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"He Profits Most Who Serves Best"

## HONORING MRS. F. E. ADAMS OF COMANCHE

One of the prettiest social events of the season was given by Mrs. Paul Williams on Thursday of last week, when she entertained the Merry Wives and a number of invited friends with a beautifully appointed tea, in honor of her mother, Mrs. Frank E. Adams of Comanche, who has been a guest for several days. The room was decorated with flowers and blooming plants and advantageously through the reception suite, added charm and beauty to the tastefully furnished home, and created a lovely setting for this delightful party.

The guests were greeted at the door by Mrs. Burgess Weaver, who presented them to the receiving line, composed of the hostess, Mrs. Williams, her mother, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Vernon Adams of Brownwood, Mrs. J. D. Simpson, Mrs. H. W. Kingsbery, Mrs. W. R. Kelley and Mrs. J. Frank Turner. In the dining room, the table with handsome embroidered cloth, held a silver vase with pink and white carnations, and silver candleholders with delicate pink tapers. Mrs. Allison Weaver presided over the silver coffee service and Mrs. Grady Adams poured tea. They were assisted in serving cut cake called nuts and mints by Mrs. P. P. Bond, Mrs. Lee Woodward and Miss Marguerite Barnes.

The guests were seated in the sun parlor and presented with dainty hand painted favors, the work of the hostess, which contained the following program as rendered:

Reading, Mrs. Ford Barnes.  
Piano Solo, Mrs. Fred, Turner.  
Vocal Solo, Mary Adams.  
Reading, LaVerne Dennis.  
Vocal solo, Sybil Simpson.  
Piano solo, Lois Adele Adams.  
Mrs. Williams made a charming and gracious hostess, and as a lovely picture in her wedding dress of white satin with blue face bertha and pear trimmings.

Mrs. Adams has visited in Santa Anna before and has made friendships which it was a joy to renew, and also new acquaintances were formed which it will be a pleasure to renew. About 100 guests called during the afternoon.

Mr. Jop Hill of Belton is visiting his brother, F. B. Hill and other relatives in these parts this week.

## WEDNESDAY LUNCHEON CLUB

Wednesday at noon, 41 business men and citizens met for luncheon at the Service Cafe, in response to the effort of the committee to get a representative crowd, together to consider the organization of a club for the following purpose:

The purpose of this club shall be to provide a place for the congenial foregathering around the festal board for one hour each week of certain male citizens of Santa Anna, Texas and with a clear and distinct understanding that, when they foregather as members of this club, they shall put aside all personal ambition, enmities and prejudices so that they may be entirely free and untrammelled to work for the good of Santa Anna as a town, thereby making it a more desirable place in which to live.

We could not suggest a better purpose, and all present voted to meet again next Wednesday at noon to further complete the organization. Just what the club will be called has not yet been determined; but the name is a small thing compared to the purpose.

## MRS. G. C. WALTERS

Mrs. G. C. Walters died Tuesday night at the family home, corner of Durham street and Avenue J, Brownwood, following an illness of several years with pulmonary tuberculosis. The funeral services were held at Coggin Ave., Baptist church Wednesday afternoon, Rev. R. A. Scanton conducting the services. Interment was in Greenleaf cemetery.

G. C. Walters was raised in this community and has a number of friends here, as well as some relatives, who will grieve with him in his misfortune.

G. E. Adams and Mr. Greer of the Adams Mercantile Company are in St. Louis and other eastern markets this week, purchasing goods for the Adams Mercantile Company store. The News has been informed to the effect that the Adams store did a record business last year, and the buyers are going into the markets this spring expecting to purchase the largest supply of merchandise ever purchased by one firm in Coleman county.

COLONIAL Tea and Gift sale Feb. 22 and 23, Shield building.

## BAPTIST PASTOR MAKES GOOD IMPRESSION

Rev. Sid Martin, the newly elected pastor of the Baptist church, has been on the field for several days, and has begun to gain favors in the hearts of the members. To say the least of it, Brother Martin has preached some splendid sermons and his manner of church work is commendable.

Those of you who have not yet been out to hear him have missed something worth hearing, and if he continues which we predict he will, seating capacity will all be in use as soon as the weather will permit of a full attendance.

