

BOY'S ORATION ON "THE CONSTITUTION" WON CONTEST

By DON TYLER

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"As I traveled across the continent to Washington, I realized as never before that we are living today in a beautiful land stretching from the snows of the north to the summer lands of the South, sweeping from the Atlantic to the western waters of the Pacific, a land of peace and freedom.

But we are apt to forget what it is that has given us this great heritage. We have been free so long that freedom is unnoted and hardly prized.

Peace and order have preserved the opportunity for useful and happy lives, have preserved safe and contented homes, freedom of religion, freedom of thought, freedom of speech, independent manhood and womanhood, the right to rule the conduct of one's life, so long that we forget whence these blessings come. They come "by a system of government maintained by the resolute loyalty of a great people." If this system of government fails, is destroyed, something else will come. We cannot tell what it will be, but in the words of Elihu Root, this we do know: "It will not be that system of government which has preserved our peace, order and security, opportunity and prosperity, this will no longer protect us."

Some of us do not realize that not very many years ago men's limbs were beaten and broken and their faces branded with hot irons because they chose to think as individuals; that men were shipped into slavery because they contested the godliness of a self-styled superior. Against such abuses these immortal words of the Declaration of Independence were written which declare that all men have certain inalienable rights, to secure which governments are instituted among men. The Declaration joined issue with all the theories of government since the world began. The theories of all the monarchies and ancient republics were that the state was the main thing, that the king could do no wrong, and that the rights of the individual were derived from the state; that the Declaration of Independence declared that all men are created equal, the inalienable rights are those of the individual, and that the state is organized to secure these ends.

But a thousand noble declarations of principles have been made and passed into the mists of oblivion with no effect. For no mere declaration of principles can be effective unless upheld a certain practical, specific and definite rules to give life to those principles.

So under the loose and meaningless Articles of Confederation the government of thirteen states had failed miserably. There had been unlimited trade, but Congress had not the power to regulate it, nor even the power to supply funds through taxation necessary for its own preservation. The value of the American dollar was one half a cent. Insurrection and anarchy stalked through the land, and everywhere people clamored to return to British rule.

These were the conditions when that intrep little group of fifty-five men walked into that Philadelphia meeting house in the spring of 1787 to give us this, our Constitution, our government.

They did, indeed, answer the prayer of George Washington in his opening address when he said, "Let us raise a standard to which the wise and honest can repair; the event is in the hand of God."

Never before, and I think never since, has such a group of men met in this world as that group that framed our Constitution. These men had become familiar with the practical working of free self government during gone hundred fifty years of colonial life. They were not theorists,

but men of practical life and experience. And yet some of us think of the constitution as a cold legal document. On the other hand, it is warm and it is living, for these men worked with a knowledge of the character of a material with which government has to deal—that is to say, human nature with all its attitudes of feelings and impulses and passions and weaknesses.

But that is not all. These men did not walk alone on that spring morning into that Philadelphia convention. There walked in with them the thousands upon thousands of shadowy, nameless persons who had through the centuries worked toward liberty and order. There were those struggling figures who through the years of labor and agony and sacrifice had been working out the priceless practical principles of Anglo-Saxon liberty.

And so the fathers of our Constitution embodied in that instrument the spirit of the Magna Charta and the Petition of Rights and the Bill of Rights and the Habeas Corpus act of all that made the people of England great, and adaption of those great principles to American life through the practical working of one hundred fifty years of American government.

Then at the end of four months these men, after discussing, debating, and deliberating, brought forth the most finished, polished and balanced relation between a people and their government that human mind has ever conceived. In the words of William Pitt at the time, "It will be the wonder and admiration of all future generations and the model for all future constitutions."

Our Constitution, the supreme law of the land, gave us a government with its representatives elected at certain fixed intervals, with authority delegated to three departments,—the legislative, the executive, and the judicial. But the startling fact for the first time in the history of the world, was that no one department was supreme; that each department served as a check and a balance on the others; and the final supreme power was in the hands of the people. In other words it provided that those who made the laws could not administer them, and those who administered could not judge them and gave the supreme power to be governed.

The greatest and noblest purpose of the Constitution, however, is its protection of our individual liberty. Built of the fundamental principle that liberty is not license, but that it is essentially a matter of self-control, the restraint of the impulse to do to others what we would not have done to us. To quote Randolph Leigh:

"No world power of the present time has a government which reaches back without a break as far as ours. France, Japan, Germany, Russia, Austria, Italy, have all experienced tempestuous changes in government since the adoption of our Constitution. France has made the circuit from half-hearted representative government of mobocracy, and then to despotism, twice. Germany has been swept through many stages from petty despotism and centralized absolutism to the chaos of today. Russia has passed from absolutism to de-

mocracy, to sovietism, the most permanent characteristic in that land having been the bread line."

