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CROSBY CEMETERY IS BEING CLEANED

At a recent meeting of the directors of the Crosby Cemetery Association, it was decided to employ sufficient laborers at once for the purpose of cutting all unsightly weeds, grass, and sprouts and to fill up the uneven places in the cemetery and put the same in as presentable condition as possible; and that after the same has been accomplished to continue the work of removing all weeds and other unsightly objects that might appear from time to time in order that the cemetery might at all times present a respectable appearance.

The new highway to Brady leads alongside the Crosby Cemetery and has made the same more easily accessible to the town of Mason. Mr. Henry Doell, who owns the land adjoining the cemetery, has very graciously donated a right-of-way across his lands in order that persons going to the cemetery might have easy access thereto; and he has further granted the Association permission to grub all trees and other growth from the land just west of the cemetery in order that cars will find a convenient place to park. Last year a subscription list was circulated for the purpose of paying the expenses of keeping the cemetery clean and the signers of said list agreed to pay a certain sum each year for the same purpose. The list is now at Mr. Louis Schmidt's hardware store and all persons who signed the same last year and are now ready to pay their this year's subscription can do so by settling with Mr. Schmidt. The directors of the Association have expressed the hope that several parties who have loved ones buried at the cemetery and who did not have the opportunity of signing the list last year will this year come forward and help bear the expenses of providing a decent and respectable resting place for beloved dead.

RUNGE & RUNGE CLOSE BIG RANCH LAND DEAL RECENTLY

It was announced a few days ago by Attorney Carl Runge that the firm of Runge & Runge recently closed a deal with Mr. Eugene Zesch whereby he purchased 3500 acres of ranch land from Mr. Elgin O. Kothmann at a consideration of \$12.50 per acre. The land sold by Mr. Kothmann is the east half of what is known as the Honey Creek pasture and Mr. Zesch gets the pens and dipping vat located near the Honey Creek road crossing, in the transaction.

Mr. Runge stated Mr. Zesch is to get possession of the land on June first.

BOY SCOUTS SUSPEND UNTIL SCHOOL CLOSURES

The News has been requested to announce the local organization of Boy Scouts has decided on suspending all activities of their organization until the close of the present term of school. It is said the boys decided to devote all time to studies at this time and as soon as school is out, resume their activities. The action was taken at a meeting held at the court house on Tuesday night.

PONTOTOC PARTIES CAPTURE GROWN WOLF AND TEN PUPS

Willis Capps and Bert Holloway were here Monday from the Pontotoc section, bringing in a grown wolf and ten pups, which they captured with a pack of nine hounds on Sunday night in Mr. Capps' pasture. The bunch of scalps netted the gentlemen \$150 thru the Mason County Wolf Club.

Mr. Capps stated this bunch of pups is the third bunch which has been gotten within the past several years out of practically the same den. The grown wolf which was brought in with the pups was a dog, but both Mr. Capps and Mr. Holloway were confident of being able to get the mother wolf in a second adventure which they were planning to make on Monday night of this week. They stated they had the pack of hounds chasing both grown wolves Sunday night, but the mother wolf escaped and only the dog was captured in the chase, but one of the hounds dropped out of the chase and located the pups in their den.

Tom White made a business trip to Brady on Tuesday of this week.

Spring Cartoonettes



FREDERICKSBURG GIANTS TAME MASON TIGERS IN GAME WED

The Mason Tigers drew the short end of a 13 to 2 score in a baseball game on the local diamond yesterday afternoon. The locals made a poor showing, although it was virtually their first contest of the season. The giants played a fast and snappy game and at no time had any chances of losing. Saunders started the game for the Tigers and in five innings yielded nine hits which with errors and had throws by team mates were responsible for 9 scores. Robert Zesch relieved him on the slab in the 5th inning and worked for four innings for the locals. He allowed for four innings, allowing 5 hits and two scores. Pluenecke worked the last inning for the locals and allowed 2 hits and two scores. Earned runs off Saunders totaled four, off Zesch 1, off Pluenecke 1. E. Henke worked the entire game for the Giants and both of the Mason scores came in the 8th and only one is counted as an earned run. Henke allowed but four hits, two of which came in the 8th, the other was gotten in the 3rd inning by H. Shearer, he being the only Tiger reaching first base safely up to the 7th inning.

The Box Scores

TIGERS	AB	H	R	E
Wartenbach, 2	4	1	0	1
Larrimore, lf	4	0	0	0
O. Shearer, c, cf	2	0	0	1
Breazeale, cf	1	0	0	0
L. Schuessler, cf	1	0	0	0
Zesch, rf, p	3	0	0	0
Dannheim, cf c	4	0	2	2
Keller, 1	4	0	1	4
Willmann, ss	3	1	1	3
H. Shearer, 3	3	1	0	1
H. Saunders, p	1	0	0	0
E. Schuessler, rf	2	0	0	0
Totals	33	4	2	12

GIANTS	AB	H	R	E
U. Henke, c	2	2	2	6
W. Kleener, rf	3	2	0	0
Rees, 3	4	0	1	0
Lee, 1	1	1	1	0
Burst, cf	5	0	0	0
Holmig, ss, c	6	2	1	0
Lochte, lf	6	2	1	0
Langerhans, 2	6	4	3	0
Knopp, cf	5	1	0	0
Probst, 1	4	2	1	1
E. Henke p	3	1	1	0
Totals	45	16	13	1

Summary: Struck out by Saunders, 3 by Zesch, 5; by Pluenecke, 1; by Henke 6; Hit by pitcher Saunders, 1 (U. Henke) base on balls off Zesch 2, off Pluenecke 1, left on bases, Mason 4, Fredericksburg 12. Umpires Grosse and.....

Skinner Matern arrived in Mason last week from Burnet county for a visit in the home of his sister, Mrs. Lamar Thaxton.

SIMPLE PICTURE HAS SHATTERED ALL PRECEDENTS

There must be something radically wrong with most motion pictures and something radically right with "Over the Hill," which is announced as the attraction at the Star Theater for Thursday and Saturday.

Wisecracks of filmdom point to the fact that as soon as an established screen precedent holds up, the William Fox picture reaches out and proceeds to smash it.

Most "big money" pictures of the day are pictures that often require a mob of several thousand "extras" to produce the necessary box office result. Costly sets of huge buildings are erected with months of labor, and sometimes destroyed in a few minutes, to get the proper box office punch.

Ladies with decorative titles that soothe the optic nerve are sometimes employed for the benefit of the box office, and oftentimes the services of the highest salaried star in the business is needed to properly "register action" for the house treasury.

Now, consider from this point of view "Over the Hill." All there is of production extravagance is represented in six kids, a dog, a lazy father and a little old lady.

Again, you cannot interrupt the run of a successful attraction without inviting disaster. That is, you cannot take an attraction out of one house, where it is making money, and expect it to make equal money in another. It may do business, but there is generally a letdown in receipts. It simply can't be done, say the wise-ones. Yet "Over the Hill" played six Broadway theaters during its original New York engagement—moving five times. And it ran one solid year on Broadway. So much for that precedent.

Of late there has been such heavy patronage of film plays of a certain character that the wisecracks were not long in waking up to the fact that what the public really wanted was plays where the lure of sex was the dominant role. Quite so. But "Over the Hill" knocks that conviction to pieces.

William Fox not only has given the public a remarkable picture in "Over the Hill," but has caused the wisecracks to scratch their heads in amazement over the fate of some of their most cherished traditions.

CLEAN TOWN CLUB TO MEET MON.

It is announced the Mason Clean Town Club will hold its regular monthly meeting for the month of May at the Court House on Monday afternoon of next week at 3 o'clock. It is urged that all members and others interested in "a clean and more attractive town" attend this meeting.

