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JOHN GEMMILL WRITES FROM GALVESTON

Canton Boy In The Recent Gulf Storm

The following letter received by Mrs. W. C. Gemmill from her son, John, who is traveling in Texas for a rubber company, goes far to show just how terrible was the recent storm that swept the gulf bordering on the state of Texas.

The letter is as follows:
Houston, Texas, Aug. 19, 1915.
Dear Mother:

I don't reckon that when you read the papers about fifteen years ago that told you about the awful storm at Galveston, you ever thought that you would have a young and ambitious son that would see one still worse, did you?

I went to Galveston Saturday to spend a nice quiet Sunday and when Sunday was over and I wanted to leave—I couldn't. I just got out of there this morning by paying \$10 for a boat to Texas City and then \$18 for an automobile to Houston. We sure did have an awful time. I was at the Galvex hotel when the storm came on. They sent cars out to bring in all the people living in the bottoms and in a couple of hours instead of having about five hundred guests, we had nearly five thousand, two thirds of which were women and children. The storm lasted till Wednesday morning about ten o'clock. We couldn't even get down town over the telephone. The store room in the basement flooded the water cut off and no lights. Every window in the hotel was broken and the women were perfectly frantic. All the food we had was bread and coffee. We had a "bread line" I can tell you. Every body passed thru the kitchen for a hand-out.

Yesterday morning I saw a big schooner dash against the sea wall and believe me, I was about to give up, so was every one else. It made a crack about one hundred feet in the wall and the water came thru something awful. It rose to the lobby of the hotel (about twenty feet) in less than a half hour. Then the women were all the worse to take care of. There was nothing left to eat and nothing to drink and the wind blowing a gale of a hundred miles an hour so nobody dared go out. They estimate the dead, so far, at three hundred, but before they get through, it will be closer to three thousand. The sea wall is all that saved the island. One's hat must certainly come off to the people there for sticking together.

When I got here this morning, things were nearly as bad as in Galveston. There is not a store or a residence in the town that has not suffered more or less damage. They have had no lights nor water since Monday and the Lord only knows when they will have any.

I am going to hike to Dallas tonight. I wish I could take the time to tell you all about it in a way that would half express the way it was. But I am too poor a writer to even attempt it. But I'll say this, that I wouldn't go through with it again for \$20,000, at the same time, now that I am out of it, I wouldn't take that much for the experience. I am going out now and try to get a little business for a change.

John

School Starts Monday Sept. 6th

Our city schools will open Monday September 6th, so prepare we all children for another nine months of knowledge seeking.

President Jennings of the school board, and the board itself, have worked long and hard in securing a suitable staff of teachers and have finally succeeded in building up a staff of teachers that will be hard to find an equal.

At the East Side school, Miss Bertha Tosseland will have charge of the 4th and 5th grades and will act as principal. Miss Pearl Wardwell will have the 1st grade and Miss Gertrude Holmes will have the 2nd and 3rd grades. Miss Edna Lee will have charge of the 7th grade.

At the West Side school, Mrs. May Whitehead will have charge of the 2nd and 3rd grades and will act as principal, while Miss Mineva Laxson will have charge of the 1st grade. Miss Ruth M. Meyer will have charge of the 4th and 5th grades while Miss Mary Anderson will have the 6th grade.

At the Central building, Miss Cora Slag will again have charge of the 8th grade, much to the satisfaction of all for her past record is one that is an envy of any teacher.

The high school faculty will be as follows: Mr. L. Hockstad, Principal, Physics, Mathematics; Mr. Walter Deming, Science; Mrs. Edna B. Meader, Latin, and English; Miss Lorena Dell Young, English; Miss Laura Bergan, German and History; Miss Viollette E. Johns, Music, Physical Culture and Public Speaking; Miss Beulah E. Meikle, Domestic Science and Art; Mr. C. G. Lawrence, History, Normal Training.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Anderson were visiting relatives at Battle Sunday.

Pickups Around the County

FAIRVIEW EAGLE

Mrs. W. P. Manning attended the camp meeting at Canton a few days this week.

F. J. Iseminger, wife and family drove up to the county seat last Saturday afternoon.

Henry Swanson and John Noonan were passengers to Canton with G. J. Moen last Saturday morning.

Editor Goble and wife, W. P. Manning and wife and son Owen, Roy Dougherty and wife and baby, and Mrs. Webber and Miss Lulu, attended the camp meeting at Canton last Sunday.

Chas. Morgan and Holver Brandsgaard of Canton were in town last Wednesday lining up and repairing the electric motor at the Farmers Elevator which has been undergoing some repairs the past couple of weeks and is now in fine condition to take care of the abundant crop of small grain which will soon be coming to market, for if the weather is good all the threshing machines will be busy early and late.

The Misses Frankie and Emily Vermilya are attending the Teachers' institute at Canton this week.

HUDSONITE

Frank Bellwood was a Canton visitor today.

Miss Ida Denison attended camp meeting at Canton over Sunday returning home yesterday afternoon.

"Ye have a foine bunch av boys, Mike," said one Irishman to another. "Indade I have, an' I've nivir had to raise hand against 'em except in still defence."—Yankton Herald.

Judge Fred Cuthbert, Attorney A. B. Carlson and Carl and Will Tank, autoed down from Canton yesterday, and ate dinner with the Herbert Hitch family in Eden township. Judge Cuthbert started for his home in North Dakota again yesterday afternoon, in his car, he and his bride having made the trip from there to Canton in the car. A number of Judge Cuthbert's friends here did not get to see him, much to their disappointment.

