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COMMERCIAL CLUB WANTS OCTOBER FAIR TO BE BEST EVER HELD IN MASON COUNTY

At a call meeting of the Mason Commercial Club, which was held on Wednesday evening of last week, that body went on record as being in favor of making the 1923 County Fair and Exhibit the most successful event of the kind ever held in Mason County. The dates for the coming exhibit had heretofore been set for October 25th and 26th, and it was decided that members of the Club put forth extra effort in anticipation of making the 1923 event a "bigger and better exhibit".

The past few years the Mason County Annual Fair and Exhibit has grown and enlarged quite a bit and each year has developed much improvement over the fair of the preceding year and it is the desire of the local commercial organization that the coming event be "bigger and better" than the exhibit of last fall.

The premium list will be a bigger inducement than the one of last year and the subscription list compares quite favorably with the ones on previous occasions, and in order to increase the amount of money available for premiums, the Commercial Club will donate a liberal sum to the cause.

County Agent, W. I. Marshall, has been very active in making plans and preparations for the exhibit, and he anticipates more rivalry in the rural school exhibits this fall than has ever before been displayed. He also expects the entries in the ordinary arts department to be much larger than on past occasions. Mr. Marshall states the live stock entries will be in keeping with past exhibits and there's possibility of an increase in entries in the various live stock departments. Mr. Elgin O. Kothmann, breeder of registered Herefords, will again add interest and enthusiasm to the exhibit by conducting an auction sale of some of his fine blooded stock. It is announced Col. Lefe Burger, who has had charge of Mr. Kothmann's past sales, has again been employed as auctioneer.

Rural communities are now being solicited and urged to make entries and it is believed this year will bring an increase in the number of entries from outside of the county.

TRESSES OF HEY GIRL BOBBED WHILE SHE SLEPT SAT. NIGHT

Sunday morning little Miss Lora Hey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Hey, of this city, awoke to find a portion of her long tresses of hair had been bobbed some time during the night.

It seems a mystery surrounds the incident, as whoever the party was that did the bobbing, did not take the hair, but left it laying on the girls pillow beside her head. The parents are at a loss to know just who did the "bobbing" and what their purpose was in committing the act.

While there seems to be a craving among children for bobbed hair at this time, it is said Lora did not have any desire for hers to be bobbed and when it became necessary to have it bobbed all the way around, she shed quite a number of tears. We are informed the child's parents slept in an adjoining room the night of the occurrence, but did not hear any one enter or leave the room during the night. Mr. Beyer, who lives in the same house with Mr. and Mrs. Hey, and who slept in a room nearby, reports having heard someone walking in the room where the children were sleeping, but thought it was probably some member of the family and paid no attention to it.

Gilbert Jordan and Sam Leifeste left last Monday for Georgetown to attend Southwestern University. Gilbert is an old Southwesterner and is returning to school after having taught a year. Sam will be remembered as one of the Mason High graduates of last year. Both of these young men attended the first summer term and have been at home for the rest of the vacation.

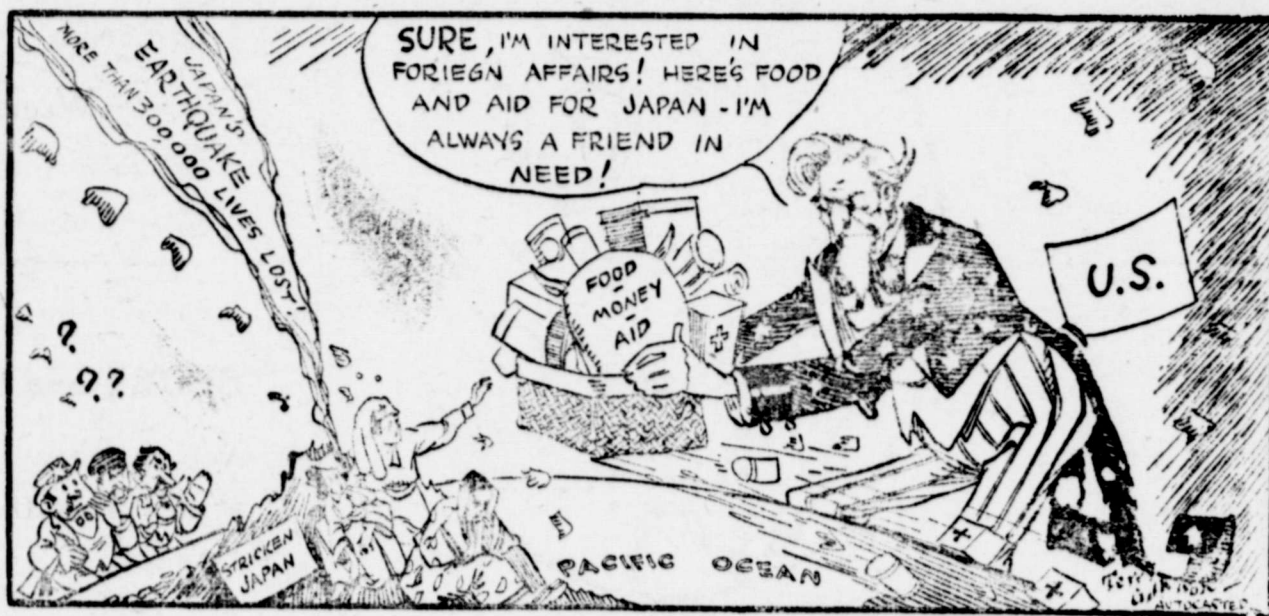
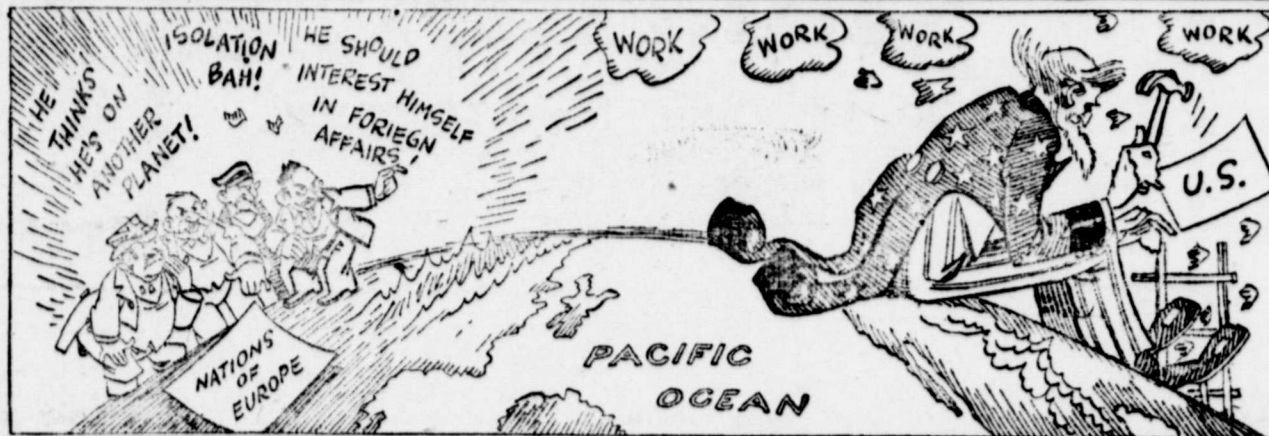
COURT HOUSE NEWS

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Henry, a boy, September 21st, 1923.

Mason needs a public dumping ground.

UNCLE SAM'S FOREIGN POLICY



SENIOR CLASS OF M. H. S. WILL ISSUE ANNUAL FOR THIS TERM

The senior class of the Mason High School was organized during the first week of school, and Miss Coralea Tinsley acted as chairman of the meeting until new officers were elected. The following are the officers: L. D. Fostel, president; Dessie Hoerster, vice-president; Harold Schmidt, secretary-treasurer; Miss Theresa Klapproth, class sponsor; Calvin Sanders, sergeant-at-arms; Emily Jordan, reporter to the Mason County News.

The class has also selected its class colors, flower, motto, and ring.

At another meeting of the class the seniors voted unanimously for having an Annual this year, provided they would have the co-operation of the faculty and the entire student body of the High School. L. D. Fostel was chosen editor-in-chief and Coralea Tinsley was chosen business manager of the Annual.

On Wednesday morning at chapel several talks were made with reference to having an Annual this year. The principal talks were made by the members of the faculty and Mr. Runge, followed by several speeches by some of the students. The seniors, on whom the responsibility chiefly rests, were encouraged by these talks. Everyone seems to have a determination to make a success of this new undertaking and all seem to be willing to help.

—REPORTER.

LOCAL FIRMS DONATE LIBERALLY FOR ROAD TO LONDON

A petition was recently circulated in this city asking for donations of money to be used for the purpose of working the public road leading out of Mason towards London. For some time this piece of road has been very bad and much in need of improvement, but it is said a lack of funds in that commissioner's precinct prevents this road from having received much attention. The News is informed this money will be placed in the hands of County Judge Banks and he will have the road built by county road superintendent, Will Land, and his efficient crew of hands.

The money subscribed will be made go as far as possible and this procedure will keep every cent on the road, since it does not have to go through the hands of the county treasurer.

The exact amount of money donated to the cause by the local business firms is not known to the writer, but information is that something like \$800 was contributed. It is reported there were nine or ten firms contributing as high as \$50 each.

Typewriter ribbons, 80c, News Office.