J. S. CAPPS CALLED TO BEDSIDE OF DAUGHTER

Mr. J. S. Capps received a call from San Antonio Tuesday advising him to come at once to the bedside of his daughter, Mrs. J. B. Mills, who is in a sanitarium in that city and whose condition is reported very bad. The wire announced Mrs. Mills was thought to be dying. Mr. Capps left Tuesday evening in response to the sad message.

It will be remembered Mrs. Mills has been in bad health for some time and has been in San Antonio on several occasions for treatment within the past couple years. Mrs. Capps has been with her in San Antonio during her present stay. It is to be hoped Mr. Capps finds his daughter's condition not as serious as the report he received indicated.

COMMERCIAL CLUB MON. NIGHT

Next Monday night, May 7, is meeting night for the Mason Commercial Club. News readers should bear this date in mind. Members and anyone who would like to become members of the organization, should be in attendance.

SAM LEVINSON IN CHARGE OF MYERS BROTHERS STORE

Sam Levinson, of Brady, arrived in Mason the first of the week and on Tuesday of this week took charge of the Myers Brothers' dry goods store. Mr. Levinson is an experienced man in the dry goods business and for the past three years has been connected with the Myers Brothers' business in Brady. It is said Mr. Levinson had contemplated taking charge of the Mason store for some time, but due to bad health which necessitated a couple operations he was unable to get here before the present time.

Mr. Leon Hoffman, also connected with the Myers Brothers is here from Fort Worth to remain a few days and will assist Mr. Levinson in getting everything straightened out in the Mason store.

COPELAND BROS. CLOSE ENGAGEMENT HERE LAST SAT. NIGHT

The Copeland Bros' tent show closed a ten days' engagement in our city on Saturday night of last week. The show went from Mason to Fredericksburg for a week's engagement.

The Copeland Brothers have a good show and the people making up the company are of the sort it is a pleasure to meet and have dealings with. Their plays are clean and moral and their equipment is far above the average for a show of this class. The management announced it is the plan of the company to make Mason for another week's engagement in about six or eight months.

HONOR ROLL FOR MONTH ENDING APRIL SIXTH

High School—"A" students, Alva Beach, Emily Jordan, Lucille Lange, Coralea Tinsley, Louis Vater; "B" students, Lina Simon, Olga Fay Wood, Esther Christill, Dessie Hoerster, Murray Kyger, Claris Sanders.

Seventh Grade—"A" students, Ethel Lehmburg; "B" students, Lucille Rode, Mildred Montgomery, Ruby Grote. Sixth Grade—"A" students, Arcey Murrach, Mae Grote, M. J. Green; "B" students, Milton Reichenan, Carl Heinrich, Ida Mae Wartenbach, Beatrice Jordan, Joycelyn Ellis, Sadie Herring.

Fifth Grade—"A" students, Walker Jordan, Ernest Doyal, Lina Millaire, Virginia Metzger, Lucile Probst, Daniel Raines, Violet Vedder, Evelyn Willmann, Louise Breazeale; "B" students, Dorothy Gamel, Boyd Murrach, Henry Pluenecke, Ovel Ruegner, Daisy Dean Senquist, Maud Smart, Jewel Strachbein, Rudolph Wartenbach, Milton Witt, Sterling Wartenbach, Dorothy Zesch, Carl Biedfeldt, Eudela Barber.

Fourth Grade—"A" students, Minnie Starks, Virginia Eckert, Elfrieda Loeffler, Grace McMillan, Ruth Heinrich, Jesse Raines; "B" students, Zenada Beach, Emma Hey, Lora Hey, Mildred Beach, Maggie Metzger, Lillian Beach, Ruby Dannheim, Gladys Luckie, William Hofmann.

Third Grade—"A" students, Mary Cecile Lawson, Vera Beck, Nellie Kothmann, Lee Roy Eckert, Charles Gipson; "B" students, Anna Marie Bruce, Elna Stark, Reseda Dannheim, Ray Eastman, Edmund Gierisch.

Second Grade—"A" students, Juanita Lemburg, Leona Banta, Runie Lee Anthony, Ruby Schweers, Maybelle Grote; "B" students, Mary Faye Banks, Dorothy Nell Capps, Lusia Beach, Cora Grote, Estella Hartmann, Jenevieve Johnson, Thelma Land, Alice Loeffler, Ruth Saunders, Alice Willmann, Elizabeth Hallett, Earl Jordan and Melvin Cooper.

First Grade—"A" students, J. W. Boston, Karilita Hofmann, Jack Lindsay, Jane Loring, Delmar Sanders, Margaret Martin, Velma Vedder; "B" students, Florence Clark, George Hey, J. M. Land, Helen Lehmburg, Henry Loeffte, Wilburn Ritter, Anna Marie Rode, Maggie Sanders, Leslie Splitzgerber, Lee Roy Strachbein, Wilson Pryor, Tom White, Jr., Margaret Wartenbach.

Frank Jordan was here Monday from the Art section with a colt, which was but a week old and whose forefoot was broken between the ankle and the hoof. He had Dr. Beach to treat the injury in hopes of saving the animal.

Mrs. Cas Brown and little son, Carlyle, arrived in Mason last week for a visit in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schmidt.

Miss Gladys Leslie who taught in the Junction school the past session, arrived home a few days ago to spend her vacation. The Junction school was dismissed earlier this year than usual because of insufficient funds, according to Miss Leslie.

MRS. M. E. COBB CRITICALLY ILL

Mrs. M. E. Cobb is reported to be very critically ill at her home in the Kooekville community. Announcement given out on Tuesday was that little hopes are being held out for her recovery. She has been in bad health for some time and her advanced age of 80 years complicates her chances of recovery. Her daughter, Mrs. Nath Taylor and husband and a sister, Mrs. N. E. Berry, residents of McCulloch county, are here at her bedside.

BRYAN BRADSHAW LANDS A \$3 POUND CAT IN SAN SABA RIVER

Bailey Jones was the recipient of an unusual gift Saturday morning when Bryan Bradshaw, of Calf Creek, drove up to the store of Moffatt Bros. & Jones and informed Mr. Jones that he had long promised to bring him in a nice catfish and stated that he had him out in the car. When Bailey walked out to the car and took a look at the 33 pound yellow cat he thought it was a misnomer and that Bradshaw had brought him a whale. The big fish attracted many interested spectators while on display at the store.—Brady Sentinel.

Richard Lloyd Jones Says

Road Making
a Day by Day Job



Every man is a road-maker. He builds the road over which he himself is to travel. If he is careless and insincere his road will be poorly made and he will find himself stalled in the soft mud of indifference. If he be sincere and diligent he will make a highway over which he can travel far.

The Ancient Romans built, with much labor, the famous Appian Way. To do this they laid end to end great, heavy, flat stones. Time shifted the great blocks of the Appian Way; they were not laid upon a strong bed of little stones.

Many centuries later a Scotchman by the name of McAdam found a better way to build an enduring road. McAdam accepted for his road only very little stones—stones that would slip between his thumb and first finger. The little stones could shift, they could settle and as they shifted and settled the "macadam" road became firmer and better.

The life road-maker who makes surest of his future lays his road bed in daily deeds of good rather than by seeking only to lay down the large blocks of ambitious performance.

The man who gets more out of life and he who gives most to life is the man who sees the good in little things,—who learns how to use little things,—who neglects or despises no detail and who builds his life road constantly and insistently with little deeds well done. Measure the deeds of any great man and you will find his achievements have grown out of an experience of doing the small things with patience and painstaking fidelity.

The man of moral courage does not reach his moral power by one full leap; it is a matter of road-making; he acquires his moral strength step by step.

The architect who conceives the great cathedral or the monumental tower has first learned to use the T-square and the sweep; he has learned the mathematical laws that govern the stress and distribution of weight; he has built his road step by step and over it he has reached the thing of strength and beauty.

The road that is without a firm foundation is not the road of an enduring civilization. Soft clay carries no commerce. The road of least resistance is the road that retards progress,—that holds back the traveler who would use it. Each day we lay the foundation for the road we are to travel tomorrow.

