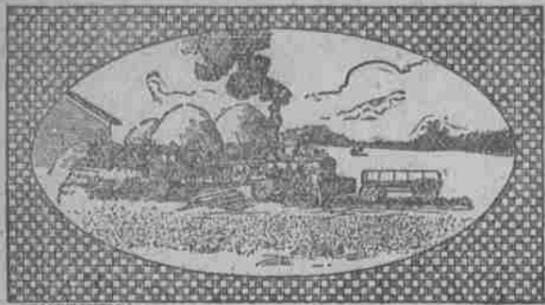


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Along About Stacking Time

When you are so busy that you don't know where you are at half the time—you wish you had made those repairs when you had the chance. You remember about the bay rack that wobbled, the corn crib that threatened to fall to pieces, the pig pen that gives way sometimes and allows its squeaking members to escape, and a hundred other things that should have been done. You know that we are here the year round and have all the stuff to fix such things. Our yards are piled high with lumber, but our prices are never stacked, though. Besides common lumber, we have building material,

R. L. Eschenburg,
Shiner, Texas.

A Retraction.

From July Number "Ladies' Home Journal."

In the May number of the Ladies' Home Journal, we published in the article entitled "The Patent Medicine Cure," an analysis of "Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription," in which that preparation was represented as containing among other ingredients, tincture of digitalis, tincture of opium, and alcohol. Immediately upon publication of the number a suit for damages was instituted by The R. V. Pierce Medical Company of Buffalo, New York, proprietors of the preparation in question, against the Curtis Publishing Company, based upon the claim that none of the three ingredients was contained in the medicine.

Upon the filing of the suit, we, of course, immediately looked into the published analysis. It appeared that this particular analysis had been made, if made at all, fully twenty-five years ago. We, therefore, employed three leading chemists in different cities to make an analysis of the preparation from bottles bought in the open market. These analyses, one and all, now show to us conclusively that not a single one of the ingredients mentioned by us in the analysis quoted—that is, either digitalis, opium or alcohol—was contained in the bottles analyzed. We then the President of this Company and the writer—personally visited the R. V. Pierce Medical Company, and were there convinced that the officers of the Company were absolutely truthful in their claim, but not one of these injurious ingredients was contained in Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription." Naturally, since the analysis we printed has been proved erroneous, the deductions made in connection with this preparation were unwarranted and unfounded.

Under these circumstances it is now perfectly plain to us that this magazine was unintentionally, but nevertheless absolutely misled in making the original statement, and we hereby, of our own volition, make this unqualified acknowledgment of our mistake to the R. V. Pierce Medical Company and to our readers. The mistake was honestly made, but it was a mistake.

To the Patrons of Rural Routes No. 1, 2 and 3.

I am authorized to commence on Monday, August 15, 1904, with rural free delivery. All those wishing to receive their mail on these routes will please have boxes erected which are approved by the Department, and have them so that the carriers can get to the boxes without getting out of their vehicle. All persons wishing mail delivered on these routes will please leave their names with me.

R. G. FLATP, P. M.

The Happy Ones.

The Texas Coast says: "The happiest people in the universe are those who keep out of debt, out of politics, out of office, shun notoriety, make a good living by honest means, follow the golden rule, humbly serve God, pursue the even tenor of their way, and neglect no opportunity of doing good."

This is sound philosophy, and if everybody lived up to it, there would be no further need of court houses and jails.

The Shadrick-LaRosa theatrical troupe gave three entertainments in Shiner last week, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights. The troupe did fairly well, but the audiences were rather light, as it is the wrong time of the year for performances of this kind. Should they return during the regular season, they would meet with better patronage.

MOULTON NEWS.

EAGLES.

Wm. Van Vetterman has accepted a position with Rudi Jaeggli.

Mrs. R. B. Allen and children of Hallettsville was over to see kin-folks last Thursday.

Mrs. W. I. Tooley and son, Hicks, have returned from an extended visit to the Exposition City.

C. M. Koltzhus is in Cameron since Friday, visiting his daughter, Mrs. A. H. Koch.

Mrs. Dick Lockmann returned Monday from a several days' visit to relatives at Shiner.

Mr. and Mrs. Anton Blohm came up from Shiner Friday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Kroeger.

Rev. Koch of Cuero was here Sunday and initiated Rev. Ullman, pastor of the Lutheran church.

B. F. Burke and wife of Sweet Home were in the city one day last week, the guests of Prof. and Mrs. C. A. Peterson.

Mrs. H. A. Manefee returned to her home at Blayden Saturday after spending several weeks with relatives and friends in this city and at Houston.

Two New Wells at Big Hill.

Big Hill, Matagorda county, Texas, July 26.—The bringing in of the Higgins-Heywood well and the Tom Lane well the past few days has caused unprecedented activity in Big Hill oil circles. These two wells are about 200 yards from the Griffith-Sutherland well No. 2, and only about 200 yards from each other. They show a development of the field in a north westerly direction and unlike all the wells brought in heretofore, were unattended by the enormous gas pressure that has been so characteristic of the Big Hill field.

The Higgins-Heywood was drilled by Ben Harper and brought in at a depth of 864 feet. Though begun some ten days later than the Lane well it was brought in at the same time. The Lane well is 860 feet, and encountered a great deal of rock, which Harper escaped altogether. All the latest estimates give these wells a flow of from 600 to 1000 barrels per day.

