

## Heart of North Plains Wheat Belt Gets Great Rain

### Power Farming Meeting Will Attract Much Attention on February 10 and 11

The big Power Farming meeting to be put on by the R. L. McClellan Grain Company of Spearman, assisted by the J. L. Case Threshing Machine Company, will bring a large crowd of farmer folks to Spearman next Friday and Saturday, February 10 and 11. The recent great rains have put a new life into agricultural pursuits, and from here on out this season will be a busy one. The R. L. McClellan Grain Company is bringing a splendid entertainment and instructive program to Spearman and it will be appreciated.

#### DARE TO BE A DANIEL

Years ago when I was selling aluminum cooking utensils from door to door, I called at a certain house and sold a man two saucepans.

In preparing to write down the order, I moistened the end of the pencil with the tip of my tongue.

"Stop!" cried the customer in stern tones. "Don't you know that moistening a lead pencil merely hardens the lead and makes writing more difficult? Don't you know that it is a careless and unhealthy habit, anyway?"

Whereupon he delivered a half-hour lecture which had obviously been used on many people before. It spoiled my afternoon.

As I went away, thought to myself: "This old codger has picked out the matter of moistening lead pencils as his particular conviction."

In defense of that faith he will sacrifice all friendship, destroy all social amenities and dare all rebukes. It goes through life like a detective, always hoping to catch some one in the act. What a trivial fault he has detected to crusade against, and how many hundreds of people he has probably made uncomfortable!"

Another day I breakfasted with a man who ordered eggs boiled two minutes and a half.

When the eggs were delivered he exploded. These were not what he had ordered, he cried. They might be eggs, but he wanted two-and-a-half-minute eggs.

He travels constantly and lives most of his time in hotels. And because no waiter's idea of time as applied to eggs agrees exactly with his own, he starts every morning with a fight.

Uncle Joe Cannon once said: "Every time I run for Congress, there is an old fellow in my district who publishes a paper against me. His headline is: 'One with God is a majority.' He never has any doubt, 'old Joe,' 'as to who is the one.'"

In Sunday School we used to sing: Dare to be a Daniel; Dare to stand alone; Dare to have a purpose firm And dare to make it known.

The important thing about being Daniel is to know when to be one, and on what issue. Convictions are splendid when they relate to important matters; they are a public nuisance when they provoke a row over a petty detail.

On a couple of matters affecting my family or the principles of business, I dare to be a Daniel. But not whether a lead pencil should be moistened—or a half-minute difference in eggs.—Bruce Barton.

Some salesmen stop thinking when they start talking.

### Russell's Big New Store on Main Will be Formally Opened Saturday

The W. L. Russell force of clerks and helpers are this week opening up the new stock of goods in the new Russell building on Main street, and Saturday is advertised as the opening day for this big concern. Mr. and Mrs. Russell made a trip to St. Louis and other big markets for the purpose of buying this new stock of dry goods, clothing, shoes, groceries, etc., and also purchased new store furnishings while there. They will have one of the nicest and most conveniently arranged stores on the north plains. They are advertising a free lunch and other attractions and entertainment for opening day.

#### WILL MAKE HOME HERE

T. C. Rose, who has been express messenger on the Santa Fe since last November, decided to move his family here from Jetmore, Kansas, and establish a permanent home. They arrived Monday night with only a slight automobile accident to mar the pleasure of the trip. They came through in two cars. When seven miles south of Liberal, they met a car with very bright lights. Mr. Rose's son was driving one of his cars and, blinded by the light, drove the car into a ditch and overturned. Fortunately no one was hurt and the car only slightly damaged. Mr. Rose has four children in Spearman school; a boy and girl in high school and the other two in the grades. They enrolled this week.

#### COUNTY SEAT ELECTION NOW ON IN GRAY COUNTY

Gray county will have a county seat removal election March 9, which will fall on Friday.

County Judge T. M. Wolf called the election today on petition of more than 250 Gray county citizens. This petition has signers from the eastern, northern and southwestern parts of the county.

Under state law any town away from the present county seat, located on a railroad acting as a common carrier is eligible to be designated as the county seat. In Gray county such places are Pampa, Alanreed, and McLean, and it is likely that these names will appear on the ballots.

Sentiment in favor of removing the Gray county seat to a more appropriate place for county and district offices has been growing strongly along with the increase in official business due to oil development. The petition for removal asks that the state law providing for county-wide elections be invoked, and the county seat will be placed at the desired point by two-thirds of those voting.—Pampa News.

#### MOTHER AND CHILDREN ILL

Mrs. Dave Wilburn and four of their children have been real seriously sick during the week, at their home five miles south of town. They are reported improving today, Wednesday. They are suffering with pneumonia.

#### DEMOCRATIC HATS

The Turkish fez was the most picturesque and economical hat in the world. Worn winter and summer by every man in Turkey from the sultan to the poorest laborer, it was the world's most democratic head covering.—Woman's Home Companion.

#### THE IDEAL

A member of the British nobility was recently pitched out of a motorboat into a choppy English Channel Sea. That must have calmed the waves at once. There's nothing like pouring an earl on troubled waters.—Farm and Fireside.

Don't tell your customers what the market is going to be next Fall. If you really know, cash in on that knowledge yourself.

#### LAST NUMBER OF LYCEUM

George Emerson Francis delivered an interesting lecture at the Spearman high school auditorium on Tuesday night of this week, this being the last number of the lyceum course sponsored by the local Parent-Teachers Association. Mr. Francis is a brilliant, eloquent speaker and his lecture was highly enjoyed by those in attendance.

Walter Beck and Bob Fuller are on the Chevrolet sales force at the McClellan Chevrolet Company.

#### HAM AND EGGS IS ALL NEGRO COMEDY

Something entirely unique is claimed to have been brought to the screen in Warner Bros.' production "Ham and Eggs at the Front," which will come on February 16, 17 and 18 to the Rex Theater.

Director Roy Del Ruth has assembled a cast of famous black-face artists and with them interpreted the peculiarly humorous angle from which the American negro saw and participated in the World War. Although the picture has its beginning and end in America, the chief locales are the trenches and the rest billets a short way behind them in France.

For the first time the laughable and lovable characteristics of colored folks which have been so thoroughly treated in literature and on the stage are brought to the screen.

The cast of "Ham and Eggs at the Front" is headed by two comedians of renown in the film world. They are Tom Wilson and Heinie Conklin who appear for the first time in a make-up of burnt cork. The role of the dusky mademoiselle is played by Myrna Loy and this is said to be the most remarkable characterization yet given by this actress whose work in recent Warner pictures has attracted unusual notice.

The story of "Ham and Eggs at the Front" was written by Darryl Francis Zanuck and adapted to screen use by Robert Dillon and James Starr.

#### IN EASTERN MARKETS TO BUY SPRING STOCK

E. B. Dodson, local manager of Thomason Brothers' dry goods and clothing store, left last Saturday for St. Joseph, Kansas City, St. Louis and other wholesale markets east, where he will buy spring and summer lines for his firm.

#### IN MILLING BUSINESS

J. C. Hancock has recently bought out the Gilliam Milling old stand on elevator row, and is now operating the same. Mr. Hancock informs us that he keeps a supply of ground corn meal, whole wheat flour, and chicken and cow feed on hand and that his equipment is capable of grinding any kind of grain.

#### SKATING RINK POPULAR PLACE

The skating rink which opened last Saturday night in the Morton building is one of the most popular places in town. Every afternoon and evening a large crowd is found assembled in the place and from the issue of sounds much merriment is going on. This is a fine sport and pastime for the people of Spearman and community and besides that it is something new in the line of amusement for this town.

### Notice of Democratic Primary For Hutchinson County

All interested parties will take notice that various candidates for County and Precinct offices as well as for District, have filed their applications to have their names printed on the official ballot for the Democratic Primary which the law provides shall be held on the 28th day of July, 1928. It is my information and understanding that under the law, the County Chairman or the Democratic County Committee could be forced to hold the County and Precinct Primary as well as the District Primary, since these filings have been made to have their names printed on the official primary ballot for county and precinct office.

Owing to the fact that heretofore Hutchinson county has not held a Democratic Primary for county and precinct offices, I called a meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee of the County. This committee met at Stinet, Texas, on the 4th day of February with a quorum present for the transaction of business and voted unanimously for the holding of a county primary in each election precinct for county and precinct officers as well as for District officers and State officers.

#### HOLMES OF BORGER CANDIDATE FOR DIST. ATTORNEY

J. A. Holmes, member of the law firm of Coffee, Holmes & Buckley of Borger and former district attorney of the 31st district, this week announced that he would be a candidate for district attorney of the 84th district, which includes the counties of Carson, Hansford, Ochiltree, Lipscomb, Hutchinson, Roberts, Hemphill, Gray and Wheeler.

Attorney Holmes lived in Miami from 1909 to February of 1927 except for a time in 1922 when he lived in this city where he was a member of the law firm of Coffee & Holmes. Mr. Holmes was district attorney of the 31st district for two terms. He resigned from this office early in 1927 to take up law practice at Borger.

Mr. Holmes states that if elected he will use his best efforts to see that the law is enforced.—Panhandle Herald.

## SPORTS

#### SPEARMAN HI GIRLS DEFEAT BORGER

The girls basketball team of Spearman high school defeated the Borger girls team last Friday night on the Borger court. The first half of the game ended with the score 11 to 12 in favor of the Lynx, with both teams fighting hard. In the last half the Lynx girls began to play ball and made score after score, ending with a total of 43. Borger only scored six points during the last half, making their total points 17.