Life's prizes are not gifts; they are goals; they must be won; we must build the road over which we are to pass to reach them.

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Poem by UNCLE JOHN



It seems to me, this world of our'n is more supremely human, and fuller of amazes, sence we've got the Business Woman. . . I've hammered on my prejudice, till I've subdued the critter, and I can welcome Mary Ann, as cordial as I fit her! There ain't a job in man's domain, from war to hullin' clover, that don't appeal to Maude or Jane, and so, we fork 'em over. . . O, welcome to our stalwart ranks, ye Mesdames and ye flappers—invade our shops, our stores, our banks, and show us clumsy yappers! I like perfumery around, I'm fond of curlin' papers—an' don't ye think that whiskers might augment yer mannish capers? . . . And smokin', too, might brace yer game, an' make the deal fraternal,—an' sometimes we could call ye "Jedge" or "Cap" or even "Colonel"! There's nothin' like equality in plain or fancy preachin' nor nothin' in humanity that could be furder reachin'. . . The little step from skyvrt to pants is daily growin' smarter,—Awake, Arouse, Salute, Advance,—My darter, O, my darter!

HOMER'S PHILOSOPHY for 1923

ALL this talk about Pharaoh's curse killing the powerful Carnarvon, the man whose power of wealth and energy succeeded in bringing to light the grave of old Tutankahem, may keep alive old superstition. The Irishman may believe in the banshee and the lughnau a little longer and the "coon" carry an extra rabbit's foot, but truth never lasts, though often it serves a purpose. The dying of the English Earl was not in vain. If life be revealed to us a treasure of knowledge long buried from the inquiring mind of man, and in his death he showed the importance of the little thing. The mouse freed the lion. Maybe the clerk and the busy business man declines to heed a message of millions and of moment. If ye have cars, use them.

Eat where the eats are eatable. Cor. Buy her a box of Norris Chocolate. "We buy Packing stock Butter". May-
ner Cafe. T-ife Brazil Nuts at Mason Drug Com'py. lew Produce Company. 5-3tc

Government Experts Aid Fresh Water Pearl Button Industry

More Than Three Billion
Mussel Shell Buttons Now
Annual Output
An American Enterprise

A SIMPLE rule for judging the quality of a ready-made garment that every housewife should know is the test of the garment by the quality of the button that it bears. In America "a good button" is a good garment," because you always judge a garment by the buttons that are on it. The housewife with an eye for good buttons can more easily select garments of quality, using this simple rule of judgment as an infallible buying guide.

The fresh water pearl button, made from American river shell, is one of the cheapest things in the world, considering the service that it gives. This button, which is in general use in this country today, is American to the core, it is entirely an American product and invention. American machinery is used wherever pearl buttons are made. So important is the industry that it is now fostered by the United States government. Every assistance is given by the Bureau of Fisheries of the Department of Commerce to render the shell resources of this country inexhaustible.



HUSH, LITTLE CLAM SHELL DON'T YOU CRY—YOU'LL BE A PEARL BUTTON, BYE AN' BYE!

Secretary Hoover Tells of Industry's Development

Herbert Hoover, secretary of the Department of Commerce, who has given a great deal of his personal attention to the fresh water pearl button industry, recently said: "The history of the fresh-water mussel industry gives an illustration of the promptness with which an American industry may be developed once the pathway is found.

"Undertaken in a small way about thirty years ago, the manufacture of pearl buttons from mussel shell began almost immediately to assume the proportions of a national industry, and coincident with the rise of the manufacturing industry there developed an important and widespread fishery, directly employing thousands of persons and indirectly thousands of persons and communities in various occupations.

The Department of Commerce,

through the Bureau of Fisheries, has maintained an active interest in the development of the fresh water mussel fishery of the United States, which in its importance and scope of territory, is unique in the world."

Mussel Shell Buttons are Very Fond of Water

Much of the popularity of the fresh water pearl button, particularly for wash garments, is due to the fact that this button has a positive fondness for water. Other buttons such as the horn and bone are soaked to soften the substance in the process of manufacture, but the pearl button is the only button which may be said to be a native of the water.

The fresh water pearl button likes hot water, as well as it does cold, and, unlike some other buttons, it never curls up or cracks when

placed in very hot water. It is because of the reputation this button has of surviving the laundry too that nearly three billion fresh water shell buttons are made in this country each year.

Fresh water pearl buttons may be found on popular priced men's business shirts, work shirts, pajamas or knit underwear. Children's rompers and any wash garment always

Look at the difference in the size of a Purina fed chick and the little under weight chick raised on ordinary grain feed. This is not just a picture—it is a fact that has been proved time and time again by poultry raisers everywhere.

Double Development Guaranteed

The double development guarantee absolutely protects you when you buy Purina Chows. Your money will be refunded if your chicks do not grow twice as fast the first six weeks on Purina Chows as when fed grains alone. See us today.



Mayhew Produce Company

BANK SITUATION CONTINUES IN UNSETTLED CONDITION

Another week has passed and the situation confronting the two closed banks here remains the same, except that all necessary plans have been completed for their re-opening insofar as the local people could go in the matter.

The home people have never fallen down on a single proposition that has been submitted to them, and there are very few depositors who have not signed up on the thirty or less per cent to be charged against their deposits which was done, as stated before, to take care of a portion of the losses. There are some few who have refused to sign this resolution, but they are exceedingly few.

The work of securing the necessary money from outside parties is still being looked after, and every day finds some one at work on the proposition, but just what the outcome is going to be remains to be seen.

The News had held back in the hopes

that something definite could be published at this time, but such is not the case. There are absolutely no facts to be given out since our last issue, as all work that was checking the matter at that time is practically in the same shape now in so far as we have been able to ascertain.

The people have waited and worked long and hard. They have been loyal to every proposition, but they are going to have to continue in their waiting for a while longer.

Just as soon as outside interests can adjust their portion of the work, then just that soon will something be realized, but not until then.

From week to week this paper has hoped that it would be able to give out something, and on different occasions, it has looked as though all was settled, but each time something has blocked the game, and the News is not going to make any statement concerning the opening or otherwise until the matter is finally settled.—Liano News.

Mother's Day

SUNDAY
May 13th

MOTHER'S Day awakens fond memories and sweet sentiments. Prompts the desire to give expression by some token, of your love for HER who was ever your counselor and guide. Gladden the heart of MOTHER with a box of

King's CHOCOLATES
FOR AMERICAN QUEENS

Nothing more appropriate or appreciated than King's Chocolates. These candies are delicious. And they are packed in such beautiful boxes, with decorations which reflect the sentiment of Mother's Day.

Drop in and place your advance orders NOW.
Candy sent by Parcel Post to any address.

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

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Simple Steve
 "You're so smart—what's Friday named after?"
 "I dunno!—Robinson Crusoe's playmate, I guess."
 "No, stupid—Thursday."

Restaurant Philo
 "Pretty soft for you," said the blonde waitress as she placed a cream-stuffed chocolate eclair in front of the portly diner.

Office Vamp Opines
 Any ordinary man can shine in society—if he has a bald head to do it for him.

True—So True
 Wife: "If you have time today, Henry, I wish you would put up the screens."
 Hubby: "That's right—we don't want to let any flies get out."

Wasted Energy
 In the gloaming, Oh, my darling, I go down the cellar stair;
 But long months ago 'twas emptied, And there's no use in going there.

At the Railroad Station
 Boy: "Carry your bay, sir?"
 Traveler: "No."
 Boy: "I'll carry it for a dime."
 Traveler: "I tell you I don't want it carried."
 Boy: "Then why are you carrying it?"

For Highways Fund
 Constable: "The law reads, 'every vehicle shall carry a light when darkness begins.'"
 Five and Costs: "And when does darkness begin?"
 Constable: "When the lights are lit."

