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## REEVES COUNTY DISTRICT COURT

The District Court was in session the past week, being the fifth week's session, and the following is the report of cases tried:

During a recess of the Mrs. J. L. Moore vs. Toyah Valley Irrigation Company case the case of State of Texas vs. D. C. McCarter was called and the following jury was impaneled: R. L. Baker, M. Somes, E. R. Patterson, R. N. Hairston, John Baker, J. P. Breedlove, M. W. Collier, Matt Totter, Walter Browning, Sol Mayer, R. I. Parks and W. C. Lundy.

The facts as we are informed, and as they were published at the time of the trouble was as follows: Deputy sheriff W. K. Webb had papers to serve upon a Mexican, a comparative stranger, for selling property which did not belong to him. He deputized Mr. McCarter to go with him. As Mr. Webb went to the Mexican he, the Mexican, grappled with Mr. Webb and tried to wrest his gun from him, and had about accomplished it when Mr. McCarter pulled his gun and shot the Mexican.

The jury were out about ten minutes when they turned in a verdict of not guilty, holding that the act was justifiable.

The Mrs. Moore vs. Toyah Valley Irrigation Company case was decided Saturday, finding for the plaintiff, and the following composed the jury: D. J. Moran, Ben Qualls, Jesse B. Williams, J. E. King, P. L. Whitaker, G. G. Nesbitt, E. R. Smothers, A. S. McCusney, Chas. Fitzgerald, Sid Laseley, I. T. Kessler and G. H. Powell, the latter having been excused because of sickness in his family.

This was one of the hardest and possibly the most important cases ever tried in Reeves county. We understand the case Mrs. Moore was suing for the water which she claimed she was entitled to that was being taken out from the Saragosa Springs and Toyah Creek and carried around her place and furnished to other parties below her who were in reality non-riparian land owners.

We are not well enough versed in the matter at stake to write it up in a way that it should be, but are informed that the defendants are contemplating carrying it up to a higher court.

Saturday the case of the Arno Co-operative Company vs. Mrs. M. J. Zollman was taken up and went to the jury Monday. The following was the personnel of the jury: R. L. Baker, Matt Totter, Belton Short, J. B. Fonville, A. C. Schreyer, C. W. Ruth, J. W. Goode, W. E. Hankins, R. P. Hicks, R. E. Wilson, J. W. Holder and E. R. Patterson, who found for the plaintiffs.

The next case was R. S. Johnson vs. Bird Henson and the following jurymen rendered a verdict for the plaintiff: E. W. Backus, A. H. Bugg, J. W. B. Williams, W. K. Wylie, R. J. Wagon, Lee Spring, H. F. Wells, J. B. Davis, W. E. Poer, Ernest Peck and W. B. Thorpe—it being tried with 11 jurors.

The case occupied the entire time practically for two weeks, having been called Monday and was decided the following week Saturday.

Court adjourned Wednesday until Monday, Dec. 28, and Judge Usacks went home to Midland yesterday morning. Court Stenographer Majors left yesterday afternoon to spend Christmas at home in Midland.

## BICYCLE TICKET HOLDERS NOTICE.

Numbers 105,132 and 105,136 are the ones that were drawn and the bicycles will be promptly delivered to the parties surrendering these numbers.

In case of a failure to surrender the above numbers before the 29th second drawing will be had, so it is important for each ticket holder to keep your tickets until the bicycles are finally disposed of. Thanking you for courtesies, I am, Yours truly,

JOHN LILLEY.

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTE CLOSED FRIDAY, DEC. 18.

Opening with devotional exercises by the Rev. Mr. Little, the institute settled for its last day's work by taking up the report of the resolutions committee. The following report was adopted:

We, the committee, submit the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we, the members of the Reeves County Institute, do hereby extend our thanks to the people of Pecos, and especially to the ministers, and the commercial club, for their hospitality and service.

Resolved, That, whereas, a normal mind and body is conducive to the best development of the pupil, we recommend a provision for a medical inspection of all pupils suspected of having any mental or physical defect; be it further

Resolved, That we approve of high schools having a supernumerary teacher for the instruction of all abnormal pupils.

Resolved, That we endorse the action of the Democratic party in the attempt to remove all limitations in regard to local taxation.

Resolved, That we are in accord with the move of the consolidation of rural schools, and a provision for the transportation of the pupils to and from school.

Resolved, That we recommend the consolidation of the institutes of Ward, Reeves, Loving, Pecos and Jeff Davis counties.

Resolved, That we request that the next institute of Reeves county convene the first Monday in September.

Resolved, That whereas it would be beneficial to the teachers of the several contiguous counties, we recommend a normal to be held at Pecos in the summer of 1915, and that we invite the various counties to join us; be it further

Resolved, That we solicit the aid of the commercial club in promoting this move.

Miss Kennedy, Mrs. Claypool and Miss Willis brought some of the difficulties of teaching grammar before the institute, and gave good plans for making the subject more interesting and pleasant for the pupil. In the general discussion, Mr. Mace gave as a solution of many difficulties the stripping from the grammar as many technical terms as possible and ridding it of much of the Latin syntax it now has. In other words, teach grammar from the standpoint of use rather than from the point of names for parts.

A county athletic association was formed, consisting of the schools at Balmorhea, Pecos, Saragosa and Toyah. An executive committee was elected composed of Mr. Mace, Miss Kennedy, Mr. Whitehead and Mr. Elder, who met and chose Mr. Mace director general. Plans were laid for having some contests in the spring. We hope they materialize.

Mrs. Cole and Miss Wilhite took up the subject of Geography and gave some excellent suggestions for teaching it in the primary and intermediate.

Mr. Layton's discussion of the teaching of history brought out a good number of helpful suggestions for that work.

The institute then adjourned.

## MISS DAVIS' MUSIC RECITAL.

A large and appreciative audience gathered at the First Baptist church on Wednesday evening of last week in attendance upon the musical recital given by the piano and violin pupils of Miss Julia Gertrude Davis. The untiring efforts of Miss Davis the past few weeks to make the occasion a brilliant success were richly rewarded. There were piano solos, duets and trios; a quintette composed of four violins and guitar accompanied by Miss Davis at the piano, and a reading beautifully set to music given by Miss Mace. Every number was well rendered and is worthy of special mention. The beginners all displayed splendid talent and the more advanced pupils showed marked improvement, since a previous recital given last summer, all reflecting much credit upon Miss Davis, their brilliant instructor.

The recital was greatly enjoyed by every one present as was shown by the hearty applause given each number as it was rendered.

Rich Papa—You foolish girl, that English nobleman who's courting you really doesn't look on you as his equal.

Wilful Heirress—I don't care for that, papa, as long as he's my peer.

## R. R. CLARIDGE COMING SOON

R. R. Claridge, Agricultural Agent of the Texas and Pacific Railway Company, did not address the Pecos Agricultural Experiment Association last Saturday. Secretary Stewart received a letter from him Friday evening, stating that when Mr. Claridge returned from a trip into other parts of East Texas, he found work awaiting him that could not be deferred. He promised to come at a later date, however, and will probably be here either the second or ninth of January. Due announcement will be made later.

R. H. McNalley of Roswell, who was also invited to speak at Saturday's meeting, wrote that he had made an engagement to speak at a dairy meeting at Dexter, New Mexico, before receiving the invitation to come to Pecos. He said that he intended to come here anyway at an early date, however, and is expected early in January. He wrote that he has never seen a more wholesome awakening to the need of dairying in the Southwest, as that of the last few weeks and months.

A fair crowd of farmers met at the Commercial Club Saturday.

In the absence of outside speakers the subject of the silo was freely discussed throughout the meeting. Some very important statistics and facts were given by R. W. Hindley, who came from one of the most noted dairy districts in the United States—Southern Wisconsin.

The pit or "hole in the ground" silo was strongly advocated on account of the minimum cost.

The different crops for filling the silo were discussed pro and con and our new crop feterita was much in favor as it serves the dual purpose of furnishing under proper conditions a heavy yield of sweet sorghum fodder and also grain which is about equal to corn.

## RACES AND TURKEY SHOOT TODAY

Only Further Heavy Showers Can Cause Postponement—Races Will Be Run.

Only a continuation of the heavy rains of Wednesday night and Thursday can cause a postponement of the program scheduled at the Reeves County Fair track this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The track drains well, and with the heavy wind blowing, and the prospects for fair weather that obtained at the time this was written, Messrs. Cooksey and Doty were confident that it would not be necessary to call off this afternoon's program for the day. They stated that if this was necessary, however, the races would be run Saturday, and that Monday's and Tuesday's programs would hardly be affected.

There is a pretty string of horses in town. They are here from many points of the Southwest. Last night there were fifteen head in the local stables, and three men had shipped—two from El Paso and one from Big Springs. By the time this paper is in the hands of the readers, there will be from twenty-eight to thirty-two runners in town, and it is certain that every race will be a classy one.

It is announced that the turkey shoot would be pulled off this morning at 10 o'clock, even though the ground is wet and the weather unpleasant. Sixteen turkeys have been secured, and they will be used each morning in giving the local sportsmen opportunity to show their skill with the target (25 rifle).

Remember that Monday and Tuesday will be big days at the track, and that this afternoon and tomorrow promise some good entertainment as well.

Heartburn is a symptom of indigestion. Take a dose of HERBINE in such cases. The pain disappears instantly. The bowels operate speedily and you feel fine, vigorous and cheerful. Price 50c. Sold by

## ANNUAL ELECTION PECOS FIREMEN

On Monday afternoon at about 5 o'clock the Pecos Volunteer Fire Department met at the commercial club rooms and elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

President, W. P. Brady.  
Vice President, R. G. Hardgraves.  
Secretary and Treasurer, F. F. Calvert.  
Sergeant-at-Arms, Earl Collings.  
Chief, E. B. Kiser.  
First Assistant Chief, Ed. Loper.  
Second Assistant Chief, O. H. Beauchamp.

Messrs. D. J. Moran, R. G. Middleton and M. W. Collie were selected as fire police, subject to the acceptance of the city council.

Application committee—Messrs. M. W. Collie, E. W. Clayton and R. R. Landrum, who are to accept or reject all applications for membership and the applications must be presented in writing.

By unanimous vote a resolution was passed that the fire company could a vote of thanks to the "Central Girls" for their promptness in giving the alarm, especially to the members, in cases of fire.

The fire department interest taken by our fire boys in their duties as to getting out the apparatus, fighting fires and attending the meeting. There were nearly thirty at the meeting Monday afternoon.

They are worthy of the assistance in every way by our citizens and should have the hearty support of all, even though you may think that they do not always do the work just as you would.

## MEMORIAM.

Time passes, and Resolutions on the death of John E. Ferguson.

At a meeting of the members of the Pecos Commercial Union in the evening of Monday, December 21, 1914, the following resolutions were adopted deploring the death of the late J. E. Ferguson, which occurred Sunday last after a brief illness. Following is the text of the resolutions, which testify to the love and esteem in which deceased was held by his co-workers:

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to call from this earth John E. Ferguson, our fellow craftsman, we the members of the Times chapel, knowing his virtues as a union man and his devotion to the principles of trade-unionism and his willingness at all times to sacrifice his personal ambition for the good of the cause, and Whereas, in the death of John E. Ferguson, the Times chapel and El Paso union have lost a member whose worth to them cannot be replaced; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Times chapel deplores his untimely death and tenders to his loved ones our most sincere sympathy in this their hour of sorrow and loneliness; and be it further

Resolved, That we deplore the manner of his death, away from his friends and loved ones, and with only strangers to administer to his last wants; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be made a part of the minutes of this chapel, a copy be furnished to his parents, his wife and to the press of the city, and be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be presented at the next meeting of El Paso union No. 370 for adoption. (Signed)

## TIMES CHAPEL.

## SANTA FE SPECIAL CAR HERE

Last Saturday the Santa Fe brought down and had on board the following officers of the road who were on their regular monthly inspection tour:

F. J. Evans, division superintendent of Clovis, N. M.; J. A. Kraser, superintendent of bridges and buildings, Clovis; Willard Keen, roadmaster, Roswell. They only remained in Pecos a sojourn time, but seemed well satisfied with thing in general.