In other words, Europe has little to offer but warnings in the matter of government; as a whole, Europe is hardly as far along governmentally as the thirteen states were under the loose Articles of Confederation. And yet, friends, at this very moment theorists and experimenters are demanding that we change our form of government. The governmental failures are telling us we are wrong.

I ask you, fellow citizens, shall we listen to them; shall we exchange our freedom of speech for a government where the newspapers can print only what pleases those in power; shall we exchange the sanctity of private property for absolute confiscation by the state; shall we exchange our religious freedom for the bloody massacres of Christians by the Turks.

We Americans possess a mighty sovereignty, but a sovereignty so constitutionally limited that it cannot be used to take from the individual his inherent rights—"a land where every man is a king, yet no man dare to wear a crown" No other country in the world, however, has this protection and no other government since the world began has sought to incorporate it into a practical system of administration.

Our Constitution has brought into being a new sun. It is the sun of individual freedom, and as long as there are Americans, God willing, it shall never sink into the sea of forgotten destinies.

Yet, we must be vigilant and we must be earnest; but we will be, and we will preserve for generations to come and for the peace and blessing of our children and children's children, that liberty and order which is our unconquerable Constitution, unconquerable because it is built within the hearts of men.

THREE LAKES

We have had another spell of pretty weather which has helped wonderfully in getting the cotton out, but there is still some cotton in the fields. Mr. and Mrs. Burton Edwards and children of Tahoka visited friends and relatives in this community Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Sikes visited in the home of Mr. Wash Hickerson Sunday afternoon.

Misses Lolla Belle Edwards and Opal Jackson spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Ruth Ellis. Miss Mae Ellis of T-Bar visited her cousin, Miss Opal Ellis Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Cannon of Abilene spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Jackson. Mr. and Mrs. J. Wright Edwards of this place visited relatives at Lubbock Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carrol Edwards spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ellis. Miss Irma Siker was the guest of Miss Opal Ellis Sunday afternoon.

SLATON HIGH SCHOOL NEARS COMPLETION

Contractors in charge of the erection of Slaton's new \$125,000 High School building are making conditional promises to present the completed building to the school board by Christmas, thus assuring the second term of school there.

Work is moving rapidly along, and fixtures for the rooms are expected daily, and will be ready as soon as needed. The crowded conditions prevailing in all the school will be relieved by the occupation of the new building and teachers and pupils are rejoicing over the near completion of the High School.—Slatonite.

You haven't read the best news until you've read the ads.

According to a decision of the Attorney-General of California the Lord's Prayer cannot be repeated in the public schools without violating the Constitution. That is indeed separating religion and education! We cannot believe that any considerable number of people in California or in any other state would object to the use of so beautiful and so thoroughly undogmatic a prayer as "Our Father". In our sensitiveness to the rights of minority sects we have succeeded in shutting out of our public schools

everything that teaches reverence or that encourages religious feeling.—Youth's Companion

Power? You said it! The News goes into many Lynn county homes whose purchasing guide is the ads found in her columns.

Anyone must be mighty ignorant or thoughtless who is surprised at everything he sees; or wonderingly conceited who expects everything to conform to his standard of propri-

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T-Bar Ranch

One of the big ranches of the south plains, consisting of 126 sections, lying immediately west of Tahoka in Lynn County, is to be converted into homes for farmers. Last winter twenty sections of this ranch lying nearest to the city of Tahoka was placed on the market, to be sold in small tracts, at prices ranging from \$35.00 on up; one fourth cash, balance on ten years time, at six per cent. Already much of this land has been sold. Some of it was put in cultivation this year, and cotton is being picked from it to day. Still some left.

The Butler Ranch

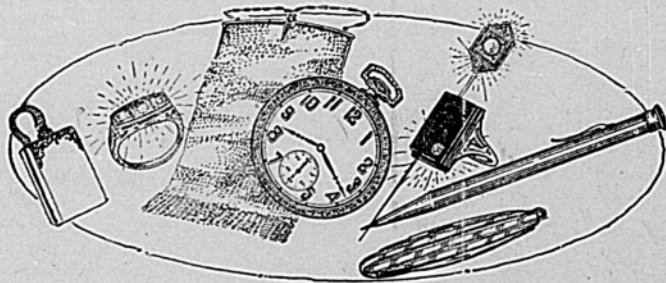
consisting of eight sections, in the northwest portion of Lynn county. No better cotton land in west Texas than is found in these ranches.

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CHURCH AND SOCIETY

PHONE 35

AN INVITATION TO THE METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY

I knew you and you knew me,
How little trouble there will be!
We pass each other on the street
But just come out and let us meet
At Church next Sunday.

One intends to do what's fair
And treat his neighbor on the square;
It may not quite understand
Why you don't take him by the hand
At Church next Sunday.

This world is sure a busy place,
And we must hustle in the race;
For social hours some are not free
The six days, but all should be
At Church next Sunday.

Don't knock and kick and slam
And slap
At everybody on the map;
But push and pull and boost and boom
And use up all the standing room
At Church next Sunday!