Diplomats at Work
 Cynical Sam: "Say, Bill, how much did you say that fish weighed that you caught last Tuesday?"
 Bill: "How much did I tell you?—well, it ain't shrunk none, Sam—it ain't shrunk none."

Yes, Say We
 Tessie: "And, as he was leaving he threw me a kiss."
 Bessie: "Such a lazy fellow."

Evidence! Evidence!
 Pretty girl in a fury
 Faced a St. Louis jury,
 knee.
 As calm as could be,
 Wise foreman, said he:
 "May be true, Miss, but we're from Claiming a Buick had injured her Missouri!"

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

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

A USEFUL CITIZEN

A knocker is a two-legged animal with a corkscrew soul and a water soaked brain. He has a combination back-bone of jelly and glue. Where other people have their hearts he carries a tumor of rotten principles. When a knocker comes down the street, honest men turn their backs, the angels in Heaven take precipitate refuge behind their harps and the devil barlocks the gates of Hell.

Junction is to hold a bond election on May 19th. It is proposed to issue \$60,000 worth of bonds for construction of a new school building.

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

Louisville Slugger bats and the famous D. & M. baseball goods at the Owl Drug Store. 51-1f

We learn that John A. Weimers, of the East Verde neighborhood, has leased his ranch and will go to Hext, in Menard county, to install and manage a cotton gin for his father-in-law, Mr. Searcy.—Bandera New Era.

Will Marschall, now County Agent of Mason County, was in Llano on a business trip and visiting with relatives and friends the first of the week. He was accompanied to Llano by some of his Mason friends. Will stated that they had on another railroad prospect boom in his town, and that the people were behind the proposed project good and strong. For years Mason has been working for railway connections, and the time may now be ripe for their fondest hopes to be realized.—Llano News.

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

BE KEERFUL, SI

The old Biblical truth, "as ye sow so shall ye reap," is as true today as it was when it was written. This is a well balanced world. You either make good or make trouble for yourself. No man can evade very long the consequences of a misspent life. Those who pursue pleasure as their sole aim ultimately take a horizontal position in six feet of earth in some Potters field. They die broke. Self-indulgence is self-inflicted disease. Living in luxury ends in divorce or in distress. Gluttony is gout. Moonshine is misery. Extravagant pleasure is in the end a ticket for the bread line. And the trouble with the most of us, we will read this and call it "huak"—call it preaching; but the world is full of high rollers today who will be flat tires next year.—Selected.

Fresh cement and re-inforcing steel, always on hand at Harry Bierschwale's. 4-13tc.

See us for Purina Chows that will save your Young Turkeys. Mayhew Produce Company. 5

Purina Startona fed with Baby Chick Chow will save from ninety to one hundred per cent of your Young Turkeys. Mayhew Produce Company. 5

TWO PROMINENT YOUNG MEN OF BROWNWOOD ARE ARRESTED HERE ON LIQUOR CHARGE

(From Brady Sentinel)
 Two young men of prominent Brownwood families were placed under arrest here by Sheriff Otis Waddill, accompanied by Chief of Police Felty and charged with having liquor in their possession. The young men were taken before county attorney Pool at the court house, who got in touch with district attorney Walter Earley on the telephone, Mr. Earley instructing Mr. Pool to release the young men on their own recognizance to appear when called for.

Some time during Saturday morning early the officers here were called on the phone by the Brownwood officers and notified that a quantity of liquor had been taken from a laboratory in Brownwood, and asked them to be on the lookout for it. It was while the two were engaged in looking into all cars parked in town that they found a bottle of liquor in the car driven into town by the boys from Brownwood. The young men were attending a dance here and were allowed to remain at the dance until it was over before being taken in charge. When hauled into court Saturday morning both denied any knowledge of the liquor being in the car.

SOMETHING NEW
 Whitman's Pink Package at MASON DRUG COMPY. 45

From Our Early Files

From Mason News, May 6, 1898:

H. Thiers is in Fort Worth attending the Sons of Herman convention as a delegate from the Mason lodge. Marriage license were issued Thursday to Felix R. Joroan and Miss Maud Harris.

The Baptists have bought the M. E. Church, paying \$1,000 therefor. The infant daughter of Sheriff, H. B. Gibbs, died Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Lou Butler has sold her farm and pasture about one-half mile east of town to Wm. Willmann for \$2,130.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bierschwale pleasantly entertained a few friends Friday evening at cards. Those present were Messrs. and Mmes. J. F. Schaege, Alf Kooek, M. A. Hamilton, E. M. Reynolds, F. W. Henderson, Geo. Todd, Leo Gugenheim, V. M. Loring, Mrs. Hattie Reeder; Miss Hattie Ricks, Messrs. H. Jork and R. E. Crawford.

Tom McShan, of Brady, was a guest of Judge Runge the past week.

Henry McDougall has purchased the Baptist church and will have Henry Hofmann erect him a residence from the lumber.

Germany doesn't miss much now if she misses the mark.—Melton's Pen Pointers.

Green, it is said, quiets the nerves. Especially "the long green."—Greenville Piedmont.

If the people were as religious as the statisticians show them to be, the country would be doing quite well.—Minneapolis Journal.

What every business needs is enthusiasm. No one ever complains of the high cost of golf balls.—Boston Shoe and Leather Reporter.

"Only a Genius Should Marry a Genius," a magazine article claims. Right! It takes a genius to stay married to one.—Nashville Tennessean.

We do not recall that the well-known painting depicting the signing of the Declaration of Independence disclosed any participants gowned in sheets and hoods.—Cleveland Times.

The annual race between weeds and vegetables is about to start.—Oklahoma News.

Death and taxes are equally inevitable, but death is not a repeater.—Greenville Piedmont.

In Alaska they get oil from shark's livers, but you never get oil from a shark's oil well.—Houston Press.

There are about 5,000 different languages in the world and money speaks

From Mason News, May 1, 1908:

Born—A girl on the 25th, to Mr. and Mrs. Max Metzger.

Mrs. Max Martin is spending a few weeks in Marlin.

Ed Loeffler has just returned from school at Houston and has a clerkship in the German-American National Bank.

The safe in the store of Theo. Buchholz, of Castell, was blown open Friday night and books and papers taken there from. Only a small amount of change was secured. No clue, so far, as to the perpetrators.

Uncle John Coffey, of the Streeter community, died Saturday morning at the age of 72 years.

W. T. Buriam and son, Waddy, were here last week from Menard on their way to Brewster county, where Mr. Buriam recently purchased a large ranch.

Misses Bernice and Katie Doole returned this week from McCulloch county, where they have been teaching school.



BEST IN THE LONG RUN
 Motorists to whom we sold Silvertown last year told us this Spring that they were the finest tires they had ever bought and could not recommend them too highly.
MASON AUTO CO.
 C. A. Kensing
 MASON, TEXAS



about 5,000 of them.—Washington News.

One of the triumphs of democracy seems to be that the minority has the say and the majority has to pay.—Brooklyn Eagle.

"John D. Rockefeller, Jr., derives an annual income of \$12,000,000 from oil." But it isn't any of his stock the peddlers are trying to sell you.—Toledo Blade.

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

Try our "merchant's lunch" at 40 cents. Corner Cafe. 7-1f

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

CARD OF THANKS
 We wish to thank our dear friends and neighbors for the assistance rendered at the death of our father, and also for their words of sympathy, and for the beautiful flowers.
 1tp THE KAUFMANN CHILDREN.