TOWN FOOTBALL TEAM ORGANIZED TO PLAY GAME WITH M. H. S. TEAM THIS AFTERNOON AT 4

A town football team has been organized in Mason and the past week has been quite a busy one for the various contestants trying for places on the team. There are quite a number of apt stars on the list and it is believed a good team can be produced. The team was organized in hopes of matching games with teams of neighboring towns.

The Mason High School team has not as yet played any contests this season, although, they too, have been going through some hard practice and workouts. A game between these two squads has been arranged for this afternoon at 4 o'clock and the contest will likely be a warm one. It is likely both teams will have a large number of players in the game, as each team is anxious to see every eligible man in action.

It is announced the town boys will adopt the name of "Mavericks", and some of the leaders state the outlook for the squad indicates the name will likely prove to be too mild for their style of playing.

Among the list of tryouts for the town team are included: Emeth Keller, Allan Doell, Ben Evans, Herbert Splittgerber, Leonard Wood, Walter Willmann, Roy Bratton, Grover McDougall, Harold Zesch, Jack Garrett, Willie Donop, Mike Beyer, "Tap" Bolt, Alvin Danheim, "Tubbie" Lange, Clarence Winkle and Horace Garner.

The game this afternoon will be called sharply at 4 o'clock and will be played on the gridiron across the creek from town. An admission of ten cents will be charged.

MRS. CHAS. RODE DIED IN FREDERICKSBURG SUNDAY

Mrs. Chas. Rode, aged 66 years and one month, died at her home in Fredericksburg last Sunday morning, following an illness of dengue fever. Mrs. Rode was before her marriage, Miss Leua Eckert, and was a sister to Messrs John Eckert, Phillip Eckert and Adolph Eckert, of this county, and was the mother of Messrs. P. C. and A. D. Rode, of this city.

It is said her death came as a sudden shock to the entire family and other relatives. She is survived by her husband and a family of ten children, all of whom are grown, besides a number of brothers and sisters.

The funeral was held at Fredericksburg Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock and quite a large number of relatives and friends from Mason were in attendance.

Mason needs a public dumping ground.

M. H. S. GRIDERS ROUNDING INTO SHAPE FOR SCHEDULE

The Mason High School football team is fastly taking on the appearance of a creditable aggregation. L. W. Dumas, coach of the team, started out with but three or four letter men, from last season's squad, and the new men are requiring some hard work to get into shape.

It is generally believed the local team will receive the strongest support this season that has ever been given a team on the local gridiron, and the team is making every effort to merit this support.

The boys are working out each afternoon on the grounds across the creek and the belief is that they will be in fine condition for the opening game of the season which will be played against the Menard High School team on the local gridiron on October 6th.

It is scheduled that a practice game for the purpose of aiding the High Eleven in perfecting some new plays will be played on the grounds across the creek this afternoon at 4 o'clock between a picked town team and the school aggregation. An admission of 10 cents will be charged which will be used for the benefit of the school team.

Below is given a list of the names of candidates for positions on the High School squad this season, and among who is some promising material:

Robert Kidd, quarter; Perry Donop, left tackle; Arthur Geistweidt, right guard; Roy Leifeste, center; Garland Brewer, left tackle; L. D. Fostel, left end; Henry McDougall, right end; Guy McLerran, left end; Reuben Wissemann, left half; Henry Keller, left guard; Alton Clark, right tackle; Elwood Kothmann, left guard; Walter Doell, right half; Milton Zesch, full back; Homer Lemburg, right guard; Herbert Schreiber, right end; Melvin Capps, right tackle.

The boys listed above are appearing regularly for practice, and seem to be enthusiastic for a place on the team. There are several other boys in school who look like good foot ball material, but who are not appearing regularly for work. Several of the regular tryouts are without experience, but some of them are showing remarkable progress. Much hard work and rigid discipline will be necessary to co-ordinate them into a smooth-working team.

The following is but a partially complete schedule. Efforts are being made to secure at least two more games.

Menard High at Mason, Oct. 6th.
Junction High at Junction, Oct. 12th.
Kerrville High at Mason, Oct. 19th.
Llano High at Mason, Oct. 26th.
Brady High at Brady Nov. 9th.

H. C. KEYSER WAS UNTIL RE- CENTLY PROMINENT RANCHER IN MASON CO.; NEAR LOYAL VAL.

Elsewhere in the News is a reproduction of an article appearing in the Fredericksburg Standard regarding the recent death of Mr. H. C. Keyser, of that city. Mr. Keyser was probably better known in this county than in Gillespie county, as for many years he was a resident of Mason County and until he retired from active ranch life about a year ago, resided in the Keyserville community in the southeastern portion of the county. His death was attributed to heart failure, and it is said he had suffered occasionally with a weak heart for the past three years. At the time of his death he had attained the age of 56 years. Surviving him are his wife and five children: Messrs. Albert, Henry, Jr., and Herman, Mrs. Walter Bierschwale and Mrs. Felix Hahn; a step-mother, Mrs. Isolda Keyser, of Houston, and a number of brothers and sisters.

Mr. Keyser was considered one of Mason county's most successful ranchmen and cattle raisers and was quite a prominent man in his section of the county, as well as being well acquainted and popularly known all over Mason county. His untimely death came as a source of regret to the people of this section and his loved ones have the deepest sympathy of a host of friends in their bereavement.

MASON COUNTY PREPARING TO SEND EXHIBIT TO EAST'N FAIRS

On Monday of this week, County Agent Ehlinger of McCulloch County and the secretary of the Brady Chamber of Commerce were in Mason assisting County Agent W. I. Marshall in getting up an exhibit of staple agricultural products to be exhibited with the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Exhibit at the Mississippi Fair, and at the Georgia State Fair. The exhibit will consist of the products named as follows: three varieties of cotton, two varieties of corn, Rye, Oats, Peanuts, fifteen kinds of hay, fifteen kinds of beans and peas, and twelve varieties of paper shell pecans.

One thousand copies of Grinstead's Graphic which contains a write-up of the resources of Mason County will be sent with the exhibit to be distributed at the above named fairs.

It is also announced by County Agent Marshall that arrangements are being made to have a display from one farm in Mason County, exhibited with the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Exhibits at the above mentioned places. This exhibit will include probably 100 or more agricultural products produced on one farm, and will likely be selected from the farm of Frank Loeffler, of the Hilda section. The products from this farm will be exhibited in a separate booth with a banner carrying the following information: "Raised on one farm in Mason County, Texas, the home of diversified farming".

BIG ROLLER OPERATING ON TWO MILES OF GRAVEL ROAD

The road from Mason to the river on the south end of State Highway No. 9, has been improved the past week by using the large roller which Mason County has rented from Gillespie county. A couple miles of the road was recently regraded and gravel taken from the Llano river bed was used. The road has been almost impassable since the gravel was applied, due to its packing so slowly. In renting the big road roller it is hoped the road can be made to settle and pack more readily.

It is stated the use of this big machine is costing Mason county \$35 a day, but it is believed if its use will improve this stretch of highway, the money will have been well spent.

Cotton on the local market Wednesday was bring from 26 to 27 cents per pound.

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and

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AUTUMN

Fall months, with their brisk breezes and golden brown touch of nature echoes the call of the seasons. The needs of our customers have been anticipated and our new fall stocks are complete in every line.

Autumn Showing



FASHION

The world of fashion is stimulated to new activity and evidences of revivifying influences are to be seen everywhere in the store of Hofmann Dry Goods Company. Let us show you our fall offerings.

NEW FALL HATS

All the new effects are offered in various shapes and sizes. Hats especially for the "Bobbed Hair" Girl.

NEW FALL COATS

Distinctive Styles of the Season.
Wonderful Values



WOMEN'S AND MISSES'

Fall Frocks—Vie smartly in elegance and simplicity. Priced surprisingly low.

SPORT and DRESS SWEATERS

We are showing the best and latest styles from the well known "Bradlet" line.

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Everything that is new in Fall Dress Goods now awaits your inspection.

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MEN'S NEW SUITS

New Fall Woolens, now on display, in the latest and most attractive styles, patterns and fabrics. Come and look them over.

Hofmann Dry Goods Co.

KODAKERS ATTENTION

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BOX 13—LLANO PHOTO STUDIO.
51-tfc.

News Want Ads bring results.

It is stated the work of laying the concrete blocks for the erection of the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Zesch was begun last Thursday. The News is informed Messrs. Herman Ischar and John Wartenbach are laying the blocks.

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

MEASUREGRAPH MACHINE INSTALLED BY THE ACME

Perhaps the first measuregraph machine ever placed in operation in Llano is the one which has recently been installed by the Acme Dry Goods Company.

This new machine not only measures cloth, but computes the amount of the purchase, no matter what the price might be. It works much on the order of the computing scales now in use in most of the grocery stores. As the cloth is pulled through the machine, the little indicator tells the number of yards and just how much it amounts to in dollars and cents.

This new machine is a great labor saver to the salespeople and absolutely does away with errors which are so often made, especially when fractions are brought into use.—Llano News.

Bring your chickens and turkeys to J. A. Beach's Feed Store. We pay cash. 28-tfc

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

L. F. Eckert, local Ford dealer, spent last Friday in Kerrville, where he attended a district meeting of agents for that popular car.

Attorney Carl Runge, wife and baby returned home Friday from Austin, where they went to take Murray Kyger who entered the State University.

STOP THAT ITCHING

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USE OF THE TELEPHONE

There are approximately 14,100,000 telephones in use in the United States and about 39,000,000 conversations daily. In other words one out of every three persons in the United States utilizes the telephone at least once daily throughout the year.

