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EUGENE ZESCH LOSES HOME BY FIRE SUNDAY MORNING

Shortly before noon last Sunday the ranch home of Eugene Zesch, about nine miles below Mason on the old Hilda road, was destroyed by fire. The fire was started when an oil stove which was being used to prepare the noon meal, exploded. Only Mr. Zesch and his brother-in-law and two of the Zesch children were at home when the fire broke out.

It is stated the residence and its entire contents were lost in the flames; he being able to save nothing but his writing desk. We are informed Mr. Zesch did not attempt to take anything from the building at first, but in stead began to search for the two small children, fearing they might be in the house. Much time was lost in running through the building in search of them and before he located them out in the yard the flames had spread beyond any hope of control and it was impossible to save anything from within.

Information is that Mr. Zesch estimates his loss in the neighborhood of \$12,000 with no insurance.

M'COLLOCH CO. FAIR CALLED OFF

(Brady Standard)

Owing to adverse crop conditions, due to the grasshopper plague, the great devastation of crops by hail, and ravages of the leaf worms in sections where good crops were otherwise promised, the Executive committee of the McCulloch County Co-operative Exhibit has authorized the statement that the Exhibit has been postponed until next year. This action is taken due to pressure brought to bear on the Executive Committee by the business men and the announcement of many of our larger communities that it would be impossible for them to participate in the Exhibit this year.

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TEXAS LONGHORN FOOTBALL SQUAD LOSES TEN PLAYERS

Austin, Texas, Aug. 16.—Ten of the stellar players on the University of Texas Longhorn football squad of 1922 will not be back in the orange and white uniform this fall to aid the team in its hard schedule, while twelve squad members, most of them comparatively new players, will return to help strengthen the Varsity squad.

The loss of "Swede" Swenson, veteran center and captain of last year's team, will probably be felt more than that of any other man on the team. Many of those who are leaving are valuable football men.

In spite of the loss of these last year stars, however, many promising players of last year's squad will return, among them Gilstrap, last year end, and Hobby Robertson, one of the best halfbacks in the conference. Dick Burns and Joe Ward, veteran and proven tackles, will return.

With this and other material as a nucleus for the Longhorn eleven, Coach Stewart will face the problem of selecting the remainder of his material from the freshman team of 1922 and the Shorthorn, or ineligible team, of the same year. Many promising men played with these teams last year, and as the coach has proven his ability in assembling, and assorting material prospects for the 1923 Longhorn eleven do not look so bad.

LIST OF LETTERS REMAINING

Uncalled for in this office for the week ending August 11, 1923.

1. Billington, Haden.
2. Harrison, Overton.
3. Dickinson, W. E.
4. Dickinson, Mrs. W. E.
5. Henry, Miss Gladys.
6. Lewis, Rex.
7. Penn, Mrs. H. E.
8. Smith, John.
9. Wright, Mrs. C. A.

These letters will be sent to the dead letter office, August 27, 1923 if not delivered before. In calling for the above, please say "Advertised," giving date of this list.

JENNIE W. REYNOLDS, P. M.

Mmes. T. O. Reardon and Gus Rau have returned from an extended visit among relatives in Fort Worth.

STAR THEATER ANNOUNCES A SHOW FOR NEXT MON. NIGHT

Otto Schmidt, manager of the Star Theater, has announced a show for next Monday night and the picture for the occasion is reputed to be one of the very best productions he has been able to book for some time. "The Connecticut Yankee" carrying an all star cast in which Harry C. Myers and Pauline Starke play the leading role.

In booking this picture for Monday night Mr. Schmidt stated he did so because of the fact he had cancelled Friday night shows the past two weeks in order to co-operate with the Methodist Revival Meeting, which is now going on, but which closes Sunday night. Mr. Schmidt will show "The Connecticut Yankee" Saturday night and again on Monday night. Elsewhere in the News will be found a news story on this picture.

MEETING AT LONG MOUNTAIN CLOSED ON LAST FRI. NIGHT

The meeting which has been in progress at Long Mountain was brought to a close on last Friday night, and according to reports a good attendance was had each night.

Rev. D. G. Hardt, pastor of the Methodist church at Art, has the following to say about the meeting:

"I am glad to report that we closed a splendid meeting at Long Mountain last Friday night. Bro. J. H. C. Maxwell, of Ozona, did the preaching. The church as a whole was revived. The church people were edified, many backsliders were reclaimed, and many sinners were converted. There were nine accessions to the church; four of them by baptism. Five children were dedicated to the Lord thru baptism. A Woman's Missionary Society with twenty members was organized, and an Epworth League with 34 members."

Mrs. E. J. Lemburg entertained at dinner last Monday. Those present included Mrs. Will Lemburg, Miss Jessie Lemburg and Masters Frederick and Maurice Lemburg, of McAllen, Mrs. Jim Lemburg and Mrs. Arthur Lemburg, of Dallas, Mrs. Ben Hoerster and Mrs. Nellie Loeffler, of San Antonio, Mrs. John Geistweidt, of Hilda, and Mrs. John Lemburg, of this city.

The new home of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Schmidt is rapidly being completed and it is said they hope to get into it about the first of September.

NEWS FROM CASTELL

J. W. Leifeste, family and little niece, Vernell, and Miss Otilie Leifeste left for San Antonio Tuesday where Mr. Leifeste has some business to attend to, and Miss Otilie Leifeste will go on to Gonzales County to visit her sister, Mrs. W. R. Heldberg.

Paul Kurz, from Somerset is visiting here among relatives and friends. He stated that his garage business was coming on nicely. He states the oil fields there are rather quiet at present.

Mr. E. J. Dalchau and family spent a week here and then Mr. Dalchau went back to Dallas and Mrs. Dalchau and five fine looking young ladies spent several weeks here. Their visit was enjoyed. M. C. Dalchau accompanied them on their return to Dallas. Clarence Lehmburg also went along.

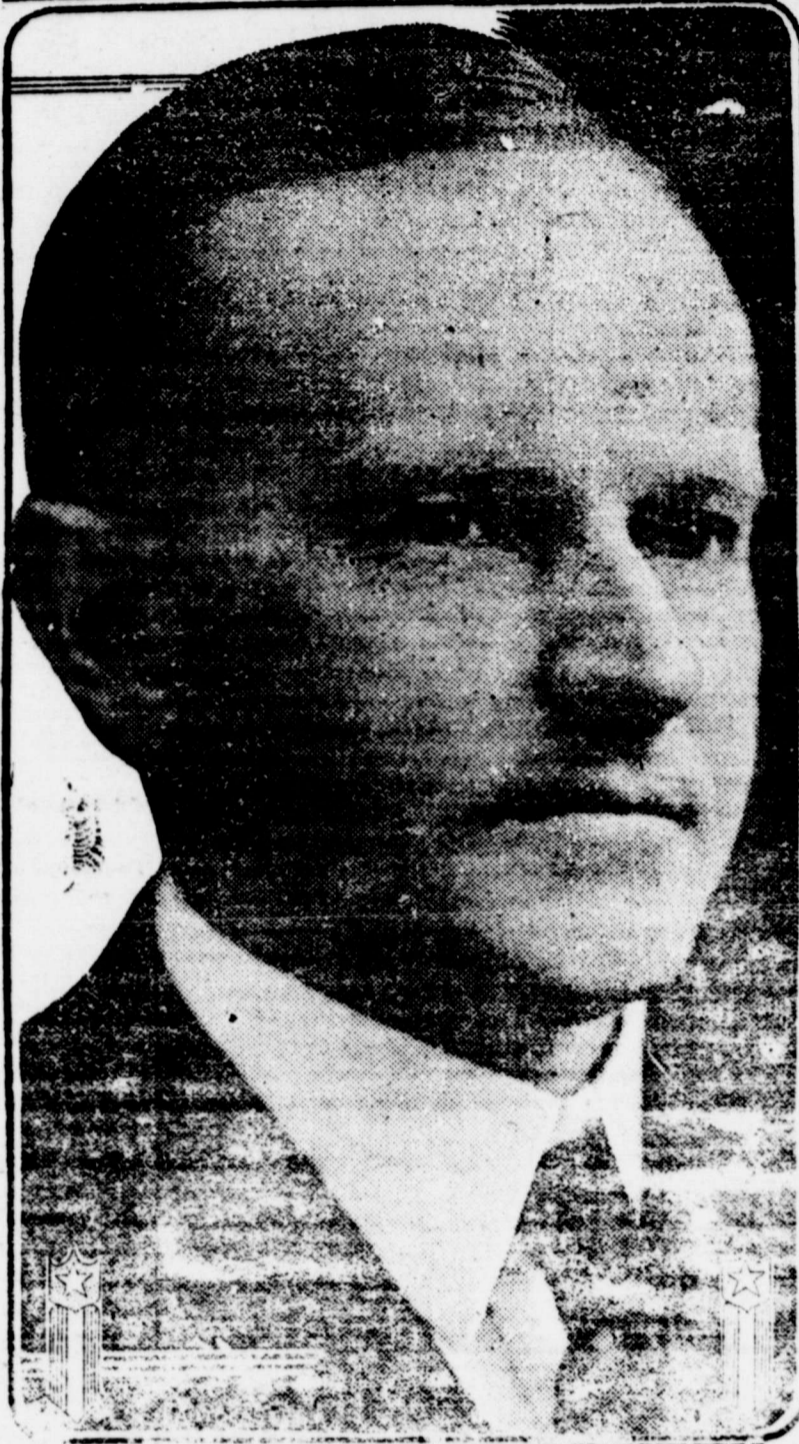
Last week, one nite, the young Miss Esther Dalchau, of this city, gave a tacky party in honor of the Dalchau girls from Dallas. The evening was well spent and in a mannerly way. Ichey Alberson took the prize. Ernest in other words. He was well dressed in the style of Clarence Lehmburg's wife.

We, the members of the Castell and Hoersterville choir, are putting in valuable time in preparing to entertain you in singing during our meeting, starting the 19th of August.