Pastor Martin is only a young man, with the greater part of his life before him, and to us, he is a very able young man.

If you have not yet heard him, make it a point to come out and hear him, and we believe you will want to be there every Sunday.

## U. D. C. MEETING

In response to a call for all members of U. D. C. Chapter to meet the directors of the U. D. C. tabernacle in the W. R. Kelley store Tuesday afternoon at 3:30, Feb. 12, the following responded: Mesdames Spener, S. H. Phillips, W. R. Kelley, C. K. L. W. and Lelia Hunter, J. P. Mathews, Banister, E. E. Polk, Charles Oakes and Miss Blanche Boyd and Dr. Holland.

Messrs G. W. Faulkner and B. Weaver were elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of L. V. Stockard and the moving away of M. Tyson.

Plans whereby the tabernacle and grounds may be improved and used to better advantage were discussed and left with the directors.

## SHOWER FOR MISS VERNOR

Saturday afternoon Mrs. C. B. Verner entertained with a miscellaneous shower for Miss Lois Verner.

The guests arrived at 3:30 and while waiting for the honoree each guest wrote in a "Don't for the Bride" book. Miss Verner was conducted into the living room where her friends were waiting to surprise her.

Games were played until dainty refreshments, carrying out the color scheme of pink and white were passed. On each plate there was a heart bearing the secret of the day.

Master Walter Burton Verner then entered bringing Miss Verner a wagon load of gifts.

About 25 were present to wish Miss Verner happiness in her new home.

## SENIOR B. Y. P. U.

Leader—Grace Pleasant.  
Introduction—Leader.  
God revealed to man—Dr. zelle Hudler.

Sin and Salvation—Harold Moon.  
The New Testament Pattern—Glenda Ford.

"Thy Kingdom Come"—Florence Neill.  
The Quality of Believers—Arthur Box.

Baptist also deny some things—Mr. Slaughter.

We now meet at 6:30 p. m. This is a devotional lesson. Come and see what the Baptist believe, if you do not already know. Remember that "you" are always welcome at the B. Y. P. U.

The Hunter Drug Store has recently installed an electric freezer with a 20 gallon capacity which impresses us as not only being a labor saver, but a very sanitary equipment to keep their ice cream in during the summer.

J. B. Boler, who has been one of the employees of the Santa Fe here for several years left this week for Ballinger where he will continue his services with the company in the capacity of a clerk. Mr. Leland Fry of Blum, Texas, is now clerk at the Santa Anna Station.

## SIDE WALKS

It is with pleasure we note several citizens are building creditable sidewalks in the city. Among those doing the good work are Dr. Holland, Stafford Baxter, Grady Adams and J. O. Martin. Our attention has been called to depredations by unthoughtful parties, supposed to be boys, defacing some of the walks while the concrete is green by marking and otherwise, which should not be done. People have a pretty fair idea who it is doing those things and we advise that it be stopped, or prosecution is going to follow.

## VICTORY CLUB HAS MEETING

In response to a call from Dr. T. R. Sealy, president of the Democratic Victory Club for Santa Anna, the members met and spent the noon hour Thursday at the Service Cafe, enjoyed a splendid luncheon and social hour.

At the suggestion of Dr. Sealy followed by others, it was decided to meet again at noon, next Wednesday for the purpose of organizing a club to meet once a week, Wednesday at noon, and spend one hour in an informal meeting, the purposes of which to work for the betterment of Santa Anna, in whatever move the club sees fit to endorse and foster.

At this late hour we will not have further to say this week, but the move is a good one and we hope to see it prosper.

The above was prepared for our issue of last week, but due to machine trouble, could not be used.

## PRIZES FOR COMMUNITY ESSAY

Austin, Texas, Feb. 12.—Students of Santa Anna High school are given the opportunity to compete for \$150 in prizes offered by C. M. Caldwell, regent of the University of Texas, and by the Dallas News; for the best essays written on local history. Mr. Caldwell has contributed \$100 of the fund, and the Dallas News, \$50. The most notable local history essay written in the state-wide local history contest will be awarded \$40, and a large number of smaller monetary prizes will be made to other successful contestants. All manuscripts must be submitted before May 1, according to Prof. W. P. Webb, of the University of Texas history department, who is in charge of the contest. Further details will be furnished by him to all who request them.