## GETTING RESTLESS.

"You are not as conservative in your ideas as you used to be."

"No," replied Senator Sorghum, "I recognize that civilization must keep moving. Conservatism is all right until it becomes organized in

## WEDDINGS.

### THURMAN-ERWIN.

On Tuesday, December 22, 1914, 9:30 a. m., at the home of the bride's parents, occurred the marriage of Mr. Harlon Thurman of the Black River country, near Carlsbad, New Mexico, and Miss Gertie Caroline Erwin, who lived near Colorado City, in Mitchell County.

This happy couple spent a part of Wednesday in Pecos and made the Times office a pleasant call. They were on their way to their ranch, thirty-five miles southwest of Carlsbad on the Black river.

The Times heartily joins with their many friends in extending congratulations and wishing them happiness and prosperity.

### JOHNSON-ROSS.

On last Sunday night, December 19, 1914, Mr. J. Sewell Johnson and Miss Edna L. Ross were married at the residence of Mrs. E. G. Weyer, Rev. Fred Little, pastor of the Methodist church, officiating.

The bride is the eldest daughter of our esteemed citizens, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Ross, and is one of Pecos' finest young ladies, being finely educated in many ways, also a splendid musician. She has been reared up to womanhood in this community and numbers her friends by the extent of her acquaintance. She has been teaching in the high school here since the opening of the present term.

The groom is employed in the freight department of the Texas & Pacific at this place and has been for some time. He has many good qualities and has made numerous friends since he has been living in Pecos.

The Times joins in extending congratulations to this happy couple, and wish them happiness and prosperity during their married life, which we trust may be for many years.

## ANOTHER SHIPMENT OF CATTLE FROM REEVES COUNTY.

Monday's shipment of cattle was another shipment of cattle, consisting of three cars, which were brought in by the P. V. S. train and the T. and P. carried them on to Colorado City.

They were shipped by John Arnett to himself at that place.

## CONGRESSMAN SMITH AID PECOS LIBRARY.

W. R. Smith, Colorado City, M. C., has placed a valuable set of books in the Pecos Library. The set consists of the "Treaties, Conventions, International Acts and Agreements between the United States and other powers: 1776-1909." Each member of congress has a limited number of these sets to distribute and Pecos should thank its representative for remembering its city library at this time.

## OFF SPENDING HOLIDAYS.

Below we give the names and places where they will visit during the holidays as far as we have been enabled to find out:

Mrs. L. W. Anderson and son Wallace left last week for Dallas, Temple and other points. Miss Colon Prewitt accompanied them.

Miss Florence Willis, who is teaching at Arno, left last Friday for Big Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Richburg left the first of the week for Bronte, in Runnels county.

J. C. Wilson left yesterday for Carlsbad and dropped in upon the home folks unannounced.

Mrs. Loula Dorsett, of El Paso, came in Tuesday night to spend the holidays with her parents and friends.

Rev. J. B. Cole, who had been at Dallas for a church board meeting and in the interest of the mission work in this part of the state, came home last Sunday night. He stopped off at Midland and preached for the Baptist church there, Sunday morning.

Mrs. G. N. Gentry, one of the high school teachers of the Midland high school, arrived in Pecos Thursday evening to spend Christmas with her husband and friends in Pecos.

## IMPROVING HIS RESIDENCE PROPERTY.

H. A. Wren is having an addition built onto his residence property in North Pecos and otherwise improving same by building new fencing, etc. When completed Mr. and Mrs. Wren will have one of the coziest

## SERIOUS AUTO-MOBILE ACCIDENT

John West, a well known demonstrator, who recently spent a week at the Pecos Mercantile store demonstrating a sewing machine attachment, was one of three victims of a frightful auto accident Sunday, while en route from Glen Rose to Fort Worth. West was on his way to Fort Worth with the intention of returning to El Paso for Christmas and had arranged to stop off at Pecos for a day while en route. A punctured tire caused the complete wreck of the auto and members of the party were all seriously injured. West sustained serious internal injuries besides fractured limbs and a scalp concussion.

## CHANGE IN MANAGEMENT OF FURNITURE DEPARTMENT

There will be a change in the management of the furniture department of the Pecos Mercantile Company on the first of the year, Mr. Walter Collins retiring and Mr. Geo. P. Martz of Dallas taking charge.

Mr. Collins, who has been in charge here for the past four years, has apparently given almost entire satisfaction both to his employers and the patrons. He has built up one of the best businesses in this line ever had in Pecos.

He goes to Roswell to take charge as manager of the furniture department in the Dilley Furniture and Undertaking Company. Mr. and Mrs. Collins will be greatly missed by their hosts of Pecos friends, for they have become endeared to many but one and all heartily join in wishing that their expectations in their new location may be more than realized.

Mr. Geo. P. Martz comes to from Dallas and comes highly commended both as to his business ability and many other good things. Mrs. Martz will soon be here, and we feel sure will be gladly and heartily welcomed among our citizens.

## RECEIVED INVITATION TO FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Bozeman received this week an invitation to the fiftieth anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bozeman, the former being an uncle of D. W. The celebration will be held at Rosbud, Texas, on December 29, 1914, they having been married in 1864.

Mr. and Mrs. Bozeman will attend this wedding if it is possible for them to get away.

## TEXAS COTTON IN WAR.

One curious result of the present war has been to send up the price of cotton waste enormously. The reason is that its use in warfare are manifold. One kind, for instance, forms the base of cordite, while another variety is used in the manufacture of calluloid, which is the principal ingredient in the incendiary shells used by the Germans to set fire to towns and villages, and in the little "firebug" disks carried by their infantrymen for a like purpose.

Thousands of tons of candles are issued to the troops in the field, where, of course, hardly any other kind of illuminant is usually available. The wicks of these are made of waste; no other material will do.

Aviators use it to clean their machines; so, too, do motor mechanics and engineers. A plentiful supply of oiled waste is almost as necessary to a gun's crew as is ammunition, as no other substance will swab out properly the bore of the piece after it has been fired, or cleanse satisfactorily the complicated breech mechanism.

Similarly the "pull through" with which "Tommy" cleans out his rifle is just cotton waste tied to the end of a piece of string of suitable length. Also, should he be wounded, the injury will be dressed with medicated absorbent cotton-wool, which is our old friend waste again under another name; and the bed which he will presently occupy in the base hospital will be covered by sheets and a counterpane into the composition of which waste largely enters.

The wadding in "Tommy's" tunic is just waste, and it is also used in this form to pack innumerable kinds of war stores, so as to prevent damage.



**RUSSIANS TO TRY OUT AMERICAN ARTILLERY.**

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 19.—American-made heavy artillery will be tried out by the Russian army in Poland next month. The Russian volunteer fleet steamship Novgorod is carrying 165 car loads of war supplies, mostly siege guns and projectiles. The guns, made in Pennsylvania, weighed 105 tons each.

Other train loads of American big guns and shells are on the way to Vancouver to be loaded on the Russian liner Tambov, which will arrive at Vancouver Dec. 31.

The Russians are using French siege guns and are reported to have received Japanese guns recently. January should see the American guns tested in competition with those made in Germany, France and Japan, it is said here.

**TAFT PREPARES BILL TO PROTECT ALIENS.**

Washington, Dec. 19.—A bill drawn by former president Taft, designed to enable the federal government to enforce treaty provisions for protection of aliens in the states was introduced today by Representative Bartholdt and referred to the house judiciary commission.

Lawyers in the house who saw the measure did not understand that it could apply to such situations as have arisen in California and Arizona, but would cover such cases as have arisen in other states, where aliens have been injured and the machinery of the state government gave no relief.

The bill would make such crimes punishable in the federal courts as well as in the state courts.

**361 VETERANS IN CONFEDERATE HOME.**

Austin, Dec. 19.—Veterans who are being cared for by the state in the Confederate Home number 361, according to the biennial report of Superintendent A. C. Oliver, which has been filed with the governor. The decrease during the last year was thirty-five. During the period between Sept. 1, 1913, and Sept. 1, 1914, fifty veterans died. This was the same number of deaths as occurred during the previous year and less than during 1911-12.

The average daily number of patients confined in the hospital during the last year was ninety.

The cost per capita for support of the home during the last year was \$254.64 per year and \$21.22 per month.

The average age of life of the veterans was 77 years. Superintendent Oliver did not make any special recommendations, but reported that all buildings had been screened during the year and the driveway to the main building graded.

**NO MORE PARDON RECOMMENDATIONS.**

Austin, Dec. 19.—The board of pardon advisers advised that no recommendations to the governor will be made by the board during the present administration. The offices of the board will remain open for receipt of all new applications after Christmas and to shape up matters for the new board appointed by Governor-elect Ferguson.

**PAINS IN BACK AND HIPS.**

Are an indication of kidney trouble—a warning to build up the weakened kidneys, make the vigorous, rid your blood of acids and poisons. Go to your druggist for Foley Kidney Pills. In 50c and \$1 sizes. Sold in your town by Pecos Drug Co. (Advt.)

**CONTROL OF THE RIO GRANDE IS SOUGHT**

Washington, Dec. 21.—At a hearing of the house foreign affairs committee, Representative Garner explained the project of control and distribution of the flood waters of the Rio Grande, as proposed by a joint resolution which provides that a commission for the study of the questions connected with the equitable distribution of the waters of the Rio Grande between the citizens of the United States and Mexico is directed to make an investigation, under the supervision of the secretary of state, as to the best and most feasible method of preserving the boundary line between the United States and Mexico by preventing the flood waters of the Rio Grande and its tributaries, where the Rio Grande constitutes this boundary line, from disturbing and changing the channel and also the best and most feasible mode of impounding, regulating and utilizing these waters in such manner as to secure to each country and its inhabitants their legal and equitable rights and interests in the waters.

**NEW AMERICAN PROJECTILE.**

Gloucester, Mass., Dec. 21.—A new type of projectile, which would scatter a white-hot mixture of molten steel over the object of attack and, at the same time permeate the atmosphere with a deadly gas, which would make it impossible for fire-fighters to approach, has been invented by John Hays Hammond Jr., according to a statement made by the inventor tonight. The new missile may soon appear in the European war, as some of the belligerent nations are now negotiating for its purchase he said. The United States government at present is conducting experiments with the new projectile at Sandy Hook, he added.

The missile is for use in siege guns in destroying towns and against balloons.

Mr. Hammond explained that the projectile carries an aluminothermic mixture, which, five seconds after the projectile is discharged, turns the steel inside to a white-hot mixture at a temperature of 5,400 degrees Fahrenheit.

When the projectile hits the target, the inventor said, it explodes, its white-hot contents setting fire to whatever inflammable material it strikes. To avoid the possibility of any one quenching the flames, Mr. Hammond said he had equipped the projectile with a chamber filled with hydrocyanic acid, the fumes of which are deadly.

**A COSTLY EFFORT.**

Washington, Dec. 21.—An urgent deficiency bill as passed by the house today, carrying \$4,730,905, including \$554,371 to cover unexpected expenses incurred by the army as a result of the occupation of Vera Cruz. During the debate, republican leader Mann attacked the administration's Mexican policy. "The bill," he said, "carries half a million dollars to pay the expense of our troops at Vera Cruz, sent there to obtain a salute of twenty-one guns, which has not yet been given."

See Dr. Aronson at A. B. Bryant's residence just west of the Carnegie Library. He will be here for several days. Dr. Aronson fitted glasses for some of the best citizens of Pecos for the past fifteen years. Call early. Phone No. 46. 50\*3

**WAR BULLETINS**

SATURDAY.

In the offensive operations of the allies in the western arena of the war interesting captures are the oss in the neighborhood of Neuve Chapelle of several of the trenches recently captured by the British and an advance by the East Indians towards Richebourg l'Avoue, as reported in the latest official communication issued by the French war office. This statement also indicates that the Germans have not been lacking in the offensive. It records, in addition, the annihilation of a German column at Lihons.