Holmes King, Jim Brown, William Splittgerber and Roy Bratton went to San Saba Tuesday afternoon and took in the ball game between Mason and Fredericksburg and enjoyed a few of the Fair sights. They went over via Fredonia and returned via Brady, but report making better time going over and with less hard driving.

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First Yankee-Doodle President



Calvin Coolidge, President of the Mason County Wolf Club, is an old Yankee Doodle. He is the third president from this State—and it is a coincidence that one of the two other presidents upon the same occasion was a Yankee Doodle. Levi P. Morton was president of the club in 1911.

FREE BAND CONCERT ON COURT HOUSE LAWN THURSDAY NIGHT

It is announced the Mason Concert Band will give a concert on the court house lawn on Thursday night, August 23rd. This occasion will be held as a free concert and no refreshments of any kind will be offered for sale.

FIRST BALES RECEIVED IN NEIGHBORING COUNTIES REPORTED DURING PAST WEEK

(Brady Standard)

McCulloch county's first bale will run somewhat behind the usual schedule, according to present indications. The neighboring counties of Brown and San Saba received their first bales last week, according to pres reports. The Brownwood Bulletin reported Brown county's first bale brought to town last Thursday by Leo Goebel of the Indian Creek locality, the bale weighing 425 pounds, and being bought by Bob Prater for E. H. Lake for 21c, with a \$72.50 premium raised by merchants.

The San Saba Star reported San Saba's first bale marketed last Tuesday by Lathair Shackelford, the bale weighing 503 pounds and selling for 22 1-2c, with a premium of \$43.00—Brady Standard.

COURT SETTLES FOR HIGHWAY

The Honorable County Fathers were in session this week looking after business interests of the county. It is said they made final settlement with Holt & Luckie, road contractors, who recently completed the northern end of Highway No. 9 through Mason County.

The road construction gang left a few days ago for Sanderson where they will shortly begin work on a road in that section of the country.

MASON'S GREATEST NEED—A MODERN HOTEL.

MASON LOSES OPENER TO FDB'G AT SAN SABA FAIR TUESDAY

The Mason Tigers dopped their fifth consecutive game when they lost the opening game at the San Saba Fair on Tuesday to the Fredericksburg Giants. The score was 6 to 0. Reports from a number of local fans who saw the game, say the Tigers made a much better showing in Tuesday's game than the score indicates. The Giants won by hitting when hits meant scores, but the Tigers were unable to connect safely in the pinches and were unable to get across a single runner. It is said the Tigers made a splendid showing in pulling off several fast double plays a couple of seemingly impossible catches.

The Tigers hit Hollmig hard and several extra base hits were gotten off his delivery. The batteries in the opener were, Mason: Duncan and Dannheim; Fredericksburg, Hollmig and Lane, the latter being the Brady catcher.

Banks Reynolds is here from Fort Worth visiting with relatives and friends and enjoying a couple weeks' vacation from his work.

Jim and Graham McCollum left Tuesday for their home in San Antonio following a visit in this city in the home of their uncle, Dr. C. L. McCollum.

Holmes King is now driving a new Chevrolet car which he purchased the first of the week from the Stehling Agency, of Fredericksburg.

Edo Schlaudt has as his guest this week a young man by the name of Williams from Dennis. The two, accompanied by Bannis Sorrels are spending a few days this week on the river.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schmidt, of the Peters Prairie section, are the parents of a baby boy, born on Tuesday night.

Mrs. Ben Hoerster and little son and Mrs. Nellie Loeffler left yesterday for their homes in San Antonio, following a visit of several days in Mason with relatives and friends.

Miss Russell Knolle, daughter of Dr. W. H. Knolle, of this city, arrived in Mason a few days ago from New Orleans for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Loring are the parents of a baby girl, who made her arrival at their home Tuesday morning the 14th.

Mrs. F. E. Husband and Miss Ella left this week for their home in San Antonio, following a couple weeks' visit in Mason with relatives and friends.

Miss Nahon, of Denton, is in this city visiting Miss Margaret Bierschwale. Misses Nahon and Bierschwale are associate instructors in the Stephenville Junior College.

Mrs. John Lemburg had as her guests the past week-end, Mmes. Jim and Arthur Lemburg, of Dallas; Mrs. Ben Hoerster and Mrs. Nellie Loeffler, of San Antonio, and Mrs. John Geistweidt, of Hilda.

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MASON COUNTY NEWS.

Unnecessary Precaution.

It was William's wedding morn, but, alas! he overslept himself. When at last he awoke he dressed hurriedly, and hastened to the station to find that his train had gone. There was not another for an hour. Frantically he hurried to the telegraph office, and wired to the bride: "Detained. Don't marry till I come."

No Further Need.

Tourist—This seems to be a very dangerous precipice. I wonder that they have not put up a warning board. Guide—Yes; it is dangerous. They kept a warning board up for two years, but no one fell over, so it was taken down.

CALL MEETING FOR FORT MASON POST AMERICAN LEGION

Arch Reichenau, commander of the local Post of American Legion, has requested the News to announce a call meeting will be held on Monday night, August 20th at 8 o'clock at the Legion Hall in this city. Mr. Reichenau states all members are urged to be present.

BOUNTY IS RAISED ON PUPS BY MASON COUNTY WOLF CLUB

C. D. McMillan, secretary of the Mason County Wolf Club, states at a meeting of the board of directors of the above organization, which was held last Saturday afternoon, it was decided that the bounty on wolf pups be raised to \$25. Formerly the bounty on pups was \$10. The increased bounty became effective on Monday, August 13th, according to Mr. McMillan.

PRES. TEXAS FARM BUREAU COTTON ASS'N. TO SPEAK

County Agent, W. I. Marschall has requested the News to announce that Mr. John T. Orr, president of the Texas Farm Bureau Cotton Association, will speak at Pontotoc this afternoon, Thursday, August 16th, at 2 p. m.

Mr. Orr's address will interest every one and more especially farmers connected with the Farm Bureau or those who contemplate becoming members of the organization. It is stated Mr. Orr will give a brief outline on the "Plans of the Association".

The fine home being erected in this city by Mr. and Mrs. Max Martin will be completed and ready for occupancy within the next few weeks. Practically all of the work on the exterior has already been completed and the finishing work on the inside is progressing nicely.



ANOTHER RATTLESNAKE VICTIM

R. J. Gamel fourteen years old, son of Mr. Herbert Gamel, with some of his smaller brothers went out Friday morning to haul wood when only a few hundred yards from the home their dog barked at something under a rock, after pushing in the hole with a stick R. J. reached back for a rock when a rattler struck him that he had not noticed. One fang hung in the third finger on the right hand the other one scratching the skin.

Later upon digging the one out from under the rock there were fourteen found and killed.

R. J. was brought in at once for medical aid, was left at the J. S. Whitewood home in order to be near the Doctor.

Rattles are numerous in this and surrounding country this year.—Harper Correspondent in Fredericksburg Standard.

SOMETHING NEW

Whitman's Pink Package at MASON DRUG COMPY.

Master Billie Hofmann, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hofmann entertained quite a number of little friends last Saturday afternoon on the occasion of his birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Walker were in Mason a short time last Thursday. Mr. Walker was principal of the Mason High Schools a few years ago and has many acquaintances in this city. He stated he and his wife reside in Houston and only passed through here en route home, following an automobile trip to the northern portion of the State.

W. M. Martin and Little Miss Margaret and Albert Bierschwale went to San Antonio Saturday for a short visit with Mrs. Walter Martin. Miss Margaret remained in that city with her mother.

SHORT SCHOOL PERIOD CERTAIN ON NEW \$12 APPORTIONMENT SAYS STATE SUPERINTENDENT

Austin, Aug. 11.—The life of Texas free schools is again in jeopardy, and the public schools of the State will be able to operate for only about four months during the coming year on the \$12 per capita apportionment made Saturday morning by the Board of Education, Superintendent S. M. N. Marrs said Saturday afternoon. Superintendent Marrs said that the situation looks unusually bad, due to the fact that the schools can not expect further financial assistance from the State for the year unless emergency appropriations are made by the Legislature.

The Board of Education met Friday, but at that time did not come to a definite conclusion on the matter of apportionment.

Indications were that the apportionment would be only \$12, which turned out to be the case at the meeting Saturday. This apportionment includes the \$2,000,000 supplemental appropriation made by the last Legislature in the final called session, but does not include the \$1,500,000 appropriated for the coming fiscal year for rural aid.

A total of \$1,500,000 was set aside by the board to meet the textbook contracts let last Fall, which is in accordance with the former decision of the board that the book contracts are legal. This leaves the balance in the book fund at \$600,000. The new contracts call for approximately \$2,000,000.

Only \$449,000 will be required out of the new year's school funds for buying books in case the old textbook contracts are upheld and the new ones ruled out, Superintendent Marrs said. At present the textbook funds set aside cannot be used for other school purposes.

Another possible source of revenue for schools has turned out to be a false hope, as the Attorney General's department will rule that the State motor vehicle license tax is not an occupation tax, and hence one-fourth of it should not go to the school fund. This question was placed before the Attorney General a short time ago for a ruling. The schools of the State would have received approximately \$2,500,000 annually in case the ruling was that the license fee constitutes an occupational tax. The ruling on this question will be issued early next week, it was said. It is probable that test suits will be brought to test the question, as attorneys are urging Superintendent of Education Marrs to take this step.

MARK TWAIN'S IDEA OF WHAT ARTHUR'S COURT WAS LIKE

The plumbing was bad in King Arthur's Court.

There was no telephone system.

The brave knights, the flower of chivalry, spent their time in eating, drinking, slaying dragons, rescuing damsels, and fighting.

There were no carpets on the floor of King Arthur's Court—only rushes. None of the knights thought it worth while to learn to read and write. Not one of them knew the difference between a carburetor and a spark plug. They believed that Merlin was a mighty powerful magician. Until the Yankee arrived. He taught them different.