A large party of Shiner young men went to Yoakum last Sunday to witness the ball game between Yoakum and Gonzales. Yoakum won by a score of 7 to 1.

Notice!

I am ordered by the mayor to make a house to house canvass of the town and request every one to clean and disinfect their premises by cutting down all rank weeds and putting oil on their cisterns, and see that no tubs or barrels of water are left standing around to breed mosquitoes. Ample time will be allowed for everybody to put their premises in shape before making this call. Now lets all go to work at once and clean up, rake up old papers and trash and burn it, cut weeds, etc., and it will not only be for the better health of our people but will add greatly to the appearance of our already beautiful little city.

T. J. BURKETT,
Marshall.

The Hallettsville Herald has this to say of the democratic county convention held at Hallettsville on July 16th: It was a convention strictly harmonious in every respect and free from personalities and acrimony. A sight pleasing to all was the number of populists and republicans who had returned to the fold. They were gladly welcomed, and it's sincerely to be hoped that they will be true and steadfast friends of democracy, ready and willing to fight hot battles when occasion demands. There is room for all and we welcome them back with open arms as the prodigal son was welcomed by his father.

Some of the paid players with the Meyerhoff ball team are still active in the game. Max Hinz is on the San Antonio league team pay roll and pitches every third day. Earl Robertson alias "Wind" is catching for the Caithons who are touring South Texas. Will Kitchens is playing with the Richmond semi-professional team. Harry Smith is a fixture with Yoakum as first base. Morris Strunk is at home in Oakland and is out of the game at present.—Hallettsville Herald.

Tom Ponton is all right. His action at the county convention in withdrawing his name will make him friends. His time is yet to come.

C. L. Williams,

Headquarters For First-Class Long Leaf Pine and Cypress Lumber, Builders Hardware, Wagon and Glidden Barb Wire, Hay Wire, Mountain Cedar, Oak and Mesquit Posts. Old Hickory, Tennessee and Studebaker Wagons, Buggies and Carriages of all Styles.

In fact, Anything You Want.

Shiner, - - - Texas.

It Is Not What You Earn...

But it is what you save that makes you rich. By opening a saving account with us and depositing a little every week, if only a few dollars, you will be gratified at the end of the year, to see how a little now and then will amount to quit a sum.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

Advertising Facts.

In estimating the value of a newspaper as an advertising medium one of the most important factors is its popularity.

The amount of local advertising in a newspaper is an infallible index to its popularity and an indication of the value placed upon it by home institutions.

The SHINER GAZETTE is patronized by nearly every business house in Shiner and has received their patronage for many years.

It pays others to advertise in the GAZETTE, and why will it not pay you? Try it at first in broken doses, if in doubts, for your business health. THE GAZETTE.

Shiner, Texas.

A Fine Premium.

To all new subscribers and all old ones who pay for one year in advance, we offer the new Texas Almanac, published by the Galveston News, as a premium with the SHINER GAZETTE. The price of the GAZETTE is only \$1 a year. Send in your subscriptions at once and get this fine Almanac free.

F. K. Kutach of Worthing was in the city yesterday after the pump, gasoline engine and fixtures for his irrigation plant. The engine will have a capacity of 12,000 gallons per hour. Frank expects great things from the plant and the Herald believes that it will pay even better than he anticipates.—Hallettsville Herald.

That's right, let the good work go on. If you order a car of your local railroad agent in which to ship hay, steers or peaches and are liable to demurrage charges in case you do not load promptly, why should not the railroad pay you demurrage when you order a car for a given day and it is not ready for your use? Demurrage charges should be reciprocal between carrier and shipper. It is now too one-sided.—Farm and Ranch.

Weimar's first bale of cotton was received last Friday. It classed middling and weighed 499 pounds. Gonzales has also received a first bale, and now it's Shiner's turn.

Flotonia School Tax Election.

Flotonia, Texas, July 20.—An election has been ordered by the trustees of the school board to levy a tax of 1-4 of 1 per cent to build a \$10,000 brick school house and create a sinking fund. The election will be held Aug. 16.

Those farmers who planted North Carolina-cotton seed generally report very fair prospects of a yield, but the planters of native seed are in the dumps. The King and Big Boll stalks generally are pretty well loaded with bolls, blooms and squares, but on the native stalks the bolls are few and far between.—Weimar Mercury.

Now is the time to paint your houses, barns, etc. For the next 90 days I will sell all house paints at \$1.50 per gallon. I have a large stock on hand, lead oil and all colors, in pound and 2 pound cans; will be sold cheaper than were ever offered before. Don't put off painting your houses when you can buy your paint at the above prices.

Respectfully,
C. L. WILLIAMS.

Russia and Japan continue on the verge of a great battle—according to the daily press—but all the general public issues of is that peace has not been declared.—Farm and Ranch.

School Transfers.

Parents or guardians who wish to have their children transferred to the Shiner Independent School District should attend to the matter at once, by notifying Mr. E. Sattler, secretary of the board.

Commissioner Geo. W. Wehmann was in the city last Saturday and informs the GAZETTE that the Ponton creek bridge was being repaired. A new floor is to be laid and other repairs made.

The celebrated Chase & Sanborn and Marsee roasted coffee, sold under guarantee to give satisfaction, for sale at E. C. Merseburger's.

Mr. F. Thulemeyer of Freyburg was in the city several days last week visiting his son and daughter. Mr. Thulemeyer will move to Shiner permanently early in August.

Mr. F. Bunjes made a trip to Schulenburg last week.