#### LYNX 29; BORGER 26

The Lynx boys basketball team of Spearman High school defeated the Borger five in a fast, thrilling game last Friday night on Borger's court. The Lynx started out in the lead scoring 10 points in the first quarter and Borger scoring none. The second quarter Borger began to rally and scored 8 points and the Lynx only two. In the third quarter the Borger team continued scoring, bring their score up to 20 and the Lynx only 13. At the beginning of the fourth quarter the Lynx began to "snap out of it" and the score was soon neck and neck with both teams playing hard. At the end of the quarter the score stood 23 and 23. After a brief rest an additional five minutes was played ending with the score 26 to 29 in favor of the Lynx.

#### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for the many kindnesses shown us, in the death of our dear little babe.

J. E. WOMBLE and Family.

#### PARENT-TEACHERS ASSOCIATION MEETING

On February 3, several mothers and patrons gathered in the high school auditorium and enjoyed the following program.

Piano Solo—Inez Leitner.

What Public Amusements, Good or Bad, Does Our Town Afford?—Mrs. W. D. Cooke.

Shall We Establish Places of Public Amusements? Why?—Mrs. Don Rawlings.

Mrs. Cooke's talk was very interesting, as well as beneficial and gave us all something to think about, and that very seriously.

Mrs. Don Rawlings led a very important discussion and proved a very apt leader, indeed.

Lastly, the piano solo played by Inez Leitner proved her a very able musician, and if you do not get to hear her you will indeed miss a treat.

Watch for the announcement of our next program, and be sure to come.

Corresponding Secretary, P. T. A.

#### BLUE IS EASIEST COLOR TO WEAR, PARIS DECIDES

Paris fashion dictators believe they have done a great service to most women in their acceptance of blue as a prevailing color for both the late winter and the spring seasons. Blue, they declare, is the easiest color for the majority of women to wear and it lends itself to varied treatment more than any other of the old or new shades.

"Not only are there many attractive tone combinations in the blue family," says the Woman's Home Companion, commenting on the new Paris decree, "but there are as well, certain accessories, which make possible a complete and harmonious ensemble."

"A bright, light blue and a deep tone are agreeably united in one of the newly arrived models which is in crepe silk. A darker blue velvet ribbon borders the bolero, forms the cuffs and tips the front-center flare. The ribbon is set on the frock with fagoting, which gives an opportunity for a display of handiwork. The bolero goes to a great length in the back, becoming a pointed cape which repeats the V neck line while the drape falling in front makes the uneven hemline that all good afternoon and evening dresses must have this year.

"A blue headed rhinestone pin is fastened near the left shoulder, after the manner of Chanel. In the ensemble is a snug fitting felt hat combining the two blue tones of the dress."

"A few years ago blue shoes would have been considered a little theatrical and not quite good taste. But now they are chosen by many smart women who can wear blue. The pumps supplied for the blue costume shown in New York are of blue kid with cut steel Colonial buckles.

Blue moreover sets off the popular types of silver jewelry which is often set with imitation sapphires or with crystal."

#### HURT IN AUTO ACCIDENT

C. W. Pettitt was taken to Shattuck Wednesday to receive treatment for injuries sustained when a car, driven by his son Clarence was overturned a few miles north of town. Clarence was not hurt and other than a broken arm the extent of Mr. Pettitt's injuries were not known today, Thursday.

Rain began falling in the Spearman country Sunday night and continued throughout the night and most of the following day. Farmers from north, south and southwest of Spearman report a heavier downfall than that reported by Fred W. Brandt, official weather reporter at Spearman. Mr. Brandt reports one and one-half inches at Spearman, while many farmers report two inches and more at their farms. At any rate, it was a grand and glorious rain and farmers, business men, professional men and even just common, ordinary loafers, are extremely happy. Kiff White, R. P. Kern, and several other wheat growers who visited the Reporter today, Wednesday, report that wheat prospects, are now mighty good. The general supposition is that Hansford county will market a 20-bushel per acre crop, from the largest acreage ever sown in the county. This will mean more wheat than was marketed in 1926, when all previous records were broken. This great rain bears out the oft-repeated statement of the Reporter, that it always rains, in the Spearman country, just before it is everlastingly too late.

#### MARS SIGNALING EARTH MANY SCIENTISTS BELIEVE

Belief that Mars is constantly signaling to the Earth is gaining ground among scientists and the latest observations tend to bear out this theory which has been held since 1879, according to Professor William Pickering, noted American astronomer.

Professor Pickering, who has just completed the analysis of observations taken in 1924, the year when Mars has been nearer than at any previous time, declares in an interview with the American Magazine that the markings of the planet from time to time are of such geometrical precision that it does not seem that they could appear purely by accident. Moreover, observations of the "signals" have been so nearly identical at all observatories that their form has been universally agreed upon.

In 1879, says Professor Pickering, the Italian astronomer, Schiaparelli, first called attention to a cross within a dark circle, nine hundred miles in diameter. At the next opposition of Mars to the Earth, the cross had disappeared and been replaced by an irregular curved design. When next the planet came into the best position for observation from the earth in 1892, Professor Pickering, from the observatory at Arequipa, Peru, discovered a pentagon with markings radiating from the center. The five sides were remarkably uniform, all the more striking because five sided figures are rare on Mars.

In 1907 a perfect five pointed star was observed in the same longitude as the other "signals" had appeared. The star, 1,100 miles in diameter, appeared more "intentional" to world astronomers than any previous sign and when again, in 1924, another star sixteen hundred miles in diameter appeared, the signaling theory became a matter of serious concern.

Astronomers expect another opposition of the planets in 1939, at which time concentrated effort will be made to read the riddle of the strange figures.

#### COMING AGAIN

Postmaster C. P. Ellis received a letter from Fred Twyman, manager of the Hazel Hurd Players, which states that this show was planning to be in Spearman again in the near future, but no definite date was given.

### Next Big Sales Day Will be Held February 24---Santa Fe Day

#### NOTICE

All persons knowing themselves indebted to the undersigned for merchandise purchased at our old stand, will be expected to make a satisfactory settlement, before opening an account at the new store. These accounts will be kept separate, and it is important that the old store accounts be settled at once.

Big opening day, Saturday, February 11, 1928.

W. L. RUSSELL,  
Dry Goods and Groceries.

Spearman's next big Sales Day will be held on Friday, February 24, according to arrangements made last month by the merchants of the town. This will be one of the biggest days for Spearman during the entire year. The Santa Fe Special Demonstration train will be here that day, and this will assist materially with the days' entertainment. Spearman merchants will have bargains galore for that day, and the Santa Fe Special will feature dairying, poultry raising and more and better live-stock. It will be an interesting day. More complete details will be given in next week's Reporter.

**HOLD RECITAL IN HONOR OF SCRUBWOMAN'S GIFT**

Rich and poor of Everett, Washington, recently held their annual organ recital in the First Baptist Church in honor of Mrs. Mathea Severson, a scrubwoman of that city, who, when the church was a struggling institution, donated a \$12,000 organ out of her own savings.

In the years of toil since she made the sacrifice, says the American Magazine, Mrs. Severson, by diligent saving and wise investments, has amassed a fortune of about \$100,000 and expects to retire soon from her work in the office buildings of the city. For thirty years she has been a familiar figure in the corridors of the up-town buildings, where she works from four o'clock in the morning until late at night.

Mrs. Severson immigrated to America from Norway in 1900. Her husband, who was a carpenter, was in ill health and it fell to her to make the family living. She then established her list of customers and working for fifteen cents an hour managed to make thirty-five dollars a month. During the war period her earnings sometimes rose as high as one hundred and thirty-five dollars a month and from that amount she managed to make shrewd investments that started her small fortune.

When the church was erected, there was difficulty in securing the funds to equip it and the humble widow astounded the congregation with her offer to bear the expense of the organ alone. In addition, her other contributions to the church have been a big factor in developing the institution. Each year a special recital is held in her honor. The toll worn, fifty-four year old woman attends in the same black silk hat and old fur coat that she has worn for years.

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**BYRD FIRST CIRCLED WORLD AT AGE OF TWELVE, ALONE**

Commander Richard Byrd, who made both the Polar and trans-Atlantic flights after a brilliant war record, first circled the world at the age of twelve and alone. This was made known for the first time in an interview in The American Magazine with Mrs. Byrd, mother of the aviator.

The future aviator surprised his mother one day by coming to her and interrupting her in her sewing, announcing: "I am going to the Philippines." He laid before her a letter from Judge Carsons, a friend of the family who held a government position in the Islands. He had written asking Richard if he would like to visit him.

"But you can't go alone," his mother protested. The twelve-year-old adventurer smiled the same smile with which he afterward greeted warnings of friends against seemingly impossible tasks. His mother, also, with the same spirit that made her a help instead of a hindrance to her sons in their later life, did not argue, but began preparations to help him on the long journey.

Mrs. Byrd took her son to Washington and put him on the Western express and wired a friend to meet him in San Francisco.

Months later letters began to arrive from the Philippines, bringing news of more dangers, a cholera epidemic outside Manila; typhoons and a native uprising. But Richard survived and returned home by way of the Suez Canal and was met at New York by dozens of reporters, suggestive of other triumphant homecomings of the future.