New Bell-owned telephones added yearly average about 600,000.

At the end of 1922 the Bell system controlled more than 36,000,000 miles of wire, of which 64 per cent was in underground cables.

The American Telephone system is the envy of all other countries and several nations of Europe are considering doing away with government ownership of their systems in the hope that a change to private management will pull the service out of the slough of inefficiency into which it has fallen.

MASON'S GREATEST NEED—A MODERN HOTEL.

HENRY C. KEYSER

The Standard regrets to chronicle the death of another worthy citizen, Mr. Henry C. Keyser, who passed out of this life at his home Wednesday morning at 6 o'clock at the age of 56 years, 8 months and 12 days.

Death came to him without warning through heart failure.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon, the Rev. K. Konzack conducting, and interment was made in the city cemetery.

Besides the mourning widow there survive five children, three sons and two daughters. Mr. Keyser was a true type of the pioneer, had undergone many hardships and privations incident to frontier life, and with his passing he leaves a record of a well spent life of good deeds and service for others.—Fredericksburg Standard.

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J. D. Eckert, Pres.
E. O. Kothmann, V. P.

W. E. Jordan, Cashier
Kinney Eckert, Ass't C'r.

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

ADVERTISING RATES
 Local readers and classified ads 7 1/2 cents per line per issue. Display rates made known on application.
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All ads placed in this paper, will be run until ordered out.

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Considerate Patient
 New Dentist (To Cowboy patient in Western Town): "Well you have gas?"
 Dead Eye Dick: "Will, it hurt much if I don't?"
 Dentist: "Yes, it may hurt."
 D. E. D.: "W-all, then for your sake I'll take it."

Willie's Dog Life
 Willie had almost finished his reading lesson when he came to a word he could not pronounce.
 "Barque," prompted the teacher.
 Willie looked at his classmates and grinned.
 "Barque, Willie!" exclaimed the teacher harshly.
 Willie, looking up at the teacher, finally cried out: "Bow-wow-wow!"

How They Get That Way
 First Egg: "I am tired of being in this hot water."
 Second Egg: "Never mind, you'll get hardened to it."

At The Ringside
 First Bettor: "Believe me, I've seen this man o' mine fight before—when he hits a man he remembers it."
 Second Bettor: "Huh, when my man hits a man he don't."

In Kansas
 A Kansas town's city limit welcome to motorists. "Speed Limit 100 Miles an Hour—Fords Do Your Best."

First Hand Info
 Frolicsome: "Ah, I used to know your wife before you married her. She was such a pensive girl."
 Henpeck: "She got over that. She's expensive."

The Truth, So Help Me
 Jones: "Say, Smith, I just bought a new car and I want my wife to learn to drive, too. How long did it take your wife to learn?"
 Smith: "Well, let's see. I don't just remember, but I think it will be eight years this December."

Magnetic Mabel's Mail
 Dear Mabel: I've been told that there is a charm that is infallible in winning the love of a man, no matter how unattractive the girl may be. Have you ever heard of it and will you tell me all you know about it? Hope B.
 Yes, Hope, I have heard of it, but seldom have I seen it, and tho I can vouch for the certainty of its effect, I know but little about it. This love charm is called Mummy.
 Dear Mabel: Outwardly I am very plain, but inwardly, I am told, I possess great loveliness of character. I long to attract, but yet I fail. What can I do?
 "Lonesome,"
 Dear "Lonesome": Try walking around inside out for a while. I'm sure you'll attract.
 Dear Mabel: I am a great lover of pigeons and I want to breed them for



MEMBERSHIP NO. 1874
MEND THE ROAD BEFORE IT NEEDS IT' SLOGAN

Good Highways Stay Good by Constant Care.

A man who spent twenty-five thousand dollars for a house and contents and refused to spend a hundred dollars to stop the leak in the roof, which spoiled both, would be considered a fool. But there are many counties and many States which spend from ten to twenty-five thousand dollars a mile for a good road, and refuse the hundred dollars a year needed to keep it in perfect order.

The time to begin to repair a good road is the day it is opened for traffic. Homely philosophy says that a stitch in time saves nine, and road experience proves that a bucket of oil, a little sand, a few rocks, and a man with a shovel now can save the expense of a whole road gang and expensive machinery later.

The modern road consists of a foundation course of stone, a smaller, lighter course on top, a wearing course of still smaller stones, a binder of oil and sand and perhaps a top dressing of the same. As long as the structure is complete, the road will wear. But let time, or a too heavy load, or frost, or some other cause, dig a hole through the wearing course into the foundation, and the "bad spot" will begin to "ravel." Stones will break away and roll down in the ditch, the surface will disintegrate and in a comparatively short time a large and rough hole appears.

A good road is no better than its worst mile. A mile of holes and ruts cuts down the usefulness of ten miles of good road. To repair a large hole cost much money. To inspect the road often and stop up the little hole when it starts is very inexpensive. The greatest city fire in history could have been put out by a child with a cup of water if found in time. So can the worst possible damage to roads be inexpensively prevented, if the maintenance is begun in time.

CORPORATION WITH A HEART

Out in Cisco, Nevada, there is a "soulless" corporation that deserves the praise which it is generously receiving. This story is told of this corporation:

The Pacific Gas and Electric Company was engaged in hydro-electric development on Yuba River. Little Clyde Patnoe, aged 12, a deformed child, the only child of a widowed mother, fell into the river, and was swept over the dam, and lost. To comfort the grief-stricken mother the managers of the electric company halted their work and ordered that the course of the river be changed to permit a thorough search of the river's bottom. It took fifteen 24-hour days to execute the engineering feat, and cost the company more than \$20,000 to do it—but the body of the child was recovered and restored to the mother.

Just a little story to show that while corporations may not have souls, the men who own them may have. (The Montgomery Advertiser, Montgomery, Ala., July 30, 1923.)

Nice screen doors and galvanized screen wire. R. Grosse. 7

You'll enjoy seeing the picture shows at the Star Opera House on Friday and Saturday nights. Show starts at 7:45 o'clock.

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

show purposes. Can you advise me how to proceed? Harry B.—
 —Certainly, Harry. Buy a well-mated pair of prize pigeons. Choose a large cage enameled in baby blue for preference. If at the end of a year results are not satisfactory—buy rabbits.

"COLD IN THE HEAD"

is an acute attack of Nasal Catarrh. Those subject to frequent "colds" are generally in a "run down" condition. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE is a Treatment consisting of an Ointment, to be used locally, and a Tonic, which acts quickly through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces, building up the System, and making you less liable to "colds." Sold by druggists for over 40 Years. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

The short cut to Fortune is by the long road of Saving.

MASON NATIONAL BANK



From Mason News, Sept. 30, 1898:
 The scholastic apportionment for the State this year is \$4.50 per capita. Jim Schmidt and family have moved here from Kerrville and he will tend bar for Theo. Schmidt.
 The 12-year-old son of John Reugner has his foot badly poisoned and is stopping in town for treatment.
 Miss Ruth Hamilton won the bicycle race at Fredericksburg, securing \$10, there being three entries in the race: Miss Keller, daughter of A. W. Keller, finishing second.
 H. Zork was winner of a \$50 saddle raffled at the Fredericksburg Fair.
 Miss Olga Geistweidt and Mr. Will C. Eckert were united in marriage Thursday at the home of the bride's father, Mr. Wm. Geistweidt, on Beaver Creek.
 Jim Hey fell last week at school and badly hurt his nose, but he is again all right.
 Born—A boy, the 29th to Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Christianus; a boy, on the 22nd to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Moneyhon.
 The son of Jim Coalson is very sick and the chances are against his recovery.
 Wm. Anderson and family are located in the Bowser place which he recently purchased at \$700.
 From Mason News, Sept. 25, 1908:
 Miss Minnie Hey purchased 3 lots on Post Hill last week from T. F. Rainey for \$130.
 Miss Benellen Reynolds left last week for Denton to attend the normal.
 Otto Schmidt has bought the Marion Morrow place for \$800.
 Henry Grote, Harold Thaxton, Seth and Albert Martin left a few days ago for A. & M. College.
 The C. L. Hofmann Band will give a

NO BOY SCOUTS IN PRISON

Although it would take a largesized library to house the volumes on crime that have been published during the last fifty years, there is not one of them accepted as authoritative. The criminal has been weighed, measured, examined physiologically and psychologically, and subject to all manner of experimentation without revealing the exact proportions of the forces responsible for his tendencies.

In no given case hat it been possible to say precisely how much was due to heredity, training or environment. But out of the conflict of theories arise a few definite truths, and among these is that early training is of vital importance as determining good or evil behavior. This belief is materially strengthened by the statement of Warden James A. Johnson of San Quentin, California, state penitentiary that the crime problem is a boy problem and the Boy Scouts are not found in prison. It is a striking tribute to the Boy Scouts movement, and the thousands of citizens who have had opportunity to observe who have had opportunity to observe its working are not hard to convince that it is fully warranted.—Star-Telegram.

The News is authorized to accept subscriptions to The Ladies' Home Journal at \$1 a year. If you care to renew your subscription to that popular magazine or desire to become one leave your remittance of \$1 with the News and we take care of it for you.

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ball at the Geistweidt Hall on the night of October 7th.
 The stock law election at Streeter last Saturday carried by a vote of 27 to 11.
 Dr. P. A. Baze and Dr. R. J. Baze have traded residences; the latter receiving \$1,000 difference.
 Word was received here Friday of the sudden death the previous night of M. A. Hamilton, of Chickasha, Okla. The shock to his wife, who was visiting relatives in Mason, was overwhelming.
 The Hilda school opens Monday with Sam Hoerster as teacher.