SHEPHERD'S ATTEND FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING

Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Shepherd and daughter Gertrude attended the Baptist Fifth Sunday meeting in session at Seagraves the latter half of last week, the program of which was recently published in the News. Brother Shepherd reports a small attendance but a most interesting meeting.

On account of the fact that the churches of Lubbock county have recently withdrawn from the association to form a new association, it became necessary for the association to elect a new moderator, and other officers. Rev. W. K. Horn of O'Donnell was elected moderator to succeed John P. Hardesty of Slaton, and Rev. B. N. Shepherd was elected Secretary and Treasurer to succeed Rev. C. E. Ball of Brownfield, who declined to serve longer. Brother Shepherd declares that he also declined but they ran it over him any way. Therefore, he desires that all churches in the association take notice of the change and all associational moneys should thereafter be sent to him.

The next Fifth Sunday meeting will be held at O'Donnell, which will be in March, 1925. The next workers' Conference will be held at Meadow on Tuesday, December 30.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School, 10 A. M.
Morning service 11 A. M.
Senior League 6 P. M.
Evening service 7 P. M.
Prayer meeting Wednesday 7 P. M.
You are cordially invited to worship with us.
Go to Sunday School and Church.
John E. Eldridge P. C.

METHODIST PASTOR IS GIVEN POUNDING FRIDAY

Members of the Methodist Church and numerous other people of the town surprised the Methodist pastor, Rev. Jno. E. Eldridge with a pounding last Friday evening at 7:30.

The dining table was loaded with all kinds of good eats.

An hour or so was spent in playing games after which a few words of welcome were spoken by J. A. Brahear and Mr. Abshire for the people of Tahoka.

All present report a most enjoyable evening.

PRESBYTERIAN SERVICES

Rev. W. K. Johnston of Lubbock, pastor of the Presbyterian congregation, will preach at 11 o'clock next Sunday morning in the Primitive Baptist Church. At 7 P. M. he will speak in the Star Theatre. The subject of the lecture will be "The Home, The School, and The Church". Dr. Johnston is a close student of social and religious subjects and is an able speaker, and he will no doubt bring a message that will be highly instructive and inspirational.

Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Doscher were over from Seagraves Tuesday and Wednesday visiting Dr. and Mrs. W. F. F. Hughes and greeting friends. Brother Doscher reports his work at Seagraves as prospering but says the folks are very busy now gathering a big cotton crop.

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WOMEN'S CLUB HAS SUCCESSFUL PIE SUPPER

The Women's Home Demonstration Club composed of women of the Draw and Redwine communities, held a pie sale on last Saturday night for the purpose of raising funds with which to pay for a lighting system for each of the two schools. The receipts of the evening amounted to \$40.45, which was sufficient to pay for the lights. The public school building in each of these communities has been supplied with three hanging gasoline lamps, and the buildings are now excellently lighted.

Draw and Redwine are both progressive communities, and the Women's Club organized by Home Demonstration Agent Miss Millie M. Halsey just last spring has done much to add to the comfort and progress of these two communities.

PREACHING AT LYNN

Announcement is made that Rev. W. F. Markham, the associational missionary, will preach at Lynn Saturday night, Sunday morning and Sunday night. Everybody is cordially invited to these services.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Services at 11 A. M. every Lord's Day.

Preaching by Elder Lester Fisher of Abilene every first and third Lord's Day, at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Everybody invited.

THE WAY YOU LOOK AT IT

Somewhere I have heard this story. A passerby saw three workmen cutting stone where a cathedral was building. He stopped and spoke with them.

"What are you doing?" he asked one.

"I was cutting this stone," was the answer. "I work four hours in the afternoon. That's my job. I'm a stone cutter."

"What are you doing?" inquired the bystander, turning to the second workman.

"Me? I'm getting six dollars a day," was the reply.

The man addressed the third workman with the same question.

"What are you doing?"

The stone cutter looked up and pointing to the rising walls of the edifice, replied:

"I am building this cathedral."

All of which goes to show that the biggest part of your job is how you look at it.

Everything has a lower and an upper meaning.

It is not what you have to do, it is your attitude toward what you have to do, that makes your work unbearable or delightful.

I asked a hard working business man this summer why he did not take a vacation, why he sent his wife and family away to the seaside while he remained at his desk.

With a whimsical smile he said, "To tell the honest truth, I don't go away on a vacation because I feel I can't find anything anywhere else that is as much fun as my business."

Go and read Mark Twain's account of how Tom Sawyer made the other boys whitewash his fence for him, and you'll see what I mean. As soon as Tom made the boys look upon

whitewashing a fence as fun, as a privilege, as something they would have to pay for if they wanted a chance to do it, he was able to sit by and collect the fees the boys paid to be allowed to be in the game.

Of the wise and happy. The secret is that, while it is hard, sometimes impossible, to change your job, it is always possible, sometimes easy, to change the way you look at it.