**KNOCKS SO GOOD**

Hard knocks are good for you unless you happen to be a prize fighter.—Farm & Fireside.

**TOLERATION**

In barbarous societies there was little honest difference of opinion. Arguments were bloody and the truth was always on the side of the man with the largest club, the strongest arm, or the sharpest spear.

It is from these times that human beings inherit their intolerant spirits. The desire to choke or abuse verbally the man whose views do not coincide with our own in an expression of our peolethy natures.

A man may be called civilized only when he can stand a free play of ideas, when he can discuss without anger matters that are subject to controversy. The spirit of toleration was once well expressed by Voltaire, the great French scholar and philosopher, when he said: "I disagree with every word you say but I will defend with my life your right to say it."

To be truly civilized we must be willing to tolerate expressions of honest opinion that differ from our own cherished views. We must feel that the other fellow has a right to his own ideas, and respect him for the honest expression of them. We must cease to let arguments destroy friendship.

And we must, above all, suppress feelings of animosity toward editors



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**LET'S CALL THIS TO BIG BILL'S ATTENTION**

The Reverend Voliva of Zion City asserts that the world is flat. We understand that he has been accused of issuing propandanda in favor of cancellation of war debts.

"If you are so discontented on the farm, why don't you leave it and go to the city?"

"Well, everytime I hear about prices of flats in the city, I decide I would rather stay on the farm and remain discontented than go to the city and get desperate."

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oughly, and then open up a small business like it for yourself."

"Yes, but suppose I start out in a mint?"

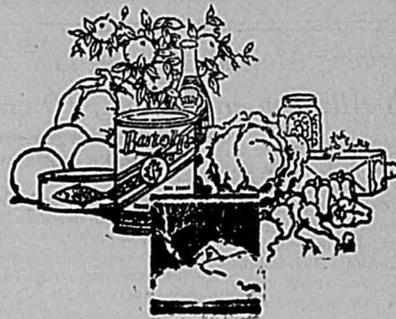
**AND THE PEST DISAPPEARED**

It is reported, but not verified, that one of those pests who look at much but buy little, was about to leave the Spearman Hardware the

other day. Just before going she picked up a bottle on a counter and asked: "Is this pest exterminator reliable. And how do you use it?"

"Absolutely reliable, Madam," answered Autry Ward, "and you just take about a cupful."

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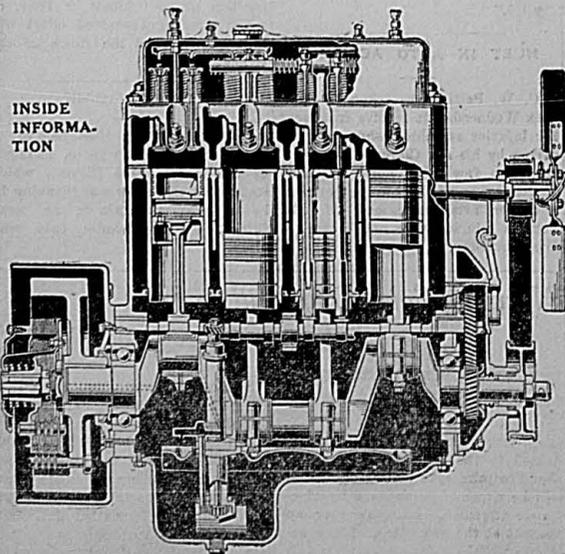
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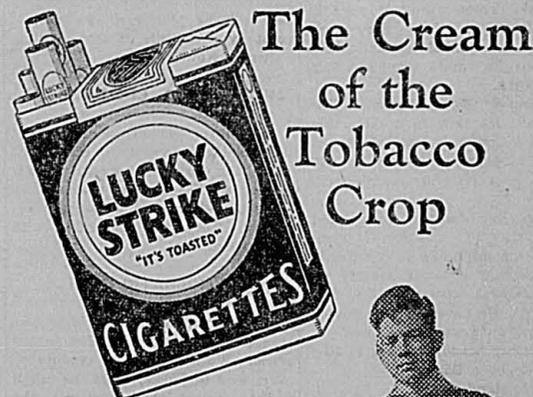
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The contrast will be interesting. You will see that the prophet produced by the backwoods of early eighteenth century Mid-west was among the greatest of all men whose deeds are recorded in history.

Few indeed were the great leaders who won the respect; yes, the love, of foes as well as of friends. And few there were who so placed the common welfare above personal ambition.

Volumes of inspirational matter have been written about the backwoods rail splitter who raised himself to a position of immortality in history. Comparatively little has been said about the man whose sense of duty to the Republic he served was so great that he placed political enemies in his cabinet, because he felt that their ability and vision were needed during the times of stress under which he served.

Here we find one of the greatest of all lessons to be learned through a study of his life. He surrounded himself with able men. He heeded their advice. But he accepted all responsibility and made all final decisions himself.

His early life furnishes inspiration for youth needing an example to direct ambition. His public career furnishes an ideal for statesmanship that will stand as long as this Republic endures.

When the great American epic is written, Lincoln will be its central character.

We have been asked to hazard a few opinions on the Presidential outlook for the year. All we can say now is that when a party splits it may go in many different directions, but not one of them will be toward the White House.

If this automobile price war continues C. W. Smith says that he expects to stack a line for his five and ten cent counter.

**BIG MEN'S DESKS EMPTY,  
SAYS WOMAN INTERVIEWER**

"One sign of a successful business man is his desk. It is always a Sahara of emptiness," declares Mary R. Mullet, noted woman interviewer who has written the personal story of nearly every famous person in the United States.

"An empty desk is an unfailing sign of success," she continues, telling of her experiences in the American Magazine, "because it is evidence that the man is keeping ahead of his work. He is riding the job instead of the job riding him.

"Big men," she continues, "are not greatly different from other men less successful in life. The chief difference is that the truly big man goes beyond the smaller man in the power of concentration. He knows what he wants and concentrates on that one thing. This quality may be seen in their eyes and is the only outward sign of greatness.

"Almost without exception the big men I have met are playing the game for the game's sake, not for its rewards. I can only recall one man whose aim was solely to acquire money, and I should not want to meet him again. But the others are invariably intensely human. They are perfectly aware that they are not supermen. Their nearest approach to vanity is a sort of boyish pride in their accomplishment, especially if the odds have been against them. I have never met a successful man who regretted having had to fight for his success. Dozens of men have told me that hard luck was the best luck they ever had. Famous people are seldom pompous or conceited. In manner their commonest characteristic is directness, almost brusqueness, of speech."

**GREAT WONDERS TO COME**

Television may or may not become part of the everyday life of the present generation. Many of its sponsors make no promises that it will. Some authorities regard it as no more than a toy with which electrical engineers may amuse themselves. There is a dearth of prophecy concerning television and its future. However, it was not so long ago

that a scientific journal published a rather patronizing article about a Mr. Edison, an American, who had made an electrical lamp. "A toy lamp" was the description used. The magazine assured its readers who might be owners of shares in gas companies that they need not fear competition from this "toy lamp."

Another of these amazing "toys" was the first telephone. It was as patronizingly received as the electric light and came into practical use almost as suddenly. Television in its field of light transmission is even more startling than was the telephone in sound transmission. It follows along the path of discovery opened by the sending of photographs across continents by wire and under seas by cable.

The seeing-and talking wire is here, and both sound and image are now moving by radio on a single wave length. New chapters are being written in its development. Transmission is being lengthened and simplified.

Ten years ago it may have seemed that communication by electricity and ether was approaching the end of the chapter. Then came radio. That infant has become another giant. Wireless telephony came with it, and continents talk now to continents. The transmission of images was being developed at the same time. A burst of new discovery has broken over the world of electricity like an avalanche.

**THE IDEAL CITIZEN**

An ideal citizen is the one who sees clearly and does something good in his community and never loses the opportunity to spread that good news abroad that others might derive the citation for himself and family, to press prompts him to want others to share opportunities, health and pleasure which his home city offers. Loyalty is the first requisite for the ideal citizen. The love for the place solves itself into the knowledge of duty when he does all in his power to make the city a better place in which to live.

There are three distinct attitudes which a citizen may assume toward the place in which he lives, which furnishes him food, shelter and association for himself and family, to

boost, to remain quiet or to knock. The booster is that ideal citizen who is never forgetful of the obligations which is due the home city. He is ever found at the front when any movement is launched which might tend to the advancement of the interests of the city. While others see darkly, to him good is visible at all times. The quiet citizen is satisfied to let the neighbor do the work and content to lull the city asleep and let it rest. The knocker is the man who is without a country. There is no room for him anywhere, his presence dampens the enthusiasm of every man or group of men who unfortunately come in contact with him. Having no faith in his own ability to go forward, he naturally lacks faith in his home city to do so.

You have the chance to belong to either of the three classes. If you are a booster, your neighbor knows it will and will boost you. If you are aligned with the quiet class, you will not be regarded one way or the other, for the man who selects to steer in the middle of the stream, gets no support from either side. If unfortunately you are a knocker, get ready to be knocked, for eventually it is coming to you. As you give, so

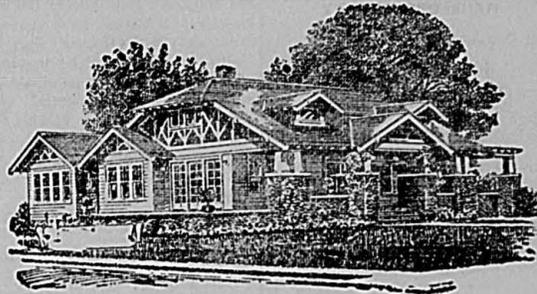
will it be meted out to you. Spearman would be an ideal city if only there were more ideal citizens. Let's have them.