First he put the plumbing to rights. Then he pulled the great magician's whiskers. Then he installed telephones throughout the realm. Then he improved the knights' table manners. Then he took on a few knights in a tournament, and licked them single-handed. Then he mounted the celebrated flower of chivalry on motor-cycles.

When he had nothing else to do he did a job or two of rescuing, and one fair damsel was so grateful that she fell in love with him.

His title was "Sir Boss," and his uniform consisted largely of a top hat and a pair of garters. This was considered a very dignified get-up, and it did his reputation among the knights a lot of good.

Mark Twain wrote his masterpiece, "A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court," to prove that the present is the best of all possible times to live in, and that the Age of Chivalry was not all it is cracked up to be.

"A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court," translated to the screen by William Fox, will be presented at the Star Theatre Saturday and Monday nights.

NEED GLASSES?

Dr. Jones, the Eye Man, in Dr. McCollum's office Tuesday, August 21. Eyes examined, glasses fitted, headache and eye strain relieved. Itc

DEATH OF W. C. WALLACE

(From Llano News)

Once again has the veil of sorrow been cast over our town. It came without warning Monday evening about 7 o'clock, when William Cretendon Wallace, one of Llano's eldest and most highly respected citizens breathed his last, and passed from this life into the Great Beyond. His death came sudden and as peaceful as had been his life. Heart failure being the cause.

Mr. Wallace seemed in perfect health Monday. He was down town, meeting and talking with friends until about 5 o'clock when he went home. Mrs. Wallace was also in town at that time, but went to the home of C. F. Wallace. When Mr. Wallace returned home his daughter, Mrs. Harold Nevins and baby were there. Mr. Wallace played with the baby for a few minutes, then went into his room and lay down across the bed. Mrs. Nevins then left to join her mother, Mrs. Chas. Wallace having phoned them to come to her house. The wife and daughter were at the Chas. Wallace home possibly an hour and a half, when they returned home. When they drove up, they noticed Mr. Wallace lying across the bed. The wife felt alarmed at his being there at that time, and felt sure he must be sick. They went into the room, and found Mr. Wallace almost dead. Mrs. Wallace picked up his hand and he turned his head, but that was the only move he made and within only a few minutes, before the doctor could reach the home, he was dead.—Llano News.

Miss Nell Curlee Bierschwale went to San Antonio last week for a visit with relatives.

RICHARD LLOYD JONES SAYS

Be of Single Purpose

It is a common practice to blame the world for our individual faults and failures. Nothing is more futile than to criticize circumstances. Discouragement should be condemned. Strong men are never satisfied with their achievements nor content with their opportunities. Great men are ever eager to do greater things.

The conqueror triumphs because he has learned how to concentrate effort. Talent is worthless when latent. Talent must be applied to be proven. Knowledge is nothing unless used. Mere information is never the equivalent of action. The man who picks up knowledge and has no idea what to do with it is as helpless as a man in a canoe without a paddle.

Set a goal. It is the first essential in making a life good. A single purpose is the first essential of success. Who wants what he wants when he wants it and wants it bad enough to go after it and keep after it will usually get it.

Every man is given brains and a backbone with the idea that he will use both. You develop your muscles by contracting it in the application of its power. You develop your mind by concentrating it on the mastery of a single subject. You cannot spell and multiply in the same breath. Concentration as contraction is a cultivated quality. Some of our greatest inventions have been born in the distracting din of machine shops, but where all other activities were lost to the mind and hand that were fixed on the pursuit of a single thing.

The determined mind defies hindrances as a trained racer will hurdle hurdles. Resistance is essential to development. You do not sharpen your filed by drawing it across velvet. The keen edge comes only when ground against the flinty stone. The soft soul never tackled the hard job.

History has been molded and made by men who had an idea and were willing to endure whatever confronted them in their effort to reach that idea.

Put yourself to work to do some worthwhile job and stick to it until it is done. That is the only way to win the success that satisfies.

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Etiquette

What & When to do it
By A. Leda

Any questions on etiquette will be gladly answered in this column if addressed to Aleda, care of this newspaper.

Dear Aleda: Is it proper for a young lady to invite a gentleman who has taken her out in the evening into her home? (2) If the parents have retired? (3) If they are still up? (4) Does the hour make any difference?—Thank you, C. P.

The hour is the whole thing. For an example, suppose a couple have gone to an early movie and are home by nine-thirty—then the girl may invite the boy in whether her family have retired or not. If, on the other hand, they have gone to a picture from which they return at eleven, she should not extend an invitation to enter. A gentleman calling usually concludes his visit between ten-thirty and eleven. Never later than eleven.

HELPFUL HEALTH HINTS

Splinter in the Skin. A needle will usually remove a splinter from your skin. First wash hands in soap and hot water and pass needle thru a flame to avoid possible infection. If this is not successful, try a pair of pliers.

Poison Ivy.—Is a very treacherous plant. You may handle it at one time with no ill effects and the next time be severely poisoned. A good treatment and simple one is this: Wash the inflamed skin in boracic acid solution in water, followed by smearing some ordinary zinc ointment on the skin. Cover this with a thin cloth. The ointment should be washed off daily, using lime water. The skin should then be dried, and carbolized vaseline as an ointment applied. A good old-time remedy is made by putting a penny in some vinegar and use this as a frequent wash.

Cramps.—A cramp is often caused by indigestible food or by cold, especially if one gets overheated in hot weather. Never drink a lot of cold water after some strenuous exercise, as this will often cause a spasm of the intestines and is quite dangerous. Soda mints or better yet a little hot water with a bit of syrup of ginger can be taken. For a mild cramp a hot water bottle placed on the abdomen will often give relief.

Poem by Uncle John

The biggest tax we have to pay, ain't levied on our oats an' hay, nor saddled on our farms. . . . The dread exactions of the law may strip us till we're feelin' raw,—but these are trivial harms. Our taxes may be bigger'n rent—and take the widder's last red cent, an' grow with frenzied pace. . . . The sheriff may attach our pelts, an' drive us off to somewhere's else,—but that's a minor case.

It's nothin' less than truth, to say, the heaviest toll we have to pay—is on perverted brains. . . . We pay a blame sight heavier tax on Calliban and Sycorax, than on our fertile plains. We hardly ever hear 'em quote the penalties of green-horn vote,—so deaf we seem to be. . . . It costs a sight of coin fer schools, but, forty times as much fer fools, an' rascal strategy!

The Labor of A Watch

Balance wheel turns or ticks 5 times each second
Balance wheel turns or ticks 300 times each minute
Balance wheel turns 18,000 times each hour
Balance wheel turns 432,000 times each day
Balance wheel turns 157,680,000 times each year

or about 4186 miles, same as traveling a distance from New York to San Francisco. How far would your auto go without attention? Do you not think this machine ought to be cleaned and re-oiled every once in a while? Is there any other mechanism more abused than a watch? The most wonderful machine in the world. How long a watch can give service and perform properly according to size of movement—providing the watch is given proper care and not injured. Should be overhauled and re-oiled on an average every twelve months.

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Uncle John's Ash



The Way It Goes

Mrs. Smythe: "I hear the flip Miss Piffe lost her complexion."
Mrs. Blythe: "Yes—a sneak-thief snatched her handbag."

Blonde Bess Opines

The clothes the flappers wear are a great deal like barbed wire fence—they protect the property but don't obstruct the view.

Oh, That Kind!

Mr. Smythe: "Here comes Harry Lipp. He's a regular human dynamo."
Mr. Blythe: "Gee, is that so?"
Mr. Smythe: "Yep, everything he has on is charged."

How Sam Won

Sam had left home when quite young, bent upon working his way through college. However, he found it rather difficult to make all ends meet—so regularly would write to his thrifty Scotch father asking for financial help.

The father wrote to Sam: "I don't want to hear another appeal for help from you."

The next month, this letter came: "Dear Dad: This isn't an appeal. I only want to report to you that I have no pants."

Anything Once

Wife: "I'm so sorry, dear. The cook burned the biscuits. You'll have to be satisfied with a kiss this morning."
Hubby: "Just as you say—call her in."

Common Sense?

Cop: "Have you got a state license to drive a car?"
Motorist: "Certainly. Do you want to see it?"
Cop: "Don't talk back to me. If you've got one, what do I want to see it for? If you didn't have one then I'd want to see it."

Holmes in Motortown

Sherlock: "That man in the black and blue car is an enemy to all dealers in automobile tires."
Watson: "How do you know, chief?"
Sherlock: "A simple deduction, Watson. He drives around with only a spare rim on the back of his car and the three dealers worry themselves to death wondering who is going to make the sale."

Early Nuts

IF
A burglar was in your cellar,
Would the coal chute?
NO?
Well, then, maybe
The kindling wood.

Stamped on the Package

Manager: "I'd like to have you take a look at this boy. He will fight at the drop of a hat."
Sport Editor: "Well, he will never make a champion."
Manager: "Why won't he?"
Sport Ed: "He fights too cheap."

The local business man who will condescend to buy his printed stationery and office supplies from the mail order print shop because he gets a little "rake off" possibly by the way of inducement, and usually not as good service as well, and then expects the local paper to remember him as kindly in the way of noticing his little local affairs and enterprises certainly has another thought coming. The News believes in Sinton and San Patricio county first, last and always, but nature makes us draw a line on this class of business, and we frankly say that when the mail order print shop is favored with the local business by local business men, then the mail order print shop ought also be remembered when "these local business men" desire a little free publicity. We like to "pat" the other fellow, but we are always open for a little "patting" ourselves.—Sinton News.

Man's life: School tablets; aspirin tablets; stone tablets.—Duluth Herald.

And when the mark breathlessly reached the bottom, no bottom was to be found!—Dallas News.

A Los Angeles man's wife has left him eight times; not once, we'll bet, being on pay-day.—Cincinnati Post.

If wives only knew what stenographers think of their husbands, they would cease to worry.—Kingston Standard.