This is the Blue Bird! Maeterlinck wrote about.

This is the White Stone, given to the elect.

This is the password they gave you in the Grand Lodge of the Ancient Order of Happy Souls.

This is which is revealed unto babes and to the simple-hearted, and concealed from the wise and prudent. —Dr. Frank Crane.

Uncle Jim Eastridge of Lynn was in town Tuesday telling off on his neighbors. He says that "Uncle Tom" who writes in to the Lynn County News occasionally, has actually been picking cotton and that he would be a "plumb good" cotton picker if it were not for his back,—says Uncle Tom's back gets tired as soon as he starts to picking and as a result he usually lets his wife beat him. Uncle Jim says Uncle Tom's back does bother him a sight every time they succeed in getting him to the cotton patch.

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"I HAD had quite a bad spell and sickness," writes Mrs. Emma Patrick, of Caney, Ky., "and it was an effort for me to go about my home. I had a very severe pain in my left side that almost took my breath at times. I lost my appetite. I grew thin, pale and lifeless. I fell off till I only weighed about 115 pounds.

rested better. I kept taking it and my skin and flesh took on a more healthy color. I felt stronger and, as the nervousness left me, the pain in my side was less severe. After taking nine bottles, I eat anything, go anywhere and feel fine. I weigh 160 pounds and am well. I feel that I owe it all to having used Cardui." Pain, in certain parts of the body, is a sure indication of female complications. The treatment needed is not the use of narcotic drugs, but—

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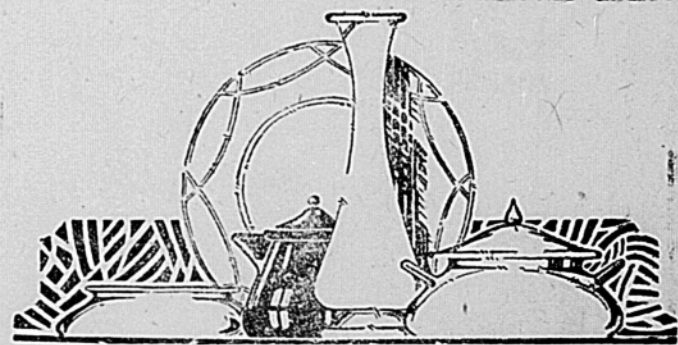
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Science is winning one triumph after another. It was only a few years ago that the radio was invented—that wonderful contrivance that harnesses the marvelous forces of the universe and by means thereof enables one to enjoy a concert or hear a friend in a distant city. Recently this invention has been so improved as to make it possible to send messages across the Atlantic. Now it is announced that photographs have been successfully transmitted from England to America. Last Sunday a public demonstration was given and ten photographs were taken in England and transmitted by radio to New York. It is predicted that this marvelous achievement of science only foreshadows the day when one may be able to see by radio to the remotest parts of the earth. It seems impossible but no more wonderful than some of the magical triumphs that science has already achieved. When we think of the toil, the genius the knowledge, and the accomplishments of those who have delved into the secrets of Nature and revealed them to an astounded world, we are made to feel how little most of us know and incomprehensible forces of achievement in this world of opportunity. And then when we remember that these mysterious and marvelous forces have existed from the beginning and that they were devised by an Infinite mind, how little and how humble we feel in the midst of these unknown and incomprehensible forces of nature. Great indeed is the scientist who is able to find out the secrets of God, but infinitely greater is the Mind that conceived and the Power that created and directs these forces.

Jess Adams, editor of the Plainview News, announces that on December 31 he will start on a trip around the world. He expects to be gone about nine months. He will sail from San Francisco on a visit to the Hawaiian Islands, then Japan, Korea, China, the Philippines, India, Egypt, the Holy Land, Italy, France, Switzerland, Belgium, Germany, England, and other European Nations, finally sailing for Montreal, Canada, and then back to his home land. Mr. Adams had a spell of Wanderlust a few years ago but he put in his time seeing the United States and Mexico then. Now he plans to see all the great nations of the world. Mr. Adams says he feels that he is entitled to this vacation after thirty years of almost continuous work in the newspaper business. Jess is a most excellent newspaper man and publishes one of the very best weekly papers in Texas, but what we can't understand about it is, How any man who has been in the newspaper business for thirty years can afford to take any kind of a trip, unless he goes on a tie ticket. But Jess is going on Pullman sleepers and is going to hob-nob with the high-brows. It gets our goat.

How are we going to entertain the teachers who will be here in great numbers ten days hence? Will they go away singing our praises? Let's see to it that they do.