Editorial

History Honors Men Who Walk Lonely Paths that Good May Come to Those Who Doubt

Step on the Information Gas

To provide a better understanding of the economic factor underlying motor transportation in every part of the world, the first International Motor Transport Congress ever held in the United States will be convened in May, 1924, in the city of Detroit. The congress will be under the auspices of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce. Delegates will attend from all quarters of the civilized globe. The conference is to last four days.

The automotive industry is of first economic importance in this country, whatever it may be abroad, and it will be well for those who have their millions invested in it to have brought home to them the fact that the great American market for the automobile is the American small town and the American farm.

The teeming millions in the great cities might lead the unthinking to imagine that all the motor cars in the world are bought by the rich city folk, but actually the city consumption is small as compared with that of the country. More nearly seventy than fifty per cent of all of the cars manufactured in this country, we are told, are bought in towns up to 5,000 population. The sooner the manufacturers have this fact driven home to them the sooner will they see the necessity of giving greater aid to the small town local dealers, many of whom do such yeoman work in the stimulation and creating of a market for the manufacturers they represent. Some manufacturers with forward vision fully appreciate what the local dealer is doing, but others fail to sense his importance and do not appreciate his effort.

Great as is the absorption of motor cars in the country, it would be even greater if the average local dealer could afford to cover his potential market more intensively. What he needs is backing to the limit, and no more constructive work can be done at the coming conference than the work of bringing before the industry the actual truth regarding the cultivation of the small town motor market, the backbone of American consumption, of everything that is worthwhile.

When the Scotchman returning from a visit to London was asked how he liked the town he said it was wonderful but that the people were not honest. He bought a box of matches—1,000 for a penny—and found the box contained only 982. We wonder what he would say of our political promises before election and political performances afterwards. Don't forget the season of political docility is at hand. Gather your roses while ye may.

We saw a soldier the other day—that is, he had been a soldier in the great war. Now he is selling needles from house to house—needles—made in Germany. Surely the housewife finds herself on the horns of a dilemma.

Evidently the national civil service reform league is not without a sense of humor. It recommends to President Coolidge that "the burden" of 120,000 Federal appointments be taken from the executive shoulders—that all postmasters be selected by civil service examinations. Surely a strange hour has been selected for such a recommendation.



THE GREAT CONTROVERSY

The great controversy within religious circles revolves around two great facts:

FIRST: THE INFALLIBLE BIBLE.
 The holy scriptures themselves state that they are inspired by Almighty God, therefore infallible. Jesus Christ while on earth testified to their authority, infallibility and right to supremacy in one's life. The orthodox church of Jesus Christ testified to their infallibility. They are the Word of God—the only rule of faith and practice.

Of course Satan is trying to break down belief in the authority of the scriptures. Rationalistic forces, the forces of infidelity, atheism, socialism and Bolshevism are denying that the scriptures are infallible. They are doing it because they want to destroy the authority of the scriptures. If the agencies of sin can destroy the scriptures then they have an easy road to the satisfaction of all the lusts and passions of human nature.

SECOND: THE VIRGIN BIRTH
 The same set of forces are denying the fact of the virgin birth of Jesus Christ. God decided upon the plan for His incarnation. That plan, decided and created by the Triune God, fixed the virgin birth as the instrument for the incarnation. Therefore, the virgin birth is proof positive that Jesus Christ is the son of God. Satan knows that fact. Therefore, if he could destroy belief in the virgin birth he could logically destroy belief in Jesus Christ as the Son of God.

There is no fact in history more perfectly established than the fact that Jesus Christ was born of the virgin, and therefore is the Son of God.

Let me call on the Christians all over America to be true to God's infallible Word, and to Jesus Christ born of the virgin Mary. The Church shall be victorious. The gates of hell shall not prevail.

Program

DIXIE LYCEUM BUREAU

- OCT. 13.—Annie Therese Davault, noted Dramatic Reader.
- NOV. 14.—The Music Makers. Four young men Funsters.
- DEC. 8.—Booth Lowery, noted Humorist and orator.
- DEC. 13.—Kater, The Magician. Magic, Illusions and Fun.
- JAN. 17.—Pam Pampa Filipino Quartet. Native Instrumentalists.
- MARCH 1.—Ladies Rainbow Orchestra. Seven Young Ladies.

Be patriotic to your school and community and save money by buying season tickets; on sale at Commercial Bank now.

- Adult's Season Ticket.....\$3.00
 - Child's Season Ticket.....\$1.50
 - School Children Season Ticket.....\$1.50
 - Single Admission, Adults 75c; Children 35c
- Reserved seats also obtainable at the Commercial Bank.

Society

PRETTY HOME WEDDING UNITES POPULAR COUPLE

(From Abilene Daily Reporter, of Sept. 2, 1923.)

A pretty home wedding of unusual interest was that of Miss Hattie Greenway and Mr. Tom M. Payne which took place Thursday evening at nine o'clock at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Allie Greenway, 774 Elm St. The home was decorated in pink roses, asters and ferns, an artistic arrangement of flowers and ferns making an altar in the living room where the ceremony was performed. To the lovely strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding march, played by Mrs. Claude Neilon, the wedding party entered. Miss Clarence King, the bridesmaid, wore a handsome dress of brown brocade crepe and carried an arm bouquet of pink asters. Little Frances Neill, cousin of the bride, carrying the ring in a lily, was lovely in a dainty frock of pink organdy and maline. The sister of the bride, Miss Helen Greenway, maid of honor, wore an attractive dress of midnight blue satin crepe; her flowers were an arm bouquet of pink asters.

The bride was charming in a beautiful gown of sandal-wood crepe glori with accessories in harmony. She carried a lovely bouquet of pink rose buds and lilies. The groom was attended by Mr. Ernest Sharpe.

While Traumerel was softly played, the Reverend George H. Morrison of Haskell said the impressive ring ceremony. Reverend Morrison as a former pastor of the First Christian Church

of Abilene baptised both the bride and groom when they were children.

After the ceremony an informal reception was held. Mrs. Billie Hughes and Miss Ruth Kauffman presiding at the punch bowl. The out of town guests were Miss Ruby Payne of Dallas, Mrs. Henry Runyon of San Angelo, Mr. Payne of Stamford, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Harber and family of Hamlin, Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Schmidt, of Sweetwater and Mrs. L. E. Bane of Mexia.

After a short trip to San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Payne will be at home at 1241 North Third Street.

Missionary Society of Long Mountain

The Woman's Missionary Society of the M. E. Church at Long Mountain held their monthly social meeting at the pretty home of Mrs. D. C. Andrews. Mrs. Annie Hight assisted the hostess in entertaining.

Mrs. Gene Allen, leader, being absent, Miss Allie Andrews very ably led the meeting, reading as the Bible lesson from Mark IV chapter, followed by prayer by society.

A very interesting article was read by Miss Andrews, entitled, "Five Dollars and Myself".

Mrs. Snowden Allen, corresponding secretary, read some very encouraging and inspiring letters to the society.

After a pleasant social chat the hostess led the way to the beautiful dining room where dainty refreshments consisting of a delicious fruit course and cake were served.

The following members were present: Misses, Snowden Allen, Jessie Hight, Saunders Smith, C. A. Mogford; Misses Ruth Woodward and Allie Andrews. Invited guests included Misses Mamie Hight and Mary Louise Mogford.

—REPORTER.

MASON'S GREATEST NEED—A MODERN HOTEL.

Eighth Grade Enjoy Outing

On last Friday afternoon, at 3:30 o'clock, the eighth grade of the Mason High School, entertained at the Reunion Grounds with a picnic.

After several interesting games, lunch was served, after which the boys served soda water to the following persons: Virgil Banks, Mary Capps, Ruby Grote, Ethel Boston, Mary Hallett, Ethel Colburn, Mildred Montgomery, Edna, Norma McWilliams, Miss K. Harwood, Ervin Willmann, Daniel Pinoncke, William Lemburg, Royal Sanders, Rudolph Loeffler, Garner Sengst, Lucille Rhode.

PARENT TEACHERS' NOTICE

The News has been requested to inform the members of the Parent-Teachers' Association that at the next meeting they will be requested to answer roll call by stating the substance of some State law. This does not mean to give the entire contents of a law, but to give clearly the substance of it.

Surprise Party

Mrs. Eli Jordan, assisted by Miss Bessie Gray, entertained at her home a number of girls Friday afternoon at four o'clock in honor of their sister, Ruby, the occasion being her birthday anniversary.

After the girls had arrived, Miss Ruby was telephoned to come, and upon arriving, was greeted by all the girls proving quite a surprise to her.

Various games and contests were enjoyed by all, after which refreshments of cream and cake with maiden hair fern and Robinson buds as plate favors were served to the following guests: Lena Sison, Clara Rader, Mary Capps, Ethel Lehmburg, Beatrice Jordan, Norma McWilliams, Inez Land, Virgil Banks, Minnie Schwere, Erna Witt, Ophelia Gilmore, Virginia Carter, Mae Grote, Bennellen Land, Mildred Montgomery, Modeli Henrich, Grace Baxter, Euella Barber, Mary Hallett, Maybelle Grote and Ruby Grote.