In the east the situation is still in doubt. According to the official statement from Petrograd the Germans have been repulsed in an attempt to cross the right bank of the Vistula river in Poland and fighting in the Bzura river district is developing. Regarding the victory which Germany was reported to have won in Poland, Berlin remains silent, no details having been made public.

Austria claims important successes in the battle at Ljmanowa, in Galicia, where 26,000 Russians are said to have fallen into their hands. A Berlin dispatch says that Emperor William has paid a visit to the wounded soldiers in the hospital at Potsdam, which would indicate the emperor's recovery from his illness, the nature of which has not been definitely known.

A late dispatch from Posen gives an official report from army headquarters of the east that Von Hindenburg's army captured Lowitz on Friday after heavy fighting for several days, thus compelling a further retirement of the Russian lines.

The kings of Norway, Denmark and Sweden having held a conference at Malmö on the subject of an agreement for the safeguarding of their interests in connection with the European war, have returned to their capitals.

SUNDAY.

Standing out prominently from among the claims and counter-claims of the allies and Germans of successes won or attacks repulsed on the battle line in Flanders and in France is the German admission of the French assertion that the Germans have lost a trench some 180 feet in length in the southeast of Bethune.

This trench previously had been the scene of bitter contests, the French having captured it Dec. 17 and lost it the following day, the Germans having held it since.

As to the fighting elsewhere along the western front each contending side records in its official statement advances by its forces or attacks of the enemy repelled. None of the advances, however, is recorded as being great and it seems evident that the fighting at some points has been vicious and that heavy losses have resulted the position of virtual staeant continues.

From no point has there yet come a statement that would give verity to the unofficial claims made last week to a great victory by the Germans in Poland. In Poland the Russians are preparing strong positions near Rawa and Nida.

"We are attacking them everywhere," says the last German official report of the situation in the east. Petrograd says nothing of the fighting on the right bank of the Vistula, but declares that a number of fierce encounters have taken place on the front of the Bzura and Rowka rivers westward from Warsaw. On the Zzura two German companies are declared to have been annihilated.

Petrograd claims also to have repulsed another attempted sortie from Przemysl and to have captured a large number of Austrians.

Austria reports the appearance of strong Russian forces in Galicia, but declares that in the Carpathians attacks by the Russians have been repulsed; that the Austrian troops have advanced to Tuchow, south of Tarnow, and that a great battle is developing north of Lupkow pass.

The German emperor, having recovered from his recent illness, according to an announcement from Berlin, has returned to the front. The fact that the emperor had regained his health was indicated in a previous dispatch which said that he had visited the hospital at Potsdam.

From Athens it is reported that the allied fleet has bombarded the interior forts of the Dardenelles, but no details of the action are given.

Prince von eBulow, the former German imperial chancellor and now ambassador to Italy, has been received with great cordiality at Rome by King Victor Emmanuel. The United States cruiser Taco-

ma has arrived at Colon to guard the neutrality of the Panama canal.

TUESDAY.

The German emperor, according to late advices by way of Copenhagen, has gone to the front in the western theater of the war, where the general attempt by the allies to force the Germans backward has been going on for several days.

Both German and French official statements clearly show that questions of great severity are in progress, but they differ with regard to the results achieved. The French claim advances all along the line, the re-capture by the British troops of trenches previously lost and the repulse of the German attacks aimed at the retaking of trenches which have fallen to the allies during the past day or two. To the south of Noyon, also, the French claim to have gained a foothold in the first line of the German trenches. No mention is made by the French of any repulse of the allied forces.

The German official statement tells of the dislodgment in the neighborhood of the canal of Ia Bassee of the Anglo-Indian troops and the capture of their trenches after inflicting heavy losses and taking prisoners. To the northeast of Chalons, in the neighborhood of Souain, also, the Germans claim to have repulsed a fierce attack by the French, who left many prisoners in their hands and a large number of dead in front of their positions.

While all the world is awaiting the outcome of the battles in Poland and Galicia, few details are being made public, probably because no definite decisions have been reached.

The head of the general staff of the Russian army issued a statement from Petrograd, warning the Russian public against "the maelvolent reports of the past few days concerning the condition and strategic positions of the Russian army."

The fact that the Russian armies have adopted a narrower front, it is explained by the official, was the result of a decision reached after full consideration by the military authorities in view of the concentration in front of the Russians of considerable German forces.

A call for \$150,000,000 of Great Britain's last war loan has been made without disturbance to the money rates in England.

No agreement has yet been reached between the Washington and London governments regarding the right of Great Britain to search ships leaving American ports, which are suspected of carrying contraband. Even though the American government assents to the examination of cargoes at ports of shipment, Great Britain makes no guarantee of exemption from further inspection if the admiralty deems such inspection necessary.

The triple entente powers have given guarantees to Athens and Bucharest that Bulgaria will not attack Greece or Roumania, should Greece lend aid to Serbia or should Roumania actively participate in the war.

**FREE MAIL DELIVERY IN TEXAS CITIES.**

According to data compiled by the Texas Business Men's Association, together with the aid of federal postal authorities, there are 49 Texas cities that have free mail delivery. This feature has been established in 13 of these cities during the past three years.

The Texas cities with free city delivery are: Abilene, Amarillo, Austin, Ballinger, Beaumont, Belton, Bonham, Brenham, Brownsville, Brownwood, Cleburne, Corpus Christi, Corsicana, Cuero, Dallas, Denison, Denton, El Paso, Ennis, Fort Worth, Gainesville, Galveston, Georgetown, Greenville, Hillsboro, Houston, Laredo, Longview, McKinney, Marlin, Marshall, Orange, Palestine, Paris, Port Arthur, San Angelo, San Antonio, San Marcos, Sherman, Stamford, Taylor, Temple, Terrell, Tyler, Victoria, Waco, Waxahachie, Weatherford and Wichita Falls.

Free city delivery service was first established in the United States July 1, 1863, but was not adopted in Texas until Nov. 1, 1879. Dallas, Galveston and Houston were the first cities in this state to inaugurate this plan.

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by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed, it is like a closed curtain which shuts out sound, and the hearing is lost. Unless this inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, deafness will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circular, free. F. J. CHENEY, & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, etc. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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AGREE ON ARMY APPROPRIATIONS.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The army appropriation bill aggregating \$101,000,000, agreed upon today by the house military committee, carries a special fund of \$15,000 for United States military observers in Europe.

The bill follows the war department's estimates very closely. "We gave them practically all they asked for," said Chairman Hay referring to the appropriation for ammunition and other materials for defense.

Representative Gardner arranged today for a hearing before the committee next week on the question of preparedness.

An increase of twenty-five regiments in the regular army was proposed by a bill by Representative Anthony. Five additional regiments of artillery and fifteen of infantry would be provided and the present law limiting the army to 100,000 men would be repealed.

Appropriations of \$400,000 for aviation and \$50,000 for armored automobiles are included in the bill.

COTTON MILLS WILL RUN NIGHT AND DAY

Lowell, Mass., Dec. 19.—Orders were given today by which the machinery of the Tremot and Suffolk cotton mills will run twenty-four hours a day, beginning Monday. This applies particularly to the weaving department. About 400 employees will be hired for the extra shift. An anticipated demand for fabrics early in the coming year is given as the reason for the increase in production.

TO COLLECT INTEREST ON SCHOBL BOND

Austin, Dec. 19.—The board of education in special session called by the Governor adopted a resolution today directing the state treasurer to collect from school districts and others whose bills are now held by the permanent school fund, interest on interest that is due the fund. A number of districts are almost a year behind and there are several that run over time. Amount of interest due is \$048.

WHEAT BRINGS HIGHER PRICE.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 19.—Portland is at present the highest primary wheat market in the U. S. Prices climbed steadily all the week and today were higher than before. For blue stem \$1.29 was offered and refused, the others demanding \$1.25. This is immediate delivery. For May, asking price is \$1.30.

European buyers are still a here, as in all Northwest markets but there has been a slackening in sales because of the extremely low prices.

EUROPEAN WAR MAKES TURKEY ARIZONA OSTRICH DROP IN PRICE.

Phoenix, Ariz.—Arizona ostriches are retailing at \$2 a head and are assessed at \$40.

There was a time, before the European war set in, that a good pair of ostriches was worth \$500. They were assessed, by order of the tax commission, at \$75 a head this year.

Then came the European war. All of South Africa's feathers were dumped into the United States, because there was no market for them in Europe. It is claimed that American dealers now have a supply on hand sufficient for four years. To make matters worse, ostrich plumes are going out of style.

The price of five birds took a sudden slump. Hundreds have been sold in the Salt River Valley for as little as \$5 a head, and some young birds have even been given away. For the first time in history, ostriches were so cheap that they replaced turkeys on many Thanksgiving dinner tables.

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Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate and invigorate stomach, liver and bowels. Sugar-coated, tiny granules, easy to take as candy.

A. & M. COLLEGE WEEKLY NEWS LETTER

College Station, Tex., Dec. 14.—Students at the A. & M. College will be dismissed for the Christmas holidays Saturday, Dec. 19. The holidays will be in force until Jan. 4. It was announced originally that the holidays would not begin until Dec. 23, but at a meeting of the faculty recently it was decided to close school Dec. 19.

Wilmon Newell, state entomologist of Texas, has called the attention of the farmers to the fact that next year's plague of grasshoppers must be remedied now and precautions taken accordingly. While the poisonous mixtures recommended by the entomologist have worked admirably the past season in destroying the hoppers when they were at work on the crops, still, prevention of such damage is far better and cheaper than cure. Prevention lies in early fall and winter plowing of all cultivated fields and of all road through the fields, all ditch banks and all turn-rows. The female grasshoppers have laid their eggs in the soil during the summer and fall, and from these the young grasshoppers will hatch next spring.

Plowing the land before cold weather sets in breaks up the egg-capsules and destroys the eggs. Even a roadway a few feet wide, left unplowed, often furnishes enough young hoppers to destroy all cotton or corn for twenty feet on each side of it. Besides, fall plowing destroys innumerable wireworms, grubworms, cutworms and other injurious insects.

Designed especially with the idea of improving general nut culture in Texas, I. E. Cowart, of the department of horticulture of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, has made available a correspondence course in "Nut Culture," which will be given through the department of correspondence courses of the college.

This course will be based upon the experiences and observations of Mr. Cowart and Mr. F. N. Hensel, who have given the subject of pecans, chestnuts and the entire hickoria group of nuts a great deal of study and experimentation. No text-book is to be used in this course; lectures, based upon personal study and investigations will be used as the basis of the courses. Those interested should address Secretary of Correspondence Courses, College Station, Texas.

PLANTING TREES AND SHRUBS IN SOUTHWEST

Texas and other states of the Southwest have recently received an abundance of moisture. The rains in Texas fell slowly giving the moisture a chance to percolate. We now have plenty of moisture for transplanting fruit and shade trees and all kinds of ornamental shrubs.

Fall planting is preferable to spring planting for the obvious reason that where summer drouth is prevalent, as in our locality, trees planted in the fall survive the first summer which is trying on them. Trees set in the spring fruit and the trees may survive and often the chances are, if the summer is very dry and hot, the trees do not make as satisfactory growth transplanted in the fall.

Conditions could hardly be more favorable for planting orchards and planting the home grounds and earlier the trees are transplanted the more time they will have to hold of the soil and thus be better for growth when the leaves are added next spring.

Trees may be transplanted in the Southwest after the deciduous trees shed their foliage till the buds begin to unfold in the spring. As a rule, winter is not so severe and does not interfere with tree planting as much as a few days at a time when ground is frozen. The orchard refers warm weather for this or at least the temperature is not freezing. And since we have such warm, pleasant weather for planting during the winter it is necessary to plant when the soil is cool.

Every one should have an orchard, supply the family with fruit, surplus for canning or for the market is often desirable. Fearance of the home is always a hindrance to planting and the cost of planting and maintaining is so small that it is difficult to find a reasonable excuse for not beautifying the home grounds.

Sickly people need WHITE'S CREAM LIFEGIVER. It not only cures, but it strengthens the system, and invigorates the stomach and bowels. Price 25c. Sold by Pecos Drug (Advt.)