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The News believes in humane treatment of state convicts. The cruel tyrant who would unmercifully maltreat one of them is a coward and should not be permitted to hold any position of authority over them. However, a lot of pure propaganda is being peddled over Texas which no doubt greatly exaggerates the alleged cruelty dealt out to convicts, and a lot of sickly sentiment is being created thereby in favor of doing away with all manner of corporal punishment of the state's prisoners. These sentimentalists would have the guards and prison authorities deal with these convicts as if they were innocent and harmless little fellows who never had an evil thought in their lives. The fact of the business is that many of the convicts are hardened criminals—burglars, robbers, murders, thieves, thugs, who are not capable of having a noble impulse and many of whom have no more compunction in shooting down his fellow man for his liberty than he would in shooting a wolf. Some of them do not know what the word "honor" means. They are never to be trusted at any time or place or under any circumstances. Prison authorities must necessarily be harsh oftentimes in dealing with strong men of this type. Folks that grow sentimental and shed great floods of tears over the mistreatment accorded convicts are usually the people who know least about convicts. Kind-hearted men should be kept in charge of them who know how to be stern when necessity requires.

Calles is the new president of Mexico, while Calvin is the President of Uncle Sam's domains. Cal and Cal—sounds like twins, but Calles is a native son of Mexico while Calvin is a Vermonter. They never even had a chance to bloody each other's nose when they were boys. If they had met, we're betting Cal-vin would have drawn the first blood.

With Lynn county producing 35,000 bales of cotton this year, we rise to ask how much will she produce when all these pastures are converted into cotton fields and the rains come in abundance? Those east Texas tenants will never have a better time to get hold of some Lynn county dirt. Come on, boys.

Old Santa Claus is coming.

Congress convened Monday. But everything continued to move along the even tenor of its way just as if nothing had happened. In fact nothing much did happen. This Congress will probably do little legislating. Possibly there is little legislation that needs to be done. If the Democrats had been successful in the last election, it is probable that they would not have done much in the legislative field during the next two years. Possibly they would have tinkered with the tariff a little. No doubt they would have enacted a better and more just tariff law than we have; but they would not have effected any very radical or fundamental change aside from the tariff, they would probably have done practically nothing. About the only issue that was stressed in the last campaign was "corruption of the Republicans in office". While it is important that incorrupt and incorruptible men be placed in office, yet everybody knows that there are corrupt men in all parties, and that corruption in office is just as liable to occur with one party in power as the other. Hence this issue had little point to it. That is the main reason Davis didn't get anywhere. With no clear-cut issue of importance before the people, it is not surprising that no candidate was able to arouse any enthusiasm and that the voters decided to maintain the "status quo." Yes, Congress convened last Monday, but nobody would have known if they had not read about it in the newspapers.

UNCLE SAM'S COLONIES

Alaska is two and a half times as large as Texas, has a coast line of nearly thirty thousand miles—more than all of continental United States—and a population of 55,000. It cost the United States \$7,200,000 and its output of gold has been twenty times that amount and its output of silver ten times the amount paid.

The Hawaiian Islands have the richest soil in the whole world.

The Philippines comprise more than seven thousand islands.

The Virgin Islands, which we bought from Denmark, are three small coral formations. The population is steadily decreasing. About eighty per cent of the inhabitants are negroes.

Porto Rico has a population of three hundred and seventy-eight for each square mile. Before the island be-

came an American Colony, illiteracy ran eighty-five per cent. Now it has been reduced to sixty per cent. Where goes our flag there follows the little red school house.

Now is the time for the Lomeless man to acquire a home. Come to Lynn county.

The Republicans are going to spank LaFollette, but the Democrats or going to give Wheeler a sugar test. We'll bet they are fixing to have a spoilt child in their household

A CORRECTION

Last week we stated that Hail Robinson had been appointed one of the Agriculture Census enumerators for Lynn county. In this we were in error. We should have stated that A. L. Robertson, the county agent, had been so appointed.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Renfro and daughter Myrtle of McGregor, left for their home Monday after spending a few days here with W. C. Renfro and family. Mr. Renfro, who is the father of W. C., expressed himself as being delighted with this country and says he expects to move out some time before January 1 to make this his home.

OUR COOK

Our cook was a treasure. Her wheatakes a pleasure. But she left in a hurry, and hasn't been seen since she started the fire with some canned kerosene.—Nebraska Fire Marshal Bulletin.

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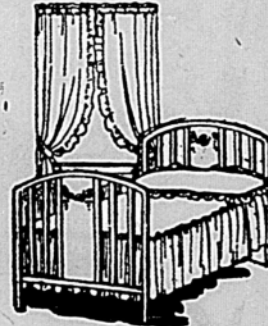
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Conductor—H. P. Caveness, Tahoka.

Executive Committee—

Judge T. O. Stark, Gaines County.
Supt. Annie Baker, Dawson County.
Judge J. W. Elliott, Lynn County.

Fees—Each teacher will pay an enrollment fee of \$2.50

An entertainment committee will be at the Court House Sunday afternoon, December 14th., and at the School building Monday, December 15th., for the purpose of assigning rooms.

