of which \$22,375 was derived from skins taken during the same year.

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is often caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing. Unless the inflammation can be reduced, your hearing may be destroyed forever.
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Last of American Troops Home From Europe



"Sweet land of Liberty" hummed khaki-clad American doughboys of the regular army as they smilingly sailed into Savannah (Ga.) harbor last week aboard the U. S. Transport *San Michel*. The insert picture shows the American troops leaving Coblenz, Germany, marching to the train past the French Guard of Honor. Sad at parting when a sincere friendship had grown with German civilians—the Yanks, one and all were glad to be home again.

SCORED A POINT ON DADDY

Clergyman's Daughter, It Will Be Admitted, Rather Neatly "Turned the Tables" on Her Sire.

An Ohio divine overheard his daughter and some young friends criticizing certain neighbors more severely than was pleasing to him, whereupon he proceeded to read them a lecture on the sinfulness of scandal.

"But, father," remonstrated his daughter, "we must say something." "If you can do nothing better," retorted the clergyman, "get a pumpkin and roll it about. That will at least be an innocent diversion."

Not long afterward a conference of ministers met at his house. During the evening an earnest discussion on certain points of doctrine arose, and from the lofty pitch of some of the voices it seemed as if part of the disputants at least were in danger of losing their temper.

At that juncture the doctor's daughter quietly entered the room bearing a large pumpkin. She put it down in front of her father, and said: "There, father, roll it about; roll it about!"—Philadelphia Ledger.

POWER LOOM ALMOST HUMAN

Indispensable Adjunct of Civilization May With Reason Be Said to Have Reached Perfection.

The Chinese claim records that prove silk weaving to have been practiced in China as far back as 2,500 years B. C. But weaving is much older than that. Some learned persons say that weaving was invented in Egypt. In all probability it was invented in at least four different places—by a primitive white man, a primitive yellow man, a primitive red man, and a primitive black man.

Early weaving was undoubtedly the simple plaiting of long grass blades or the leaves of reeds and rushes. Such weaving was done without a loom. The invention of the simplest loom, such as is still used by the Indians in the Southwest, made possible great advance in the art. Our great-grandmothers used the old hand and treadle loom. Everybody used it until Doctor Cartwright, an Englishman, "who had never seen a loom in his life," invented the power loom in 1787. Since his day the loom has been perfected until it seems almost human.

MAINE BLUEBERRY BELT

When \$500,000 worth of blueberries can be picked from a ten-mile strip of barren land—as was done in Washington county this year—it is time to sit up and take notice of this modest little berry. The Washington county blueberry belt was celebrated

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express our thanks and appreciation to the general public and our friends who so generously patronized the City Cafe during the past six years in business. We have given up the cafe and now occupy rooms over the hardware store of Louis Schmidt, where we are serving to our regular boarders only.

MR. AND MRS. E. W. SCHROEDER.

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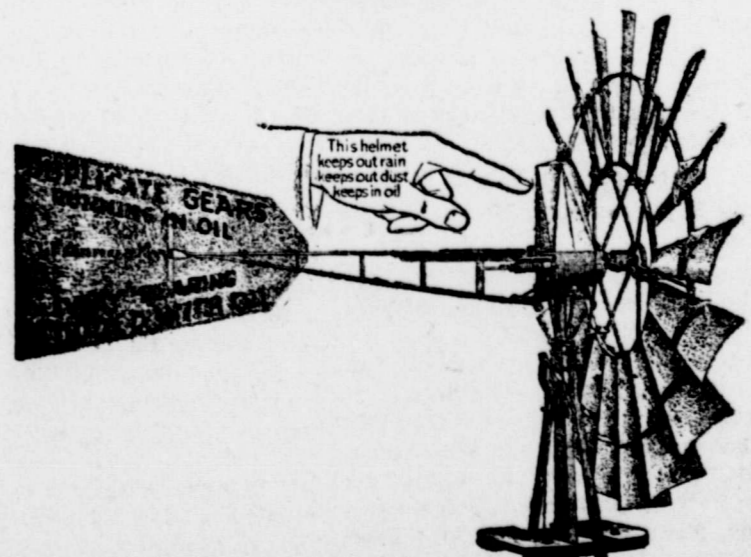
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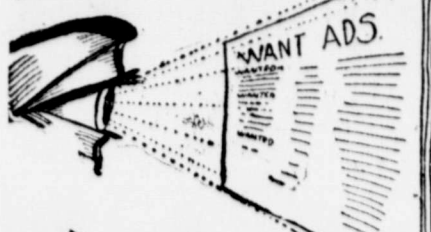
FRIDAY—MARCH 2ND—FRIDAY

Come and enjoy a good show and an hour of good music, and at the same time help out the Band.

15c Admission 35c

OH BOY! LET'S ALL GO!