Editor
 Justice is the Goal of Civilization

Undermining Man's Responsibility
 Governor Charles W. Bryan, of Nebraska, attracted national attention when in his inaugural address he said: "During the past few years and especially during the late war period there has been a universal tendency towards an excess of government. This is resulting in the enactment of public laws for the cure of private and personal ills that are burdening the state government with functions and obligations which will destroy the effectiveness of governmental activities and also of individual responsibility."
 If this condition be true of the states, and there can be no doubt it is true, what shall be said of such an evil when its operations are extended to the national congress. Perhaps the evil is most forcibly brought to public attention in considering the question of appropriations so flagrantly made in defiance of the fundamental and just principle that one class or group shall become the private beneficiary of appropriations made at the expense of the taxpayers. But more than this, the radical tendencies daily becoming more evident in government circles, disclosed as a fact by the members of both great parties, are persistently pressing the opportunist to foist on the nation laws and governmental restrictions that are utterly destructive of business expansion, but which provide an opportunity for a little flag waving, that finds its reward in the applause of the unthinking. If we don't look out we will soon be "governmented to death."

The Paradoxical Mr. Lasker
 With the retirement from the United States Shipping Board of Albert D. Lasker June 1st, the nation will enter upon another experiment in its effort to solve the bewildering problem of a merchant marine.
 Mr. Lasker succeeded Rear Admiral Benson, swept his policies to the four winds and set sail for the port of popularity with as fair a breeze as ever carried a mariner into harbor. That he fizzled out, is largely due to the fact that he failed to follow his own expressed convictions. Lasker knew nothing of ships when he took hold of the shipping board, he knew nothing of the shipping problem. The chances are he knows little more today. Nevertheless, Benson, who had made a life study of our water commerce, was compelled to sit by and see the great dream of an American merchant marine crumble and wither before the new "business administration."
 The plan now is to get rid of our ships and to junk those that can't be sold, thus clearing the seas for privately owned vessels. Perhaps hurrying the retirement of Lasker will bring new life into the thought of putting the American flag back on the seas.
 It is admitted an American merchant marine never can be brought into being without the intelligent support of the farmer and the folk in the inland towns and villages who do not sense what water traffic means to the prosperity and indeed to the safety of America. Admiral Benson had this plan of enlightenment well under way. Lasker publicly approved of it, but having done so he then proceeded forthwith to destroy it. Great minds, like providence move in a mysterious way their wonders to perform.

Punchettes

Rev. M. A. Matthews
 D.D., LL.D.
 AUTO CASTER

HOW TO REDUCE TAXES
 The universal cry is against high taxes. The cry should not be against high taxes, but against the corrupt use of taxes. The question of high or low taxes is to some extent governed by the valuation put upon property from the public treasury. Crush the socialistic paternal spirit growing up in this country, whether in the form of the pork barrel or government ownership of public utilities. All such unconstitutional doctrines and practices are increasing the taxes to the breaking point.
 The continued excessive tax burden can be traced to certain abuses:
 First: Extravagant, complicated governments. The office seekers, office holders, and tax eaters have multiplied government machinery to perpetuate themselves in office. If you would reduce the machinery and throw out of office the inefficient, rat-hole hunting office parasites you would reduce the cost of municipal, county, state and national governments 30 per cent. Today, you have about sixty cents of every dollar of tax money invested in government, and the other forty cents is represented by waste, fraud, inefficiency and graft.
 The bureaucracy of this country is a curse to good government and a criminal expense upon the tax-ridden public. Simplify governmental machinery and put competent, trained, patriotic men in office, and taxes will be reduced 80 per cent. within a short time.
 Second: Destroy the spoils system. Elect or appoint men to office solely on the ground of merit. Then you will get an honest day's work for true love of country, and a just consideration of the trust imposed.
 Third: Teach the people they must support the government and not expect

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Society

Woman's Missionary Society
The Woman's Missionary Society will meet at the home of Mrs. James Brown Tuesday, May 8th, at 3 o'clock. Subject—"Christ Casting out Demons."
Leader—Mrs. Carl Runge.
Music.
Opening Song—No. 143, "Look and Live."
Bible Lesson—Jesus, The Teacher: John 3-1-17, by Leader.
Christ Casting out Demons Through the Evangelistic Center, Mrs. J. E. Barber.
"Life's Canvas", Reading—Mrs. Ed Smith.
Christ Casting out Demons Through Liberation—Mrs. Robt. Hofmann.
The Happy Home, Reading—Mrs.

Otto Schmidt.
Music.
Closing Song—187, "My Faith Looks up to Thee."

HILDA SCHOOL PICNIC

The Hilda School closes Saturday, May 12th. Some of the interesting features of the picnic will be a stock-judging contest for the Hilda boys at 10 o'clock a. m.

Barbecue at 12 o'clock.
Program by the school at 1:30 p. m.
Base ball game at 3 p. m.
A program will be rendered at 7:45 by the young people of the Hilda Community.
Everybody come and have a good time.

Gilbert Frazier, of San Antonio, came last week for a visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bierschwale. It is announced this young man contemplates going to Italy in the near future to study voice. He is indeed talented and has studied voice under some of

the best instructors in San Antonio for a number of years. His parents expect to accompany him to Italy, where they will remain until he completes his studies in that country.

Radio Station As-6 Gives Good Program

A good program was presented last night from Radio AS-6, the Fort Sam Houston station. Miss Hilda Lemberg, a rising young lyric soprano whose work already is attracting attention, gave three numbers, including "Kentucky Babe," "O Solo Mio," and "Golondrina." She was accompanied at the piano by Miss Olga Louise Seiser.

Four piano numbers were presented by Miss Seiser, who is a young pianist of this city. They were "Chopin Waltz," "Valse Chromatic," "Song Without words," and "Czardas." Delightful readings also were given by Miss Josephine Fallon, young Harlandale High School girl, a pupil of Mrs. Lyons, dramatic art teacher. They included "The Girl He Forgot" and "The Tin Pan Brigade."—San Antonio Express.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Marriage License

Mr. William Clarence Dodd and Miss Alma Mae Fickos, April 27th.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Houston Braby, a girl, April 30th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Ivy, a boy, April 27th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Thompson, a boy, April 25th.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee McGhee, a girl, April 30th.

Mr. and Mrs. Alf Polk, a girl, April 27th.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Starks, a boy, April 26th.

Seven O'clock Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bierschwale entertained quite delightfully Monday with a seven o'clock dinner. The guests present included Mrs. W. S. Banks, of Temple, Mrs. Jennie Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lemberg, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. White.

Name Omitted

Last week the name of Mrs. Ben Jordan was omitted from the list of those present at the entertainment given by Mrs. Seth Baze in honor of Mrs. W. S. Banks, of Temple.

"We buy Packing stock Butter", Mayhew Produce Company. 5-3tc

GOOCH CEMETERY ASSOCIATION WILL MEET MONDAY, MAY 7TH

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the Gooch Cemetery Association of Mason will be held at the court house in Mason on the first Monday in May, the same being Monday, May 7th, at 3 o'clock.

Officers for the Association for the ensuing year are to be elected, and such other business as may come before the organization will also be transacted.

It is urged that all members of the Association pay their dues at once to either E. J. Lemberg or Otto Schmidt, as the treasurer is badly in need of funds to meet expenses in connection with having the cemetery cleaned of the weeds and grass at this time. Every one interested is also urged to attend the meeting on May 7th.

E. J. LEMBERG, President.

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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.

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CHURCH NOTICES

GERMAN METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School every Sunday at 10 a. m.—Harry Plueneke, Supt.
Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:45 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.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The usual services Sunday. We hope to have a good day. Hope you can be with us.
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MASON COUNTY NEWS.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS

Notice is hereby given that the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Mason County will convene at the court house in Mason on the third Monday in May, 1923, the same being the 21st day of May, to sit as a board of equalization.
R. E. LEE,

County Clerk, Mason County, Mason, Texas. 7-2tc

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J. J. JOHNSON

Mrs. Ery Hamilton Hostess

Mrs. Ery Hamilton called in a number of close friends for an informal gathering Tuesday afternoon and a most delightful time was spent in social conversation. Mrs. Hamilton served delicious ice cream and cake.

Enjoying this hospitality were Meses. Belle W. Bridges, W. S. Banks, J. W. White, John Lemburg, Jennie Reynolds, John Gamel, Roscoe Runge, Tom White, Seth Baze and Ben Jordan.