BAPTIST EXECUTIVE BOARD HOLDS SESSION.

The executive board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas met in the First Baptist church in Dallas Tuesday of last week and organized by electing officers as follows: M. H. Wolfe of Dallas, president; Forrest Smith of Sherman, vice president, and B. A. Copass of Waco, recording secretary.

The board was elected at the meeting of the general convention at Abilene in November. The forenoon session yesterday was given to devotional exercises with S. J. Porter of San Antonio as leader. Dr. R. C. Buckner, George W. Truett, J. B. Gambrell, Forrest Smith, Geo. W. McCall, F. M. McConnell, Dr. J. B. Cranfill and others addressed the meeting.

The board, which is composed of fifty-one members, has charge of the educational, benevolent and missionary activities of the church, including the sanitarians, schools and colleges and orphan homes. In addition to the members of the board, there are in attendance about 200 men and women who are here in the interest of the various institutions which are dominated by the board.

At the afternoon session the board proceeded to the election of officers. The retiring officers were S. P. Brooks, president; O. S. Sanderfer, vice president; H. M. Wolfe, vice president; D. R. Peveto, recording secretary, and G. O. Key, recording secretary. The board is made up of the retiring officers and the following: G. W. Truett, Dallas; J. B. Gambrell, Dallas; R. C. Buckner, Dallas; H. A. Porter, Dallas; C. C. Slaughter, Dallas; J. R. Jester, Fort Worth; L. R. Scarborough, Fort Worth; F. C. McConnell, Waco; F. S. Groner, Waco; W. A. Hamlett, Austin; R. T. Badger, Austin; S. J. Porter, San Antonio; T. V. Neal, San Antonio; H. L. Kokernot, San Antonio; L. J. Mims, Brownwood; T. C. Yantis, Brownwood; W. H. Fuqua, Amarillo; J. L. Smith, Amarillo; J. F. Williams, El Paso; J. B. Cole, Pecos; B. A. Copass, Waco; W. K. Penrod, Gonzales; R. T. Hankins, Palacios; J. L. Gross, Houston; Edward Stubblefield, Galveston; G. B. Butler, Beaumont; M. E. Weaver, Bryan; G. L. Yates, Tyler; R. L. Cole, Lufkin; George W. McCall, Texarkana; A. A. Duncan, Greenville; Forrest Smith, Sherman; H. C. Morrison, San Benito; W. B. Kendall, Paris; J. M. Dawson, Temple; E. F. Lyons, San Angelo; R. A. Kimbrough, Abilene; B. C. Miller, Wichita Falls; M. T. Andrews, Hillsboro; J. E. Johnson, Waxahachie; E. G. Townsend, Belton; J. C. Hardy, Belton; J. H. Pace, Dublin; L. Ward, Decatur; O. L. Hailey, Plainview.

The only one of the offices about which there was any contest was that of corresponding secretary. The preference of the board was sought by a secret ballot. Nominating votes were cast for the following: F. M. McConnell, L. R. Scarborough, S. J. Porter, J. B. Gambrell, George W. Truett, J. L. Gross, A. J. Burton and J. F. Love. The afternoon session adjourned without an election.

At the night session the balloting for corresponding secretary was continued. One nominee after another was withdrawn until but two

were left. They were F. M. McConnell and S. J. Porter. With these two in the field the meeting adjourned until this morning, when the election of a corresponding secretary will be the first order of business.

A. J. Barton, retiring secretary of the board of education, addressing the meeting last night, asked leave of absence to go to Washington to join the forces at work for the prohibition bill, which comes before congress Dec. 22. The meeting by a rising vote granted Mr. Barton's request and at the same time endorsed the national prohibition movement.

SCHOOL LANDS ON MARKET IN THE NEXT SIX MONTHS

Land Commissioner Robison has published a new list of school lands coming on the market during the first six months of 1915. The acreage to be sold is not nearly so large as usual. It is located in the following counties: Andrews, 5,440 acres; Bandera, 320; Brewster, 40,960; Crane, 640; Crockett, 54,400; Duval, 1360; Edwards, 1920; El Paso, 62,080; Foard, 160; Jeff Davis, 6,400; Jim Hogg, 640; Kent, 214; Midland, 1920; Pecos, 23,680; Presidio, 20,480; Reeves, 38,400; Terrell, 12,800; Starr, 320; Terry, 640; Upton, 1920; Val Verde, 9920; Ward, 1600; Winkler, 2360; Webb, 2240; Yoakum, 6080.

In counties west of the Pecos as many as eight sections may be bought by one purchaser. East of the Pecos the maximum is four sections. Quite a little of it may be bought without actual settlement.

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Because it has an established reputation won by its good works. Because it is most esteemed by those who have used it for many years, as occasion required, and are best acquainted with its good qualities.

Because it loosens and relieves a cold and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. Because it does not contain opium or any other narcotic.

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LOST—Jersey heifer calf about 16 months old, white with black spots, forehead; branded rafter 6 on left hip. Reward of \$10 for her return to J. A. Hudson. 51-2

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Will sell through the holidays \$1 pails Coffee at 75c. Will make close prices on goods for the next fifteen days for cash. B. G. Smith. 51-2

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's. Grove's Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

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feres with Santa Claus. Santa is  
a man of business; he does an inter-  
national wholesale and retail trade;  
his customers are found all over all  
nations, and it is understood that he  
speaks all languages. Dear Santa, as  
he grows older, becomes more and  
more popular. The United States  
mails and especially the parcel post,  
has been over-crowded for ten days  
handling Santa's goods, besides the  
express companies' business has  
been over-burdened with extras.

### VITALLY IMPORTANT MAT- TERS.

The Anti-Saloon League calls the  
attention of temperance forces to  
the following very important mat-  
ters, and urges that they have im-  
mediate attention. Every one in-  
terested in the destruction of the  
liquor traffic ought to take a lively  
hand in these matters.

The Sheppard-Hobson resolution  
to submit a prohibition constitu-  
tional amendment to the various  
states to be disposed of according to  
their judgment, will be voted on  
Dec. 22. All that members of con-  
gress are asked to do is to refer the  
matter to the states for settlement.  
Every one who believes the nation-  
al government ought to go out of  
the liquor business, is urged to  
write his senators and congressmen  
immediately, to give their influence  
and vote to this proposition. What  
is done, must be done immediately.  
It will be a great thing for pastors  
throughout the state to discuss the  
question Sunday, Dec. 20,  
and urge their people to quick ac-  
tion.

Developments in the contest for  
Speaker of the Thirty-fourth legis-  
lature show that saloon forces, and  
some men elected as prohibitionists  
are resorting to the old soon trick  
for the election of an anti speaker.  
Their plan is "Prohibition is not  
an issue, and we want a business ad-  
ministration." Good business do  
not stand for wasting \$50,000,000  
annually in saloons to state injury.  
These men have apparently center-  
ed on an aggressive anti-prohibi-  
tionist.

It is up to the citizens of prohibi-  
tion counties to see to it that their  
members represent their sentiment  
in this important matter. Prohibi-  
tionists in the separate counties can  
protect themselves and the cause  
generally when outsiders have no  
power to do so. In each prohibi-  
tion county reform forces ought to  
get together and demand that their  
representatives shall represent them  
on the prohibition question, as well  
as other things. Action ought to  
be had without delay.

### BEAR THIS IN MIND.

"I consider Chamberlain's Cough  
Remedy by far the best medicine in  
the market for colds and croup,"  
says Mrs. Albert Blosser, Lima, O.  
Many others are of the same opin-  
ion. Obtainable everywhere. Sold  
by all dealers. (Adv't.)

## December Crop Report for Texas and United States

Bureau of Crop Estimates, in co-operation with Weather Bureau,  
United States Department of Agriculture.

Final estimate of acreage, production, and price December 1, in the  
state; and production and price in the United States.

Acreage and production in thousands; i. e., 000 omitted.

CROPS.	TEXAS			U. S.	
	Acreage	Produc'n	Price	Produc'n	Price
Corn:					
1914.....	6,400	124,800	74	2,672,804	63.7
1913.....	6,800	163,200	82	2,446,988	69.1
Wheat:					
1914.....	1,082	14,066	99	891,017	98.6
1913.....	780	13,650	94	763,380	79.9
Oats:					
1914.....	900	22,500	48	1,141,060	43.8
1913.....	1,000	32,500	51	1,121,768	39.2
Barley:					
1914.....	8	200	70	194,953	54.3
1913.....	7	168	81	178,189	53.7
Rye:					
1914.....	2	30	99	42,779	86.5
1913.....	2	30	101	41,381	63.4
Rice:					
1914.....	240	8,102	92	23,649	92.4
1913.....	303	9,696	86	25,744	85.8
Potatoes:					
1914.....	44	2,684	104	405,921	48.9
1913.....	45	2,340	112	331,525	68.7
Sweet Potatoes:					
1914.....	52	5,252	87	56,574	73.0
1913.....	50	4,000	95	59,057	72.3
Hay:					
1914.....	450	788	9.80	70,071	11.12
1913.....	400	464	11.80	64,116	12.43
Tobacco:					
1914.....	0.2	116	21.0	1,034,679	9.8
1913.....	0.2	120	22.0	953,734	12.8
Cotton:					
1914.....	11,930	4,560	6.8	15,966	6.8
1913.....	12,597	3,945	11.5	14,156	12.2

Note.—Quantities of hay in tons; tobacco in pounds, cotton in bales;  
other products in bushels. Prices for hay in dollars per ton; cotton  
and tobacco, cents per pound; other products, cents per bushel.

Wheat sown this fall in the state, 1,370,000 acres, compared with  
1,140,000 acres last year; condition, 89 per cent of normal, compared  
with 10-year average of 88. Similarly, in the United States, 31,300,000  
acres, compared with 37,100,000 acres sown last year; condition, 88.3  
per cent, compared with 90.3 the 10-year average.

### CHRISTMAS DAY.

(Composed by Mrs. Bert Simpson,  
and dedicated to the Pecos school  
children).

Christmas day will soon be here  
Reminding us that Santa Claus dear  
With all good gifts he brings to  
cheer  
Will reward us for our obedience  
this year.

I will make some good resolutions  
Christmas Day,  
And promise faithfully I will obey  
Father, mother and teacher dear,  
Read, write and answer questions  
clear.

Spring, Summer, and Autumn have  
come and gone,  
Those beautiful leaves no longer  
hang on;  
The frost has taken the place of the  
dew,  
With the pearly drops of a diamond  
hue.

Let's not forget the golden rule,  
Repeat it each day as we go to  
school,  
Take sunshine every day  
To some one's heart in words or  
play,  
Remember a life that is lived this  
way  
With time to think and time to pray  
Will lead his comrades all the right  
way  
And feel better themselves next  
Christmas Day.

Wheezing in the lungs indicates  
that phlegm is obstructing the air  
passages. **BALLARD'S HORE-  
HOUND SYRUP** loosens the  
phlegm so that it can be coughed  
up and ejected. Price 25c, 50c and  
\$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Pecos  
Drug Co. (Adv't.)

### THE HUSBAND'S HAPPY CHRISTMAS.

I'm sitting here this evening,  
With a sad and a g heart:  
I'm thinking of the sorrow  
That comes to a drunkard's wife.

Chorus.  
Oh! husbands don't drink this  
Christmas,  
I beg you with all my heart.  
Remember that drinking often  
Has broken a woman's heart.

Perhaps your heart is aching  
Because of some harsh words that  
she's said;  
Oh! do not meddle with whiskey  
But go and tell her instead.

Don't blame your poor wife this  
Christmas  
If the home isn't full and com-  
plete;  
Be glad that your wife is still liv-  
ing.  
I'm sure she will think it a  
treat.

You may not be able to purchase  
A gift or a jewel of stone,  
But you have a jewel to give her:  
The love of a husband at home.

No woman can be very happy  
When the man she has promised  
to love  
Has chosen to "drown out his sor-  
row"  
By drinking the drahm that he  
loves.

Your wife may have wounded your  
feelings,  
Because she was down in despair;  
She may be thinking of leaving  
Because you for her do not care.