The bird of paradise is the eagle on the American dollar.—Port Arthur News.

Straw votes are never significant. They merely indicate the people's choice.—Birmingham News.

France is making it plain to Germany that continued evasion means continued invasion.—Washington Post.

The turn-over in which most people are interested is the one just after the alarm clock rings.—Judge (New York)

It might help the demand for wheat if the breakfast food factories were outlawed from the lumber States.—Dallas News.

The common objection to prize-fights appears to be that there is too much prize and not enough fight.—Associated Editors.

"Each child is burdened with \$96 of public debt." We've often wondered what makes a new-born infant yell.—Brockville (Ont.) Reporter.

That political writer who says that "the 1924 campaign promises to be quiet" evidently never heard a Ford running.—Nashville Southern Lumberman.

It is reported that five widows have put in claims for the estate of Francisco Villa, who was shot recently. It is remarkable that Mr. Villa was not shot before.—Manitoba Free Press.

There is a Twentieth Amendment to the Constitution proposed now. Half a century hence some President will begin a noted address: Fourscore and seven amendments ago...—New York Sun and Globe.

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

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The teachers of Mason and Gillespie county will meet in joint institute at Fredericksburg for the week beginning September 3rd. About 80 teachers will attend this institute. F. R. Senor has accepted to deliver the address of welcome and J. J. Weber of Austin has been engaged to deliver two lectures daily. Judge Herman Usener and Judge John Banks appointed a joint committee recently to draw up the program.—Fredericksburg Radio Post.

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MASON NATIONAL BANK



From Mason News, Aug. 19, 1898:

The State school fund has been apportioned at \$4.50 per capita.

R. Grosse was struck in the eye with a nail Thursday while at work on the Bierschwale building and sustained a painful though not serious injury.

W. W. Lewis and family have moved here from Menard and occupy the Butler residence.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Leifeste a girl, on the 14th.

A pleasant hop was given Wednesday evening at the home of Theo. Schmidt.

J. M. Dupree, of Brownwood, was here Friday and Saturday. He has contracted with F. W. Henderson to put acetylene gas lights in his home.

Postmaster Bridges is at Ft. Worth this week attending the Republican Convention.

Prof. Henry A. House, principal-elect

of the Mason High School, arrived in Mason Monday from his home in Albert Lee, Minn.

Ike T. Pryor, of San Antonio, is shipping 400 beehives and 2500 goats to Cuba through the Galveston port.

Mrs. Lydia Prescott and children and Miss Totsie Prescott are here visiting Mrs. August Jones.

From Mason News, Aug. 14, 1908:

The assessed valuations for the entire State of Texas are expected to reach 2,250,000,000 for 1908.

C. C. Wood caught a 53 pound fish in the Llano River Friday night.

Mrs. Grandstaff returned last week from an absence of several weeks in Oklahoma. She is arranging to go to Kansas City in a few days to place her this week attending the Republican Convention.

I. E. Calloway brought in the first bale of this season's cotton last Friday

night. It weighed 506 pounds and was sold to Hofmann Dry Goods Company at 10 cents a pound. He received a \$22 premium.

Marriage License—Mr. E. L. Crow and Miss Belle Dennis.

J. W. White and wife, Tom and Miss Mildred leave shortly for Roswell, N. M., where Tom will again enter school.

Mrs. Gamel, one of the oldest settlers of the county, is making her home for the present with her daughter, Mrs. M. F. Carter.

Arthur Hazel, wife and child came in last week from Oklahoma to visit Mrs. Crosby.

Miss Bernice Sheppard was married on August 2nd to Mr. Oren C. Reid, of Junction.

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MASON'S GREATEST NEED—A MODERN HOTEL.

Editorial

The World May Doubt the Dreamer, but It Dares not Doubt the Doer.

Buying Power in Small Towns

Politicians who doubt where the strength of America lies should examine the report made from a survey of thirteen north-central states in relation to farm and town trade.

It is found that in towns of 2,000 or less population, the farm trade represents about 76 per cent of the total. In dry goods it represents 80 per cent; in hardware 85 per cent; in building material 80 per cent; in furniture 70 per cent, and in clothing 68 per cent.

Automobiles are sold in these small towns to the extent of 80 per cent of total consumption. These figures are startling and they run only slightly lower in towns of from 2,000 to 25,000. The small town consumption is more than fifty per cent in every line.

This survey shows where the market lies for American manufactured goods. It emphasizes again the importance of national legislators looking after the interest of the farmer. The farmer is awakening to a sense of his strength politically and economically. Unless he receives more serious consideration he is likely to prove a troublesome factor.

The writing is on the wall. Politicians both in the states and in the nation should keep their ears to the ground. The voice of the home town is well worth listening to.

Good Roads and Competition

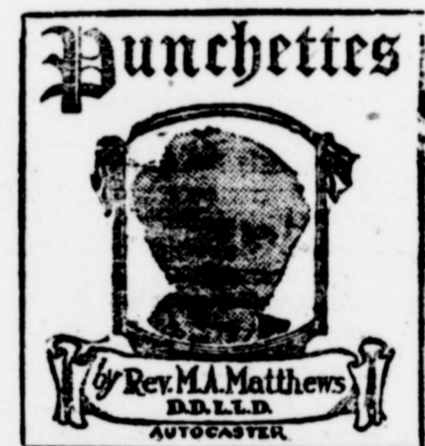
Community building is beset with more puzzling problems than one might suppose. Perhaps one of the most difficult of solution being the problem created by the extension of good roads.

The world admits good roads spell the development of America, the spread of education and a better understanding among neighbors. There has been much difference of opinion, however, as to whether villages are first built by stores attracting residents or by increasing residents attracting stores. Whichever theory may be correct the fact remains that the growth of any community depends very largely on the prosperity of its trading section.

Some villages are so situated geographically that good roads simply open up an easy avenue for trade to go out of town. Then there is an element of danger in such thoroughfares which must be balanced of course by the advantages derived by the farmer.

The lesson of course is obvious. The extension of good roads never can be halted, nor is it wise that they should be. But their building means that local merchants must come to know more of merchandising, that they must take the home-town folks more into their confidence and show them conclusively they can trade at home advantageously.

The competition in the small town is not between storekeeper and storekeeper, but between town and village, between city and town. The little fellow has his place, but he must be awake to his responsibility.



MOTHER'S THRONE

A great deal is being said and written about woman's position. Superficial men and women are talking about the broader field for women, about woman's opportunities, about her equality with man, and about her rights. It would be most difficult to find a series of subjects more disgusting, more superficial and inimical to woman's position.

It may be that some poor, neglected, long-suffering and over-burdened wife has listened to the strenuous song of the larger liberties of woman. She no doubt longs for the day when she can open the front gate and stroll the sidewalks of unimpeded female liberty.

It may be these sentiments were born in the brain of some masculinely inclined woman. They have watched their poor degenerate brothers marching forth as prodigal sons, and wondered why they could not have the same rights.

Whether these subjects are discussed seriously or frivolously, all will be compelled to arrive at the conclusion that the highest, broadest, deepest and grandest place on earth is woman's indestructible throne—Home, sweet Home.

You cannot send women to the fields without neglecting the front door of God's mansion—Home, sweet Home. You cannot put women in the positions of masculine competition without turning the children over to the juvenile court and the cold charity of the state. You cannot put women in competition with men and continue to populate the earth. You cannot find a substitute for Mother.

The position which rears its head above the sweep of winds and the flight of birds is woman's God-created throne—Home, sweet Home. When she takes her seat as a Christian wife and a Christian mother, the angels bow in respect to her imperial position and to the indestructible throne of her scepter.

America needs Christian wives, Christian homes, and the indestructible thrones of Christian mothers.

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Marriage License

Mr. Louis Virdell and Miss Lydia Heinrich, August 11th.

Mr. and Mrs. El McCollum, of Breckenridge, have been enjoying a couple weeks visit in Mason with his parents Mr. and Mrs. S. A. McCollum, and among other local relatives and friends.

County Agent, W. I. Marshall, and wife have moved to Gooch Addition and are occupying the C. L. Martin residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gresham and baby left this week, after a residence of more than a year in Mason, during which time, Mr. Gresham was employed as county engineer of Mason County. These people have made many warm friends in our little city, who regret to learn of their departure.

Miss Alice Campbell, of Austin, arrived in Mason last week and is a guest of Miss Marie Brockman.

Mr. George Eggenberger informs the News of the recent marriage of his grandson, Merel Smith, who several years ago moved to Oklahoma from this city. Local people remember Merel as "Cabooly", as he was generally known here, and the news of his marriage will be learned by his many Mason friends with interest.

Herbert Pluenneke and two of his little nieces spent several days last week visiting relatives and friends in Waco.

BEN HEY, Notary, and Abstractor.

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ISLAND FIGURES IN LEGEND

Submerged Spot Off British Coast Believed to Lie Under the Spell of Great Magician.

It is reported that Easter island has disappeared owing to the recent earthquakes in Chile. It was once supposed that there was a submerged island off Point Soderberk, in the Isle of Man, and that it appeared for 30 minutes once every seven years. It was magic that made it come and go. The powerful and revengeful magician, Great Fin Mac-Cooli, offended at something the Manx people did to him, caused their favorite little islet of the south to "go under." At the same time he transformed all its inhabitants into blocks of stone.

Once in seven years the Manx people were given a chance of getting their little island back. It came up to the surface for half an hour and it was believed that anyone who could be quick enough to place a Bible on its enchanted shores could keep it from going down again. Once a young girl nearly succeeded in doing this, but it is stated that after her failure she fell into a sudden decline, and was followed to the grave by her broken-hearted lover.

Snowfall Statistics.

The greatest snowfall known in the United States occurs in the Sierra Nevada and Cascade mountain ranges in the Pacific Coast states, where at some places from 30 to 40 feet of snow fall during the winter season. At Summit, California, (elevation about 7,000 feet), nearly 60 feet of snow have been recorded in a single season, and about 25 feet in a single month.