Bridge Club

Mrs. W. I. Marshall entertained the members of the Bridge Club and a few guests Thursday afternoon at the home of her sister, Mrs. K. M. Eckert.

A very dainty salad course was served at the conclusion of the games to Misses, Tom White, K. M. Eckert, P. A. Bennett, John Lindsay, Arch Metzger, Walter Lindsay, S. L. Baze, Martha D. Loring; Misses Julia Bierschwale, Mary Lemburg and Elizabeth White. Guests were Mrs. William Splittgerber, Mrs. Sterling Schmidt and Miss Thelma Wood.

Next meeting of the Club will be with Mrs. Arch Metzger.

Mr. and Mrs. Roseoe Runge entertained at dinner on Monday evening at their home in East end. Those present to enjoy their hospitality were Mrs. Ernest Marshall and daughter, Miss Irene, of Llano, Mrs. Antonia Marshall, of Llano, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lemburg, Mrs. Therese Runge and Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Marshall.

Mrs. D. J. Broad and daughter, Miss Ada, arrived in Mason a few days ago for a visit with relatives and friends. They have been spending the past week at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Reardon, of the Art community, but before returning to Fort Worth, will visit in the home of Mrs. Reardon's father, Mr. Jacob Schuessler, and among other relatives in Mason.

Perry Wartenbach returned home Monday from a stay of several weeks at Breckenridge, where he had employment with a big steel company. He states he will probably return to that city in the near future to accept employment with another concern.

It is announced quite a number of dengue fever cases prevail in this community at this time.

County Tax Assessor, W. O. Bode, has been confined to his bed the past several days with dengue fever.

Mrs. Isolda Keyser, of Houston, and Mrs. H. C. Keyser and son, Herman, of Fredericksburg, were in Mason Wednesday. The former mentioned is a stepmother to Mr. H. C. Keyser, whose death occurred in Fredericksburg Wednesday morning of last week.

O. A. Hensch spent a few days the past week in San Antonio on business matters combined with pleasure.

Mrs. Tom Garner returned home a short time ago from a visit to her son, Ed, who resides near Big Springs.

POLO GAMES

LLANO vs. KYLE

Llano, Texas, Sept. 28, 29 and 30 on picnic grounds west of town. Polo starts each day at 1:30

ROPING CONTESTS

Break-Away Double Bull-Dog

Added Money to the Break-Away

DON'T MISS THIS EVENT

ANNOUNCING

COTTON EXCHANGE FOR LAMPASAS

TEXAS, OCT. 1ST, 1923

We will furnish continuous Cotton, Grain and Stock quotations at all times. We have both telephones, Rural and Southwestern. We are members of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange and act as brokers only. We solicit your business and will appreciate your patronage. Call or write us for particulars.

LAMPASAS COTTON EXCHANGE

J. E. HAIRE, Mgr.

NEW FALL AND WINTER Dry Goods

We invite the people of Mason and surrounding community to visit our store and inspect our splendid and complete stock of FALL and WINTER merchandise.

In purchasing our goods we have kept the needs of the buying public ever in mind and we feel that no store can better supply your needs.



We call your special attention to our line of ALL LEATHER SHOES and CLOTHING for school wear.

E. Lemburg & Bro. DRY GOODS GROCERIES

Bring Your Car To Us

THIS IS TO INFORM OUR PATRONS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT WE HAVE SECURED THE SERVICES OF MR. LEON MAYO AS A MECHANIC AND, WITH MR. CONALLY, ARE PREPARED TO GIVE YOU QUICKER SERVICE.

WE HAVE INSTALLED AN ACETYLENE WELDING OUTFIT, AND ARE PREPARED TO DO ALL KINDS OF WELDING.

Wood Auto Co.



"HELLO....."

This is 132.

"Yes, Yes. One Box of Nadine powder, 50 cts.; one tube Pepsodent tooth past, 50 cts; and one dozen 2-grain quinine in capsules, 25 cts. Yes, indeed, Mrs. Blank, we will send them at once.

No trouble to deliver, I assure you. Delivery is part of our service to you. We want every housewife in Mason to know that dependable prescription compounding and pharmacy service is as close to her as her telephone.

SUNSHINE DRUG STORE

Pay Day has rolled around for many News subscribers. Take a glance at the date on the label of your paper, it tells

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

While you are reading someone else's ad, let someone be reading yours.

Mason needs a public dumping ground.

NEED GLASSES

Dr. Jones, the Eye Man, in Dr. McCollum's office, Friday, October 5th. Eyes Examined, Glasses Fitted, Headache and Eye Strain Relieved.

At Fredonia, 2nd; Pontotoc 3rd, Castell, 4th. 28-2tc

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

Purity and Globe Blackleg Vaccine at Mason Drug Company. 28

The News handles cardboard in assorted colors, carbon paper, blotting paper, shipping tags, typewriter ribbons Steko-O Paste Powder, and bond paper is our "long suit".

THE HOME GUARDS

Livergard and Lungardia LIVERGARD is the New Laxative we can not improve; excels all others. When a Laxative is needed, makes laughing babies of puny ones, keeps old folks young.

LUNGARDIA has no equal for Coughs, Colds, Sore Throat; unsurpassed in removing deep Coughs of long standing. One trial convinces. Lungardia Co. Dallas, Texas. For sale by Mason Drug Company.—Adv.

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

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

DR. W. M. THAXTON
Veterinarian
MASON - - BRADY

COMMITTEE WILL COMPOUND STATISTICS ON INBOUND AND OUTBOUND TONNAGE IN MASON

At the call meeting of the Commercial Club last Wednesday night a committee was appointed to compile data on the inbound and outbound freight tonnage in Mason for the year 1922. This was the result of a discussion brought forth through the reading by the Club, of the recent letter from Mr. J. H. Sweet, in which he asks for data along that line.

It will be remembered by News readers that Mr. Sweet has written a couple letters to the local Commercial Club on the subject of a prospective railroad through Mason county. Both letters were published in the News. The Club has taken no definite action on the matter any further than to write Mr. Sweet a letter asking him to make a concrete proposition on the subject, rather than to expect us to extend him an offer.

In discussing the most recent letter from Mr. Sweet the local organization decided that such data as he asked for would make valuable matter to be kept as a record by the Commercial Club and voted that an effort be made each year to compile these figures for future reference. The committee appointed to gather the information relative to the year 1922 is composed of Messrs. Carl Runge, R. W. Hofmann and Sam Hoerster.

FALL TERM OF DISTRICT COURT WILL OPEN IN MASON NEXT MONDAY; DOCKET IS LIGHT

The Fall term of District Court for Mason County will open in Mason next Monday morning, October 1st.

Present indications are there will not be a great deal of court, as the dockets do not show but a few new cases styled Thirteen cases are styled on the civil docket, of which six were continued from the March term, having seven new cases. The new cases are as follows:

- W. S. Hey and Cora Hey vs. Wm. Wendell, suit on note.
- Eden State Bank vs. R. H. Kidd; suit on note.
- George Massey vs. Sallie Massey; suit for divorce.
- Albert Beach vs. Susie Beach; suit for divorce.
- J. T. Fleming vs. L. F. Jordan; suit on notes and foreclosure of lien.
- S. R. Fickling vs. C. E. Hall, et. al.; suit on note.
- Mrs. Dina Kothmann, community administratrix of F. Kothmann, Jr., deceased, et. al. vs. Albert Kothmann, guardian of the person and estate of Elwood Kothmann; suit for petition.

Criminal Docket

- The following is taken from the Judge's Criminal Docket:
 - State vs. theft of horse.
 - State vs. Arthur Styles, theft of cattle.
 - State vs. swindling under vale of \$50.
 - State vs. theft, felony.
 - State vs. Memory Pike and Bob Smart, theft, misdemeanor.
 - State vs. Erwin Petry, hunting deer with spot light.
 - State vs. Edwin S. Bronough, hunting deer with spot light.
 - State vs. Raymond Berry, hunting deer, with spot light.
 - State vs. J. Z. Pickens, hunting deer with spot light.
 - State vs. F. R. Arnold, hunting deer with spot light.
 - State vs. R. E. Arnold, hunting deer with spot light.
 - State vs. Hugh Green, selling intoxicating liquor.
 - State vs. Burley Thompson, aggravated assault.
 - State vs. theft of hogs, (3 cases).
 - State vs. Theo. Langerhans, assault.
 - State vs. taking and operating car without consent of owner.
 - State vs. taking and operating car without consent of owner.
- The last seven cases are new ones while the first eleven cases were continued from the March term of court.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:45 each Sunday. Communion Services at 10:45 each Sunday.

GERMAN METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School every Sunday at 10 a. m.—Harry Plueneke, Supt. Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. (except 4th Sunday at 11 a. m.) Prayer Meeting every Tuesday night at 8 p. m. English services on 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays at night. REV. J. W. A WITT, Pastor.

NOTICE TO CAR OWNERS

If you own an automobile, you realize the importance of having your battery at its highest degree of efficiency. Our equipment for recharging automobile batteries is the best obtainable. The Marshall Constant Potential System has recently been installed in our garage and we charge a battery right here just as it was charged by the factory before you bought it, and we are prepared to accurately test your battery and determine if worth recharging. This system enables us to charge a battery in from 6 to 12 hours, where heretofore you've had to wait from 4 to 5 days, and be deprived the use of your car. You are invited to inspect our new equipment. We will test your battery, on request and assure you of the very best of service. We ask the public for their battery business.

MASON AUTO COMPANY

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE MASON NATIONAL BANK

at Mason, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on September 14, 1923.