**RHEUMATISM**

While in France with the American army I obtained a noted French prescription for the treatment of Rheumatism and Neuritis. I have given this to thousands with wonderful results. The prescription cost me nothing. I ask nothing for it. I will mail it if you will send me your address. A postal will bring it. Write today.

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Orders will be booked with 25 per cent cash, with balance ten days before shipping date. No COD orders accepted. All cash orders 2 per cent discount.

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**IT WILL PAY YOU WELL TO ATTEND THE  
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**February 10 and 11 at Our Elevator 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.**

We are very happy to announce that we have arranged to hold a big, free power farming meeting. Everybody in this community interested in modern power farming and in making more money from their farms is cordially invited to attend the sessions and take part in the discussions and demonstration. This is purely an educational movement.

The J. I. Case Threshing Machine Company is cooperating with us and are sending trained practical men to give us illustrated talks and actual demonstrations. Lantern slides, moving pictures, charts, engine parts and models are only a part of the equipment which will be

used by these experienced machinery men to make the sessions interesting and instructive. We plan to make this the best and most interesting meeting of this nature ever held here. Regardless of the kind of machinery you may have on your farm, you are cordially welcome to attend and we feel confident that you will get a great deal of good out of every session.

Both experienced and inexperienced operators will derive much of profit from this practical meeting.

You will not be pestered to buy.

**Cooling:** Cooling Systems, Pumps; Fan and Heat Regulation.

**Tractor Work:** Use of Tractors for various Operations; Traction Work; Belt Work; Hitches, Loads, etc.

**Plows:** Tractor Gangs; Bottoms and Shares; Hitches; Adjustment and Care; Laying out Fields.

**Threshers:** Setting and Adjusting; Care and Repair.

**Combines:** Construction and Operation. A different program each day. Come for the first session and stay for the entire meeting.

**Free Lunch Both Days  
COME AND BRING YOUR NEIGHBORS**

**Here Is An Outline Of The Meeting**

**The Tractor:** Chassis; Clutch; Transmission and Gears; Differential; Operation and Adjustments; Overhauling and General Care.

**The Engine:** Principle; Operation; Valves and Valve Timing; Bearings; Cylinders; Pistons and Rings; Repair and care.

**Fuels and Carbureting:** Fuels, their comparison and use; Carburetors, Principles and adjustments; Fuel Systems.

**Lubrication:** Oils and Greases, their proper use; Oiling Systems, Adjustment and Care.

**Ignition:** Ignition System; Magneto, Care and Repair; Timing, etc.



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BY

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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For Sheriff and Tax Collector:

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For County and District Clerk

**MRS. R. L. PORTER**  
**J. E. WOMBLE**

For County Judge

**C. W. KING**

**HUTCHINSON COUNTY**

For County Judge

**W. R. GOODWIN**

For Commissioner Precinct No. 4

**C. T. RODGERS**

**R. W. HUFFSTUTTER**

**J. R. KIRK**

Oran Kelly, editor of the Spearman Reporter, believes that newspaper men are unusually capable in running the state of Texas. Oran would have editors fill the important offices, which probably would be much to the chagrin of attorneys who generally feel that they have first call on office holding. The Spearman editor suggests Lee Satterwhite for Lieutenant Governor. He wants Clyde W. Warwick, editor of the Canyon News, as representative from the 123rd district. He also suggests Herbert C. Walker, editor of the Dalhart Texas, to run for representative from the 125th district. Mr. Walker served in the legislature a number of years ago. E. C. Gray of Higgins has been in the legislature for two or three terms from the 125th district. J. H. White, Borger attorney, it is understood, also will be a candidate for that office.—David M. Warren in the Panhandle Herald.

**SNIPING AT HOOVER**

The attempt to raise the religious issue against the candidacy of Herbert Hoover for the Republican

nomination is founded, of course, in the possible success of such tactics by those opposed to the nomination of Governor Smith by the Democrats. But, in Mr. Hoover's case it consists solely of a revelation that his marriage ceremony was performed by a Catholic priest, a circumstance which is extremely likely to fail of its intended effects when it is explained that the wedding was a romantic one arranged hurriedly just before Mr. Hoover sailed for the Orient. Naturally in such circumstances the first person competent to perform the ceremony was seized upon, and collective opinion will applaud the fact.

Mr. Hoover's Catholic "affiliation" will not affect his pre-convention candidacy. Neither will it, as has been suggested, prevent the Republican managers from raising the religious issue after the conventions in the event that Hoover wins and Smith is nominated by the Democrats. If Hoover is nominated his campaign will be conducted on a high plane. His nature and his reputation give assurance of that.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

**ONCE TOLD TALES OF AMERICA**

**The Man Who Hated Whistles**

Of all things that thwarted Bill Sampson's spirit was the 8 o'clock whistle that set him to working every day. He even gnashed his teeth when the 5 o'clock shrieked out and he quit for the day.

In the factory where he worked 8 hours a day, ever so often the whistle blew for shifts and that made Bill mad too.

"Someday," he told his wife, "those darned whistles can be hanged. I'm pullin' for a job higher up. When I get up there I won't have to work any need to whistles. I'll go to work anytime I get ready and quit when I get ready."

Bill even fussed at the alarm clock that woke him up every morning. He didn't mind work but he loathed a set schedule of work.

One day Bill got a promotion to assistant foreman. "Now, I won't have to pay so much attention to the whistles," he said. But it developed that he had a little more responsibility and the 8 hours he had been working as just an ordinary hand had to be stretched out to 9. In the morning he punched the clock a little earlier. He heeded to the 7 o'clock whistle and it gnawed on his nerves.

Bill made the grade as foreman and this called for a little longer stay in the evening and the old alarm clock set a little earlier in the morning. Extra things that he had to do often demanded his time in the evening and it was a common thing for him to go home after the 7 o'clock whistle.

In the next bunch of years that ambled by, with Bill getting a notch higher in the factory each year, his work called for more hours and he

heard the whistle a little earlier in the morning and a little later in the evening.

Finally when he was made President of the company he began to forget all about whistles. He didn't pay them any mind at all.

After a long session with his board of directors one night that lasted till 12 o'clock, Bill struggled in home worn and weary.

"Why don't you come home with the 8 o'clock whistle," his wife reprimanded.

"Darn the whistle," was Bill's rather uncivil answer. "Didn't I tell you a long time ago, Miranda, when I was plugging along 8 hours a day that sometime I'd get to where I wouldn't have to pay any attention to the whistle."

**SUM TOTAL:** If the whistles worry you, strive for the President's chair. He never hears 'em.

**BUSINESS ON THE UP GRADE**

Improvement must take place in industry before purchasing power can gain and permit more liberal buying by consumers. From indications in wholesale and manufacturing markets, this improvement is under way. Buyers are numerous in the various markets and, while their operations may be of the testing-out kind, the volume of their advance orders is fairly satisfactory.

The key industries are furnishing the best evidence of improvement at present. With the start furnished by the automobile business, the steel industry has gained additional impetus from sales to railroads and agricultural implement makers.

Building specifications also have been good, especially for engineering projects. If these key lines continue to furnish favorable reports, the groundwork is laid for the predicted upturn in the general economic situation.

All in all, 1928 promises to smash a tradition by bringing new prosperity in a presidential year. January saw it off to a good start and everything points to eleven month of peak production.

Already the nation seems to have fully recovered from the brief spell of depression with which 1927 closed. Perhaps that was a breathing spell for a year of unprecedented production and consumption.

None of the major industrial lines was caught with a surplus of finished products when the demand slumped late in 1927, so it is reasonable to believe that manufacturers are proceeding neither blindly nor recklessly in stepping up production. They see good times ahead.

**WOMEN GETTING ALL WEALTH IN WORLD, STATISTICS SHOW**

Women are gradually getting all the wealth of the world in their hands and in the next century will dominate the world, experts on financial statistics in New York declare.

Figures from various sources on the subject collected by the Woman's Home Companion show that forty-one per cent of all checking accounts in the country are in the names of women, either alone or jointly with men. In the eastern states it is found that eighty per cent of all saving accounts are in the names of women. In the New York telephone company \$680,000,000 worth of stock is held by women and tax returns show an increasing number of great fortunes concentrating into hands of women.

Psychologists attribute the movement of wealth to the fact that the average woman's span of life is ten years longer than that of men and add that since women love power they will dominate the world at the beginning of the next century.

**BUSY SIGNAL**

We have letters from many mothers, some saying they have four children, some five and some six. Those with more than six apparently hadn't time to write.—Woman's Home Companion.

**TRY IT, MEN**

One woman writes that her husband is a model because when he is wrong he says so in plain English instead of hiding behind a bunch of roses or a box of candy.—Woman's Home Companion.

**STOP ALL THE GAPS**

A man should always keep his fences mended and not stop merely with closing the gate.—American Magazine.

One of our farmer friends announced the other day that there are as many different plans for agricultural relief as there are members of Congress. We are surprised. We thought there were more.