In the Rocky mountains snowfall is not so heavy as in the Sierra Nevada and Cascades, but the amounts at some of the higher elevations reach 200 or 300 inches annually.

Stocked Up.

Beggar—Will you please, sir, give me a dime for my sick wife?
Citizen—Well, I'm sorry she's sick, but I'm afraid we can't do business, as I have one wife already.

BEN HEY, Notary, and Abstractor.

LOST FIRST CARGO OF ICE

Frederick Tudor Proposed to Ship Ice From Boston to West Indies in 1805.

When twenty-two-year-old Frederick Tudor proposed to ship ice to the West Indies from his father's pond in Saugus, Boston thought him mad, and seafaring men, fearing the cargo would melt and swamp a vessel with difficulty were reluctant to handle his brig, says "The History of Massachusetts." His first venture was 130 tons of ice to Martinique in 1805. On receiving news of its complete failure, he wrote in his journal: "He who gives back at the first repulse and without striking the second blow, despairs of success; has never been, is not and never will be a hero in love, war or business."

By 1812 Tudor had built up a small trade with the West Indies. The war wiped him out. After the peace of Ghent he obtained government permission to build ice houses at Kingston and Havana, with a monopoly of the traffic. It began to pay, and between 1817 and 1820 he extended the business to Charleston, Savannah and New Orleans.

Vessels had to be double sheathed to protect the ice from melting, and the captains had to be cautioned, with wearisome repetition, never to let the latches be removed. Tudor experimented with all sorts of filling, with rice and wheat chaff, hay, tanbark and even coal dust before he settled upon pine sawdust as the best insulator.

HEROISM OF AFRICAN CAT

Missionary Tells How Mother Feline Saves Her Kittens in Fierce Hall Storm.

A missionary to Africa tells this interesting story of the unusual heroism of a cat he once owned. One day a terrific hall storm came, the sort concerning which English and American people know nothing. In a quarter of an hour hall covered the ground to a depth of two feet. Before the storm began the missionary's three cats were outside playing; they were all mother cats and had their kittens with them.

Immediately two of the mother cats ran to shelter, never troubling about the little ones, but the heroine of the story stood her ground. As soon as her master managed to go to her he found that she had gathered not only her own four babies, but all the others as well, nine in all, and had stood over them, keeping them warm and safe, while she was nearly frozen. She had nearly died in saving them, for her poor sides were terribly bruised by the heavy hailstones. Carefully did the missionary wrap her in blankets and then he nursed her till she had recovered.

Why is It—

That the evening you planned for a quiet one is usually a rip snorter? . . . that the day you go to the country it always rains? . . . that all plans made between 1 and 6 a. m. never materialize? . . . that every time you are taken to the theater you have seen the play before? . . . that after you have given the waiter the order, you always discover on the menu a far more appetizing dish? . . . that yesterday's newspaper seems ages old? . . . that you can never remember the singularly brilliant thought that struck you the other morning in the bath? . . . that whenever you are in a hurry every thoroughfare turns out to be a one-way street of the opposite direction? . . . that you can never tell what a woman is going to do next?—Life.

Discredited.

The case for the defense was not going as well as the counsel for that party had hoped. The plaintiff was proving self-possessed, and was not at all flustered by the defending counsel's cross-examination. "I suppose," said the lawyer snappily, "that you remember the date of your birth?" "Certainly," said the witness, coolly. "Every one remembers his birthday." "A newly-born infant has no memory. Now, sir, how do you know that it wasn't a day sooner or a day later, or a week or even a year after the date you have given the court?" "Why—well—er—I've been told—" "Exactly. You've been told, but you don't know. Step down. Members of the jury, this is the kind of witness that is brought to testify against the unimpeachable character of my client."

Jim Hinds found a couple nice button pearls in the Llano River last week, and it is stated Tom Millsap also made a valuable pearl find in the Llano waters recently.

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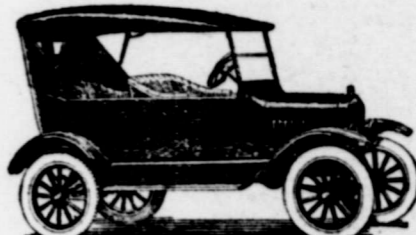
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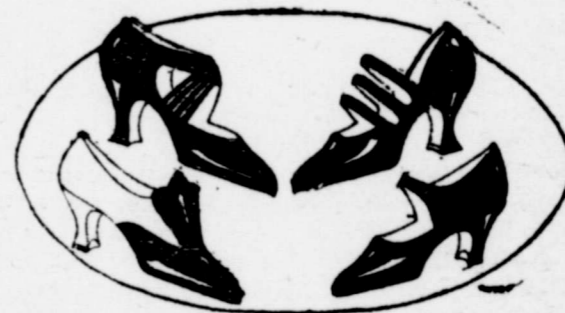
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VRIDELL-HENRICH

Mr. Louis Virdell and Miss Lydia Henrich were united in marriage last Saturday night, the incident coming as quite a surprise to their local friends. Mr. Virdell is quite a promising young man of this city and is in the employ of the Planters Gin Company, of Mason.

Mrs. Virdell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Henrich, of this city, and for the past few years has been in the employ of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, and serving as night operator at the local switchboard. This young couple have a large circle of friends in our midst, who will join 'Le News' in extending to them heartiest congratulations.

Entertainment for S. S. Class

Ella Doell and Willie Mae Bickenbach entertained Mrs. R. E. Lee's Sunday School class last Wednesday from four to six at the home of Mrs. R. C. Doell.

Circus, Grocery, Memory and Historical contests were enjoyed by all. Ethyl Dees, Hattie Louise Stapleton and Ruby Jordan won the prizes.

Ice cream and cake were served to Alice Cranford, Ethyl Gipson, Sarah Kirkpatrick, Mrs. R. E. Lee, Ethel Dees, Ruby Jordan, Nell Bierschwald, Francis Davis of Llano, Margaret Mick, Hatie Louise Stapleton, of El Paso, Annie Wartenbach, Willie Mae Doell, Ella Doell, Willie Mae Bickenbach and Manie Doell.

Woman's Missionary Society

The Woman's Missionary Society and a number of invited guests enjoyed a very delightful afternoon on last Tuesday, at the home of Mrs. S. C. Brockman. Mrs. Brockman was assisted in entertaining by Misses Mackie Leslie, Averil Bellows and Marie Brockman.

The following program was enjoyed by all:

Bible Lesson and comments by the leader, Mrs. S. A. McCollum.

Prayer—Mrs. Jennie Williams.

Papers on Missionary Work in China, Mrs. John Starks and Mrs. D. F. Lehmburg.

Music on Victrola.
Dialogue—The Society who lost its voice, Mrs. Ben Jordan and Mrs. Joe Gresham.

Interesting talks were made by Mrs. Arthur Lemburg, of Dallas, and Mrs. Bryant, of San Antonio, which let us know what the W. M. S. was doing in other places.

After a little discussion it was decided to hold the annual bazaar some time in November.

Since there was no further business, an hour was spent in conversation during which time, refreshments of cake and ice cream, with Zinnias as plate favors, were passed to each guest.

Those present were, members; Mmes. Otto Schmidt, Robt. Hofmann, S. A. McCollum, L. King, Schroeder, Banks, Splittgerber, Brown, H. King, B. King, Land, S. Smith, Lee, Allan Murray, Ben Jordan, Jennie Williams, Barber, Thaxton, Gresham, John Starks, Dan Lehmburg, Carter, Robt. Lee; guests: Mmes. Hugh Shearer, Jim Lemburg, of Dallas, Glenn Smith, Arthur Lemburg, of Dallas, Sterling King, Chas. Leslie, Wm. Leslie, F. Husband of San Antonio, Bryant of San Antonio, Staple-

Her Marketing Project

By RUBY DOUGLAS

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Clarissa Murd was experiencing, for the first time in her twenty-odd years of life, the hardships due to having an insufficient income and no training in any wage-earning work.

"But," she was explaining to the aunt with whom she was living in the suburban town, "I know I can find a way in which to support myself. I shall not let my mind rest until it comes to me with a bright and promising idea."

Aunt Emily was a little old-fashioned, but she did believe in concentration, and if Clarissa seemed a trifle absent-minded in the next few days it was because she was searching the realms of possibilities for her own material future, and her aunt sympathized with her mood.

"I have it—I have it," she almost shouted one afternoon as she dashed in at the back door, letting in a flood of red sunlight from the fast disappearing disk of fire.

Aunt Emily was getting supper—they still had supper, as did many others in the suburban settlement where the men folks came home at noon from factory or store for a noon-day dinner.

"You might be going in for the movie business the way you are gyrating around," dryly remarked Aunt Emily. "No, Aunt Emily—not yet. I'm going to turn this old jitney that father left to me as his only bequest into a means of making a living."

Aunt Emily was curious. "How so?"

"I'm going to start a little profession of my own—house marketing. Most of the people up here in this settlement have to go on the trolley car to the village to market. It costs them fourteen cents for carfare, but they have often told me it pays them to go for their things even then. And in the new shops in the village there is no delivery, but the groceries, meats and vegetables are marked far below those sold in the stores that have a delivery system and a telephone."

Clarissa was growing enthusiastic as she felt her aunt's understanding of her project.

"I propose to go to the neighbors, one by one, and tell them that I will call at their homes every morning or twice a week, as they see fit, and get their whole list of errands for the day. I'll take the laundry, collars and all the things that have to go to the village, get the groceries, meats, and take the children's shoes to the cobbler. All this for a quarter, only eleven cents more than carfare, and all the time and trouble saved for the housewife. I'll get the best of attention from the stores and the customers will reap the benefit. Do you see, Aunt Emily?"

"It seems like a feasible idea, my dear. And it costs so little to run that

car and Pa takes care of it for you."