MONDAY

- 9:00—**a.** Address of Welcome, Judge E. I. Hill, Tahoka.
b. Response, Supt. Annie Baker, Lamesa.
- 10:00—**a.** Program, Primary Grades, Tahoka School.
- 10:00—Registration by counties.
- 11:00—The Graded School Course of Study, Dr. P. W. Horn.
- 1:00—Modern Tendencies in Education, Dr. J. A. Hill.
- 2:00—Sectional Meetings
 - a.** High School: Practical Civics, Dr. Horn.
 - b.** Intermediate: Aims of the Recitation and How to Secure Them, Dr. W. H. Butler, Dallas.
 - c.** Primary: Mental Tests for the Primary Grades, Miss Anna Hibbets.
- 3:00—The University Interscholastic League, Roy Bedichek.
- 7:00—**a.** Get Acquainted Meeting, Phoebe K. Warner Club.
b. New Wine in Old Bottles, Dr. Horn.

TUESDAY

- 9:00—Opening.
 - a.** Chapel Exercises, Rev. B. N. Shepherd.
 - b.** Program, Wilson School.
- 10:00—Grading and Promotion, Dr. Horn.
- 11:00—Sectional Meetings
 - a.** High School, Dr. Hill.
 - b.** Intermediate: Teaching ability as Shown by the Teacher's Type of Instruction, Dr. Butler.
 - c.** Primary: Achievement Tests for the Primary Grades, Miss Hibbets.
- 1:00—How Readest Thou, Dr. Horn.
- 2:00—Sectional Meetings
 - a.** High School, Dr. Hill.
 - b.** Intermediate, Teaching Ability as Shown by the Attitude of the Pupils, Dr. Butler

RULES FOR THE FATTENING OF POULTRY

1. Whether for home use or for sale fatten all birds before killing.
 2. Pen up about three weeks before killing.
 3. Keep in a clean dry, shady place.
 4. Keep fresh water, grit and charcoal before birds at all times.
 5. Feed three or four times a day.
 6. Feed all the birds will clean up in 20 minutes, then empty troughs
 7. A good mixture consists of four parts cornmeal, 2 parts wheat, middlings and 1 quart of beef scrap. Mix with sour milk or buttermilk and feed moist enough to drip from spoon.
 8. Do not omit the animal food. Thirty pounds of skim milk, 10 pounds of cut bones or five pounds beef scrap are estimated as being of the same value.
 9. A small amount of lard or suet chopped through the mash gives good results.
 10. Do not feed the birds for twelve hours before killing but see that they have plenty of water.
- Southland Farmer.

MEXICAN KILLED IN CAR ACCIDENT AT SNYDER

Caletano Escavado, a middle aged Mexican, was killed and another Mexican named Jose C. Saldvor sustained a broken arm when the car with the two men and a number of child-

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- c.** Primary, Teaching Beginners to Read, Miss Hibbets.
- 3:00—County Meetings.
- 7:00 **a.** Spanish Program, Students of Spanish, Tahoka High School.
b. The Educational Survey, Dr. J. A. Hill.

WEDNESDAY

- 9:00—Opening.
 - a.** Chapel Exercises, Rev. Jno. E. Eldridge.
 - b.** Program, Lamesa School.
- 10:00—Luxury and Leisure, A Problem in American Education, Dr. Hill.
- 11:00 Sectional Meetings
 - a.** High School: The Teacher's Preparation, Supt. M. M. Dupre.
 - b.** Intermediate: Citizenship for Elementary Grades, Dr. Butler.
 - c.** Primary: Reading in the Second and Third Grades, Miss Hibbets.
- 1:00 Sectional Meetings
 - a.** High School, Dr. Hill.
 - b.** Intermediate: Geography, Dr. Butler.
 - c.** Primary: Reading in the Fourth Grade, Miss Hibbets.
- 2:00 The Teacher in the Community, Supt. M. M. Dupre.
- 3:00—Sectional Meetings
 - a.** High School: Dr. Hill.
 - b.** Intermediate: Value of General Information Tests, Dr. Butler.
 - c.** Primary: Number work in the First and Second Grades, Miss Hibbets.

THURSDAY

- 9:00—Opening.
 - a.** Community Singing, Led by W. B. Bishop
 - b.** Art Appreciation, Miss Ruby Windsor, Tahoka school.
- 10:00—How Reduce Failures in the Public Schools, Dr. Butler.
- 11:00—Sectional Meetings.
 - a.** High School, Dr. Hill.
 - b.** Intermediate, The Teacher and His Textbooks, Supt. M. M. Dupre.
 - c.** Primary, Number Work in the Third and Fourth Grades, Miss Hibbets.
- 1:00—Education in Its Relation to Money and Taxes, Dr. Hill.
- 2:00—Sectional Meetings.
 - a.** High School, Mathematics in the High School, Supt. M. M. Dupre.
 - b.** Intermediate, Professional Growth and Improvement while employed, Dr. Butler.
 - c.** Primary, The Teaching of Spelling, Miss Hibbets.
- 3:00—School Legislation, Hon. J. K. Wester, Representative in State Legislature.