Go home if you're not there this  
evening,  
And give your poor wife a kind  
word.

Perhaps 'twill keep her from griev-  
ing.  
Try this if you don't think I've  
heard.

Go gather your children around  
you  
And don't have that smell to  
your breath  
That makes them keep wondering  
about you.  
Of happiness you'll know the  
rest.  
—Ophelia Powell Clifton.

### OWES HER GOOD HEALTH TO CHAMBERLAIN'S TABLETS.

"I owe my good health to Cham-  
berlain's Tablets," writes Mrs. R.  
G. Neff, Crookston, Ohio. "Two  
years ago I was an invalid due to  
stomach trouble. I took three bot-  
tles of these Tablets and have since  
been in the best of health." Obtain-  
able everywhere. Sold by all deal-  
ers. (Adv't.)

### Only One "BROMO QUININE"

To get the genuine, call for full name, **LAW-  
THER BROMO QUININE**. Look for signature  
E. W. GROVE. Cures a Cold in One Day, Stomach  
cough and headache, and works off cold.

## Foreign Countries Pay Tribute to Texas

From all over the world, from Europe, North Africa, Egypt, Asia  
Minor, Portuguese East Africa, German East Africa, Zanzibar,  
West Africa, South Africa, Arabia, India, China, Australia, New  
Zealand, South America, Central America, Canada and the West  
Indies, buyers of oil pay tribute to oil products manufactured in  
Texas by The Texas Company.

This foreign trade and the trade with other States in the Union  
keeps the three refineries, the pipe lines, the distributing stations,  
barrel, box and can factories, machine shops and other properties  
of The Texas Company going, and employs Texas labor, buys ma-  
terial and supplies from Texas factories and stores, and pays enor-  
mous Texas taxes.

By far the greater part of the trade of The Texas Company is in  
the foreign field and in the other States of the Union.

The larger part of the money secured from these sources is spent  
right in Texas. The amount of oil which Texas uses is only a  
very small part of the amount required each year to pay the  
thousands of workers employed in the refineries and factories of  
the Company. It would do little towards paying for the materials  
and supplies bought by The Texas Company in Texas.

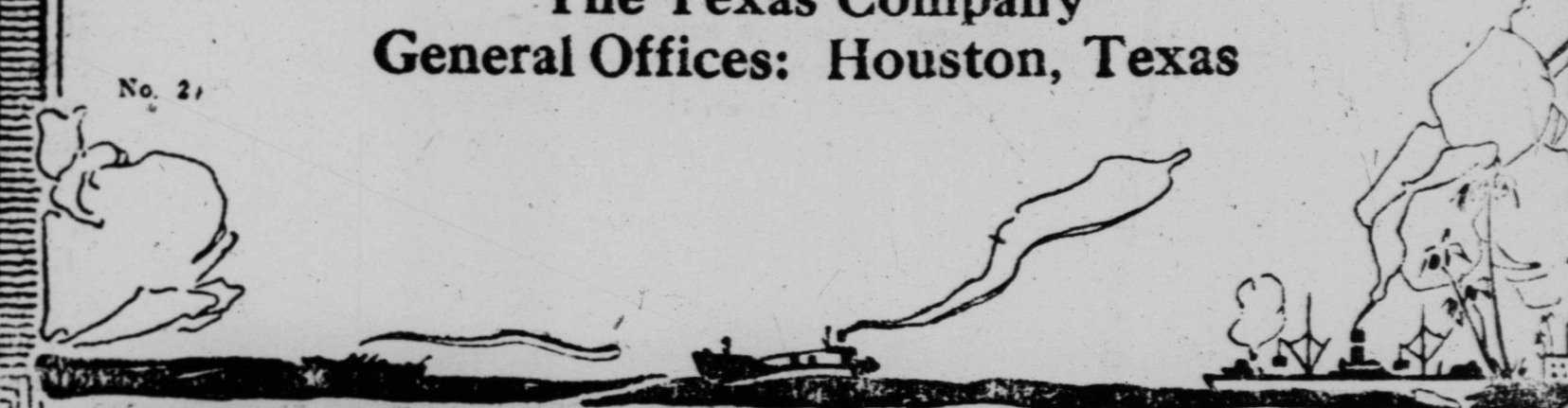
It is the money which comes steadily, in rapidly-increasing volume,  
from all over the world which maintains these enormous proper-  
ties and pays the thousands of workers.

Quality of goods manufactured and added value in the service  
given have enabled The Texas Company to build up this world  
tribute to Texas oil products and manufactures.

This quality and this service are at your door, in your own town  
there is an agent of The Texas Company ready to serve you.

Order from him—the goods will please you.

**The Texas Company**  
General Offices: Houston, Texas



## If you are in the market for Furniture

Now is the time to buy. I have bought  
the Ben Farber stock of Furniture and  
will sell everything I have in stock at a  
big reduction. Have some good values in  
Beds and a nice line of Rockers and Por-  
tieres which will make nice Christmas  
presents, and are very cheap.

Also have a nice line of Picture Moulding which will  
give you a reduced price on.

**Phone 142 T. E. BROWN Pecos, Texas**

# I Have

Some fine black "waxy" farms, also  
some good city property to trade for  
lands in the Pecos Valley. Write me  
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values considered.

## J. C. Preddy

P. O. Box 507  
Pecos, Texas

#### WAY TO AVOID PTOMAINES.

The surest way to avoid ptomaine  
is to make it your business to know  
that the food you buy is clean and  
that the food in your home is kept  
and cooked under conditions that  
are absolutely clean and sanitary.

If we keep the air of the refrig-  
erator clean and cool; if we empty  
the contents of cans as soon as they  
are opened and keep what is left  
over in a glass or china dish, in-  
stead of putting it back into the  
can; if we refuse absolutely to eat  
stale and unclean foods of any sort,  
and if we avoid dead shellfish and  
doubtful sausages, we are using all  
the precautions now possible  
against ptomaines.

If, however, in spite of all your  
care, you are attacked by ptomaine  
poisoning, send for the doctor at  
once and while waiting for him to  
arrive, induce free vomiting and  
purging. The trouble may be caus-  
ed by ptomaine, or it may be only  
a severe cramp, but it is always well  
to be on the safe side.

**Cures Old Sores, Other Remedies Won't Cure.**  
The worst sores, no matter of how long standing,  
are cured by the wonderful old reliable Dr.  
Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil. It relieves  
E. W. GROVE. Cures a Cold in One Day, Stomach  
cough and headache, and works off cold.

#### WHAT THEY SAVED.

"I see my the papers," said Fath-  
er Pitt, "that at the meeting of the  
council for the reduction of esti-  
mates, "the superintendent of ma-  
chinery at \$1,800 was cut out and  
the position of auto mechanic at  
\$1,800 was created." What did they  
save by that particular operation?"  
"Why, we saved the job," replied  
the councilman with a sort of im-  
patience at such fat-headedness.—  
Pittsburg Dispatch.

#### DIFFICULT CHOICE.

"Doris wants me to quit smok-  
ing."  
"Going to quit?"  
"Dunno. Mabel wants me to save  
cigar bands for her and I've prom-  
ised to get some coupons for Stella."  
—Kansas City Journal.

#### STOCK EXCHANGE.

"Ever had any Stock Exchange  
dealin's, Si?"  
"Well, Hank, I've frequently  
swapped hosses."—Boston Trans-  
cript.

For the next TEN DAYS I will  
sell anything in the Furniture line  
at greatly reduced prices.

#### LODGE MEETINGS.

**MASONIC**—Pecos Valley Lodge  
No. 136, A. F. and A. M. Hall corner  
Second and Oak streets. Regu-  
lar meetings second and fourth  
Friday nights in each month. Vis-  
iting brethren cordially invited.  
C. Canon H. P.

**MASONIC**—Pecos Chapter No.  
136, R. A. M. Hall corner Second and  
Oak streets. Stated convocations on  
Tuesday night in each month. Vis-  
iting companions cordially invited.  
C. Canon H. P.

**W. O. W.**—Allthorn Camp No. 36  
Regular meetings second and fourth  
Friday nights in each month. Vis-  
iting sovereigns cordially invited.  
A. Wren, Counsel Commander,  
H. Beauchamp, Clerk.

**I. O. O. F. LODGE**  
Pecos City Lodge No. 650, I.  
O. O. F., meets every Thursday night  
at the Woodmen Hall. Visiting  
brethren cordially invited. J. S.  
Davis, N. G.; P. L. Whitaker, Sec.

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A COMPLETE LINE OF  
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS PAINTS  
VARNISHES AND STAINS  
IN STOCK.  
PECOS MERCANTILE COMPANY



# Christmas and New Year Greetings

We take this method of expressing our appreciation of your trade and good-will during the past year, and trust that we may be favored with your patronage in the future. We thank you and wish for you a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

## City Pharmacy

# Christmas Greeting

Good things to eat at the best place to trade. Check off what you want and phone 84. We want to furnish your table for your Christmas Dinner.

### Vegetables

- Celery
- Lettuce
- Belle Pepper
- Hot Pepper
- Cucumbers
- Cauliflower
- Spinach
- Green Beans
- Tomatoes
- Beets

### Meats

- Chicken
- Baked Duck
- Cheese Sandwich
- Boiled Ham

### Fruits

- Oranges
- Apples
- Persimmons
- Sugar Cane
- Grape Fruit
- Bananas
- Grapes
- Cocoanuts.

### Deviled Ham

- Baked Guinea.

A few Sour, Sweet Mixed, or Dill Pickles wouldn't be bad. Try a few.

We handle the famous Schillings' Coffees, Teas and Extracts—none better.

We are headquarters for the famous Heinz and Beech-Nut Goods of all kinds.

We want to thank each and every one of our friends and customers for their liberal patronage during the past and fading year of nineteen fourteen, and kindly ask you to remember us when in need of anything in the grocery line. It is to your interest to always place your orders with us. Phone your orders to 84, the store that save you money and the firm that appreciates your business.

Wishing you each and every one a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, and that 1915 will bring health, peace, happiness and prosperity to you, we are, yours to serve.

# Green's Grocery

Phone 84 Quick Delivery  
Two Delivery Wagons During Christmas Week.

### HOW TO CARE TURKEY.

The sight and smell of a hot, well browned turkey on the dinner table is a pleasure unknown to those who prefer serving from the pantry. Let us serve the turkey whole.

Present the bird on the largest platter you possess. Your cook invariably will place the turkey on the smallest dish into which it can be squeezed. Overrule her.

Have the platter placed on the table, drumsticks to the right. Usually the reverse happens. See that the carving knife is sharp as a razor. Take the fork in your left hand, the knife in your right, and retain your hold until dismemberment is complete. Plunge the fork deeply into the middle of the bird, the tines astride the breast bone. Carve the far side first. For the regular family dinner this is ordinarily sufficient, and the other half can be served intact the next day.

Usual directions call for the wing first, but if, instead, the drumstick is nicely served, the confidence of the company is gained. Put the edge of knife near top of the separating point; cut forward and downward with a slight rotary motion to feel for the point, if it is not hit at once. This stroke is easy if the leg has been trussed close. When it sticks out in the air the joint will bend.

The thigh is quickly separated next by an incision on each side and outward pressure, with flat of blade under top of thigh. Carving the leg in this manner is superior to cutting it in its entirety from the bird and sawing apart the two joints on the platter.

When the leg should be removed by a single downward stroke—also, a much neater and more expeditious

process than prying it off with an upward motion.

Slice the breast either parallel with the surface or with the breast bone.

This modern method of carving is not difficult when the fowl is young. It can be applied to turkey or chicken.—Chicago Record.

### FIRE PREVENTION.

(S. W. English.)

In recent years gasoline has caused more fires than inebriety has caused poverty.

In every drop of gasoline there is written in letters of living fire the word "Danger."

There is no fool-proof gasoline. Gasoline requires more watching than the proverbial kicking mule.

It harbors more destruction than a modern dreadnaught.

Just a chance and gasoline will do more damage than a forty days rain at harvest time.