THROUGH THE



WANT COLUMNS

GRAND VIEW POULTRY FARM will sell you setting eggs of trapnested hens from \$1.50 to \$3. Have Buff Orpingtons, R. I. Reds, Dark Barred P. Rocks, and White Leghorns. Emil A. Jordan, Prop. 50-2tp

WANTED—Good, young, gentle work horse, weighing 1300 or over. Apply to Aug. Kothmann. 50-3tp

MATRESSES MAKING—Have me make your mattresses over. I know how and am equipped to do only first class work. Phone Robt. Green and call for R. E. Owen. 1tp

WANTED—Your chickens, turkeys, and eggs. I pay highest prices. Wm. Splittgerber. 50-1fe

WANTED—Man with car to sell complete line low priced Tires and Tubes, \$100 per week. Sterlingworth Tire Co., 4421 Sterling, E. Liverpool, O.

FOR SALE—Good fruit and truck farm, at a bargain. Good terms or will trade for stock. Good running water, fine pecan timber, good orchard; all fenced hogproof. Inquire at News, 49-2p

FOR SALE—Ford truck, or will trade. For particulars, apply to Wm. Splittgerber. 49-1fe

LOST—Between Mason and Ranch Branch, tire rack and tire, tail lamp and reg. number. Reward for return to Dr. P. A. Baze. 49-1fe

The Expedition to the Llano River and San Saba Valley Led by Mr. Von Mausebach in 1847

First installment will appear in April issue of the Pioneer Pecan Press, San Saba, Texas. Subscribe now \$1.50 per year. 49-2tc

EGGS—English Strain White Leghorns, fifteen for \$1. See J. W. White. 49-1fe

FOR SALE—Used Car Bargains: One Ford sedan, two Ford Touring cars, one Ford Truck with stake body. All in good condition. Granite City Motor Co., Llano, Texas. 43-1fe

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. 34-1fe

The Sunshine Confectionery has recently purchased a new gasoline engine and several new ice cream freezers. It is stated this firm has recently had their bottling machine overhauled and repaired, preparatory for this season's business.

STAR OPERA HOUSE

THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHTS

"GRANDMA'S BOY"

Featuring Harold Lloyd

On Saturday night two extra reels will be shown in connection; one, a Snub Pollard Comedy, and one of the Urban Classics, "The Maverick".

ADMISSION—Adults 50 cents;

School Children over 13 years, 25c;

School Children under 13 years, 15c.

SHOW STARTS AT 7:30 O'CLOCK

Admission: 15 & 25 Cents

READY FOR BUSINESS

We wish to announce we have opened a tinning and plumbing business on the west side of the public square and are now ready for business in our line.

We do all kinds of sheet metal work and windmill repair and plumbing work. Will appreciate an opportunity to serve you when in need of anything in our line.

DOELL BROS.

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NOTICE!

Dr. Colvin wishes to state that he stands behind any work he does. At any time you are not perfectly satisfied there will be no charge for further treatment. You must be pleased.

DR. COLVIN
Denver Hotel

Dr. C. L. McCollum returned Tuesday, after having been absent a week in San Antonio and San Marcos.

SUBSCRIPTIONS PAID

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

Mrs. A. D. Lewis	1.50
A. C. Lemburg	1.50
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PUBLICATION OF ITEMS OF SCHOOL INTEREST; MASON CO

Beginning with this issue of the News, this column, or so much of it as may be needed, will be set aside each week until the schools close, for the publication of news items and notices pertaining to the schools, and of interest to teachers, trustees, pupils and parents. Use it freely.

The following letter sent out by E. O. Wiley, Director General of Interscholastic League for the San Marcos District will be read with interest by all schools intending to take part in the Interscholastic League work in Mason County:

San Marcos, Texas, Feb. 14, 1923. County Superintendent, Mason, Texas.

Greetings:

This is to notify you that the University Interscholastic League for the San Marcos District will meet in San Marcos on Saturday, April 14th. You are urged to get into touch with and to co-operate with the following directors of the various divisions: Miss Leona Dodd, Lockhart, Texas, director of debate; Prof. R. C. Harrison, San Marcos, Texas, director of declamation; Prof. H. F. Alves, Alamo Heights School, San Antonio, Texas, director of essay writing; Prof. O. W. Strahan, San Marcos, Texas, director of athletics; Prof. Mary Stuart Butler, San Marcos, Texas, director of music memory.

Will you help us advertise this event?

Let's see if we can get all the schools to take part. Send me names of people to whom I should write. Everybody boost the Meet.

Very truly yours,
E. O. WILEY,
Director General.

Judge Banks asks us to state that the present Legislature has passed and the Governor signed, a bill making additional appropriation to the available school fund of the State, which, as he understands, will enable the State Board of Education to appropriate at least \$2 more per capita, available for this school year, as an addition to the State apportionment. This money may be used for the current session to prolong school terms, but not to raise salaries, according to one section in the bill. Trustees and teachers may take into account this additional \$2 per capita in determining when schools shall close. Judge Banks thinks, although he has had no official announcement from the State Department of Education covering this matter.

If it is groceries you want we have it; always glad to serve you. Mason Grocery Company. 48

CHICKENS

If you have chickens to sell, don't fail to get my prices. 31-1f

J. J. JOHNSON.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 2

"TEXAS INDEPENDENCE DAY"

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