Entertain with Dinner

On Wednesday, of last week, at noon, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. White had as dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Seth Baze, Mr. and Mrs. Tom White, Mrs. Jennie Reynolds and Mrs. W. S. Banks, of Temple.

During the afternoon, several friends "dropped in" and a spirited game of "92" was indulged in.

Miss Mayme Doell, primary teacher in the local school, took her grade on a picnic Tuesday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alf Polk are receiving congratulations from their friends on being the fond parents of a girl, which was born on the 26th of April.

The Junior Epworth League Society of the local German M. E. Church enjoyed a lawn party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Eckert last Friday night.

Miss Willie Mae Bickenbach spent the past week-end in Bandera, visiting among relatives and friends. Mr. Hunter, editor of the Bandera New Era, is an uncle of Miss Willie Mae's.

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Woman's Literary Club

The Woman's Literary Club held its weekly meeting Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Belle W. Bridges. Members present were Meses. R. Lee, Ery Hamilton, Jennie Reynolds, R. H. Kidd, John Lemburg, Lala Loring, A. L. Strickland, Belle W. Bridges, Tom White and Meses Julia Bierschwale and Edna Kettner.

The Club was honored with an interesting talk on "Women's Work", by Mrs. Banks who has been a guest at our last two meetings.

Our lesson for May 3rd will be a synopsis of some books in our library: May 10th, "Texas Writers"; May 19th, "Foreign Authors".

George and Felix Heier arrived in Mason recently from Wichita Falls, being called here by the illness of their sister, Miss Mary.

TWO-HEADED TERRAPIN

Albemarle county, Virginia, has produced quite a lot of freaks, but by long odds the most unique and unheard-of is the dry-land terrapin brought to Charlottesville the other day by C. E. Black, who resides two miles south of Crozet, on the Miller school road.

The specimen was taken near a spring by a young girl on Black's farm, and shows a remarkable growth of two perfectly developed heads on separate necks which meet just at the edge of the shell. The animal uses each head equally well, and each one is provided with a mouth and complete snapping apparatus.

FIFTY-FIFTY

Vanderveer—What are you going to name your new baby?

Slocum—We have decided to call him Smiler.

Vanderveer—Isn't that rather a strange selection?

Slocum—Yes, maybe; but, you see, it came about this way: I was for Smith and my wife was for Miller. I wanted to name the baby after Al, and she wanted to name him after Nat. So after a long argument we decided to go 50-50 and used half of the name of each—hence Smiler.—Brooklyn Standard-Union.

ALL THINGS USEFUL

"The exiled monarch has found a place to stay?"

"Yes."

"He wants for nothing?"

"Well, he has a pension and is amply supplied with writing materials for his memoirs. In the circumstances I don't see what else he could ask for."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Baptist Aid Society

The Baptist Aid Society will meet at the home of Mrs. L. F. Clark Thursday May 10th, at 3 o'clock, at which the following program will be rendered:

Subject—Schools for Special Training.

Leader—Mrs. F. W. Jenkins.

Hymn No. 327.

Prayer.

Bible Study—Human Manuscripts, Mrs. C. S. Velder.

Personal Service Period, Mrs. P. A. Bennett.

The Ministry of Spiritual Gifts, Mrs. Oscar Seaquist.

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Mrs. Henry Saunders.

The Baptist Bible Institute, Mrs. Garrett.

The Great Teacher, Mrs. Fred Key.

Special Reading, Mrs. Herring.

Hymn No. 100.

Closing prayer.

Mrs. Silas Brandenberger and baby and Andrew Schreiber returned last Saturday from a few days' visit with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. G. W. W. Schreiber, of Industry. Andrew stated he found it necessary to leave his car there and return home by rail because of the great amount of rainfall in that section. He stated one day a 5-inch rain fell during their visit.

W. F. Lawson is repairing the telephone line for the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company from this city to Menard. This line goes through by way of London and it is announced Mr. Lawson, with his assistant crew will be out for several days.

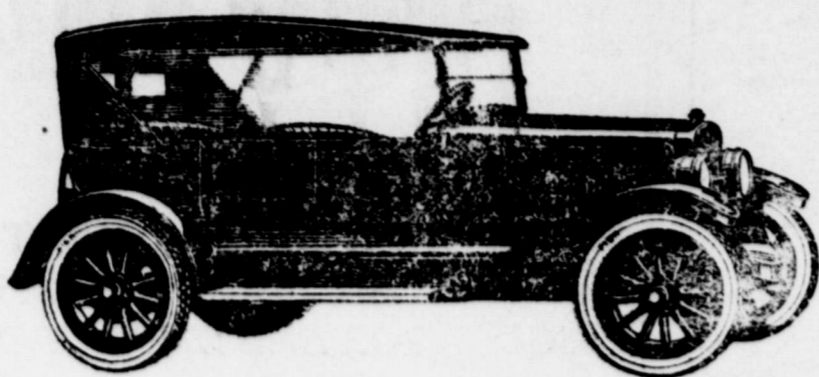
Miss Margaret Bierschwale, instructor of English in the John Tarleton College at Stephenville, enjoyed a short visit the past week in Mason with home folks. She returned to Stephenville today.

Mrs. Jennie Williams and Mrs. Louie C. Loring left Monday for San Antonio, where the former will consult a physician during their absence. They expect to return home the last of the week.

The weeds are growing tall and rank, due to the vast amount of rainfall we have been receiving. Now is the time to get after them before they get any further advanced.

The Mason High School baseball team took two games from the Copeland Brothers' team during the show's stay in our city. On Thursday of last week the boys dealt their opponents a shutout, the score being 7 to 0. The same teams played again Friday afternoon and won 5 to 4. The local team was to have played the Fredericksburg team on Friday, but their failure to come, brought about the matching of the second game with the Copeland Bros' team.

Miss Maru Heier was taken critically ill a few days ago and she was taken to a sanitarium on Tuesday of this week for treatment.



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TOMIE ELLIS

Tomie Ellis was born in Menard county April 23, 1868, and died at his home

above town April 22, 1923, lacking just one day of being 55 years of age.

He was married to Miss Easter Wyatt, also of Menard county, Febru-

ary 6, 1896, and to this union were born six children all of whom survive and are Mrs. M. M. Mattison, of Breckenridge, Mrs. Francis Crissman of Eldorado, Miss Totsie Ellis of San Angelo, Ben Ellis of Eldorado and Rossman and Estes Ellis of Menard, all of whom were at his bedside at the time of his death except Mrs. Mattison who arrived on the train Monday morning. His wife, mother, one brother, Gilbert Ellis, and a sister, Mrs. G. W. Bradford, survive him.

The funeral was conducted at the grave Monday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock by Rev. W. R. Howell. Interment was immediately following.

The large gathering of friends who assembled at his graveside to pay the last sad tribute of respect to a fallen friend and neighbor and the profusion of floral offerings were testimonials of the esteem in which he was held.

Mr. Ellis was a good man, honest, conscientious, and stood foursquare for every principle of right, and was honored and respected most by those who knew him best.

He was stricken Saturday with a severe pain in his head. A physician was summoned who pronounced his trouble a ruptured blood vessel at the base of the brain. All that medical skill and loving hands could do could not stay the messenger of death and he passed away Sunday afternoon.—Menard Messenger.

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BOTH WHOLESALE AND RETAILERS MUST PAY GAS TAX

Austin, April 25.—Under the terms of the recently enacted gasoline tax bill, one cent per gallon must be paid by all persons or firms selling gasoline substitute in this state, the Attorney General held in an opinion today. This is taken to mean that the retail dealers as well as the wholesalers must pay the tax.

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 meagre figure.