Gasoline is not a toy. It is not a plaything. It can do more destruction in ten seconds, if the opportunity is presented, than a thousand men can repair in a year.

Never get around gasoline without thinking you have an invitation from eternity.

### BEST FOR KIDNEYS—SAYS DOCTOR.

Dr. J. T. R. Neal, Greenville, So. Car., says that in his 30 years of experience he has found no preparation for the kidneys equal to Foley Kidney Pills. In 50c and \$1.00 sizes. Best you can buy for backache, rheumatism, kidney and bladder ailments. Pecos Drug Company. (Advt.)

### PASTURING COWPEAS.

"I have five acres of the best cowpeas in this part of the country inclosed with a hog-tight fence. Intended to hog them down, but they say here that the hogs will eat the peas and leave the vines. If I mow them it is about time now for that, I have twenty hogs that I am beginning to feed for the market, also sixty head of sows, shoats and pigs. Please let me know the best way to handle those peas.—I. J. C."

The hogs will not eat the pea patch, vines and all, but if they have no other grazing they will eat quite a lot of the vines. My plan would be to feed them a fair feed or some other grain once a day, say in the morning. This would force them to go out for their feed in the evening and at night. I certainly would not put the old sows on with the rest of them unless I wanted to fatten them out. If you have alfalfa, a little grain on the side is all they need. I have hogged out peas for several years and have some forty-odd acres for this year. We ate one crop, made before the August rains. The hogs were transferred to another field and last week were put in again to eat the second crop of peas. I can't say that I am pleased with my experience with peas for hog pasture. This, I believe will be my best year out of five. They are the earliest possible hog pasture for me, so I carry an acreage every year.—George Bishop in Oklahoma Farm Journal.

### IT COSTS \$95 TO GET SICK.

Sickness costs Texans \$15,000,000 annually, and the average cost per case of illness is \$95, according to Dr. M. M. Carrick, the famous clean town expert.

In discussing this gigantic loss recently, Dr. Garriek said:

"There is an economic side to the question of sickness that should be considered, as well as that of the inconvenience, loss of time and suffering it entails. The needless and senseless drain upon the public for the care and maintenance of the sick from preventable diseases should cease. It was this aspect of the problem that induced Gladstone, Bismarck, Disraeli and other far-seeing statesmen to incorporate into the laws of their respective governments the statement: 'The care of the public health is the first and highest duty of statesmen.'"

"Every public official in Texas should consider the care of the health of the public, and their first and highest duty, if every physician co-operated with them in the enforcement of sanitary laws, making vaccination against communicable diseases compulsory—for example—if all the people in Texas could and would observe in their daily lives the laws of health as now known to the scientific world, sickness would soon decrease and health would abound. This is the only practical, logical solution of our civic problem."

### THE PARCEL POST.

An effective and serviceable parcels post is no longer merely a favorite subject for magazine discussion and high school debates; it is now a national institution and a practical accomplished fact.

No exact data have yet been compiled relating to the workings of the parcels post in Texas, but from estimates compiled by the postal authorities at Washington, based on the business handled at representative offices in this state, it is evident that during the fiscal year 1913 approximately 10,000,000 packages were mailed in Texas on which the postage amounts to nearly a million dollars.

The parcels post has served to bring the rural producer and urban consumer closer together and has greatly helped to solve the high living cost problem in Texas. It is performing the functions of the middleman without his exorbitant profits.

### CHECKS CROUP INSTANTLY.

You know croup is dangerous. And you ought to know, too, the sense of security that comes from having Foley's Hoeny and Tar Compound in the house. It cuts the thick mucus and clears away the phlegm, stops the strangling cough and gives easy breathing and quiet sleep. Every user is a friend. Pecos Drug Co. (Advt.)

### YPRES.

What they call it on the street and in the home:  
"Wipes."  
"Wipers."  
"Yeeps."  
"Weep."  
"Wypress."  
"Wyp."  
"Yypress."  
"Yip."  
"Yerp."  
And it really is "Eep"—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

### THE AUTO IN THE FIELD.

It is quite a common sight in Texas to see farmers drive to the harvest fields in automobiles. It takes a solemn sum of money to buy an automobile and it takes good roads, as well as gasoline, to run them.

A joy ride in the harvest fields of this state is one of the most exhilarating experiences that is available on this continent and one that would charm a tourist and convince a home-seeker. A speedway lined with growing crops and blooded stock is a landscape that one seldom tours in a lifetime. In mapping out automobile routes the Texas harvest fields should be given prominent position. Why not a "See Rural Texas First" campaign?

### ACTIVITIES OF WOMEN.

Michigan has 786,033 women of voting age.

Miss Nelda Jaeger is now police judge at Tacoma, Wash.

Widows and spinster land owners in Egypt are allowed to vote.

Egyptian women still wear the candlelike piece attached to the nose.

Mme. Poincare, wife of the President of France, is of German ancestry.

Russia has a woman aviator who has been sent to the front for active duty.

An effort is being made in Boston to unionize the waitresses of that city.

Over half the girls employed in New York city earn less than \$6.50 per week.

Over a million and a half women in the United States are engaged in agricultural pursuits.

Female lawyers in 1910 had increased 33 per cent over the total number in 1900.

Of the 1,825,127 persons engaged in professional occupations in 1910, 623,418 were females.

Mrs. Carter H. Harrison, wife of Chicago's mayor, now writes scenarios for the movies.

Female operators on the Bombay cotton mill earn about \$90 a year in wages.

Six new trades heretofore mainly German industries, are now being taught women in England.

The latest wealthy American woman to establish a hospital in France is Mrs. Chauncey M. Depew.

Miss Elizabeth Kille has been appointed chief clerk to the secretary of state in Kansas.

New York has a woman insurance broker who has customers in far off Turkey and Australia.

The novelty of women police officers is beginning to wear off in many cities of the United States.

Miss Rhea Whitehead was a deputy prosecutor before being elected a justice of the peace in Seattle, Wash.

The Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage spent over \$8,000 during the recent political campaign.

Marriage licenses cost 10c more in New York now since the new war revenue tax has gone into effect.

Chicago's municipal bureau of fire prevention has put its stamp of disapproval on girl ushers in the theaters.

Milwaukee has a school where salesgirls are taught smiles and manners to be used in selling goods from behind the counter.

Battalions of Chinese women are ready at all times to aid in upholding the celestial republic in case of war.

In Austria male and female operators in the government service of the same grade and skill are paid equal wages.

The constitutionality of the Oregon minimum wage law for women will be attacked in the United States supreme court.

States where women are entitled to vote at presidential elections are represented at Wellesley College by 100 students.

The wardrobe of Queen Alexandra of England has been insured against the risk of damage of air craft to the extent of \$300,000.

Unless they reform in their dress the Neward (N. J.) board of education threatens to force the school teachers to wear uniforms.

Mrs. Frances W. Winds, the newly elected state senator in Arizona, has had nearly twenty years' experience in legislative work in that state.

One of the most prominent farmers in Georgia is Mrs. Nellie P. Black, who is manager of the extensive Richard Peters Farm, near Atlanta.

Mrs. Havelock Ellis, wife of the famous English psychologist, says that the war has put an end to militancy as a suffrage weapon.

Miss George L. Norton is principal of Cleveland's industrial school of art, having held the same position for the last twenty-four years.

### HOME FROM SCHOOL FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

The following is a list of the young people who have been away attending school, who are home for the holiday vacation:

Miss Velma Ward, daughter of Mrs. Geo. Ward, who is attending the Denton College of Industrial Arts, arrived home Monday.

Jepp Miles, who is attending Peacock's Military School at San Antonio, arrived here last Saturday.

Will Hudson arrived from Abilene, where he is attending Simmons College.

Fred Cole arrived Saturday from Abilene, where he is attending Simmons College.

David Tudor is home from the T. C. U. at Fort Worth.

Marvin Cowan has arrived from Baylor at Waco.

Earl Easterbrook, who is attending Simmons, Abilene, has come home.

Mrs. Edna Prewitt arrived home Wednesday from the Sisters of Mercy school at Stanton.

Miss Mary Caroline, who is also attending the same school, returned Wednesday afternoon.

### I. O. O. F. OFFICERS ELECTED.

The following are the officers elected for the first term of 1915 for the Pecos City Lodge No. 650, I. O. O. F.:

- Noble Grand, W. E. Sutphin.
- Vice Grand, E. W. Clayton.
- Secretary, P. L. Whitaker.
- Treasurer, H. C. Zimmer.
- Representative Grand Lodge, R. G. Middleton.

Alternate Representative Grand Lodge, R. P. Hicks.

Trustees—One year, A. E. Wilcox; two years, E. Robinson; three years, R. R. Seethers.

### PECOS ORCHESTRA WENT TO TOYAH.

The Pecos orchestra went up to Toyah Wednesday afternoon to play that evening for a masquerade ball. It is composed of the following players: Ben Briscoe, violinist; Taylor Gardner, guitar, and Jack Hubbs, bass viol.

They report that there was a good crowd and all had a fine time, also that there was a wedding in Toyah, Prof. E. E. Adams and a Miss Coalson being the contracting parties.

Gas in the stomach comes from food which has fermented. Get rid of this badly digested food as quickly as possible if you would avoid a bilious attack: HERBINE is the remedy you need. It cleanses and strengthens the stomach, liver and bowels, and restores energy and cheerfulness. Price 50c. Sold by Pecos Drug Co. (Advt.)

### SNAP SHOTS.

(Dallas News.)  
Of course the tightwad is awfully uncomfortable; but, as a general thing, he does not have to embarrass himself by asking his acquaintances to go on his note at the bank.

Times are nearly always bad with those who thing times are never going to get worse.

If everybody knew there isn't a Santa Claus there wouldn't be any need for inventing one.

The average boy's idea is that it is easier to be superintendent of the school than to work the problems in the arithmetic.

Tillie Clinger says that the only objection she's got to her present boarding house is that the blankets are so short she has to sleep cross-ways of the bed.

Lame back may come from overwork, cold settled in the muscles of the back, or from disease. In the two former cases the right remedy is BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT. It should be rubbed in thoroughly over the affected part, relief will be prompt and satisfactory. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Pecos Drug Company. (A dtv.)

EVENS UP.  
"Somehow I don't like for Santa Claus to get the credit for the presents I buy my children. How about you?"

"Oh, it's all right, provided he gets the blame for the ones you don't buy."—Kansas City Journal.

CONCERNING MOUNTMENTS.  
"There is a cairn in honor of Thoreau at Walden. Every visitor adds a stone and thus quite an imposing monument has been raised."

"Um," grunted Senator WoMbat. "If I had all the mud that has been thrown at me collected into a pile, I'd have quite a sizable monument myself."—Kansas City Journal.

# CLASSIFIED COLUMN

### FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—100 head of graded sows, with pig. For particulars and terms address Floyd Goodrich, Posterville, Texas. 504f

FOR SALE—Good black land farm for sale, good improvements, two sets of houses, on county road near school and church; 60 acres in cultivation, 10 in pasture; 4 miles of county seat Red River County, Tex. J. B. Strickland, Bagwell, R. R. No. 2, Box 86. 494f

FOR SALE—Milk and butter; will make deliveries anywhere in Pecos. Mrs. J. W. Lytle, Phone 290, Pecos, Texas. 484f

### FOR RENT.

PRIVATE BOARD AND ROOMS—Write or phone 31: J. H. Wilbite, Pecos, Texas. 374f

### WANTED.

WANTED—Where do you want a job? We have vacancies all over Texas and can tell you where you can get a job in one week from the time we hear from you. Apply now and enclose \$1 and we will do the rest. State what part of the state or town you like. We get employment for male and female. Money back if no job. Texas Retailers' Collection Association, address 307 North Texas Building, Dallas, Texas. 52-5

### PASTURE

PASTURE—For good alfalfa pasture apply to S. E. Wilson, phone 97-2-2. 48

### F. P. RICHBURG, J. P.

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### PITY THE POOR BARBER.

"It seems to me," said the customer to his barber, "that you ought to lower your price for a shave in these hard times." The barber shook his head sadly and said:

"Can't be done. Nowadays every body wears such a long face that we have great deal more surface to shave over."—Kansas City Star.