HARRISBURG JOURNAL

Henry Wiggin came up from Canton Sunday evening, for an over-night visit with relatives.

Charlie Kundert was in Canton Friday, to meet his wife and children, who were returning from a several weeks visit with relatives and friends at Kearney, Nebr.

The Misses Pearl Wardwell, Eva Phelps and Ethel Wardwell went to Canton Sunday evening, the two former to attend Teachers' Institute, and the latter for a short visit.

Mrs. O. B. Jones and two children, Miss Matilda Thorson, Mrs. J. P. Ellason and son, all of Worthing, have been visiting the Thorpe family for a few days.

J. L. Kehm's aged mother, Mrs. Jacob Kehm of Canton, was a visitor at the Kehm home Saturday. Miss Beulah Tuttle returned to Canton with her Saturday evening.

Miss Verna Chrysler was a Canton passenger, Saturday, for the purpose of attending the Camp Meeting and Teachers' Institute.

Miss Annie Abbott was in Canton last week, making arrangements for a course at Augustana College, the fall term of which begins Sept. 14th.

WORTHING ENTERPRISE

The Misses Anna Peterson and Judyth Aus, of Canton, were visiting Worthing friends the middle of the week.

Elling Johnson and Aleck Engeness and mother, who left here about a year and a half ago for a visit in their native country, Norway, returned last week Monday and have been staying at Canton since. They report having had a very pleasant time while away, and their return trip was some what exciting, owing to the fact that the ship on which they had taken passage was stopped in the Atlantic ocean by a British cruiser and searched, and of the twenty-three Germans on board all had American citizenship papers except three, and they were removed and made prisoners of war.

TEA SIGNAL

Mr. Geo. Lamm, John Cruse and R. E. Schmidt autoed to Canton Saturday. Mr. Schmidt says the roads around Tea are golden compared to the mud holes around Canton. Mr. Schmidt purchased his supply of school books while in Canton.

Mr. Perry Wilkinson left for Canton, Friday. He will run a threshing outfit near there this fall. Perry has had some experience in this business.

The Misses Gronovelt and Nickel left for Canton Monday where they will attend the Lincoln County Teachers' Institute. Supt. Dale has arranged a very fine program and we feel sure any one will be benefited who attends.

Last Friday Canton was nearly deserted it seemed. Large delegations went to Sioux Falls and Sheldon.

It May Work

The Editor of this paper was rudely startled the other day when one of our young "slikers" about town, came into our sanctum and in a halting, weepy voice asked us "how to win a blonde."

Now we are not up on the art of winning blondes, and the experience of others has taught us, they are the most dangerous of the female species. They are reported to be absolutely without heart, cold blooded as a fish and very flighty as to where they keep their attentions.

But the young fellow looked so sorrowful, that even his nose heavily plastered with talcum powder and his "movie hero" hair did not move us to mirth, even if the odor of his perfume made us sick in the region of our abdominal cavity. One look at his "Billy Sunday's longest face" and we straightway set our teeth hard down on a perfectly good El Royal cigar and handed him a line of "sister talk" that caused us to go behind the office and talk to ourself for an hour after he had left the office.

Read with care.
Blondes are the most peculiar of the human race. Their rare coloring, (concerning face and hair) is the marvel of scientists. In fact specialists spend most of their time working out color schemes for blondes. They make an excellent piece of movable house furniture, although, they are apt to be transplanted in some other man's house through the first aid to the married, the divorce courts.

To win a blonde, you must be able to tango, fox trot and be able to do Sioux spread backwards. You must own an auto, Ford's barred, and let her smash it up two or three times. Her family must object to your presence about the premises, and you must smoke cigarettes and wear a cane, preferably Charley Chaplin style. To marry her, take her to the preacher when she is changing moods but, do it in a hurry as blondes change some rapid. When you have won your style

of blonde, keep up the same pace as you did when you were "fussing" her or some other nut shop product will do it for you. The best way to keep a blonde at home is keep her from wearing the latest fashions. There is another way to win a blonde and that is grab her by the hair and drag her off to your cave, but this method is not always safe as sometime you get only the hair.

After this lengthy "how to win a blonde" talk the young man left, after heartily thanking us, but our advice seemed to have little or no effect as we seen him that night with a regular brunette at the Lyric.

Stung In a New Place

A man and woman dropped into a new town, and put up at the best hotel. The next morning they secured a rig each, and started out over the country boldly asking the good farmer folks for a chicken for an orphan's home in St. Louis. After two days' begging they sold the chickens to a local produce man for \$30, and left town. Their loot included several cash donations.

A variation of the scheme is for a man wearing some sort of a badge to call on the farmers under the name of the department of health and demand to see his poultry. After examination he condemns twenty or thirty hens and tells the farmer they will have to be killed because they are diseased. He very kindly offers to take the chickens, and do the killing himself. If the farmer consents, the man takes the chickens to the nearest commission merchant and sells them.

The scheme is being worked all over the country. If a man or woman calls on you with a demand that looks suspicious, call up your local authorities and ask by what right they are asking to inspect your stock or poultry and when you get the answer, turn them over to the police.—[Vermillion Republican.]

C. Ed. Anderson was a Lake Madison visitor Sunday.

Augustana College

The fall term begins on Tuesday September 14th.

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