Clarissa went to work at once to make a list of the persons who she thought would appreciate her services. One by one she called on them and explained her purpose.

Inside of four weeks she had more than a dozen families a day on an average and numbered forty housewives on her list.

In the big grocery store where Clarissa did most of her ordering she was well liked, as much for her charming personality as for the business she brought to the shop daily.

"Miss Murd, we are having a new manager in here next week," said Mr. Andrews, the young man who had been taking care of her orders.

Clarissa's face fell. "Oh, are you going?"

"The young man blushed. "Yes, I have been made manager of a chain."

"They have promoted me faster than I deserved, I fear," he explained. "I hope you won't make the lack of my personal attention to your orders keep you away from the store."

Clarissa assured him that she would not, but she could not see how any new manager could make himself as popular with the shoppers as had young Mr. Andrews. The place was clean, everything was fresh and courteous was the object of every clerk.

On Monday Clarissa began her day's work with a big list of orders. She sat down on the wooden stool and got out her marketing list and pencil.

"Have you been served?" she heard a voice at her elbow ask.

She turned to look into warm golden brown eyes and a smiling face. He was a stranger.

"No—thank you. Not yet." The young man took the place opposite her at the counter and filled her order quickly, with a quick understanding of the new stock. He was the new manager, Robert Underwood.

"I'll have the things put in your car, madam," he said, when the order was ready.

Clarissa thanked him and led the way to her shabby jitney standing at the curb.

Mr. Underwood looked at the car as if he quite understood that this was merely the service car and that there was a better one at home, perhaps many. No one would be making such a big order if she owned only this ragged-looking jitney.

Clarissa thought she understood the expression and decided to have a little fun playing the grande dame to this new and unenlightened young store manager.

For weeks she made him think she was a wealthy young woman, quite out of his class, he had decided. With reservations he referred to his own station in life. Clarissa had noticed the shape of his hands and had caught the cultured tone of his voice occasionally.

One morning when they were loading Clarissa's big order into her old car she observed that her rear left tire was flat.

"Oh, dear," she sighed. "And these groceries are late now."

Robert Underwood came quickly to her rescue. "I happen to have my car standing at the back. Won't you let me run them—and you—home and see that this goes to the garage for you?"

His voice was so kindly, the necessity that she be on time so important that Clarissa accepted the offer.

It was nearly two miles from the village to Clarissa's home. She had all the groceries deposited on her aunt's front stoop, and then and there she explained her profession.

"And I thought you were some horribly rich person who would not even know that I existed," said the young man, knowingly. "Was that kind?"

"It was purely business," Clarissa insisted.

"Perhaps you'd let me come to see you some evening and explain to you just what the business means to me—just why I am taking personal charge of each store in turn to find out its requirements. Would you be interested?"

Clarissa nodded. "I'd love to know," she said, as he left.

When he did come to see her he told her more than that he was the son of one of the members of the firm that ran the chain of stores in small towns. He told her that he had had a premonition that in this particular vicinity he was going to find the only girl in the world.

"And—have you found her—yet?" asked Clarissa.

"Have it?"

Clarissa decided that he had and it was not long before she had to sell out her marketing profession to a young woman in the town.

DIVERS TASTES IN READING

Books May Be Said to Have Their "Seasons," Librarians Looking Forward to Demand.

Statistics obtained from a city library show that most of the serious reading done by the public is done during the winter, poetry and drama being chiefly in demand in the spring, in addition to books on garden-

ing, there is an increased demand for books on outdoor sports. During the summer and fall fiction shows a big jump. Married women chiefly read fiction, while men prefer books on travel and autobiography. After the age of fifty, says a librarian, both men and women read solely to pass the time, choosing fiction exclusively.

The head of a children's department says that both boys and girls during the last few years have been asking for nature books, particularly books on animals. This demand has been traced directly to the children's page stories about animals at the zoo. Boys' taste in reading, it appears, has altered since twenty years ago. Adventure stories, then popular by writers such as Optic, Ellis and Alger, are no longer asked for by youngsters, and tales of school athletics, young heroes of the diamond and football field have taken their place, with the Boy Scout books running a close second.

Beetles Centuries Old.

Examining a 1,700-year-old tree from the giant forest of Tulare county, California, a scientist found that two wood-boring beetles, sealed in a hole in the tree over a thousand years, are not appreciably different from beetles of the same species now infesting the forest. It is judged the tree was struck by lightning when about 421 years old, and that it was at that time the tree became infested. Later, the indications are, the tree healed the wound, thus completely sealing in the beetles, says an exchange.

Though it is considered remarkable that there has been so little change in so variable a species, one must also recognize, says the scientist making the discovery, that the insect in question pertains to an archaic type, and that undoubtedly the characteristics of the species had been well fixed before the Christian era.

Tibetans Healthy Race.

General Bruce of the Everest expedition described Tibetan porters as carrying weights of over a hundred pounds each up an altitude of 5,000 feet to a height of 14,000 feet. One girl, he says, shouldered a tent weighing 160 pounds and with tireless energy carried it up the pass.

The Tibetan tribes live on natural foodstuffs, such as milk and corn and green foods, with almost no sugar or alcohol; they keep their bodies fit by hard exercise taken in the open air and sunshine. They are very long-lived and free from all the nervous and digestive troubles, appendicitis, colitis and other kinds of "itis" which afflict the dwellers in big cities.

Woods Used in Commerce.

Broom handles, clothespins, refrigerators and washing machines are often made of beech. This is moderately strong, heavy, hard wood, and its wear-resisting qualities make it especially desirable for these uses.

Cypress is one of the strongest of soft woods. It has a peculiar moisture-resisting property that causes it to be in wide demand for making shingles, ice cream freezers, pails, clothes wringers and laundry tubs.

Ironing tables, butter vats, washboards and broom handles are frequently made of spruce, which besides being light in weight is soft, but stiff and strong.

M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.

The Revival is now going on in Mason. Great crowds have been gathering to hear Evangelist J. L. Bryant, who has been delivering strong and forceful sermons both morning and evening during the past two weeks.

Rev. Bryant is one of the best preachers that the Mason people have had the privilege to hear.

The music is being directed by Mrs. Bryant, and she is filling her place in a pleasing and acceptable manner. It is a treat to the people of Mason to have Rev. and Mrs. Bryant with them and it is hoped that every one will take advantage of the opportunity of hearing them.

The meeting will close Sunday night, Aug. 19th.

SERVICES AT ART

I will preach in the German language at Art next Sunday morning at 10:45 and at 2:30 in the afternoon. Every member is urged to attend the meeting now in progress in Mason, as often as possible.

D. G. HARDT, Pastor.

Mrs. Elgin Eckert and Mrs. Roscoe Runge entertained a number of relatives at dinner on Wednesday evening at the hospitable country home of the former. Guests included Mrs. Jim Lemburg and Mrs. Arthur Lemburg, of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Pluenneke, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lemburg, of this city.

Mrs. John Geistweidt, of the Hills community, had as house guests last week, Mmes. Jim and Arthur Lemburg, of Dallas, Ben Hoerster and Nellie Loeffler, of San Antonio.

ton, of El Paso, Julius Splittgerber, Puckey, Boles and hostesses.

Giese-Leifeste

Miss Alma Giese, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Giese of Haw Creek, was married at nine o'clock Thursday morning to S. D. Leifeste, with Rev. A. A. Leifeste of Brenham, brother of the groom, officiating. The wedding was quietly solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, in the presence of relatives and a few intimate friends.

Immediately after the ceremony an elegant luncheon was served, after which the newly-wedded pair left for a trip to Gonzales, after which they will go to Mason County to visit relatives at Mr. Leifeste's former home. The bride wore her traveling costume, a handsome and becoming dress of blue Canton crepe, with accessories to match.

The groom is a most successful school teacher, having been the popular teacher of the Rock House school in Austin County for the past two years. He will fill a responsible position at the Welmar school next session. The bride is a sweet and attractive girl, very popular with her associates, and many friends will be interested to learn of her marriage.

Rev. A. A. Leifeste and family motored to Haw Creek to attend the wedding. —Banner Press of Brenham.

Mrs. Lindsay's Hat Shop will have its Fall opening Saturday afternoon 1c

Mrs. Will Lemburg and children, of McAllen, arrived in Mason last week for a visit among local relatives and friends. Mr. Lemburg and his elder son, Harold, are both employed in a bank at McAllen.

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LUBBOCK TO GET TECH.

Fort Worth, Texas, Aug. 8.—Lubbock, county seat of Lubbock County, will be the site for the new Texas Technological College. Announcement that Lubbock had been chosen was made here Wednesday afternoon at 2:20 o'clock by the locating board. The official announcement was as follows:

"We, the members of the Locating Board of the Texas Technological College, having made a careful study of the original and supplementary briefs, having visited and inspected the sites offered by the 36 applicant towns and having given consideration to the relative merits of the propositions submitted by the several towns, do hereby unanimously select and designate Lubbock County, Texas, as the official location of the Texas Technological College."

Only 30 minutes in reaching its decision after reassembling in session after luncheon, the Board was in session from 9:30 to 12 Wednesday morning without agreeing on a location. It ad-

Journal at 12 and reassembled at 1:30 p. m. and announcement of the fortunate city was given out soon after 2 o'clock.

Melvin now has a newspaper—"The Melvin Enterprise", owned and edited by John Kavanaugh, recently from Menard.

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

Get your fishing tackle at the Owl Drug Store. 51-1f

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STOP THAT ITCHING

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LEAF WORM

(By R. R. Reppert, Entomologist, Extension Service A. and M. College of Texas.)

As predicted in our press letter of July 7, 1923, there has developed a serious infestation of leaf worm, although delayed about ten days past the time that earlier conditions led us at that time to predict. The infestation may nevertheless be expected to extend to the Oklahoma border within a few days, and the large acreage of late cotton makes it probable that great damage may be done unless measures are taken to control the insects as soon as it appears. The following counties have been reported to date as infested: Pannola, Dallas, Bell, Bee, Nueces, Victoria, Milam, Shelby, Jackson, Trinity, DeWitt, Bastrop, Kerr, Uvalde, Zavalla, Burleson and Brazos.