RESOURCES

1. Loans and discounts, including rediscounts, acceptances of other banks, and foreign bills of exchange or drafts sold with indorsement of this bank (except those shown in b and c).....	\$140,909.47
2. Overdrafts, unsecured.....	1,828.55
3. U. S. Government securities owned:	
a Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. bonds par value).....	25,000.00
b All other United States Government securities (including premiums, if any).....	11,050.00
Total.....	36,050.00
4. Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc.:.....	3,450.00
5. Banking House \$14,275; furniture and fixtures \$82,000	16,875.00
6. Real estate owned other than banking house.....	36,146.80
7. Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank.....	9,150.44
8. Cash in vault and amount due from national banks	25,790.74
9. Amount due from State banks, bankers, and trust companies in the United States (other than included in Items, 8, 9, and 10).....	424.30
10. Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank (other than Item 12).....	86.52
Total of Items 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13.....	\$ 26,301.56
11. Miscellaneous cash items.....	57.36
12. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer.....	1,250.00
13. Other assets, if any.....	620.48
TOTAL.....	\$272,639.66

LIABILITIES

14. Capital stock paid in.....	\$ 50,000.00
15. Surplus fund.....	40,000.00
16. Undivided profits.....	\$3,591.64
17. Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid	1,723.85
18. Circulating notes outstanding.....	25,000.00
19. Amount due to national banks.....	2,254.24
Total of Items 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22.....	\$ 2,254.24
20. Demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve (deposits payable within 30 days):	
21. Individual deposits subject to check.....	131,473.09
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, and 31.....	\$134,473.09
22. Bills payable (including all obligations representing money borrowed other than rediscounts).....	10,000.00
23. Liabilities other than those above stated.....	9,044.54
TOTAL.....	\$272,639.66

State of Texas, County of Mason, ss:
I, D. F. Lehmburg, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
D. F. LEHMBERG, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of September, 1923.
CARL RUNGE, Notary Public.
Correct—Attest: J. W. White, S. B. Capps, E. A. Loeffler, directors.

Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the First State Bank

at Mason, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 14th day of September, 1923, published in the Mason News, a newspaper printed and published at Mason, State of Texas, on the 27th day of September, 1923.

Resources	
Loans and discounts, personal or collateral.....	\$153,087.32
Loans, real estate.....	4,542.00
Overdrafts.....	10,173.15
Furniture and Fixtures.....	4,840.00
Due from other banks and bankers, and cash on hand	32,130.35
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund.....	1,472.22
Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund.....	2,982.28
TOTAL.....	\$209,227.32

Liabilities	
Capital Stock paid in.....	\$ 25,000.00
Surplus Fund.....	8,000.00
Undivided profits, net.....	3,720.45
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net.....	1,149.46
Individual Deposits, subject to check.....	130,648.48
Time Certificates of Deposit	20,000.00
Cashier's Checks.....	459.14
Bills Payable and Rediscounts.....	20,000.00
Other liabilities.....	254.79
TOTAL.....	\$209,227.32

State of Texas, County of Mason.

We, J. D. Eckert, as president, and W. E. Jordan, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.
J. D. ECKERT, President.
W. E. JORDAN, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of September, A. D., 1923.
(Seal) ROSCOE RUNGE, Notary Public, Mason County, Texas.
Correct—Attest: OSCAR SEAQUIST, E. W. KOTHMANN, PETER JORDAN, Directors.

Fresh Chocolate Creams at Mason Drug Company. 28

GIVE US YOUR ORDERS
If you intend to subscribe for any magazine or newspaper, we will appreciate receiving the subscription. It will cost you no more to let us send it in and we will receive a small commission from the publishing company. We will be glad to handle your order whether it be large or small.

MASON COUNTY NEWS.
Fresh Chocolate Creams at Mason Drug Company. 28

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.

MASON'S GREATEST NEED—A MODERN HOTEL.

New Coupe

An entirely new body design lends distinction in appearance, adds measurably to individual comfort, and provides greater convenience in the new Ford Coupe.

Streamline body, windshield visor, and nicked fittings make this new Coupe highly attractive. Deeply cushioned seats, improved interior arrangement, and cowl ventilator provide increased comfort.

Wide doors that open forward, revolving type window lifters, enlarged rear compartment and a recess shelf for parcels, back of the seat make for greater convenience.

See the new Ford Coupe and other body types at your Nearest Ford Dealer's showroom.

L. F. ECKERT

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CARS · TRUCKS · TRACTORS



COMING to AUSTIN? CERTAINLY!

A delightful vacation awaits you at the Texas State Exposition, which will be held in Austin, October 1 to 6.

Entertaining, instructive and profitable for all—it has no superior as an ideal family outing.

For all those who wish to come by auto and camp, Austin affords a number of beautiful and convenient camping places. For those who will come by train, the low railroad rates, convenient train schedules and the promise of Austin hospitality should be sufficient inducement.

The fair will unquestionably surprise you. So big has it grown in one year's time that three fair grounds will be used. The Main Exposition will be held in the half-million dollar S. M. A. buildings with 200,000 square feet of floor space. The live stock and amusements will occupy a ten-acre tract just two blocks distant from there, and the horse races will be held at Camp Mabry.

GENERAL ADMISSION 50 CENTS
Free admission tickets for 200,000 school children first and second days.



TEXAS STATE EXPOSITION

Austin, Texas.
OCT. 1 to 6

Low Railroad Rates

A BUSINESS ASSET

The proper cleaning of your fall and winter clothing gives you that feeling of dignity and self-respect which induces efficiency in business.

Cleaning of: Men's Suits \$1.50
Overcoats \$1.50 up Ladies' Suits \$1.50 up

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



FLEECE FROM ONE ANGORA GOAT BRINGS \$320.89 TO RAISER

"Being a goat," isn't so bad, provided you were this Angora, owned by R. E. Taylor, near Carlsbad, Texas, which produced in one clip, the following:

One bunch measuring 28 inches weighed three pounds and six ounces and brought \$20 a pound. Another bundle measuring 26 to 28 inches weighing eight pounds and eight ounces, bringing \$18 a pound. The bundle measuring 24 to 26 inches weighed three pounds and seven ounces and brought \$14 a pound. One bundle 22 to 24 inches weighing a pound and two ounces brought \$18 a pound. A bundle 20 to 22 inches weighing two pounds and three ounces brought \$10 a pound. Two pounds and three ounces of the mohair 16 to 18 inches long sold for \$8 a pound the total for the clip netting the grower \$320.89.

Besides the mohair mentioned above,

Mr. Taylor had eight or nine pounds of short length, which was not included in the shipment. This fine mohair is used for making wigs and the buyer in New York writes that he has a market for as much as he can buy. The one goat producing this remarkable revenue was handled specially for Mr. Taylor for a period of 26 months and the care of the mohair while still on the animal makes one think of that bestowed by a woman upon her capillary adornment, the caretaker keeping the mohair plaited and out of the dirt during the period of growth. However, it pays, as the amount of money realized by Mr. Taylor testifies.—Fort Stockton Pioneer.

TWPEWRITER RIBBONS

For almost every make of machine at the News Office.

Ben Evans spent a few days last week in San Antonio.

HARDING MEMORIAL STAMPS RECEIVED BY LOCAL POSTOFFICE

Last week the local post office received its first allotment of the new Harding Memorial postage stamps. The new stamp is of the two cent denomination and in design is similar to the regular postage stamp, but bears the likeness of ex-president Harding and is black instead of red. Local Postmistress, Mrs. Jennie Reynolds, stated she did not receive as many of the new stamps as she ordered.

It is stated these stamps will not be printed for any great length of time.

"ENCHANTMENT"

Ethel Hoyt is an only child of wealthy parents. Her mother is a sweet "old-fashioned" woman, who loves Ethel, but her father doesn't pay much attention to the girl except to be annoyed at her lateness for dinner.

But as his birthday comes around and she is very late for dinner because she lingers longer than usual at the dansant at Pierre's fashionable restaurant, he becomes angry. He learns things about his daughter that he never dreamed of. She is keeping a diary, and when he reads it, Hoyt discovers that Ethel thinks herself a veritable Cleopatra—that all men are mad about her.

Ethel, surfeited with tea and compliments, and with no appetite for dinner, arrives home. Her father begins to scold and, after getting him into good humor, she trips upstairs to dress for the theatre party she is giving in honor of his birthday.

At the performance the father gets an idea. The play is "The Taming of the Shrew" and the star, Ernest Eddison, is a personal friend of his. He consults Eddison and gets him to consent to play his Shakespearean role in real life—in other words, to "tame" Ethel.

Eddison arranges to meet Ethel at tea the next afternoon. He likes her but she snubs him. This hurts the star and he telephones to her father that he will not consent to fulfill his bargain to "tame Ethel."

The father tells him to be patient. He tells Ethel that he has heard that she has become interested in Ernest Eddison and forbids her to associate with him—telling her of his "dark past," etc. This information has the desired effect and Ethel begins to take a great interest in Ernest.

Matters go on until Nalia a friend of Eddison's, an artistic woman with a beautiful studio, is casting about for players to take part in "The Sleeping Beauty," for charity. Ernest suggests Ethel for the leading role and Ethel accepts.

Ernest has been interested in "taming" her for her father's sake. Therefore, when she brings several of her boy friends to rehearsals, and they rudely interrupt the work, he sends them away and scolds Ethel. This angers her and she declares that unless they are allowed to return she will not play the part of the princess. To placate her they are brought back, and Eddison is forced by Ethel to apologize.