The Doctor Was Right

When the good old family doctor was asked about baking powders, he said:

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While fishing in the Llano river on last Sunday, Worth Peterson caught a twenty-five pound cat fish with his reel and rod. He had an extra strong line on the reel, and stated that he must have played with the big fish for at least thirty minutes before he was able to land him. There have been many fish taken from this river much larger than this one, but if any person has ever succeeded in catching one larger than this one was, on an ordinary line, the matter has never been brought to our attention.

Up until the last rain, fishing has been extra good and many have been on the banks of the stream daily, returning with good strings of fish on most occasions.—Llano News.

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Dr. Jones, the Eye Man, at Dr. McCollum's office, Thursday, May 10th. Eyes Examined, Glasses fitted, Headache and Eye Strain Relieved.

At Pontotoc Wednesday, 9th. 7-2t

County agent, R. S. Miller arrived Wednesday evening with several thousand pecan buds which he had brought from San Saba. Farmers were waiting at the court house for the arrival of Mr. Miller in order that they might take their quota to their respective communities.—Fredericksburg Radio Post.

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took a Ladies Birthday Almanac and read of a case something like mine. I told my husband to get it and I would try it. "I saw a great improvement after the first bottle (of Cardui), so I kept it up until I was well. Now I am the picture of health." Thousands of other women have written, to tell of the beneficial results obtained by taking Cardui, and to recommend it to others. Cardui has stood the test of extensive use, for more than forty years, in the treatment of troubles common to women. Try it.



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(Bronwood Bulletin)

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THE TIMID JANIEY

By JANE GORDON

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"You will not be afraid," they said to Janiey as they left her alone in the big silent house. Stephen lingered. "I hate to leave you," he regretted, and sighed wearily.

"It's that everlasting business, interfering even with my pleasure in your visit. The office men will not work overtime—so I have to."

Janiey reached up to help her fiancé on with his fur coat. "Is the revolt as bad as ever?" she asked.

"Worse," Stephen Ware told her. There are two or three men among the workers who are firebrands. It taxes all my diplomacy to deal with them."

Mrs. Ware turned back to chide her son. "If you are going to drop us at the reception, Stephen, you will have to hurry. The car is at the door. You will not be afraid, Janiey?" she repeated her question. "I am sorry this sudden cold of yours prevents you from going with us."

Janiey, the guest of her fiancé's mother, lied bravely. "Oh, I shall not be afraid," she said.

The auto rolled out of the drive. Janiey, humming in an assurance which she did not feel, went back to the comfortable chair by the fireplace and endeavored to become interested in the book which Stephen had told her would make her forget her solitary condition.

Annoyed at her own cowardice, Janiey sat up to listen. Eleven o'clock! The book dropped from her grasp. Smiling, she reclined it, pausing before resuming her reading to adjust her hair before a panel mirror against the wall opposite.

A man, back in the shadows of the music room paused too, breathlessly. He was a broad young man with a cap pulled down over his eyes—watching the girl's every movement.

The man crept toward the impressive dining room. Its buffet was laden with costly silver; the silver candlesticks at either end bore the "Ware" monogram. He advanced toward the silver-lined buffet. Then, threateningly, he swung around. The heretofore absorbed young woman was rising to her feet. Through the curtained doorway the burglar watched her move toward the telephone.

She seated herself so composedly before the telephone stand that the man hesitated.

Janiey gave a number. "Taxi service," she explained to central. The burglar waited, his threatening revolver in his hand.

"Yes, please," the girl's voice was saying. "I would like to be called for at once. I am going on to a dance after the reception. Have just decided to go. Hurry over at once, to 48 Park lane—48 Park lane—in five minutes? All right."

Joe Gant drew back against the wall as she passed him on her way to a clothes closet which opened from the living room. She found there an opera cloak and a small hat which she adjusted, sitting down, then, to await the expected taxi.

Joe decided to wait too, until she should be gone. Then the house to himself—Stephen Ware's house—to plunder.

She would have to pass this curtained recess on her way to the door. Joe moved stealthily toward the dining room; he looked back—and encountered the girl's eyes in the panel mirror. Something in her gaze told him that she had discovered him in that manner a short time previously.

Boldly he stepped out into the light. "I don't think," he said quietly, "that I will let you go. You've been too clever. Your taxi man can ring. He won't ring," Janiey heard herself coolly answering. "The man will force entrance, for it was not a taxi that I called, but the police."

The burglar came forward menacingly. "I heard you say—" he muttered. "You heard me," she explained. "when I covered the telephone mouthpiece. You also heard me when I asked the police to hurry over at once—in five minutes. They knew what that meant. I think I hear them now. It will make it harder for you," Janiey hastily added, "to be found with that pistol."

The burglar stared at her, his attitude quickly changing.

"You've got to let me out of here," he demanded. "I did not come of my own account. I was sent by our society. We work for Stephen Ware, and he gets rich out of our labor. We

wanted to take from him some of our earnings—let him see how it feels to be robbed. I've got a mother who will go crazy when she reads this, in the paper—and I've got sisters at school. I'm telling you the truth."

"Then," Janiey said, "you are one of the firebrands that are ruining Stephen Ware's men. You are most unjust. I happen to know, straight, conscientious work will bring you the reward that you prefer to fight for. Will you be Stephen Ware's friend after tonight? Will you be your own friend? I shall claim your promise."

"I will," breathed Joe Gant.

Janiey was greeting the police officer. "I must beg your pardon," she said ruefully. "I am from Lynden village. I called the police station tonight when I should have called a taxi."

"And there was something about her," the officer later explained to his mates. "That would make a man forgive her if she'd called out the whole force."

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CHICKENS

If you have chickens to sell, don't fail to get my prices.
31-tf J. J. JOHNSON.

F. R. Jordan, the Katemey merchant, and postmaster, was a business visitor in Mason Tuesday. He stated the son of Mr. Hubert Jordan, who was recently operated upon for appendicitis, is still in a very critical condition but is slightly improved since last report.

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Ernest M. Jordan was here last Saturday from the Art section and enrolled as a News subscriber.

The "Noisemaker" Brought Success

By WALTER DELANEY

Dexter Avery had invested what little capital he had in a motion picture show at Danvers and was counting the cost of inexperience and competition.

He was a clean, earnest young fellow and deserved success. It seemed assured at the start, but the second week of the new popular playhouse a rival came into the field. It was not an honest rival, and thereby hangs a tale.

Lemuel Foster had been his rival in love, although he was old enough to be the father of the object of their mutual adoration, Joyce Darrell. Foster had quite some means, but Joyce had always preferred Dexter.

The "Wonderland," as Dexter's playhouse was called, ran a neat, instructive entertainment. Foster started in with a sensational show and cut the admission price to a dime.

The "Palace," as his place was called, gathered in mostly the poorer class of people, but took just enough patronage from the Wonderland to make both houses lose money.

"I'll drive Avery onto the rocks," was the open vaunt of the revengeful Foster. "When he's beggared and out of a job, maybe the Darrells won't think so much of him."

Joyce had encouraged Dexter every way in her power, but one evening after the show Dexter sat in his little office disconsolately calculating how soon his fast disappearing capital would come to an end.

He was aroused from his abstraction as a rattle sounded beyond the side door of the building. It was fol-



"Who Are You?"

lowed by a distinct groan. Dexter opened the door. A forlorn looking figure sat crouched upon the doorstep. "Who are you?" challenged Dexter, peering sharply and making out a pale, slatternly man of about fifty.

"I'll move on, boss. Thought no one would disturb me here."

He struggled to his feet with the air of a man weary and weak. His deep, cavernous eyes seemed to speak of deprivation and hunger.

"Hold on," spoke Dexter, as the man started to move away. "What is the matter?"

"Nothing particular now, since you've spoken to me in a pleasant, friendly tone," declared the roustabout. "It's a rarity, a kind word, so good-night and thank you."

"Come in," invited Dexter, his own present troubles making him thoughtful of the discomforts of others. "You look hungry and cold."