CONTROL OF LEAF WORM: When the insect appears in destructive numbers, dusting with the proper arsenical will control it. Dry arsenate of lead is best, and should be applied at the rate of about three pounds per acre. There is little danger of burning the foliage with this poison. Paris green applied in dust form is effective, but is apt to burn the foliage, and only about one and a half pounds per acre should be used. Further, it should always be diluted with about three or four parts of air slaked lime to one part of the poison. London purple is also apt to burn, but if no other poison is available might be used with great caution, in the same way as advised for Paris green. London purple is also of very variable composition, and for this reason the results are not always what could be desired. White arsenic is very unsafe to use on account of the danger of burning. Calcium arsenate may be used at the rate of about five pounds per acre, undiluted. Our advice is to use lead arsenate or calcium arsenate as long as these are obtainable, and to avoid all other arsenicals except as a last resort, and then to use them, only in combination with air slaked lime, and with extreme caution. Apply these poisons by means of two cheese-cloth bags tied to opposite ends of a pole so that each bag hangs over a row. Carry this on horseback along two rows, beating the pole with a stick to shake

CITATION

The State of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Mason County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Mason County, a copy of the following notice: THE STATE OF TEXAS

To all persons interested in the estate of Otto Donop, deceased, Mrs. Susie Donop, his surviving wife, has filed an application in the County Court of Mason County, on the 14th day of August, 1923, for probate of the last will and testament of said Otto Donop, deceased; for letters testamentary upon said estate; and for such other orders as the court may deem necessary in the premises, which said application will be heard by said Court on the 27th day of August, 1923, at the Court House of said County, in Mason, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Mason, Texas, this 14th day of August, 1923.

(Seal) R. E. LEE, Clerk County Court, Mason Co. Texas. 23-21c

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wallace and baby arrived in Mason Sunday for a few days' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Erv Hamilton. Mr. Wallace was called to Llano last week at the death of Mr. Will Wallace. They will leave this week for their home in Oklahoma.

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

Mrs. Fritz Lorenz was surprised last Wednesday by relatives. The occasion being her 80th birthday. Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and ice tea were served.

MASON'S GREATEST NEED—A MODERN HOTEL.



Groceries

THAT ARE FRESH AND PROVIDE THE WHOLESOME NOURISHMENT EVERY HOUSEWIFE WANTS IN THE FOODS SHE PREPARES.

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the poison out of the bags and over the plants. Manipulate so as to apply the amount per acre advised. If a dusting machine is available, the operation will be simplified. Dusting should preferably be done while the dew is on, so that the poison will readily adhere to the foliage.

The amounts of poison per acre recommended are for cotton about eighteen inches high. For larger cotton the amount should be increased accordingly.

This office is endeavoring to keep in touch with available supplies of poison, to which we may immediately refer inquiries.

The following sprays, designated I, II, III, and IV, are quite apt to seriously damage the cotton foliage, and on this account are not advised by experiment stations or extension workers. Where other poisons were not available farmers in certain counties of South Texas have used them, and have reported good success with little damage to the plant. In presenting them herewith, we must not be understood as endorsing their use, and farmers will apply them at their risk, with this warning on our part.

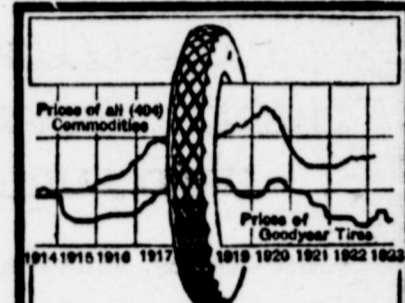
Spray No. I.—Cattle dip has been used by some at the rate of one quart in fifty gallons of water.

Spray No. II.—White arsenic, 1 lb. Sal Soda (crystals), 4 pounds; water, 1 gallon.

Boil all together fifteen or twenty minutes or until the arsenic is dissolved. Add just enough water to make up for what is lost in boiling, and then use one quart of this liquid in fifty gallons of water.

Spray No. III.—White arsenic, 1 pound; Sal Soda (crystals) 4 pounds; Water, 1 gallon.

Boil all together fifteen or twenty minutes or until the arsenic is dissolved and add just enough water to make up for what is lost in boiling. This is the stock solution of Sodium Arsenite. Keep this in jugs or bottles until needed. When ready to use, stir well, add eight pounds of hydrated lime and two hundred gallons of water. The sodium arsenite in the stock solution is thus



IT'S always a good time to buy Goodyear Tires for, as this chart shows, Goodyears are priced extremely low, year in and year out. But now is the best time, because Goodyears are selling today 30% below 1914 prices, and their quality now is better than ever before.

As Goodyear Service Station Dealers go sell and recommend the new Goodyear Cards with the beveled All-Weather Tread and back them up with standard Goodyear Service

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changed to calcium arsenite which is less soluble and the active ingredient in the mixture.

Sprays Nos. I, II, III and IV must be applied with some machine that will make a very fine spray so the material does not collect in large drops on the foliage. Adjust the sprayer so that fifty gallons of any of the materials Nos. I, II, or III will cover four acres of cotton, while fifty gallons of No. IV should be made to cover six acres. A heavier application will increase the danger of leaf burn.

ICE

DELIVERED DAILY

Our truck makes regular runs every morning. Have the driver leave ice at your home.

On Sundays the factory is open until 10 a. m., but the truck does not run.

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After Every Meal
 A universal custom that benefits everybody.
 Aids digestion, cleanses the teeth, soothes the throat.

WRIGLEYS



The local school board recently elected Miss Lucy Field, colored, as teacher of the Mason Colored School for the coming term. It is announced Robert Hardin has been chosen by the board for instructor of Spanish in the local High School and Miss Willie Wheat to a position in the grades.

Mrs. Elgin Eckert was hostess to the Bridge Club last Saturday afternoon at her delightful country home in the Art section.

The News is equipped to do any and all kinds of commercial, legal or social printing. Let us figure with you on all problems concerning printing.

Try our "Fruit" Ice Cream. Mason Drug Company.
 Nice screen doors and galvanized screen wire. R. Grosse.

The Mason Ice & Power Company is installing some new machinery in the cotton ginning department this week, and announce their gin will be in A-1 shape for the coming ginning season within a very short time. An additional stand and a belt distributor to take the place of the air distributor comprises the new equipment.

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CAT LUCK

By MISS SADIE STULL

"MEOW—eow—ow!"
 Cortrell rubbed his cold, benumbed ears and stared at the snow-bank from whose innermost depths the plaintive cry seemed to come. Kicking gingerly at the soft, white mass he uncovered a dilapidated market basket. From one corner a pair of bright eyes blinked up at him.

As he brushed the snow from the furry walf, a crooked smile parted Cortrell's lips.

"At that, little pal o' adversity, you have something on me in the way of shelter. What's that—you prefer the interior of a coat pocket? All right—in you go!"

Stamping a semblance of life into his cold feet, Cortrell resumed his aimless tramp.

The northwest wind contested his every step. The driving snow, fast turning to sleet, stung his face, almost blinded him. He might retrace his steps—the wind at his back would be less cutting—but because he had always faced a foe Cortrell trudged doggedly forward.

From one house he passed bright lights gleamed, while music and gay laughter sounded like cruel mockery. A block further on, another house was shrouded in darkness—save for one room. Through the latter's drawn shades Cortrell glimpsed tall candles and many white flowers.

To Cortrell the enigma of the ages had never been more grimly symbolized.

"Life and joy today," he muttered, "and tomorrow—"

The somber soliloquy was never finished.

Through the storm boomed a commanding voice—"Tenshun!"

Mechanically Cortrell's heels came together under the snow. He raised his hand to salute, but again the voice spoke, this time close to Cortrell's ear: "We'll forget that part of the game, Buddy."

Cortrell caught the glint of brass buttons—then the friendly challenge in the eyes of the law's representative.

"We'll keep the old A. E. F. 'step' t. gether for a bit, Buddy. Now, don't start any clear conscience stunt! I believe it, that's why I picked you for the star part in a little side drama I'm scheduled to stage on wild nights light this." His voice grew confidential! "See that big house on the corner? Some mansion, eh? Must be grand inside. You've said it, Buddy! Every comfort and luxury money can buy in there—but it means nothing to the owner. It did once—before his only son for whom he planned it all—fell in the Argonne."

They were within a few feet of the big house now. "I have orders to send any homeless lad I find on such a night to him. Nothing in the way of 'ents' will be too good and for the right sort, no benefit too great—in memory of his hero son. When I trilled your gait tonight I says: 'Denny, m' boy, he's of St. Mihiel and Belleau—he'll deliver the goods.' What say, Buddy—will you go through?"

Cortrell's feverishly bright eyes answered for him. Then he remembered the kitten.

"How about another wayfarer?"

The officer laughed. "I don't recall anything in the invitation about felines out of luck, but"—stroking the kitten's pitifully thin sides—"the little tike is sure eligible for the 'ents." He thrust the purring black mite back into Cortrell's pocket. "Now, snap into it, Buddy—and good luck to you! Just say Officer Scanlon sent you."

He pressed the electric button and the next instant disappeared in a swirling cloud of snow.

"Twelve!" As the sonorous strokes pealed from an adjacent church tower, Officer Scanlon rounded the corner.

A dazzling shaft of light streamed across his path—from the bay window of the big house.

"The signal of approval! It's the velvet trail for Buddy." As he spoke a small but animated shadow flashed across the radius of light. "After all, Tabby may prove the winning card. The old man once told me his son was gentle with all dumb creatures. I never was keen for the cat-luck theory, but hereafter, I'm thinking it's up to Denny Scanlon to furnish some important data."

No Compromises With Heathenism.