**DEFENDS THE DEAD BANDIT \$5,000 REWARD POLICY**

Texas bankers' new anti-bank bandit policy of paying \$5,000 for every robber killed while in the act of robbing a bank, and no reward whatever for live bandits captured is vigorously defended by Mr. William M. Massie, president of Texas Bankers Association in an article appearing in the February number of Bunker's Monthly, a Texas magazine, published at Fort Worth.

Following the killing of a number of bandits by peace officers, while attempting to stage daylight holdups of Texas banks, and the alleged "planting" and killing of several Mexicans in what is charged was a fake bank robbery for the purpose of securing the bankers' association reward, a tremendous furor over the propriety of placing a price on human life, and the article is attracting wide attention.

"The Texas Bankers Association is determined to make bank robbery unhealthy in Texas," Massie declares in his article. "We expect to make it more difficult to rob a bank in Texas and get away alive than anywhere else in the country."

Affirming that the decision to pay for dead robbers was made necessary by a "situation which was growing more intolerable every day," Massie said:

"During the past eight years there have been 140 successful bank robberies in Texas, in which the robbers got away with \$564,065, and during the same period only thirty convictions of persons charged with bank robbery! And a number of those convicted were soon at liberty and free to commit more bank robberies, some pardoned, some escaped."

Pointing out that the great majority of present day bank robberies are by "daylight bandits" usually of the generation, Massie declares flatly, "There is only one way to stop a daylight bank robbery after it gets started and that is to shoot the robber and shoot to kill."

Results of the new policy already have far exceeded his expectations, the bankers' association president declares.

Between the time the reward notices first were posted, late in November, and January 1, three Texas bank robbers have been killed in the act, two wounded, the leading members of a well organized gang believed to be responsible for a series of bank holdups over two years time have been rounded up, only one successful bank robbery occurred and one bank robber was sentenced to the electric chair, Massie pointed out. Furthermore, "there has been a greater number of arrests on the charge of bank robbery in Texas during the past six weeks than during the previous years," he adds significantly.

"We are going to keep on advertising the fact far and wide that we will pay \$5,000 for every dead bank robber and that we will not pay a cent for a hundred live bank rob-

bors," Massie concludes. "We are launched upon this policy for an indefinite period."

Massie's article is given a leading position in the magazine, Bunker's Monthly, a new publication issued from the Bunker Press of Fort Worth, Texas, with an announced purpose of carrying only authoritative articles about Texas, from virtually every viewpoint.

**SHOULD HAVE BEEN TANNED**

"Her smile was so irresistible," said a resourceful husband in speaking of "the other woman" in a recent divorce suit, "that I couldn't stay away from her." He basked in the sunshine of her smile until he got sunburnt.—Farm and Fireside.

Read the Reporter ads.



No. 4217  
45 cents

A charming crepe satin frock with long, slenderizing lines.

**PICTORIAL PRINTED PATTERNS**



The Frock with Ties

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Smartness and femininity mark this charming frock which might be developed in such fabrics as silk crepe or georgette.

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All silk chiffon hose, also service weight, full fashioned ..... \$1.49

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Also coats suits and dresses of silk and wool, and gay new prints.

Wonderful new creations in Hats, which are sure to delight the woman who is particular about her hat. Continuing our fifth off on ladies shoes. No shoe in the house over \$6.50

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Confidence

You must have confidence in the accuracy of your doctor's diagnosis and value of his prescriptions.

But it is equally important to have the prescription filled by the druggist in whom you repose equal confidence.

Accuracy, care, and the use of none but the best of Drugs is a policy in which we take great pride.

You may feel confident that the prescriptions brought to us will be properly filled.

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Soft Drinks Candies School Supplies Sundries  
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He Saved—  
He Succeeded

Marshall Field earned \$400 during his first year in Chicago. He saved \$200.

We all know of the amazing career he made for himself during subsequent years; but much of his phenomenal success may be attributed to his thrifty nature—to his ability to save.

We cannot all, of course, become merchant princes, but we can save and be ready for opportunity when it knocks.

First National Bank

"SECURITY—RELIABILITY—COURTESY"

A Market for  
**CREAM and EGGS**

Poultry—Hides—Furs

I buy cream for the Mistletoe Creameries. I hold a first grade cream-testing certificate in Oklahoma, and guarantee a correct test, honest service and will be on the job at all times.

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The brand new lines of goods in all departments have arrived, and have been placed on display, ready for your inspection on Opening Day

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1928



Don't fail to be on hand at this the opening of Spearman's newest and largest mercantile establishment.

The new lines of goods, fresh from the Eastern Markets, are interesting and will be well worth your while to look through. We invite the closest inspection of this tremendously large stock of merchandise.

AMONG THE SPECIAL BARGAINS WE WILL OFFER ON OPENING DAY ARE THE FOLLOWING:

- 81-inch Pepperal Bleached Sheeting, at per yard 44c
- Six Bars Almond Oil Toilet Soap, and Six Glass Tumblers, for ..... 59c
- Nice Head Lettuce, per head ..... 10c

Bring the kiddies and spend the day with us. We will serve, free to our customers and friends, on this big day, refreshments consisting of coffee, cake, etc.

## W. L. Russell

Dry Goods and Groceries

IN OUR NEW STORE

Phone 78—Spearman

### COUNTY BRIEFS

#### KIMBALL KLIPPINGS

##### IT RAINED!

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Tomlinson and family were Sunday visitors at the C. J. Thompson home.

Roy and Mary Nollner enjoyed a party at the home of Mrs. Lucile Wilbanks, Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Frazier, Dutton and Eula were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Dillow.

Roy and Max Martin were business callers at the W. C. Nollner farm Saturday.

D. C. Gamble was on the sick list again this week.

Mrs. A. H. Frazier called on Mrs. S. E. Dillow Monday of last week.

A. H. Frazier was a business visitor in Spearman Monday.

Miss Colline Tower was a guest of Mary Nollner and Eloise Gamble Thursday night.

J. H. Lackey and Virgil have returned home after having been threshing in the McBride settlement.

J. M. Beck came down from Guymon Friday.

Mrs. J. H. Lackey and Bill were Spearman visitors Monday.

T. C. Harvey, Althea and T. C. Jr., went to Goodwell Saturday to visit Mrs. Harvey.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Tomlinson and family were callers at the W. C. Nollner home Sunday.

Literary at Kimball was well attended Friday night, and from reports those who went were well paid as an excellent program was rendered.

Bill and Rachel Lackey have been listed among the Flu victims this week.

Leola Tomlinson spent Sunday night as the guest of Mary Nollner and Eloise Gamble.

There was no school Monday as the rain was so unusual the pupils could not venture out. Miss Helen Harvey went to the school house but no pupils were able to face the drenching rain.

J. M. Beck, Mary Nollner and

Eloise Gamble were caught out in the rain storm Sunday night as they were on their way to singing at Gruver so had to turn back home.

A very large crowd, including many from Kimball, attended the Literary at Gruver Saturday night. All report a good time, as the Lakeside-Gruver Club put on a fine program.

Mrs. Charley Davis has been enjoying a visit from her sister the past week.

We're all wearing a smile since we have been blessed with such a wonderful rain. After all it isn't so bad as it looked during the drouth.

#### CAPTAINS OF INDUSTRY

Dear Brownie:—

If you call him up and have to talk to two or three stenographers, called secretaries, and tell them your business, the size of your bank account, age, height, color of eyes and hair and then wait for five minutes while he tells said secretary that he is in conference and cannot talk to anybody, then you know he's an important business executive. Or if he's the kind of a fellow who tells his secretary to call you up, and then goes off to listen to the latest good story one of the boys in the place is telling while you are holding the line, then you know he a regular captain of industry.

Yours,  
Duko.

#### HOW TO READ

Read those things you can read with gusto and digest after reading and leave other works to those who can appreciate them. That was Roosevelt's plan.—American Magazine.

#### ENOUGH'S ENOUGH

No matter how much money a man has, he can only eat three meals a day, wear one suit of clothes at a time and sleep in one bed.—The American Magazine.

#### UNHAPPINESS DEFINED

As a general thing unhappiness is just a case of selfishness feeling sorry for itself.—American Magazine.

### LOCALS

On glassware, "try the Variety Store first."

New shipment of Valentines just received.—Smith Variety Store.

"Ham and Eggs at the Front," coming to the Rex Theater, February 16, 17 and 18.

Ermin Hollis and Miss Daphne Hazelwood were Texhoma visitors over the week end.

Ben Hur, the great death-defying spectacle of love and romance, at the Rex Theater, February 9, 10 and 11.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Conley and son Bobbie and Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Dick were visitors to Borger Sunday.

A. L. Wood, banker of Higgins, was here several days this week, attending to business matters.

The world's greatest show—Ben Hur, showing at the Rex Theater, February 9, 10 and 11.

When time comes to buy garden seeds, "Try the Smith Variety Store first."

"Ham and Eggs at the Front," an Ace-High comedy of black-face comedians in the trenches. At the Rex, February 16, 17 and 18.

Johnie Lackey and Hobart Dick were in Guymon, Goodwell and Texhoma on Friday of last week, attending to business matters.

More laughs per minute in "Ham and Eggs at the Front" than were shells fired in the war. Rex Theater, February 16, 17, and 18.

Wanted:—to do all kinds of spring sewing. See MRS. W. B. CROW, 2 blocks east of Gin. 9t2p.

Dr. Powell, eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, will be at Dr. Gower's office in Spearman, on Wednesday, February 15th. Glasses fitted, tonsils and adenoids removed.