"Every community of Texas, it matters not how small or how large it may be, has a local, a unique, and absorbing history, most interesting," said Professor Webb, who is the originator of the local history prize offer. "Every high school student of the state should take pride in recording the history of his own community. Careful and intensive investigation will bring to light unpublished bits of history, so interesting and delightful, that the research student will feel more than repaid for his efforts. For each competitor, there is also the possibility of winning one of the prizes and the honor of having his article published."

Professor Webb's idea of local history follows: "Local history is the history which may be found in your own community. It is the history of your church, your town, your courthouse, or some interesting person. The story of an Indian fight that occurred near your home is local history, as is the account of a drouth, of a flood, or a fire. Local history is not the story of important men or great events. It is likely to be the story of the unimportant. In details, it may be extremely interesting; in the aggregate, it is of great importance. From both points of view it will be worth having. All essays, then, should treat of local subjects, that are not too widely known."

## LEGION POST TO HAVE MEETING

The local Post, American Legion, is planning a meeting for next Monday afternoon, for the purpose of discussing and outlining plans to further their claims for an adjusted compensation. If you are an ex-service man, or in any way interested in the adjusted compensation movement, attend the meeting and join the boys in their efforts to further the cause they are working for.

## FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY

Added to our announcement column this week will be found the name of Scott Snodgrass of Coleman, who is a candidate for County Attorney of Coleman county, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary in July. Mr. Snodgrass is a very promising young man, born and raised in Coleman County, graduated in the law school of the University of Texas in 1922, and has been actively engaged in the practice of law every since.

Mr. Snodgrass is a splendid young man, with practically all his professional life before him, is competent to fill the office he aspires, and in every way worthy of your trust, and if elected he promises to fill the office honorably, and at all times exerting his best efforts to see that the laws of the country are enforced. He solicits your consideration and vote upon these grounds.

## FOR SHERIFF

In making my announcement to the voters of Coleman county for the second term to the Sheriff office, I wish to express my thanks for the kindness of co-operation shown me during my present term and assure you that it has been a pleasure to serve you in this capacity, and either with or without an opponent I will greatly appreciate your support and influence during the present campaign.

Resp.  
DICK PAULEY

Mrs. L. L. Shield returned to Austin Sunday, where she is making her home with her son, Elgean, who is a student in the University, after visiting and attending to business in Santa Anna and Coleman the past several days.

## JACKSON-VERNER

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Verner of this city, Miss Lois Verner was united in marriage last Sunday evening at 8:30 o'clock, to Mr. O. R. Jackson of Winters, Texas, pastor J. Hall Bowman of the Methodist church officiating.

The wedding was a beautiful home affair, with the immediate families and a few invited guests comprising the witnesses.

Miss Lois is a product of Santa Anna, having lived here practically all her life, a graduate of the Santa Anna Schools and also the Daniel Baker College of Brownwood. She is a splendid and well accomplished young woman, possessing many qualities of the sterling kind.

Mr. Jackson, according to the information at hand, is a splendid young man, a good citizen, with a very promising future before him. He has won for his companion, the heart and affections of one of Santa Anna's very best women, and the best wishes of a large circle of friends follow her.

The happy young couple left immediately after the marriage for Winters, where Mr. Jackson holds a good position with one of the leading firms of that city. Congratulations and best wishes.

Our new and renewal subscription business the past weeks has been exceedingly good, but due to a crowded situation and partly to oversight, we have neglected to keep a record and publish the honor roll. However, we are exerting our ever effort to furnish our readers the best local newspaper you have ever received, free from bias or prejudice, and from the many compliments we are receiving from various sources our efforts are to some extent appreciated and meeting with approval.

On Thursday night of last week the Intermediate B. Y. P. U. s had a social at the Baptist church. We all enjoyed the party, I think, better than we ever did any other party as our new pastor was with us. After we played several games, cake, sandwiches and hot chocolate were served. There were 18 present. One present.