FRIDAY

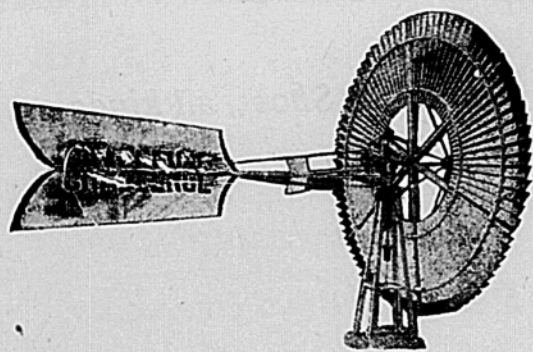
- 9:00—Opening.
 - Address, Representative from State Department of Education.
- 10:00—How to Teach Effectively, Dr. W. H. Butler.
- 11:00—Sectional Meetings.
 - a.** High School, Dr. Hill.
 - b.** Intermediate, Teaching Fire Prevention in the Schools, Dr. Butler.
 - c.** Primary, Story Telling, Miss Hibbets.
- 1:00—The Teacher of Tomorrow, Dr. Hill
- 2:00—Business Meeting.

ren went into the ditch north of the city last Saturday night. The car was ditched when its driver attempted to pass another car. They were all cotton pickers and lived at San Antonio to which place the remains of Escavado were shipped Sunday.—Snyder Times.

PHONE 14

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Local Man's Truck Burns At Slaton

Last Saturday evening the fire truck was kept on the run. The first alarm was turned in the middle of the afternoon. A garage on the place of J. F. Conklin south-east of square was burned to the ground, but owing to the good work of the fire boys no other damage was done.

The second alarm was caused by a Ford truck catching fire near the gins. It is not known for sure just what caused this fire. The bed and cab was completely destroyed. The truck was owned by A. R. Hill of Tahoka.

The third alarm was caused by the catching afire of several bales of cotton near the cotton yard. This fire was put out with little damage done.—Slatonite.

SNYDER CALF TAKES TUMBLE

While Joe A. Merritt was hauling a heavy crate containing a fine registered bull calf from Snyder out to his farm, the crate in some manner toppled over, left the wagon and rolled down the hill like a log. Although the calf weighed 400 pounds the calf was not injured and the crate not broken. It was a close call for Mr. Calf, who was not so much as scratched and not half as badly frightened as was Mr. Merritt.—Snyder Times.

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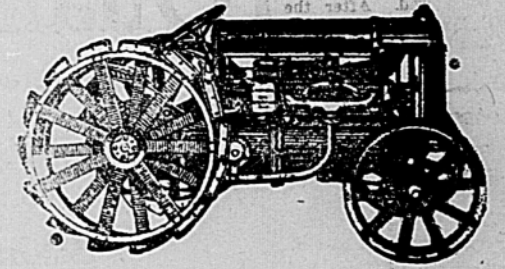
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Old Romany Patteran
Thing of the Past

Romany patteran is a gypsy phrase that is seen only occasionally in print. Kipling, Jack London and a few other writers have used it to describe the signs or trails left by gypsies. While the phrase is used only occasionally, it is used probably more in the United States where gypsies are abandoning their red wardos for speedier though less romantic automobiles.

Patteran, patrin, and patten are three words in Romanes, or the gypsy language, which signify the signs which one gypsy leaves in the road to show the route he has taken to friends who are following. The sign, or patteran, is usually found at the forks of a road. It may be a handful of grass or leaves thrown down at the head of a road, a bit of colored cloth tied to a fence, a cross mark on the ground, or a branch of a tree stuck in the ground by the roadside. However, the true patteran is a handful of leaves; for the word in the gypsy language means the leaf of a tree.

The use of a patteran is understood, but not extensively practiced by gypsies. American gypsies probably use it less than those of some other countries. Highways and automobiles make the leaving of a trail impracticable, and the Romany patteran is even now spoken of by modern gypsies as a method used by the puro folkies drey the puro cheeros; that is, the old people in the old days.—George Gatlin in Adventure Magazine.

Made Students Laugh

A description of how football is played in America provoked mirth in an assembly of Danish students, according to a letter received at Columbia university from John Dyneley Prince, American minister to Denmark. He lectured to the Copenhagen University Students' association on "Student Life in America."

"I went into the subject of hazing," says Professor Prince, "and gave them a view of some freshmen newly painted, and I also endeavored to describe a cane rush, for which there is of course, no expression in Danish. All this caused much laughter, and one of the professors expressed the hope that it might not set a bad example!"

"Of football, as we play it, they know nothing, so I showed some illustrations and gave a brief lecture on our methods. They asked whether we did not have to have a field hospital and stretcher bearers, and on my reply, 'Of course,' the whole hall went into spasms of laughter."