Missionaries of the Church Missionary society report that one of the results of the spread of Christianity among the young men of Iboland, Nigeria, is their withdrawal from the Okonko club, thus leaving the older men with no one to beat the drums and perform other offices in the heathen ceremonies. This has been most distressing to the chiefs and other mem-

First Lady of Land and Her Boys



Mrs. Calvin Coolidge never aspired socially, but instead gave all of her time to her husband and two boys. Upon going to Washington, however, she was prevailed upon to indulge in social affairs and immediately became a great favorite. John and Calvin Coolidge, Jr., will be the first president's sons to play on the White House lawn since Robert Taft was there.

bers of the club. Finding that harassing and persecuting the Christians had no desired effect, they shifted ground, and asked for a compromise between the church and the club, to allow Christians to join the latter without being disqualified for church membership. This, they have been told, is impossible, as there can be no affinity between light and darkness.

Teaches Bee Culture.

A course in bee husbandry was recently established at the University of Saskatchewan, directed by Miss Ethel May Bradford.

KILL SCREW WORMS

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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.

Wes Owens and family, of Carlisbad, N. M., arrived in this county about ten days ago for a visit among relatives and friends in the Katemey section. Mr. Owens states crop conditions of his country are good, although the production will be slightly below the average.

Eat where the eats are eatable. Corner Cafe. 7-1c

Monroe Brown, Marvin and Noah Beard and Douglas Grogan, of Brown county, were here a short time last week to enjoy a fishing trip on the Llano river. Mr. Brown is a former Mason County boy and says he greatly enjoyed his visit to Mason, following an absence of more than four years.

Wiley Fischer was in Mason last Thursday from his ranch in Kimble county. He states the people of Kimble and Kerr counties are making extensive preparations for a celebration at Johnson Fork on the 28th of this month.

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

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L. W. Schlaudt and wife and son, Edo, arrived in Mason a few days ago to make Mason their future home. Mr. Schlaudt formerly resided in this city and his many friends will be pleased to learn he is to be connected with one of the local meat markets.

Mrs. WHI Ellebracht arrived in Mason Sunday from San Antonio for a visit in the home of her daughter, Mrs. M. D. Loring, and among other relatives and friends of this place.

MASON'S GREATEST NEED—A MODERN HOTEL.

Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. D. E. Ross, of San Antonio, came up last week for a visit with Mrs. Ross' mother, Mrs. Louis Hasper.

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 \$1.00. Small bottle often cures. Send for sworn testimonials, Dr. H. W. Hall, 222 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo.

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Try our "Fruit" Ice Cream. Mason Drug Company. 12

J. H. Jones, who now resides in the Castell community, in company with Messrs. Otto and Frank Keyser, of that section, paid Mason a visit a few days ago.

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.

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WANT COLUMN

BOARDERS WANTED—With room Prefer girls attending local school. Mrs. Louis Johnson. 23-1fe

FOR SALE—Lilly Darling cock stove. Apply to Mrs. Louis Johnson. 23

FIRE INSURANCE—Average cost, country dwellings \$10 for \$1000 for 1 year; \$20 for 3 years. Lamar Thaxton.

FOR SALE—Jersey milk cow with young calf. Apply to W. E. Massey, Streeter. 23-1tp

LOST—Brown and tan hound bitch, blazed face and white front feet, about 18 months old. Liberal reward for recovery. S. H. Bratton. 23-2tp

RANCH FOR TRADE—A well improved ranch and also good business in Fredericksburg. Will give or take difference on good ranch land. Dock Rust, owner, Blanco, Texas. 23-3tc

FOR SALE—Registered Poland China

brood sows; also a good work mule. B. D. Willmann. 23-2tp

LOST OR STRAYED—Two bay mare mules, one of which is heard close; also one branded "K" on left side. Notify News office. 23-2tc

FOR SALE—Hound pups, fox and cat hounds; will make good hog dogs. Apply to Emeth Keller. 23-1fe

CATTLEMEN—When in need of blackleg aggressin, please call or write for my prices. Arthur W. Kothmann, Castell, Texas. 22-3tp

WANTED TO BUY—A few cheap, young cow ponies. J. W. White. 22-2tc

WANT TO LEASE—Some farming and grazing land near Mason, State price and terms. Apply at News Office. 22-2tp

BOTTLED SODA WATER—Orange Lime Crush, Ginger Ale, etc., from San Antonio; retailed in Mason by the case. J. J. Johnson. 22-1f

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TREASURE BURIED AT HOME

Rich Royalists Buried Their Valuables When Washington Turned Tables on British.

Why go outside the United States to hunt treasure? There is lots of it buried at home.

When Washington turned the tables on the English in the Revolution, he took by surprise the rich royalists of New Jersey and Maine. Many of the latter, finding they had no time to get their treasures safely away, buried them. Money, rare china, silverware, jewelry and other articles of value were concealed here and there under a foot or two of earth.

The greater share of it has never been recovered. In Connecticut, however, are several families who owe their rise to wealth to finds of the royalist treasure troves buried on their lands.

During the time between the Revolution and the War of 1812, many Tory families left Maine, New York, New Hampshire and Vermont and set out for the lower part of Canada, oftentimes pursued by Indians or colonial troops. In their flight they sometimes buried their belongings. Recently, a landowner in New England came upon a cask of silver, unearthed by the spring freshets.

In the Civil war, some landowners of the South fled before Sherman on his march to the sea. They buried their money and valuables, what they had left, and much of this property is still under the earth.

NO NIGHT LIFE IN CAPE TOWN

South Africa More of Tea Drinking Nation Than England, It Is Said.

South Africa is known as a nation of tea drinkers—even more so than England. If one is living at a hotel, tea is brought to his room at 7 in the morning—just tea, nothing to eat. Then at 11 o'clock tea is served again. All the business houses have tea served to their employees at that hour, and in Cape Town one may see the carriers running along the street from the tea houses to the banks and other business buildings. The heads of firms go out to some tea room for their tea. At 4 o'clock tea is served again as well as with the regular three meals each day, and then in the evening between 9 and 10 o'clock. Lemon with tea is unusual there. They serve milk and sugar; no cream, as cream is almost an unknown quantity and very expensive. There is no night life in Cape Town, and no cafes. Life is quiet and conservative, and if a party goes out after the theater at night, they go to a tea room. These close at 11:30.

Find Tail-less Rabbits and Rats.

Just south of the Isle of Man is a little island called the "Calf of Man." The original owner received from Queen Elizabeth a grant of this island, which was declared to be forever free from taxation. No one can live there, or even on its shores without the consent of the owners, says the Detroit News.

The late owner was so engrossed in his books and lived so retired a life that years would sometimes elapse between his visits to the neighboring Isle of Man. Only a small part of the land is cultivated and the whole is overrun with rabbits and rats, both of which are tail-less. This island kingdom was sold not so long ago for \$100,000.

Gladly Volunteered.

Carrying a few passengers, a Pacific freighter left a Mexican port with 2,000 cases of liquor for South American points. They got blown far to westward and sprung a bad leak. After several days of pumping the captain announced that he would have to beach the boat upon an uninhabited atoll. There is always a handy passenger to come to the front in such emergencies. This one spoke up promptly.

"Now, men," he declared, "gather 'round and harken. We'll have to remain for months on a desert island. We can save the liquor. Turn to, all of you. I'll wreck the wireless."

Ready Answer.

The grand promoter saw the man coming, but could not escape.

He was promptly backed into a corner and taken severely to task.

"You stung me on that gold mine," he began.

"But, my dear sir," the promoter said.

"And again on those oil wells and again on that mushroom farm. Altogether I have lost I don't know how much money," the victim continued.

This gave the grand promoter his cue.

"But you should know. Be exact. Join our school of accountancy."

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The State of Texas, County of Mason. KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That The Commercial Bank (Unincorporated), Mason, Texas, for the purpose of complying with Chapter 185 of the General Laws passed at the Regular Session of the 38th Legislature, same being Senate Bill No. 52, and being a law relating to all private banks of the State of Texas, acting herein by its president, does certify that the following list of names, to-wit:

Mrs. Anna Martin, Charles L. Martin, Max Martin, Walter M. Martin, Rudolph E. Martin, Seth H. Martin, Miss Anna K. Martin, Miss Esther Martin, Miss Ruth Martin, Kurt F. A. Martin, C. Albert Martin, Paul H. Martin, Howard C. Smith, Perry A. Baze, William Hofmann, Mrs. Loula C. Loring, Oscar A. Hensch, August F. Lange, Edwin C. Lefeste, Herman Schuessler, Tom E. Wood, G. Adolph Loeffler, Adolph Eckert, Ernest Vater, John Brandenberger, Frank Brandenberger, Adolph D. Kothmann, Alfred W. Kooek, Eugene Zesch, Mrs. Minna Zesch, William Schmidt, Dan J. Hoerster, Tom A. Rolston, Lee F. Eckert, Mrs. E. V. Ellebracht, Mrs. Ella Schmidt, Dan Jordan, Sr., Henry C. Schmidt, L. Frank Clark, Mrs. Sophronia Clark, Robert W. Hofmann, Mrs. Minna Pfluenke, John A. McWilliams, Mrs. Matilda J. Kidd, Henry Eckert, Mrs. Mary L. Vandever, Louis Vater, Mrs. Rachael Vandever, and John H. Wiedemann; gives the name of each partner or stockholder, or member holding or owning any financial interest or stock in said The Commercial Bank (Unincorporated).

THE COMMERCIAL BANK, (Unincorporated)

By Mrs. Anna Martin, President. Attest: Walter M. Martin, Cashier.

The State of Texas, County of Mason. Before me, Lamar Thaxton, a Notary Public in and for Mason County, Texas, on this day personally appeared Mrs. Anna Martin, President of The Commercial Bank (Unincorporated), Mason, Texas, to me well known, and who, after being by me duly sworn, says that the above and attached statement is true and correct in substance and in fact.

MRS. ANNA MARTIN, Affiant. Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 6th day of August, A. D., 1923.

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