Duane Holland, student in the State University at Austin, visited his parents last week-end.

## Don't Be Fooled

by those who would have you believe that all Banks are fundamentally the same.

All Banks are no more the same than all fish are the same.

And anybody with more brains than a nit-fly knows that neither all Banks nor all fish are alike.

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THE  
FIRST NATIONAL BANK

**SANTA ANNA IS  
PAVING FOUR BLOCKS**

A representative of the Democrat-Voice was in Santa Anna last Saturday on business and was impressed with the street paving under way in the mountain town.

The merchants and business men of the town along Wallis Avenue, are paving for a distance of four blocks. The paving in which the business interests are co-operating, consists of combination concrete curbing and gutter. State Highway No. 7 is routed along Wallis Avenue and the State and county will gravel the street for a width of 53 feet and connecting with the curbing and gutter now being built by the merchants. The work when finished, will add greatly to the civic appearance of the only city in the county which has mountain scenery as a scenic background.

The Gladys Belle oil field, which skirts Santa Anna, on the southeast, may come in for renewed activity and development, now that the Prairie Company has started extension of its pipeline from the north Brown county field to connect with the Santa Anna field. John T. Pope, on whose place are located some of the Gladys Belle producing wells, stated Saturday that there was approximately 50,000 barrels of oil now in storage at the field.—Democrat-Voice.

The pages of the News will always be open for the use of all the people, and we invite our readers to use its columns for the general discussion of live subjects. We seek not the evil in men, but the just and the true in principles. We are here to build and not to destroy; therefore, this paper belongs to you, and we want you to know and feel that it is yours.

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**RESUMING NORMALCY**

Undue or extraordinary excitement always has a very injurious effect upon an individual, and the same effect is produced upon the people generally when they become excited and worked up to a high pitch on any question.

This has been forcibly shown in the results following the world war. People have been going to extremes and in a measure have become "unbalanced" because they could not consider questions with the same calm deliberation that had been observed all along the history of our government. Laws have been enacted in obedience to a hysterical mania for legislation to meet what they imagined was needed, and the safeguards which these statesmen who established this great republic that should be as firmly established as the hills, were thrown aside and utterly disregarded. Politicians and demagogues who did not have the courage to lead the people back into safe paths as they should, at once pandered to what seemed to be the popular demand and our government has become a mass of contradiction from which even the wisest statesmen have so far been unable to extricate it.

The same is more or less true in our social affairs. We have been ready to embrace any fad that came along, losing sight of the fundamental laws that should govern our conduct on any and all occasions. It has been one shock after another, and some churches and ministers have become participants in this insane desire to adopt "something new" no matter what the effect upon the moral sensibilities of the people.

But it is beginning to look like the people are beginning to gain their normal state of mind, and led by consecrated (not political) ministers who are sounding a note of warning, the church is assuming a stronger opposition to the disgraceful and degrading things that have come upon us. In matters of government, men are beginning to reason more concerning the serious problems that confront us as a result of our departure from the fundamental principles upon which the republic is founded, and it looks like they are growing tired of fanatical laws that have no place on the statute books of a free country.

Let us at least hope that we are beginning to resume our normal and sensible methods of living and of conducting public affairs. If we will but stop and think, we will soon get away from the conditions that immediately followed the world war. And the people are thinking.

**FARMING AS A BUSINESS**

The successful farmer of the future, in the South, is the man who exercises intelligent supervision of his farming operations upon an economic basis of culture. The man who depends wholly upon muscles, sunshine and rain, disregarding the needs of the soil and the proper diversification of crops, is destined to a life of adversity and discontent.

Providence, through the operation of natural agencies, built up the richness of the virgin soils under a slow process of thousands of years and gave it to man for his care and to provide sustenance for humanity. Rich, virgin soil was the most valuable heritage ever granted by the Creator to man, either in the early dawn of human civilization or since that time.

In the Southern States the farmers are blessed with temperate climates, sunshine and rain, which are incomparable in agricultural value in any other part of the world's surface. That the Southern States are not foremost in prosperous farmers and agriculture is due not to the soils and climate, but to the faulty and uneconomic methods of agriculture pursued for the past half century by Southern farmers. Their methods of culture have broken down and destroyed the organic fertility of the soils and created dependence upon other sections for supplies while the continued over-production of one money crop has spelled financial depression and hard times to the growers for two generations.