When the opening night comes, Ethel is not on speaking terms with Ernest. Ernest, in his role of leading man, gives Ethel a kiss somewhat more fervid than the action calls for. When the curtain falls she denounces him. Ernest goes to her house that night and tells her father that he is sorry for the "taming" task that he has undertaken. He asks to see Ethel and when she comes downstairs, she is loath to listen to him. He tells her that he loves her. Ethel confesses that "taming" had done her worlds of good. At the Star Theater Friday night.

I can save you money on your heavy groceries. Get my prices. Wm. Splittgerber. 29-tf

The News is informed by Lamar Thaxton, insurance agent, that he recently paid C. L. Hofmann \$100 on a 4-10 inch rain on his picnic stand at the Menard Ex-Rangers Reunion on September 7th.

Jessie Schmidt is now with the Frank Clark Tailor Shop, having accepted a position there last week.

Mrs. Ernst Marschall and daughter, Miss Irene, of Llano, are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Marschall. Miss Irene who received her M. A. degree from the University of Pennsylvania last year, will leave today for Waco where she will be an instructor in Baylor University.

Misses Annetta and Clara Moran left a few days since for Alpine, where they will attend the State normal. It is stated Miss Annetta is to receive her permanent certificate this term.

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J. J. JOHNSON

MAP AND DETAIL WORK ON MASON ROAD COMPLETED BY COUNTY ENGINEER BURROWS

MASON'S GREATEST NEED—A MODERN HOTEL.

County Engineer Burrows returned Tuesday from Austin, where he spent several weeks, completing map and detail work on the four and a half mile stretch of the Brady-Mason road from the river to the Mason county line. The entire work was gotten up in good style and was turned over to the Federal engineers for checking. The work covers that portion of the Mason road which has been all but impassable, and for which Federal Aid in the sum of \$35,000 was recently granted. This assures the building of a first class road on this stretch, and Mr. Burrows believes the Federal engineers will have completed their checking of his work within the next thirty days, and he Mrs. Burrows and daughter, Mary ready to advertise for bids.—Brady Standard.

CHICKENS

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

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.

Frank Willmann spent the past week in Menard county inspecting the pecan crop. He will visit Kimble county this week for a similar purpose. Mr. Willmann is assistant State Pecan Specialist under the supervision of Senator J. H. Burkett.



THE sure-footed, long-wearing, All-Weather Tread of a Goodyear Cord is the best insurance you can have. The high, thick, sharp-edged blocks of that famous tread dig wedge-like through mud or snow to slipless footing, carrying on steadily or coming to a sure, safe stop.

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GOODYEAR

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"When I feel stupid, get constipated, or bilious, I take a good dose or two of Black-Draught and it sets me straight," writes Mr. George B. Haislep, of R. F. D. 2, Columbia, S. C. "It cleanses the liver and I feel all right, and have not used any other medicine as I do not see the need of it. I am a guard at the State Reformatory, and have been for three or more years. When I first heard of

BLACK-DRAUGHT

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and the good medicine it was, I had been having a tired feeling when I'd get up in the morning. I would be stiff and sore, and had a slimy, bad taste in my mouth, but didn't think so much of it till I began to feel stupid and didn't feel like eating—then I knew I needed medicine. It was then I began Black-Draught, and I felt all made over, ready for any kind of work, ready to eat and sleep. So, for any return of this trouble, I take Black-Draught, and for 25 years it has been my medicine, and I wouldn't be without it at all. My work is constant. I am on my feet a lot. I am out of doors, and fresh air and Black-Draught are all the medicines I need. I recommend it to others for I know it is good."

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WRIGLEYS



Mrs. Antonia Marshall, of Llano, is in Mason this week, visiting in the home of Mrs. Therese Runge.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Marshall, of San Angelo, were week-end guests in Mason, visiting in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Runge and Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Runge, and with other relatives.

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.

Mr. F. T. Hahn was in town Monday from his farm in the Long Mountain community. Mr. Hahn brought a bale of cotton to the gin. He stated he was planning to gather some eight or ten bales from his crop this year.

C. S. Vedder left Monday for Dallas where he will spend a short time buying merchandise for the holiday trade for the Mason Drug Company.

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Commands G. A. R.



Galord M. Saltzgarber, of Van Wert, Ohio, is the new Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R., elected at the National Reunion in Milwaukee last week. Inset below is "the thin blue line"; the G. A. R. in annual parade, fifty-nine years after laying down arms.

GIANT FIRECRACKER IMPORTED FOR STATE EXPOSITION

Austin, Texas, Sept. 27.—The Texas State Exposition Firecracker, the largest ever imported into the United States and probably the largest ever used in this country, has arrived in Austin and is now waiting the opening of the Exposition in the capitol city. This firecracker, which contains more than 100,000 firecrackers of varying sizes, was ordered from Hong Kong, China, by Key Park, restaurant owner of Austin.

The giant firecracker is in reality just a string of smaller firecrackers, strung together with a large twine. It is about 70 Chinese feet, which makes it about 100 feet by the scale used in America, as the Chinese foot contains 16 American inches. The small firecrackers are twisted into the twine, with larger firecrackers at intervals.

The firecracker was ordered from a factory in Canton, China, by Mr. Park three months ago, at a cost of approximately \$200,000, including duty. It was made specially for the Texas State Exposition and was shipped some time ago to San Francisco and from there to Austin.

It is the present plan to tie the huge firecracker to one of Austin's tower lights near the fair grounds, and to fire it on the closing night of the Exposition. It will require more than an hour for the firecracker to burn out, and as it burns to the top it will finish with an explosion of several large firecrackers spelling out the "Texas State Exposition."

BOILER IS CENTURIES OLD

Pompeii Finds Proof That Romans Knew and Made Use of the Tubular Principle.

Some time ago an interesting discovery was made in the museum at Naples, where the works of art and utensils found in the buried city of Pompeii are preserved. Careful inspection of one of the ancient copper vase-shaped vessels there has shown that it is in reality a tubular boiler.

That this form of boiler should have been known to the Romans 2,000 years ago is somewhat remarkable. For just what purpose it was used is not known, but the boiler is well constructed and contains five tubes running across a central firebox, and so arranged as to permit the water surrounding the firebox to circulate through them in a continuous current. The soldering of the tubes was so skillfully done that it remains intact today, and the cover of the boiler closes hermetically.

It has been suggested that it may have been employed for distilling purposes. However that may be, its preservation for so many centuries under the ashes of Vesuvius proves that tubular boilers are not altogether a product of modern invention.

Spalding Foot Ball goods at Mason Drug Company. 28

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MYSTERIOUS LETTER IS FOUND, SAID TO BE WRITTEN BY CHRIST

(Published by Request)

Country papers throughout the United States are printing what is alleged to be a letter written by Christ. In this letter was an injunction that it should be published to the world by whoever happened to find it, together with the statement that misfortune and bad luck would follow the person having possession of it in event it was not given publicity.

There was likewise a promise that whoever may have a copy in his or her possession will prosper and be followed by good fortune.

According to the history of the letter, it was written by Christ himself just after the crucifixion, signed by the angel Gabriel, 99 years after the Savior's birth and presumably deposited by him under a stone at the foot of the cross.

On the stone appeared the legend, "Blessed is he who shall turn me over."

No one knows what the inscription meant, or seemed to have sufficient curiosity to investigate until the stone was turned over by a little child and the letter which follows was discovered:

"Whoever works on the Sabbath shall be cursed. I command you to go to church and to keep holy the Lord's day, without any manner of work. You shall not idle, or spend your time in bedecking yourself with superfluities of costly apparel and vain dressing, for I have ordered it a day of rest. I will have that day kept holy that your sins may be forgiven you.

"You will not break any commandments but will observe and keep them, they being written by my hand and spoken from my mouth. Not only go to church yourselves, but allow your man servants and your maid-servants. Observe my words and learn my commandments!

"You shall finish your work every Saturday afternoon at six o'clock, at which time the preparation for the Sabbath begins. I advise you to fast five days in the year, beginning on good Friday and continuing the five days following in remembrance of my death for you.

"You shall love one another and cause them that are not baptized to come to the church and receive the holy sacrament, that is to say baptism, and then the supper of the Lord and be made a member thereof and in so doing I will give you long life and many blessings. Your land will be replenished and bring forth abundant and I will comfort you in greatest temptation and surely he that doeth to the contrary shall be cursed.

"I will also send harness of heart to them, and especially the poor shall find it profitable. Remember to keep the Sabbath day for the seventh day I have taken as a resting day to myself.

"And he that hath a copy of this letter written by my own hand and spoken out of my own mouth and keepeth it without publishing it to others, shall not prosper, but he that publisheth it to others shall be blessed by me, if their sins be as many as the grains of the night, and if they believe not this letter and my commandments will have my plague upon you and you will be consumed with your children, goods and cattle and all other world goods that I have given you. Do but once think of what I have suffered for you; if you do it will be well for you in

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

Mr. and Mrs. Coalson, of Brownwood were here to spend the past Saturday and Sunday visiting in the home of their daughter, Mrs. A. J. Lidsday.

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

CARDBOARD—BLOTTERS

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

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Knolle and Miss Russell Knolle went out to the ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Mogford the first of the week for a visit.

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

Eat where the cats are eatable. Corner Cafe. 7-1fc

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the world which is his name.