Ben Hur, featuring Ramon Novarro, Betty Bronson, May McAvoy and other Metro-Goldwin-Mayer stars. See them at the Rex, February 9, 10 and 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hoskins and the children and Miss Vera Campbell visited in Texhoma Sunday.

Tiff Thomason of Texhoma was looking after the interests of the Thomason Brothers store here Wednesday.

Nothing like it ever before, perhaps never again. Don't miss your chance of seeing it now. "Ben Hur" at the Rex, February 9, 10 and 11.

Children will be delighted with the pretty valentines they can purchase for only 2c at Smith Variety Store.

The costliest and most magnificent picture ever flashed on the screen—"Ben Hur." February 9, 10, and 11 at the Rex Theater.

Mrs. Floyd Mitts of Jefferson City, Mo., visited in the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Russell, and other relatives the first of the week.

Miss Ila Layton, teacher of the Half-Way school, between here and Canadian, was in the city Sunday, visiting in the homes of friends.

Miss Lorene Morton and Miss Peggie Holton went to Dumas Sunday and visited over Monday in the home of Miss Morton's grandmother.

When you need glassware, think of Smith Variety Store. We now have a new line of water glasses and goblets. Prices are right. "Try the Variety Store First."

Misses Mae Raney and Mildred Crawford and Jack Taylor and Ray Ownbey were guests in the John Ownbey home at Stinnett Sunday. They drove over to Borger in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam B. Archer and son Fancher, Mr. and Mrs. Johnie Archer and Mr. and Mrs. Guy R. Fuller, all of Amarillo visited with friends and relatives and attended to business matters in Spearman the latter part of last week.

Misses Bernyce Burran, Alta Hays, Opal Cline and Ruth Prutsman and Clyde Hazelwood motored to Amarillo Sunday where Miss Burran entertained for Fort Worth and Dallas, where she will visit with friends and relatives.

See the new Valentines at Smith Variety Store.

Miss Iola Gay spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Moody Womble, in the Lieb community.

Wm. E. McClellan, local Chevrolet dealer, will leave today, Thursday, for Oklahoma City where he will attend a dealers convention. He will return the first of next week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. McLain, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Brant and Lester McLain, Spearman, were dinner guests in the T. P. McLain home Sunday. \* \* Mrs. George Norris and Lester and LeRue Norris visited with old friends in Spearman, Friday. \* \* J. W. Payne made a business trip to Guymon and Spearman, Wednesday. Mrs. Payne and son, Morris, accompanied him. \* \* S. F. Powers and family and Mrs. E. R. Powers and children, Spearman, visited in the E. R. Jarvis home Sunday.—Ochiltree County Herald.

#### SEED BARLEY! SEED OATS!

Extra good quality barley and Texas Red seed oats for sale at my farm, 18 miles southwest of Spearman. This is all good quality grain; better buy now. J. R. KIRK. 6t4p.

#### FOR RENT

Two light housekeeping rooms, neatly furnished, with access to telephone, sewing machine and electric washer. Phone 114 or see. St2. MRS. E. B. DODSON.

#### \$100 REWARD

I will pay a reward of \$100 for the arrest and conviction of any person for the offense of giving, selling or furnishing in any way, any sort of intoxicating liquor to any school boy or girl in Hansford county. ALVINO RICHARDSON, Sheriff.

#### PUREBRED SILVERLACED WYANDOTTES

Eggs, \$1.50 per setting of 15; \$5.00 per 100. Baby chicks as ordered. Book your orders early. See I. E. TOMPKINS, 9t4p. Box 611, Spearman Texas.

#### MILLING

Fresh corn meal, cow feed, whole wheat flour and breakfast food—always on hand. At Gilliam old stand, Elevator Row, Spearman. 9t4p. J. C. HANCOCK.

#### BONES

Will be buying dry bones for Shearers Produce until March 1st, 50 cents per 100 pounds. C. H. GING, Scott Bros. Elevator, Spearman.

#### HEMSTITCHING

Hemstitching and picoting at my home in west Spearman. Work guaranteed. MRS. J. MALVIN JACKSON.

#### AN EXCEPTIONAL BARGAIN

A choice half-section of raw land located a few miles northwest of Gruver. Price five thousand dollars CASH, if sold within the next thirty days. A. E. TOWNSEND, Spearman, Texas.

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Send for free book, "How to Get a U. S. Government Job," also free sample examination questions and list of positions now open. Pays from \$35 to \$60 per week, with full vacations with pay. Check work you like:

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**WE LIKE OUR WORK**

There is grief in all business. The man who endeavors to accomplish something worth while never finds his path strewn with roses.

But sometimes we feel that newspaper publishing carries with it an inordinate amount of trouble. One week there is no news and we have to drain our imaginations to the very dregs to find something that will interest our readers. The next week there is so much excitement that we almost wish our type were made of rubber, in order that we might squeeze into limited space the large volume of interesting matter on hand. We are often besieged with

the rival claims of two extreme partisans, and if we adopt what we believe to be the truth, namely the middle course, we are accused by each side of favoring the other.

When the machinery in the shop is in excellent working order business is apt to be slack. But the moment something goes wrong with the intricate mechanism of the linotype, we are deluged with orders, and every customer wants his job today.

There are compensations, however. We know of nothing that can bring more deep seated satisfaction than editing and publishing a country paper. There can never be any monotony. We are forever dealing with the imponderable and highly interest-

ing subject of human nature. The average newspaper worker experiences more in a year than many people experience in a lifetime. And this makes life interesting.

Newspaper work in a community like this brings one a wide circle of friends, and true friendships in one of the finest things that any of us can get out of life.

But in addition to all this there is also the satisfaction one derives out of working to up-build the community in which one lives. To elaborate upon this is unnecessary. Our intelligent readers realize how vital to the welfare of the community a good local paper is.

In short we like our work. In spite of its difficulties, it makes life interesting and happy. In the opportunities it offers for serving the community, it gives purpose to existence.

**NEWSPAPER INFLUENCE**

The country paper has been recognized as one of the greatest of all forces in the Fourth Estate by Carrol Smith, State Printer of California. The editor of a vigorous well-edited country paper can have more influence for good in his community than the clergy, the teaching profession, or any other single group, he asserts.

Each week the editor of the local community paper speaks to a larger audience than could possibly be crowded into any single building in the city. This means tremendous opportunity to accomplish good, and likewise a great responsibility.

Mr. Smith also expresses the view, which is widely recognized today, that country papers are most thoroughly read, and have a larger amount of influence and prestige in proportion to circulation than huge metropolitan papers.

This no more than commonsense. Who can do more than read casually and hastily the ponderous editions of metropolitan journals that are piled high on city news stands every day. But who fails to read carefully his local paper.

Let those who doubt this last statement sit in the office of the Reporter some day immediately after publication and hear the complaints that come in because the linotype operator may have mis-spelled the name of some prominent local citizen.

**THOMAS HARDY**

He had lived a singularly quiet and retired life. He never received the adulations of the mob. For him no crowds ever stood at the curb and cheered. Almost all of his days were spent among the villagers of Stinsford, Dorchester, England. He knew practically nothing of the city, of the great world of activity that surrounds the lives of most eminent men and women.

And yet the Prime Minister of England, Stanley Baldwin, George Gernard Shaw, Ramsey MacDonald, John Flaworthy, Rudyard Kipling, Sir James Barrie and other notables recently followed the casket containing his remains to the burial place in Poet's Corner of Westminster Abbey. There, next to the tomb of Charles Dickens and near resting places of Handel, Thackeray, Sheridan, and Macaulay, they placed the ashes of Thomas Hardy, born June 2, 1840; died January 11, 1928.

Few men there are in all the world whose memories may ever be so honored. And yet his days were spent "Far From the Madding Crowd." In his life he revered above all else the friendship of his neighbors, and he found fame by revealing their hearts and lives in his immortal literature.

**"EVERYBODY HERE KNOWS ME"**

You've been in business in Spearman for a considerable length of time, and we agree that everybody knows you, and knows that you are in business.

But everybody in the United States knows of the Chevrolet Motor Company, and yet that organization spent over \$4,000,000 in advertising last year. And a large part of that appropriation went into country papers such as and including the Reporter.

Everybody has heard of Camel cigarettes, and yet the advertising appropriation for that company runs well over \$2,000,000 per year.

Yes, everybody here knows you, but they may not know what you have to sell; they may not be informed as to the merits of your service and the quality of the merchandise you handle.

The example set by successful men teaches us to advertise. The only question is: "How may I get the greatest value out of every dollar I invest in advertising?" In this we stand ready to help you. Make our staff your advertising counselors.

Read the Reporter ads.

**WIRE FENCES TO SAFEGUARD LIVES OF SCHOOL CHILDREN**

School and playgrounds must be fenced if the child accident rate is to be reduced, according to Harry L. Allen, of the Playground and Recreation Association.

Children under 15 years of age, according to his figures, made up 26 per cent of those killed or injured by automobiles last year. During the last eight years child deaths from this cause reached almost one million.

Most of these accidents, according to a recent survey, occur after school hours, the time of greatest peril being during the noon hour and between 4 and 6 in the afternoon. This, it has been shown, holds true for rural districts as well as cities.

"In the child problem," states a report from the American Roadbuilders Association, "general inattentiveness has been found the chief cause of fatalities and injuries. The child at play runs out into the street without regard for the passing motorist."