"Both, boss, and half sick in the bargain. It's good of you, and honestly I deserve it."

Dexter Avery found that this was true within an hour. He set a fair meal before his strange guest. He provided him with a better coat than the ragged one he wore, and he placed two benches together and made up quite a comfortable bed for the wayfarer.

The man was asleep when Dexter awoke in the morning, and he did not disturb him. Some business took him to the post office. When he returned he found the playhouse swept out and dusted and everything in apple-pie order.

"I guess you have earned your breakfast," he said, pleased at the willing labor of his pensioner.

"Call it dinner and supper, too," suggested the tramp cheerily, "and I'll help you with the afternoon and evening shows. I worked once in just such a place as this, and with this coat you've given me I might qualify as quite a respectable usher—hey,

boss?"

Somehow the man exactly fitted into place. Somehow, too, he seemed to bring good luck. At all events, that afternoon a crowd of forty students came in a group to the show. The house was well filled also during the evening performance. Dexter knew the cause of this, when he learned that his guest had spent two hours circulating programs through the village.

Banks, Tom Banks—that was his name, a ne'er-do-well, a rolling stone, he termed himself—got to pretty well understand the amusement situation in the town during two days' faithful duty in behalf of the man to whom he felt so grateful for befriending him.

"Tell you, Mr. Avery," he observed, the third morning, "I guess I'm a fixture here, if you don't object."

"I can't pay you much," remarked Dexter.

"Who asked you for any pay?" retorted Banks. "I'm thinking of your end of the proposition, just as you thought of mine when I was hungry and cold and homeless. So I've got an idea. It's one I tried on at that picture show I was with last year."

"And what was that?" inquired Dexter.

"A Noise Maker."

"I don't understand."

"Don't you try till you see it operate. Are you willing to invest five dollars on my promise that I'll guarantee to make it pay the biggest dividends you ever saw?"

"If you mean trusting you—"

"I do."

"There's the money."

Tom Banks left the show in high clover. He visited a junk shop, a foundry, all kinds of odd places. He returned to the Wonderland loaded up with numerous mysterious bundles.

"You keep out of this," he said playfully to Dexter, as he and the motion picture operator set a screen behind the little stage and removed the bundles thither. "We're rigging up a trade catcher, a money winner. You'll have to find a substitute usher today, though. I've something else to attend to."

Then, when the projector began to reel off the films for the first show that afternoon, Dexter comprehended what his ingenious friend had been up to.

The first reel depicted a sea romance. When the parser in the film rang the call bell, a real bell sounded out. When a storm was depicted, rolling thunder thrilled the audience. When the boatswain placed a whistle to his lips, a realistic trill echoed out.

The audience went into spasms of delight. They continued, as in film two the hoofs of a trotting horse sent a klepperty-klop clamor through the house. The woodland birds hopping about in the picture gave out an entrancing chorus.

Film three set the audience wild. It had a horseshoeing scene, and every time the worthy smith dealt a blow with his hammer a genuine anvil rang out.

Dexter, quite excited, hastened behind the stage to find his faithful helper seated before a heap of miscellaneous articles—an anvil, whistles, a bell, bone clappers, in fact a perfect equipment for adding lifelike delineation to the scenes thrown from the projector.

It was all over town by night. The "Noise Maker" had created a furore. There was a new thrill in the natural well-timed sounds that emphasized the expression of the pictures.

Within a week the cheap and common Palace was languishing and the Wonderland had all the crowds.

"So this is your friend, the Noise Maker?" spoke Joyce, as she lingered at the playhouse one evening to congratulate her lover on his assured success and for the first time met Banks.

"My fortune maker you had better call it, Joyce," replied Dexter buoyantly.

"You was good to me, boss," said Tom Banks earnestly—"I couldn't help but be true to you!"

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WHO LOVES ALARM CLOCK?

Faithful or Unfaithful, It Seems Impossible for Slumber Stopper to Earn Affection.

Our faith in early hours is greatly shaken by learning that an alarm clock is usually good for nothing after three years of it. If that cold, insensitive mechanism can't stand the daily grind of a forced matutinal activity, how can human nature?

We would not call in question those eccentric and fortunate souls who joyfully put sleep away at sunrise or before it, but we do challenge the wholesomeness of a violent summons from one's beauty sleep.

Debitly follows fast for the clock that so indulges itself and we fear that it is commensurable to its victim. Long before an alarm clock totally defuncts it betrays signs of its coming end. We have one that only keeps going at all by lying supine and whose heart action has to be spurred by fierce massage on one side or the other.

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A Ray of Hope.

The smoke settled heavily about the downtown district one day recently and was particularly thick in the pocket between Highland avenue and New Jersey street. In this locality a large school building stands with an abundant supply of portables and annexes, none of which is supplied with electric lights.

The children in one of these rooms had just assembled for the day's work. The teacher saw dimly before her near the rear of the room the wave of a hand.

"What is it, Tommy?" said the teacher, whose voice managed to penetrate the gloom.

"May I go home to get my flashlight to do my morning work?"—Indianapolis News.

KEMAL'S RISE TO GREATNESS

Foremost Figure in Turkey Today May Reasonably Claim to Be a "Self-Made" Man.

Forty years ago when Abdul Hamid II was sultan in Constantinople and the crescent and star still floated over Saloniki, an underling in the Saloniki custom office died, leaving his widow with a small daughter and an infant son. The daughter in time grew up and married. The son was intended by his mother for the mosque school and the career of hoja, but he became fascinated by the uniform of the army officers whom he saw about the streets, as is the way of Turkish sons.

In time he succeeded in passing the examinations for the military preparatory school at Saloniki, where his mathematics teacher became so fond of him that he left off calling him his given name of Mustapha and dubbed him Kemal, a Turkish name meaning "rightness." Today the name by which his mathematics teacher once knew him as a soft boy at Saloniki has become the name by which the world knows him as a man of iron at the mud town of Angora in Asia Minor. Today Abdul Hamid, Enver pasha and Damad Ferid pasha one after the other, have dropped out of the story, although for the first 28 years of Mustapha Kemal's life—he is forty-one today—Abdul Hamid looms above him like a great black djinn above a wanderer on a lonely horizon.—Current History Magazine.

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C. C. Christillis who recently arrived in this county from Dallas to spend the summer among relatives and friends, received word Wednesday, announcing the death of his sister's child and the sad intelligence of her critical illness. He left immediately for Dallas in his auto, anticipating an early arrival there. Mr. Christillis is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. John Ruegner, of the Katemey section, and a nephew to Mrs. Max Reichenau and Mrs. Alex Reichenau of this city.

AUNT DIES AT FREDERICKSBURG

Ed Ellebracht, of this city, received a message Wednesday informing him of the sudden death of his aunt, Mrs. William Ellebracht, of Fredericksburg, and advising of the funeral to be held in that city on Thursday afternoon.

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.

Mrs. Albert Lee has been chosen by the local school board to teach the remainder of the school term in the High School in the place of Miss Florence Patton, who recently resigned. Mrs. Robert Lee only taught a few days.

News readers are again called attention to the meeting of the Gooch Cemetery Association, which is to be held at the court house on Monday afternoon. A notice of the meeting appears elsewhere in this issue.

Tom Baxter Buys Interest in Market

It is announced Tom Baxter recently purchased a half interest in the meat market of J. W. Hasse. The deal was closed and Mr. Baxter became a member of the firm on the first of this month.

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.

Messrs. August and Ernest Gimble, of San Antonio, were in Mason over Sunday and were guests at the Denver Hotel. The Messrs. Gimble were residents of Mason a good many years ago and are pleasantly remembered in Mason by quite a few of the elder generation. It is said they are now operating a potato chip factory in San Antonio.

Miss Cora Durst is visiting with home folks in the Castell community. She has been residing in Dallas for several months, but was called home last week because of the illness of her father. It is said Mr. Durst is now on the road to recovery.

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