### BOUND TO HAPPEN.

"How would you like to give away lakes to deserving towns?"

"I don't think I'll go in for that form of philanthropy. Somebody is sure to accuse me of squeezing the water for the same out of my stocks."—Kansas City Journal.

### WHY POPCORN POPS.

Why popcorn pops is not fully understood, says a recent bulletin of the United States agricultural department. Formerly it was supposed that the popping resulted from the expansion of oil in the kernel on being heated, but more probably it is due to the expansion in the starch cells.

This moisture expands, when heated, with sufficient force to cause an explosion of the cells and kernel turns completely inside enveloping the embryo and

Probably the expansion within the seed coat also part in the process.

### QUALIFIED.

"Why are you so per asked."

"I'm not pensive,"

"But you haven't twenty minutes."

"Well, I didn't last say."

"Don't you ever say anything when you have nothing to say?"

"No."

"Will you be my wife?"

### PRACTICAL NURSING.

For a nurse for practical nursing phone 290. 444f



# HOG-KILLING TIME

The arrival of the holiday season, a familiar crispness and tingling in the air, and it is winter, with things to be done on the farm that are peculiar to winter. When temperatures drop and seem determined to stay near the bottom of the thermometer, preparations for hog-killing begin to go forward. It is likely the death rate among porkers in the South will begin to increase amazingly, now that cold weather has come, and P. H. Calvin, livestock demonstration expert of the Clemson college, has prepared a statement on hog-killing in which he gives some pointers that will prove helpful to those who note them.

Many hogs are killed on the farm according to Mr. Calvin, and their meat so cured that it is hardly palatable. It is either too dry, too hard, more or less tasteless, too salty, or has one of a number of other faults which are due to slaughtering improper kinds of hogs and to improper methods of handling the meat. The livestock agent at Clemson advises that the ideal hog to butcher is one that is fat, but not too fat; and it is preferable that this fat has been put on with good farm crops which have been harvested in the fields by the hogs themselves. Such crops are rape, soy beans, peanuts and corn. What is fed a hog during the fattening period influences the flavor of the meat.

The killing should be done on a clear, cold day, but it is not necessary to wait for a zero morning, when every one might suffer, to do the butchering. It is important that the carcass cool out quickly, and if the day is rather warm the butchering should be done in the afternoon since it is usually coldest at night. All feed should be kept from the hog for 24 hours before killing.

Bleeding should be rapid and complete and as soon as the hog is dead he should be scalded, scraped, and the internal organs removed as soon as possible. Water at a temperature of 150 to 155 degrees gives the most satisfactory results on the skin, and keeping the hog in water at this temperature for one and a fourth minutes should cause the hair to loosen and slip easily.

The carcass should be hung up and washed with clean, cold water and the internal organs removed as soon as the hair has been completely taken off. Next the carcass should be spread open as wide as possible, thoroughly washed out with clean, cold water, and hung in a cool place until the next morning. Two 12-inch sticks inserted cross-

wise in the opening will help to keep the carcass open and will let it cool out more quickly.

Of the two common methods of curing meat on the farm, dry salting, which is understood by most farmers, often produces meat which becomes too hard, dry and salty, but excellent meat may be made by this method. The other way is to immerse the meat in a brine solution. This is one of the very best methods and danger of unsatisfactory results is reduced to a minimum.

The brine solution is as follows for each 100 pounds of meat:

- 12 pounds common salt.
- 3 pounds brown sugar.
- 3 ounces saltpetre.
- 6 gallons water.

These ingredients should be boiled together gently for an hour. It is best to make the brine the day before immersing as it should be cold when used. A well-cleaned syrup barrel is a good vessel for the brine and meat. The pieces of meat should be nicely trimmed and placed in the barrel meat side up and a heavy weight placed on top. Then the brine should be poured over the meat so that the top piece of meat will be at least two inches below the surface of the brine.

The brine should be examined frequently, and should it becomeropy or tainted each piece of meat should be carefully washed and a new brine made.

Small pieces of meat should remain in brine from 30 to 40 days and large hams might remain 50 days. When the meat has been in brine the required length of time it should be taken out, hung up for two or three days and then smoked. Three or six days of continuous smoking should be sufficient if a tight house is used. After smoking the meat should be allowed to cool, and may then be wrapped in paper and placed in a strong bag which is tied tightly and hung up. The outside of the bag should be painted with a solution to keep out insects. A paste made of lime, glue and water will answer the purpose.

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## THE MAGIC WASHING STICK.

"The Magic Washing Stick is the finest thing in the world. Cleans the clothes without rubbing—makes the whitest clothes I ever saw. I cannot do without it any more. All you say is true, it does all you say it will. I would give it for nothing I have ever used. Hope every lady will try it," writes Mrs. W. F. Gammill, Ashdown, Ark. This peculiar article is sold by druggists, three 10c sticks for 25c or by mail from A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas. (Adv)

If you need Furniture now is the time to see T. E. Brown, as he is offering his stock at greatly reduced prices.

# THE BEST IS NONE TOO GOOD

IF YOU WANT A NEWSPAPER THAT GIVES THE NEWS, especially the news from TEXAS and the GREAT SOUTHWEST, as well as from all over the WORLD, one that gives the most of it and in the best possible way, you can get it by subscribing for the SEMI-WEEKLY FARM NEWS along with the PECOS TIMES.

THIS IS A COMBINATION of general news and local news that can't be equaled or surpassed. In addition to its great news service, THE SEMI-WEEKLY FARM NEWS has many special features that entertain, amuse and inform. Among these are The Farmer's Forum, The Women's Century, Our Little Men and Women, and the best, latest and fullest market reports to be had in any newspaper, hot off the wires. THE NEWS spends many thousands of dollars a year for these telegraph market reports, and they are reliable.

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## LAUGHTER AIDS DIGESTION.

Laughter is one of the most healthful exercises; it is of great help to digestion, and still more effective help is a dose of Chamberlain's Tablets. If you should be troubled with indigestion give them a trial. They only cost a quarter. Obtainable everywhere. Sold by all dealers. (Adv.)

## HOME-MADE CHEESE.

Farm and Ranch has received a small specimen of home-made cheese from M. M. Newby, Lukon, Oklahoma. It reaches us fresh and had good texture and excellent flavor. It shows that good cheese can be made on the farm, and at present prices there are no reasons why cheese-making should not be profitable.

Cheese-making, like butter-making, requires considerable care and much practice that must be fortified with information on handling and ripening the cream. But there is nothing worth while without information and practice. If there were it would not continue to be worth while because there are many seeking such work.

Dairying has great possibilities and many are realizing it. We may confidently expect cotton farmers to keep more cows.

## REMEDY FOR SOREHEAD.

Farm and Ranch: To one tablespoonful of lard (free of salt) add one-third teaspoonful of sulphur and four drops of carbolic acid; melt the lard, stir in sulphur and carbolic acid and rub heads once a day. Three applications usually cure the worst cases. Water the sick fowls once per day and keep in a clean, dry place.

I have tried this remedy on my chickens a number of times and cured the worst kind of cases, when both eyes were closed, and cured them in three days. The sorehead is caused from chickens sleeping in close dirty coops.

Mrs. C. G. Graves, De Soto Parish, La.

## THE MAGIC WASHING STICK.

"I cannot speak highly enough in praise of the Magic Washing Stick. It saves half the labor in washing. Makes the clothes sweet, clean and white as snow without the use of rubboard," writes Mrs. R. M. Cardwell, Forney, Texas. Sold by druggists three 10c sticks for 25c, or by mail from A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas. (Adv)

Will sell through the holidays \$1 pails Coffee at 75c. Will make close prices on goods for the next fifteen days for cash. B. G. Smith. 51-

## How To Give Quinine To Children.

FEBRILINE is the trade-mark name given to improved Quinine. It is a Tasteless Syrup, pleasant to take and does not disturb the stomach. Children take it and never know it is Quinine. Also especially adapted to adults who cannot take ordinary Quinine. Does not cause nervousness or ringing in the head. Try it. Ask for Zonnoce original package. The name FEBRILINE is blown in bottle. 25 cents.

## IRL R. HICKS 1915 ALMANAC.

The Rev. Irl R. Hicks Almanac, now ready, grows more popular and useful with each passing year. It is a fixed necessity in homes, shops and commercial establishments all over this continent. This famous and valuable book on astronomy, storms, weather and earthquakes should be in every home and office. Professor Hicks completes this best issue of his great Almanac at the close of his seventieth year. The Almanac will be mailed for 35 cents. The Rev. Irl R. Hicks fine magazine, Word and Works, is sent one year, with a copy of his Almanac, for only one dollar. Send for them to Word and Works Publishing Co., 3401 Franklin Ave., St. Louis, Mo. You will never regret your investment. Try it for 1915. 49-4

American Beauty Flour at O. J. Green's.

## SHERIFF'S SALE.

The State of Texas, County of Reeves.

By virtue of a certain alias Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Reeves County, on the 3rd day of December, 1914, by Willie-de Woods, clerk of said court, against S. B. Pugh et al for the sum of three hundred thirty-two and 31-100 (\$332 31/100) dollars and costs of suit, in case No. 1171 in said court, styled Leslie A. Needham versus S. B. Pugh et al, and placed in my hands for service, I, Tom Harrison, as sheriff of Reeves county, Texas, did on the 9th day of December, 1914, levy on certain real estate, situated in Reeves County, described as follows, to-wit: Lots 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, according to the plat of S. B. Pugh, recorded in Book 23, page 626 of the deed records of Reeves County; all in Section 38, Block 2, H. & G. N. Ry. Co. survey, Reeves County, Texas, and levied upon as the property of said S. B. Pugh, Christine Werner, Robert G. Werner, F. E. Knapp, and S. B. Pugh. And on Tuesday, the 5th day of January, 1915, at the court house door of Reeves County, in the city of Pecos, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. I will sell said premises at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said S. B. Pugh et al by virtue of said levy and said alias order of sale.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Pecos Times, a newspaper published in Reeves County.

Witness my hand, this 9th day of December, 1914.

TOM HARRISON, Sheriff Reeves County, Texas. By S. C. Vaughan, Deputy. 11Dec50-3

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By virtue of a certain execution issued out of the Honorable County Court of Reeves County, on the 19th day of November, 1914, by Willie-de Woods, clerk of said court, against R. G. Werner and the Arno Co-operative Irrigation Company (a corporation), for the sum of two hundred fifty and no one-hundredredths (\$250.00) dollars and costs of suit, in cause No. 402 in said court, styled Oscar Swanson versus R. G. Werner et al, and placed in my hands for service, I, Tom Harrison, as sheriff of Reeves County, Texas, did, on the 20th day of November, 1914, levy on certain real estate, situated in Reeves County, described as follows, to-wit: Consisting of and being a certain irrigation plant, on the Pecos River in Reeves County, Texas, and about twenty miles north of the town of Pecos, Reeves County, Texas, and including the main canal of said corporation, and all its laterals, flumes, waste ways, its dam across the Pecos river, its right of way for said canal, and all houses and buildings of every kind and character, belonging to said corporation and situated on any of its said right of ways, and incident to and belonging to its said irrigation system, and levied upon as the property of said R. G. Werner and The Arno Irrigation Company (a corporation) and on Tuesday, the 5th day of January, 1915, at the court house door of Reeves county, in the city of Pecos, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. I will sell said premises at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said R. G. Werner and The Arno Irrigation Company, (a corporation), by virtue of said levy and said execution.