Modern playgrounds call for unclimable chain link, woven wire fences, Mr. Allen points out. Old fashioned wooden fences or light woven wire fences are less efficient.

Mr. Gilbert Clegg, Playground Engineer, has drawn up a set of specifications for Milwaukee which all fences around playgrounds must meet. These specifications require that all fencing must be subjected to the "Preece test" which provides that samples of wire must be dipped in acid to prove durability.

Many other cities throughout the United States have adopted Milwaukee's specifications, which also require that the fence must be of the woven wire chain link type, because it has been found that chain link fences are unclimable, do not obscure the view and make dangerous corners, do not collect dirt at corners and they give the safest and most satisfactory service.

**TO PROTECT SOCIETY**

The purpose of capital punishment is not to avenge crime. Rather we hang and execute murderers to free society from dangerous individuals.

In the light of this then why should insanity be sufficient grounds for turning a dangerous character loose?

True the maniac may not be responsible for his actions, but is he any less menacing to society because of that?

If our juries and courts approached their duties with this point of view we hazard the guess that justice would soon have an opportunity to make this country a better place for decent, law-abiding citizens.

In a sense every vicious criminal

is mentally unbalanced. When the facts of the case show that he is guilty of murder, however, there is only one thing for a jury or court to do; that is to remove him from society forever, either by execution or life imprisonment without possibility of pardon or parole.

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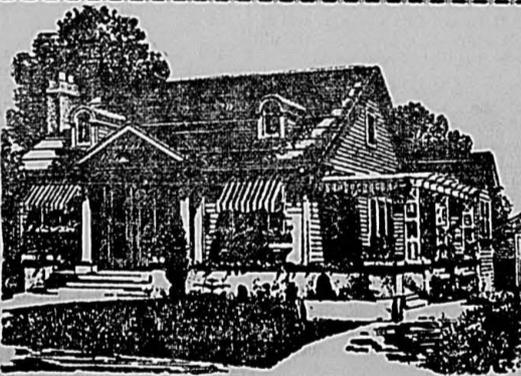
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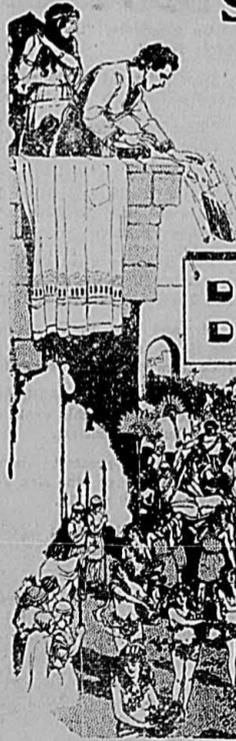
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## MUST GUARANTEE CUSTOMERS MARKSMANSHIP

A customer walked into the drug store the other day, tossed a sack upon the counter and said:

"These moth balls you sold to me the other day are no good."

"Why, didn't they rid your place of moths?"

"No, I tried for half a day but couldn't hit a darned one."

Every year is Leap Year for the pedestrian.

Army Air Chief, Patrick, says that dirigibles will take passengers overseas in three year. But, gosh, we've got to get better service than that.

Professor: "What's the maximum penalty for bigamy?"  
Student: "Two mother-in-laws."

This is a remarkable country. We read with delight attacks on big business, and then turn huge sums into the coffers of correspondence schools that teach us how to succeed in business.

## POLITICAL

Houston, Texas,  
February 6, 1928.

To the Editor of  
The Spearman Reporter.  
DEAR SIR:

Knocking around over the state as I have been I find that everybody is planning to come to the Houston convention. Particularly those who have in their orders for a new Ford. They are planning to pack up the Ford with some cots and a cooking outfit and drive down here for the big show. It comes after school is out, when vacations are in order, when the roads will be good and camping out will be pleasant.

So I decided to come down here and find out what chance these people are going to have to see the convention after they get here. I came down and talked to the mayor and several of the big boys who have the plans in charge. And I want to tell you, Mr. Editor, that it looks like more people are going to see this convention than ever saw one before, unless, maybe, it was the one held at Madison Square garden four years ago.

Houston is going to build a hall that will seat 25,000 people. It will be nearly two blocks long and a block wide. The speaker will stand on a platform away out almost in the middle and will be surrounded with microphones attached to loud speakers all over the building. So, if you get a back seat, you still hear every word he says and see him fairly well.

About 10,000 of these seats will be turned over to the national committee and Houston will keep about 15,000 seats. These 10,000 seats will be on the floor of the convention proper, and you will pretty near have to be a delegate, alternate or somebody come to get in there. But the mayor, Oscar Holcombe, says he wants everybody to have a chance at the 15,000 seats. They haven't worked out a plan to give everybody a chance, though.

Here's one way to get a seat. Get in with somebody who is contributing to that \$300,000 fund. Houston is not selling seats, but if a bank in Houston, or elsewhere, donates \$5,000 to the fund, of course the committee could not do otherwise than give that bank about 100 of those

seats. The bank will send out the tickets to its country banker friends all over the state. All Houston business firms will do the same thing. They may not give an entire ticket to one man, but will let him use it one or two days and then pass it on to some other man from out of town. So if you have any friends among the Houston business men, now is a good time to start wiring to them or writing.

And now, let's figure if the convention will be worth attending. I'll say it will be. Along the third day, when the nominations begin, there sure will be a hot time. There'll be several bands, a lot of parades, more noise than you ever heard in your life, with people going wild and mabe dozens of good old fist fights going on.

It looks now like Al Smith may be nominated about the third or fourth ballot. In that event it will all be over by the end of the fourth or fifth day.

But the anti-Smith crowd is fighting hard, especially in Texas, and they may succeed in instructing the Texas 40 against Al. If they do and if he is not nominated by the fourth or fifth ballot you may be seeing the last democratic convention in history. It is entirely possible that the party will go to smash right here in Houston.

There will not be any 100 or more ballots, as they had in New York. If the Smith crowd can't put their man over after a few ballots there is very likely to be a split, for the two sides of the party are so far apart on the liquor and religion question that there is no other candidate with whom they could hope to win. The dries are as much opposed to Reed and Ritchie as to Smith, the anti-Catholic element as opposed to Walsh of Montana as Smith. Robinson of Arkansas might get the support of everybody, but he wouldn't have a chance to win the presidency against Hoover.

There is really very little of an economic issue between the democratic and republican parties any longer. Each has taken over some of the other's theories and platform talks. That is why lots of people foresee the time in the near future when the nation as a whole will have

what Texas has had for 40 years—a wet and dry party. It is entirely possible that that will be the issue that may split the party here at Houston.

There is not much danger of a split unless Smith comes down here with a clear majority of all votes and lack enough for a two-thirds vote. If he holds his majority together for 10 or 15 ballots and the other third holds solidly against him, then the split talk will start.

So, Mr. Editor, if you want to see a good show, be sure to come to Houston. The hotels will be full, but the wagon yards and tourists camps

can take care of you. Better bring your own chuck box.

Respectfully,  
THOMAS JEFFERSON BROWN.

## UPHOLDING BOTH ARGUMENTS

First Attorney: "Your honor, I am opposed in this case by an unmitigated crook."

Second Attorney: "And my opponent is such a notorious and fluent liar—"

Court: "The counsel will confine their remarks to matters that are in dispute."

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When the John Deere Tractor was first put on the market, it met with the immediate approval of farmers everywhere. Its great power, combined with light weight; its extreme simplicity; its ease of handling; its low operating expense, and its low maintenance costs—these advantages made it more than a successful farm tractor—it was a real sensation.

NOW additional improvements have been made to give you STILL GREATER VALUE.

It has more power to do more work in the field and at the belt without sacrificing its light-weight advantages. The bore of the cylinders has been increased and a new carburetor, which is most efficient, is used to increase its power.

This improved tractor will pull three 14-inch stubble bottoms under difficult conditions, and four stubble bottoms under favorable conditions. It will successfully operate a 28-inch separator under normal conditions, and other drawbar and belt machinery requiring power in proportion.

The John Deere Tractor of 1928 develops from 5 to 6 more horse power than the 1927 model with the surplus power of which you are already familiar.

Its great strength and durability have been further increased. The design of the crankshaft has been further improved. The rear axles are made of high-grade, heat-treated steel. The drive wheels have been strengthened in proportion to the increase in power.

Wider fenders have added protection to the operator. Longer lugs built of improved material last longer and give the drive wheels a more powerful grip on the soil.

Many of the improvements so important in making the John Deere a more durable and longer-lasting tractor cannot be seen. Advancement in the art of making and treating steel has made possible the use of still better material that is stronger and longer-wearing.

An inertia air cleaner has been added which removes 60 per cent of the dust and dirt before the air reaches the oil type or air filter. The air gets a double cleaning before it enters the cylinders. The John Deere Tractor, already famous for its low repair costs and long life, now will give even better and longer service at lower maintenance costs.

Before you buy a tractor, see this improved John Deere.

Saves in Fuel and Oil

## Womble Hardware Co.

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JOHN DEERE LINES

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## We Are Speedy, Efficient, Moderate

No matter what its ailment is, we can restore your car to perfect mechanical condition with the minimum of time and expense to you. A staff of thoroughly trained auto experts stand ready to diagnose and correct every defect from a dented fender to a broken crankshaft. We give swift service!