"Whoever shall keep a copy of this letter and keep it in the house, nothing shall harm them neither pestilence, thunder nor lightning, and if any woman be in birth and put her trust in me she shall be delivered of her child. You shall hear no more news of me except through the Holy Scripture until the day of judgment. All goodness and prosperity shall be in the house where a copy of this letter shall be found."

The story is that the little girl who found it passed it to one who became a convert to the Christian faith. He failed to have the letter published. He kept it as a sacred memento of Christ and gave it down to different generations of his family for more than one thousand years.

During this period the family suffered misfortune, migrated to different countries and finally one of them came to America bringing the letter with him. They settled in Virginia and then moved further south, still followed by misfortune, when finally the last member, a daughter, approached her death-bed and called a neighbor and then

gave her the letter, relating its history of more than a thousand years. The Thompson woman began the attempt to have it published and it first appeared in Rome, Georgia, Tribune, on October 31st, 1891. It then appeared in the Dalton, Georgia, Citizen and Mrs. Wortham, now living in Marion, Ind., clipped it and kept it in her possession many years without an effort to have it published. She was followed by misfortune, which she attributed to no attempt to have the letter published.

Mrs. Ruby Crutchfield of Trezvant, Tenn., is said to have a copy and failed to make an effort to have it published for three years and was followed by a varied lot of misfortunes, which she attributed to the fact of neglect in this respect.

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FOR SALE—Some R. I. Red pullets. Also a pen of Brown Leghorn and R. I. white cockerels. C. E. Jordan, Art, Texas. Phone 930-F-14. 29-tfc

GREEN PEPPERS—Have a lot of hot, green peppers for sale. T. E. Matheny. 29-tfc

GOATS FOR SALE—40 nannies and about 15 kids. Apply to F. W. Miller or phone 925-F-3. 1tp

WANTED—12 to 15 Barred Plymouth Rock chickens, 2 years old now or next spring. Write Mrs. W. J. Brandenberger, or phone 930-F-3. 29-tfc

TO MEMBERS OF THE WOOL POULTRY Let's everybody have their wool and mohair ready to ship to Houston from Brady on October 1, 1923. Let's ship in car lots. J. E. SHROPSHIRE. 28-2tc

FOR SALE—White Collie puppies, subject to registration. K. E. McKneely Cherokee, Texas. 28-3tp.

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms, or can accommodate couple for light house keeping. Mrs. Louis Johnson 28-tfc

WANTED—Young married man to take charge of ranch in Menard county. Must be sober and industrious. This is a splendid opportunity for an ambitious man who wants to make himself a stake. Address Wade Tomlinson, Menard, Texas. 27-4tp

FOR SALE—Warehouse, a 12x26 sheet iron building used by Owl Drug Store. If interested inquire of J. O. Schmidt. 27-tfc

FOR SALE—Hogs, cheap; registered Duroc Jersey pigs from 4 to 7 months old. See Wm. A. Willmann 27-3tc

FOR SALE—Cockerels, Single Comb R. I. Reds, Brown Leghorns and Carnish Games. See Frank J. Willmann. 27-3tc.

WANTED—Large, clean cotton rags at News Office. Will pay 5 cents per pound.

ROOM AND BOARD—Can accommodate several children during the school term. Good rates. Apply to Mrs. Alfred Otte. 24-tfc

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

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

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- Joe Burkett 1.00
- Sadie Lindsay 3.00
- Guy Green 1.00
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Nice screen doors and galvanized screen wire. R. Grosse. 7

Purity and Globe Blackleg Vaccine at Mason Drug Company. 28

PEOPLE WANTING MATTRESSES MADE

I expect to leave Mason in a short time and parties desiring mattresses made or made over should give me their orders at an early date. R. E. Owen. Call Robert Green to get me on the 'phone. 29 1tc

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

Mason needs a public dumping ground.

PLANS FOR SEMI-DISTRICT JUDGING CONTESTS AT SAN ANGELO OCT. 10TH, 11TH, 1923

Below the News reproduces a letter which was received this week by County Agent, W. I. Marschall. The contents of this letter will no doubt prove of great interest to many News readers:

1. Free tickets to Fair Grounds, tents and cars, will be furnished County Agents and their teams by the San Angelo Fair officials. Meals will be provided at camp at regular prices. Competent watchmen will be in charge of camp at all times.

2. County Agents from Mason, McCulloch, Brown, Runnels, Concho, Coke, Sterling, and Tom Green counties are eligible to enter teams in the contests.

3. Each County Agent will be allowed to enter 6 boys in the contests, three of which will be members of the livestock team, and two regular members and a substitute on the grain judging team. In no case will a county be allowed to enter more than the 6 boys as listed above.

4. Eight classes of livestock will be judged as follows: Hereford bulls, Hereford cows, Rambouillet bucks, Rambouillet ewes, Jersey cows, Holstein cows, Poland China gilts, and Poland China sows.

5. Five classes of grain will be judged two classes of corn, two classes of milo, and one class of Spur Foteria.

6. Individual prizes, amounting to \$52.50 have been offered by the San Angelo Fair Association as follows:

Livestock Judging: 1st, \$20; 2nd, \$10 3d, \$5.

Grain Judging: 1st, \$10; 2nd, \$5; 3d, \$2.50.

In addition to the above, the two trophy cups will be given to winning teams. It is understood, however, that the cups are to be competed for and

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won from winners of the Eastern half of District at Dallas Club Encampment before becoming permanent property.

7. County Agents are asked to report at Fair Ground camp with their teams not later than 12 m. Wednesday, October 10th.

S. J. L. Thomas and G. W. Barnes will be judges of the contests.

County Agent W. I. Marschall states Mason County will be represented in

these contests, but is not prepared to announce the names of the boys who will make up the teams. At any rate the News feels confident Mason County will be represented by a team that will put Mason foremost and carry off the laurels.

Spotlights, Flashlights and Batteries at Mason Drug Company. 28

News Want Ads bring results.

RICHARD LLOYD JONES SAYS

Mind Mints Money

Singleness of purpose is the foundation of all success. It is the man who knows exactly what he wants and insists on getting it who usually gets it.

We are too prone to look upon money rather than mind as our goal. Money harms only the man who has not learned to help himself.

It is the mind that mints money. Money never makes mind. To be born with a silver spoon in your mouth is not a handicap unless you let the spoon gag you.

Poverty is not a virtue. It is nothing to brag about. The poets praise a false philosophy when they sing of the glory of poverty. The whole struggle of the world is to scramble away from it. It is a hideous thing.

Youth's problem is not what are you starting with but where are you starting for.

Your fortune depends not upon what you have in your hand but what you have in your head.

Real nobility is the fruit of heart culture no less than head culture and your heart grows big only as you force it into the affection of other hearts.

Determination is a richer asset than dollars. It is the one indispensable tool that is needed for the successful completion of every job you may desire or are compelled to tackle.

Determination forces you over the road of concentration. Concentration is the forces of intellect thrown like the searchlight upon just one thing and held there.

Concentration is the control of the cultivated mind.

Nobody cares whether Lincoln or Edison, Emerson, McCormick or Agassiz had a bank account because everybody knows they had a brain account. They cultivated and concentrated their brains upon a great determination to do something so well worth while that they rose above the poverty, above field fortune into the indestructible wealth of the world.

Today, Billy Bunkem was speakin' to me of the tragedy Life is a-gettin' to be. . . . He thinks we are nothin' but government slaves, and will never be free till we're laid in our graves. . . . that the next generation will witness our groans while political buzzards are pickin' our bones! He's sure we are headed for squalor and chains, while the plutocrat travels on gold-plated trains. There was gloom on his mind, and despair in his word. . . . there weren't any doubt that Bill Bunkem was skeered!

But—I'd been so busy a-puttin' up hay, that I'd missed all the scarecrows Bill mentioned today. . . . With a carload of steers, and a penful of hogs I hadn't observed we was goin' to the dogs. . . . I reckon I've passed up a boat-load of crime—couldn't study it none, when I ain't had the time. . . . There's lots of nice things that a feller could learn—and, more information that ain't with a dern,—so, in spite of Bill Bunkem, I'm bound to invest my muscle and brains where it pays me the best!

Etiquette What & When to do it

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

DEAR A. LEDA: What are the words that R. S. V. P. stand for? A friend told me that this expression was not used much today. If that is true, what takes its place? Thank you.

A. READER. R. S. V. P. are French words *Repondez si vous plait*, which means, "answer if you please." Your friend was correct in saying it is rarely used on invitations now. The reason is, that people are supposed to be the politeness to answer invitations without having to be asked to. However, one would drop a hint; it might be put this way: "Kindly send response to " and then give the address.

DEAR A. LEDA: (1) Is one expected to send a written acceptance for an afternoon tea or "at home" card? (2) If one cannot attend should calling cards be sent? If so, how many.

Mrs. E. L. (1) No. (2) Yes. If it is impossible to put in an appearance at the affair, a visiting card should be put in an envelope and sent to the hostess. Try and have it arrive while the tea is in progress. This may be done by the services of a messenger or by post. (3) A husband and wife if unable to appear would each send a card. If a hostess and a daughter are giving the reception two cards each are sent.

DEAR A. LEDA: (1) What should be done if one drops his fork at dinner? How should celery be salted?

A. V. R. If there is a servant allow her to pick it up. Otherwise do so yourself, unless there is a gentleman beside you, in which case he will do it. After a word of apology to the hostess continue as if nothing had happened. (2) Put some salt on the edge of the butter plate, then take the stalk of celery, touching one end lightly in the salt and bite it off.