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The said sale will be made by virtue of an order of sale issued out of the District Court, Fifty-third Judicial District, of Travis County, Texas, upon a judgment in favor of Thomas R. White, Jr. against J. T. Downing on the 8th day of October, 1914, for the sum of thirteen hundred fifty-nine and 60-100 dollars (\$1,359.60), with 10 per cent interest thereon from said date and costs of suit, and foreclosing the plaintiff, Thomas R. White, Jr.'s vendor's lien on said tract of land as the

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# LEGAL BLANKS

## WE HAVE THEM NOW

The Times office has just received a new supply of different kinds of Blanks, the following being a partial list:

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- RELEASES, Mortgage of Deed of Trust.
- BILL OF SALE
- INSTALLMENT NOTE, with Vendor's Lien.
- PROMISSORY NOTES.
- QUIT-CLAIM DEEDS.
- RELEASES VENDOR LIEN
- CHATEL MORTGAGES, long and short-form.
- VENDOR'S LIEN NOTES
- LAND APPLICATION BLANKS
- OIL LEASE BLANKS

We will also send for other Legal Blanks as soon as we learn what is needed.

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**EDUCATIONAL NOTES**

**DR. WM. J. BATTLE.**

The board of regents of the University of Texas is to be congratulated upon the wise choice of an act-president to succeed Dr. S. E. ... The Statesman ... it is ... advisedly in ... it has more than a ... acquaintance with many ... of the faculty of the University of Texas.

Battle, the ranking faculty member of the University, did not ... to be the one to whom popular opinion turned when the question of selecting a president, either temporary or permanent, was first ... That fact did not for a moment affect the choice of the regents, for it was felt that selecting a temporary head of the institution, the ranking official of a great school should be chosen. Thus was the merited promotion made.

William J. Battle is not a man of ... but he is deliberate, serious, competent, learned, broad-minded. William J. Battle is ... with those he is in contact. He is "square" with the ... in every sense of the word. ... a man ought to make good ... position that he may hold. ... that represents one of the great essentials of success. No one ... find the new acting president of the University in any way ...

him the Statesman ... the best co-operation of all sides. ... statesman offers to ... its ... and assures him that ... times will be found in it ... that will fight shoulder to ... der with him for the upbuilding of the University of Texas and ... of its usefulness. ... statesman.

**UNIVERSITY'S NEW PRESIDENT.**

The regents of the University in ... Dr. Battle to be its president, in the opinion of the ... on the best material at their ... Furthermore, the News ... it altogether likely that the ... in accommodating the ex- ... of the moment, have ... the needs of the future. ... in other words, that Dr. ... will disclose qualifications ... and prove him fit to fill per- ... a position into which he ... put only temporarily. As ... the faculty for several years ... he thought to become ... with the problem that has ... him, both as respects the ... condition of the university ... respects the service required ... the people of Texas. The ... book occasion to announce ... a permanent presi- ... take ample time and ... tely," and "look for a ... of scholarly training, high ... ter and successful experience ... ge administration," as they ... convinced no other type of ... could successfully administer ... fairs of the University of ... The ideal is a true and ... Dr. Battle himself sat ... the first two conditions, and ... k it is not hazarding muc- ... the opinion that he will ... give evidence that he pos- ... third of the qualifications ... The regents are to be con- ... on the choice they have ... and the people of Texas are ... congratulated on their escape ... dangers that choice avert- ... Semi-Weekly Farm News

University of Texas, al- ... growing rapidly, has been ... to put a dollar into perma- ... buildings in Austin for more ... years, and has, in pro- ... to its students, scarcely half ... invested in its plant as the ... strong state university.

of Texas. ... and political ... first edition of this well- ... book was published by Prof. ... of the University of Texas. ... immediately accorded a cor- ... eption by the teachers of ... and has since been con- ... used in many schools. The ... however, something more ... school book. It tells about ... in a way interesting to ... eral reader. As stated or

**LEGAL INTEREST RATE EVADED BY LENDERS**

Lewis H. Haney, professor of economics in the University of Texas, having made a study of farm credit conditions in Texas, declares that the methods used to defeat the legal 10 per cent interest ... are numerous and efficacious.

"Almost universally," continues Prof. Haney, "the interest is deducted in advance: even among bankers, only 4 out of 22 questioned by me deny this. Then, the loans are often made for short periods—one to three months—when renewed interest is again deducted; thus virtually being compounded. It is common for the farmer to pay all expenses for making, filing, and recording papers involved in loans. Again, in addition to a high interest rate, a discount may be charged on the farmer's note, which if it is 2 per cent, may bring the rate up to 12 per cent. It is also common on small loans to demand a lump sum in payment, which, though not expressed as a percentage, may perhaps amount to 50 per cent. Thus, suppose a farmer borrows \$25 to buy feed, the loan running three months, and that he pays \$2; the interest rate is 32 per cent. Or if he pays \$5 for a loan of \$50, which runs six months, his money has cost him 20 per cent. Sometimes a cash bonus is demanded in addition to the regular interest rate. Finally, ... by no means infrequent to ask 1 per cent on a loan which runs for a year, 1 per cent a month be-

**MINISTRY OF TEXAS.**

The following bill of fare for the noon hour at the University of Texas cafeteria seems to be in keeping with 7-cent cotton: "Bread, 1 cent; butter 1 cent; toast, 1 cent; buttermilk, 3 cents; sweet milk, 3 cents; jam, 3 cents; syrup, 2 cents; coffee, 3 cents; soup, 5 cents; beans, 4 cents; potatoes, 4 cents; cake, 3 cents; pie, 5 cents; roast beef and gravy, 8 cents; cocoa, 4 cents; ham and egg, 10 cents."

**CORRESPONDENCE COURSE.**

One of the most effective ways yet devised for carrying the university to the people seems to be the correspondence courses offered by the extension department of the University of Texas. To matriculate

the title page, "The educated citizen should know the state in which he lives." With this in mind the author prepared this little volume. In the revision now from the press there has been no change of plan, but the portion relating to cities and towns has been almost entirely rewritten and a new chapter added. Accounts are given of all places in the state having a population in excess of 2,500 persons, now eighty-eight in number, whereas, in the former edition they numbered only fifty-six. Among the new illustrations are included a modern view of the University of Texas showing the parked street leading up to the campus, the Adolphus Hotel and the new Busch building in Dallas, the new Rice Hotel in Houston and the Seton Infirmary in Austin. All statistics have been brought as nearly as possible to date and the chapter on railroads shows the recent changes and adjustments in the great transportation systems. In the account of educational institutions the West Texas Normal College and the William A. Rice Institute appear for the first time. Here and there throughout the book occur changes too numerous to mention, but all bringing the text as near to present existing conditions as could be reasonably expected. A glance at the headings of the various chapters shows the scope of the book. The state Geology, Relief and Soils, Surface and Underground Drainage, Climate, Vegetation, Fauna, Industries, Mineral Resources, Railroads, Important Events in Texas History, The Government, Education, Population, The Principal Cities of Texas, Cities and Towns Having Between Ten and Fifteen Thousand Inhabitants, Cities and Towns Having Between Five and Ten Thousand Inhabitants, Cities and Towns Having Between Twenty-five Hundred and Five Thousand Inhabitants. An appendix follows giving the names, area and population of all the counties in the state, together with the county seats.

In writing of this geography a contributor to the New York Sun says: "It is a model for a text to be used in the schools of every state in the land; it gives such information concerning the history, geography, statistics and government as every resident therein ought to know."

**STUDENT FROM APAN.**

W. K. Kitagawa of Osaka, Japan, and formerly of Waseda University, matriculated recently. He attended the above university five years, and holds the degree of Bachelor of Commerce. So far he is the first and only Japanese to enter the University of Texas this year.

Mr. Kitagawa has an exceedingly varied and interesting history. He came to Austin less than a month ago from Waseda University, and entered the employ of the firm of Crawford Goshu Company, Inc., with which he is learning the art of cotton buying.

His interest in Texas people and Texas cotton is already manifest. His object, he says, in entering this school is to earn particularly about the government and state of Texas. To accomplish this, he has signed up for a general business course, including agriculture and economics as applied to agriculture.

**RARE VOLUMES FOR MEDICOS**

One of the two extant sets of a two volume work on anatomy written in Latin by Andreas Vesalius, physician to Charles V in 1544, and later to Philip II of Spain, has been officially presented to the medical department of the University at Galveston by Regent Dr. A. W. Fly of that city.

Vesalius, the author of the rare work, enjoyed a broad reputation as a physician. His career ended rather tragically. Accused of having opened the body of a Spanish nobleman before life was extinct, he was forced to take a journey to Palestine in expiation of the offense. On his way back he was shipwrecked on the Island of Zante, where he died of hunger and hardship.

The edition presented by Dr. Fly bears the date of 1725, issued by Boerhaave Albinus. Boerhaave was professor of practical medicine in the University of Leiden, and was also a chemist and botanist of note. In fact, so wide was his reputation that a Chinese mandarin wrote a letter addressed to "The Illustrious Boerhaave, Physician in Europe," and it reached him.

**EDUCATING MINISTERS.**

Although tax-supported, and therefore strictly non-sectarian, many Texas ministers receive their education at the University of Texas. Many young men do not declare their purpose of entering the ministry until after they are graduated; nevertheless, there are eleven students—four Baptists, three Methodists, three Presbyterians, two Christians and two Episcopalians—now in the university, who plan to become ministers. Seven of these expect to go into the foreign mission field. The past summer two former students—one Methodist and one Baptist—sailed to Brazil and Constantinople, respectively, to engage in foreign missionary service.

**STUDENTS REDUCE HIGH COST OF LIVING.**

The following bill of fare for the noon hour at the University of Texas cafeteria seems to be in keeping with 7-cent cotton: "Bread, 1 cent; butter 1 cent; toast, 1 cent; buttermilk, 3 cents; sweet milk, 3 cents; jam, 3 cents; syrup, 2 cents; coffee, 3 cents; soup, 5 cents; beans, 4 cents; potatoes, 4 cents; cake, 3 cents; pie, 5 cents; roast beef and gravy, 8 cents; cocoa, 4 cents; ham and egg, 10 cents."

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ing common. The law says 10 per cent per annum. To demand 10 per cent on \$300 or nine months to take \$30 where only \$22.50 is legally required. Other devices of which I am ignorant may also be used."

**BLIND STUDENTS.**

Two blind boys are actually working their way through school. Several hundred other students work in order to pay their bills while at the University. This has been often marveled at. Even the catalog points to this fact with pride. But even at best, working one's way is considerable of a hardship. Had one of these been told a year ago that it was possible for a blind boy to carry all his courses and make the "dough" wherewith to scare hunger off, such an one would have replied firmly with "impossible."

George Remley, a freshman academy student, earns \$15 per month over and above his board and lodging in addition to making a creditable showing in his school work. He stays at the Blind Institute, and while there takes care of the music room. It is the duty of certain students to come at certain periods and practice their music exercises. And it is Remley's business to see that the right student appears at the proper time. Moreover, he keeps the room straightened up and locks all the students up at night.

Another blind boy, R. A. Hayes, gets his board and room for coaching deficient students in their subjects. His regular occupation is to coach two high school students in Spanish. In addition he frequently coaches Varsity students also.

**STUDENT MASONS.**

The University Masonic Club is only two years old, but has already done a great deal of work. Last year practically all of the club took the degrees up to the eighteenth. The purpose of the club is to train young men in the work so that they can take charge of the stations of their home lodges when they leave school.

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**TOMMY'S JOKE.**

His name was Tommy, and he came home from school fooling so down in the mouth that mother asked him severely what was the matter. Out of his little trousers pocket he fished a note from the teacher which said: "Tommy has been a very naughty boy. Please have a serious talk with him."

"What did you do?" asked mother. "Nothing," sobbed Tommy. "She asked a question, and I was the only one who could answer it."

"H'm," murmured mother. "What was the question?" "Who put the dead mouse in her desk drawer?" answered Tommy.—Philadelphia Record.

**LATE BUT EARLY.**

An American, provided with letters of introduction, went on a visit to London. After he had been received, his host said to him: "You know our customs are a little different from yours. We dine late—at 7 o'clock in the evening."

"Late!" exclaimed the American. "Why, that's nothing. We in America don't dine until the next day."

**DEFINED.**

He—Can you suggest a title for my new book? She—What is it about? He—England's most famous battles.

She—Ah! why not call it "Scraps of English History?"—Tit-Bits.

**ENOUGH!**

"Don't keep pestering me." "Then you won't marry me?" "I wouldn't even be engaged to you at a summer resort."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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