Solid Bridges

In building highways through the mountainous regions of Colorado a queer bridge is being used in spanning the arroyos—the dry creeks that carry water only after rains, which often overflow on short notice. The ordinary type of concrete-and-steel bridge poorly withstands these floods. To do away with this the highway engineers, instead of bridging the creek in the usual way, are building a solid base of concrete to the bottom of the arroyo and laying the grade on top of it. Culverts are built through the concrete of a sufficient capacity to carry off ordinary drainage.

At flood periods the water, as it rages down the arroyos and meets one of these concrete walls, simply goes over the top of it, the solid concrete base offering so firm a resistance that the risk of its being carried away is hardly to be considered. After the flood has subsided the debris is cleared off the bridge and the crossing is as good as ever.

GIN REPORT OMITTED

On account of the break down at the electric light plant and the consequent necessity for us to have a portion of our paper published in Slaton, we are unable to give a report of the amount of cotton ginned in Lynn County to date.

LEAVE FOR PRESS ASSOCIATION

Miss Irene Conner, editor of the public school publication, "The Tumbleweed," and Floy Anglin, editor of the High School Annual, left Thursday for Belton to attend the Texas High School Press Association in session at Baylor College Friday and Saturday.

BARNUM SAID TWO BORN A MINUTE

A mule in the barnyard, lazy but quick;
A boy with a pin on the end of a stick;
Creeps up behind him quiet as a mouse—
Crepe on the door of the little boy's house—Pipe Progress.

A car in a garage, with leaky gas tank;
A man struck a match as he went to crank
The gasoline vapor tho still as a mouse—

Quickened its action, there's crepe on his house.—Fire Marshal.

After a study of the biographical sketches of people who appear in the 1923-24 edition of "Who's Who In America," it has been found that 25.9 per cent of the present notables were born on farms; 24.5 per cent in villages and towns; 24.8 per cent in small cities; and 20.6 per cent in large cities and 4.1 per cent in suburbs.

Real bargains in Diamonds, come over to see us. **THE LIMIT.**

J. A. Cantwell of Newmoore was in town Tuesday and while here received the information that one of his sons at Roscoe had undergone an operation in a Sweetwater sanitarium for appendicitis. By a later message received the same day he was advised that his son was recovering nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. McDaniel and Miss Matiet Lewis of Jacksboro spent Thanksgiving week-end with Mr. and Mrs. S. N. McDaniel, leaving here Monday for Plainview and other places to visit relatives, after which they will return home.

C. D. Keever ran up to Lubbock Saturday to deliver a Special Six Studebaker to Herbert Muir of that city.

A. M. Sullivan has been attending court in Lubbock this week as a witness in a land suit.

Gifts with the voice of remembrance at **THE LIMIT.**

THE STATE OF TEXAS
County of Lynn

Whereas, by virtue of authority vested in me as trustee, named and appointed in a certain deed of trust recorded in Volume 9, on page 99, Records of Real Estate, Mortgage of Lynn County, Texas, executed and delivered to me on the 22nd. day of December 1923, for better securing the payment of one certain promissory note of \$545.27, more fully described in said deed of trust, executed by S. D. McCormack and F. O. Greathouse, payable to the order of Higginbotham Bartlett Company at Tahoka, Texas, due 120 days after date, bearing interest at the rate of 10 per cent per annum, from date until paid, and providing for the payment of 10 per cent attorney's fee, on the amount of the principal and interest if said note is placed in the hands of an attorney for collection, said note now aggregates principal, interest and attorneys fee, the sum of \$564.73, and by reason of the execution and delivery of said deed of trust, a lien was given and created on all of lots one and two in Block no. 9, as shown by the map of plot of the original town of Tahoka, Texas, together with all improvements thereon, said property fully described in said deed of trust.

And, whereas, the said Higginbotham Bartlett Company is the owner and holder of said note, and the said S. D. McCormack and F. O. Greathouse have made default in the payment of said note above described, when the same became due and same is now past due and unpaid and said

note has been placed in the hands of an attorney for collection, and the said S. D. McCormack have each been notified in writing that said note was long past due and, whereas, I have been requested by the said Higginbotham Bartlett Company to enforce said trust, I will offer for sale, between the legal hours thereof, to wit, between the hours of ten o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. at public auction to the highest bidder, on the first Tuesday in December 1924, the same being the second day of said month, at the court house door in the town of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas, the above described property with all the rights, improvements and appurtenances thereto in any wise belonging to the said F. O. Greathouse and S. D. McCormack, to satisfy said note, principal, interest and attorneys fees, and the cost and expense of this sale.

G. M. Stewart,
Trustee.

Dee Rogers has received a letter from "Uncle Ben", who is having the time of his life meeting old friends at Palestine, but says he loves the Plains now more than ever. He thinks on edoesn't really know how to appreciate this country until he visits the country he came from. Uncle Ben will be back the last of the week and tell us about it.

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