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Our shop is equipped with the latest improved appliances, fixtures and tools for Automobile Repair Work.

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ON MAIN

SPEARMAN

## To Our Customers

### ANNOUNCEMENT—

In spite of the unfavorable conditions up to the time we had the nice rain the first of the week, we thank our patrons for the nice gain our business has shown since the first of the year.

Our change at that time to cash only made it possible for us to make prices that have proven beneficial to our patrons as well as to ourselves.

If you buy from us or not, our prices will hereafter be a guide as to what you should pay for the highest grade of merchandise.

At all times you will find surprises in our prices, quality considered.

Let us figure your bill. See us for real value.

We do not Meet Prices—We Make Prices

P. M. Maize and Company

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Spearman

## CHURCHES

W. M. U.

The W. M. U. of the Baptist church met with Mrs. Walter Jackson Wednesday at 3 p. m. On account of so much sickness only ten were present. The lesson on "Love" was very interesting. The ladies decided to have a cooked food sale, including pie, cakes, dressed hens, etc., Saturday, February 11, at Burran's store.

B. Y. P. U.

We have been having some wonderful lessons this quarter. Those who have not been attending the meetings should come and bring someone with them. Our lesson for Sunday night is on the Bible. Program starts promptly at 6:15.

### Program for February 12

Subject: From the Far Away Country to the Father and Home.

Leader—Jola Gay.

Jesus Teaches by Stories—Clyde Hazelwood.

Parable and Beauty of Pathos—Nettie Lee Williams.

Subject Worthy of Study—Ermin Hollis.

The Prodigal's Mental Processes—Chloe Gill.

A Little Study of Salvation—Annie Deering.

The Great Forgiveness—Elizabeth Noe.

The T. E. L. class of the Baptist Sunday school met Sunday morning with 19 present. Two new members were enrolled which makes a total enrollment of 28. Much interest is being shown in this class and every member should be present every Sunday morning.

### MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Ladies Missionary Society met Wednesday, February 8, at the home of Mrs. Don Wakeman. The study for this meeting was the second chapter of "The Straight Way Toward Tomorrow." Next Wednesday the ladies will meet with Mrs. Walter Wilmet and discuss the third chapter of the same subject. Next Tuesday at 3 p. m. the ladies will have a social meeting at the home of Mrs. H. P. Bally. All members are requested to be present.

### BAPTIST

Sunday was a good day at the Baptist Church. There were 5 additions to the church, three for baptism and 2 by letter, making a total of forty one in the last four months. The Sunday school is going good, 91 being present. Our meeting will start the first Sunday in March. Bro. E. M. Dunsworth will be with us and have charge. Mr. Frazier of Fort Worth will have charge of the choir. All singers of the town are invited to help with the singing. The public is invited to worship with us.

### RANK INCOMPETENT

Mike Conway always said Doc Swivel wasn't much of a medico, and when the doc up and died the other day Mike said that proved it. Couldn't even cure himself!—Farm & Fireside.

### HUMAN SIGNAL TOWER

There's a traffic cop six feet ten inches tall in Minnesota. He may be a good cop but a guy as tall as that must be awful high handed.—Farm & Fireside.

### NOTICE IN PROBATE

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Hansford County—Greeting: You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Hansford, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once a week for the period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

### NOTICE

The State of Texas, To all persons interested in the welfare of said minors, to-wit: Russell Wayne Davis, age 10, and Glenn Allen Davis, age 9. Bertha Davis has filed in the County Court of Hansford County, an application for non-resident guardianship of the said estate of Russell Wayne Davis and Glenn Allen Davis, minors, which will be heard at the next term of said Court in March A. D. 1928, at the Court House thereof, in the town of Hansford at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said application, if they see proper.

Herein fail not, under penalty of the law, and of this writ make due return.

Given under my hand and seal of office, in the town of Hansford the 30th day of January A. D. 1928.

Attest: J. E. WOMBLE, (Seal) Clerk County Court, Hansford County.

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### NOTICE

The State of Texas, To all persons interested in the welfare of Jessie May Reed, and Con Wm. Reed, minors:

That W. S. McNabb, has filed in the County Court of Hansford County, an application for the appointment of Guardianship of the estate of Jessie May Reed and Con Wm. Reed, minors, which will be heard at the Court House thereof, in the town of Hansford at which time all persons interested in said minors, may appear and contest said application, if they see proper.

Here fail not, under penalty of the law, and of this Writ make due return.

Given under my hand and seal of office, in the town of Hansford the 6th day of February, A. D. 1928.

Attest: J. E. WOMBLE, (Seal) Clerk County Court, Hansford County.

### CITATION BY PUBLICATION

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Hansford County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon George Long, Minnie Long, G. B. McKinney, Effie McKinney, Everett Wilson and John Bolton, sometimes called Frank Bolton, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 31st Judicial District, but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 31st Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the 31st District Court of Hansford County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Hansford, on the 3rd Monday in March A. D. 1928, the same being the 18th day of March

## Interesting Power Farming Meeting To be Held Here February 10 and 11

The R. L. McClellan Grain Company informs us that since the first announcement of the big free power farming meeting to be held at Spearman on Friday and Saturday, February 10 and 11, in conjunction with the J. I. Case Threshing Machine Company was made, that he has received many enrollments. He is quite enthusiastic over the large attendance that has already signified their intentions of attending these meetings.

Reports have been received from other points where these meetings have been held recently to the effect that large enthusiastic crowds have attended and have derived much practical knowledge from them. The men whom the Case Threshing Machine Company are sending here to conduct the discussions and the demonstrations are not only thoroughly schooled on theory but also are extremely practical men with years of rich experience gained on the farm, in the factories, in the engineering field and in actual field work. They know threshers, tractors, combines and other power farming equipment thoroughly and are prepared to assist all who attend.

The meetings are really a boiled down, short course in power farming machinery operation, care and repair. Unlike a short course, however, it does not cost a single penny to attend, neither is it necessary to

A. D. 1928, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 14th day of January A. D. 1928 in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 468, wherein The White House Lumber Company, a Corporation, is Plaintiff, and George Long, Minnie Long, G. B. McKinney, Effie McKinney, Everett Wilson and John Bolton, sometimes called Frank Bolton are Defendants and said petition alleging being a suit wherein plaintiff sues the defendant on 13 promissory notes in the sum of \$50.00 each all dated July 13th, 1926, all bearing interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum from date until paid each providing for the payment of attorneys fees of ten per cent in event of suit thereon, the first note sued on becoming due on December 15th, 1926 and one note becoming due on the 15th of each succeeding month thereafter until December 15th, 1927 when the last note fell due; said notes being executed jointly and severally by each and all of said defendants except the said Bolton, said notes secured by a deed of trust on Lot number 11 in block 1 of the Original Town of Spearman, Hansford County, Texas and recorded in Book 12 of Deed of Trust records of Hansford County, Texas at page 524; that all of said notes with the interest on same are due and unpaid; plaintiff's petition prays for judgment for the said notes with interest thereon from date at 10 per cent per annum; costs of suit; foreclosure of the said deed of trust; attorneys fees of 10 per cent of the amount found to be due as provided in said notes and deed of trust for application of \$90.00 rent money from said property to said debt and further relief general and special in law and in equity that it may be entitled to.

Herein fail not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed same.

Witness, J. E. Womble, Clerk of the 31st District Court of Hansford County.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Hansford, Texas this the 20th day of January, A. D. 1928.

Attest: J. E. WOMBLE, (Seal) Clerk 31st District Court, Hansford County.

### NOTICE IN PROBATE

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Hansford County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Hansford, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for the period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

### NOTICE

The State of Texas, To all persons interested in the estate of Alfred Newell Spencer, a minor.

W. S. McNabb, has filed in the County Court of Hansford County, an application for the guardianship of the estate of Alfred Newell Spencer, a minor, of the age of 16 years, which will be heard at the next term of said county court, sitting in probate, commencing on the 5th day of March, 1928, at the Court House thereof in the town of Hansford at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said application, if they see proper.

Here fail not, under penalty of the law, and of this writ make due return.

Attest: J. E. WOMBLE, (Seal) Clerk County Court, Hansford County.

go away from home for several weeks. The meetings are to be held right here and will only last for these days. Inasmuch as each day's work will be entirely different, all who will attend are urged strongly to be on hand promptly for the opening hour of the first day and stay until the very close. Mr. McClellan informs us that no one at the meetings will be urged to buy. He wants it definitely understood that this is purely and simply an educational and good will proposition to help and assist his farmer friends to make greater profits from their power farming equipment.

The motion pictures that are shown at these meetings as a part of the instruction we are informed are of the very best and are extremely interesting and educational as well. Much other equipment such as slides, charts, working tractor parts and models are supplied by the Case organization which is used at the meetings.

Mr. McClellan urges local farmers who have power farming problems they want answered to bring them up at the meeting and they will be discussed and answers given. No matter what make of machinery farmers may be working with, they are cordially invited to attend and bring a neighbor.

### MATTER OF WAVE LENGTH

"New York is a balse city," says a magazine writer. "Proclaim something from the housetops and the man in the street won't even listen." How can he listen to what he cannot hear? It's a long shout from the average New York housetop to the sidewalk.—Farm & Fireside.

### UNCLASSIFIED

A new serial in the Woman's Home Companion is labeled "a story about the younger generation," says a contemporary editor. "But why is nothing said about any generation except the younger and the older? There ought to be a middle generation."

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