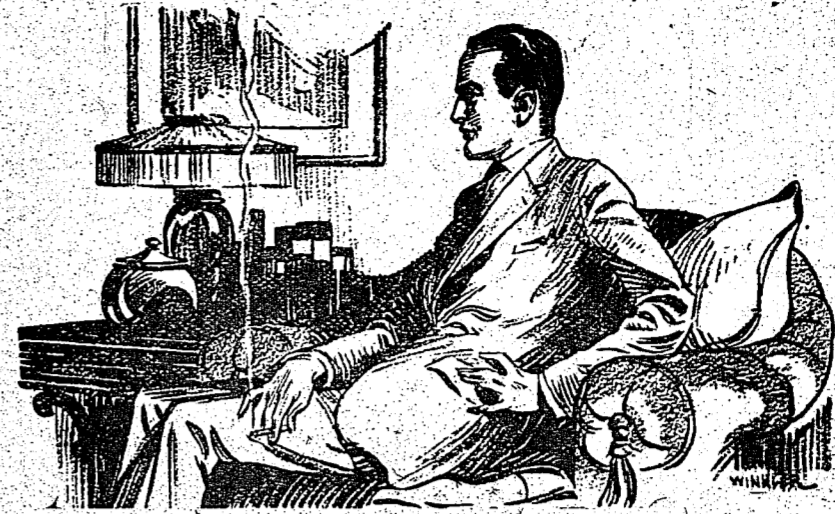
Co-operation in tilling the soils planting and the culture of crops is practically impossible. It has always been and must continue to be a matter largely of individual supervision. There can and should be effective co-operation among the growers in the acreage of money crops planted per plot, in order that production may be controlled and prices received for such crops regulated upon a basis of cost of production, plus a reasonable profit to the growers.

Unless the cultivated lands are deeply plowed and harrowed to a fine tilth and supplied with abundant humus in the form of decaying vegetable matter, there can be no response from the natural plant foods lying dormant in the soils. The laboratory of the soils should be so handled as to secure a prompt and ready response from nature's great storehouse of fertility in the soils. Absolute and practically sole dependence upon artificial plant foods to stimulate growth and provide fruitage for crops is a poor and uneconomic business. Commercial fertilizers give better returns and yield larger profits as a result of their use on soils of fine tilth and abundantly supplied with humus than soils that are broken down by poor culture and devoid of decaying organic matter.

To produce these conditions requires good, intelligent farming. It means a definite and fixed system of diversification and annual rotation of crops. It means the intensive system of farming, or the planting and culture of only such an acreage per plot as that the work can be well and thoroughly done. The intelligent and economic farmer, with a practical application of the best known methods in preparation, culture and diversification, is the man who will reap a rich reward for his labors and efforts in the future. The man who blindly disregards these fundamental facts and continues to follow the broken and misleading pathway of overcropping in one crop in the hope for a larger money reward at the end of the season, will continue to plod along, rendering but little service to himself, his family, land and country.

The year 1924 will bring prosperity or adversity according to the intelligence employed by each farmer in "pitching" his crops and the energetic supervision each man gives to the soil and culture of the crops planted, providing the system of farming is based upon a proper recognition of diversification of crops which can be well cultivated by the available labor at hand.—The Cotton News.

Some scribe wrote that "It is with words as with sunbeams—the more they are condensed the more they burn." Congressional Record please copy.



**Springtime  
is  
Dressup time**

—by Fashion's calendar, even though the sun still delays his triumphal entry into the vernal equinox—Spring nevertheless, in the heart of "milday of the styles"—for the fascinating news that it will soon be here and that you will need new clothes for the season.

—our new samples are here and we want you to see them before you buy a new suit. All the new styles and colors are here. Prices range from

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Price \$1.00 to \$5.00

**Cooper's Underwear**

We received this week a shipment of new Spring Underwear. Any man will find complete comfort in this well-made Cooper's Union Suit. The special features at such a low price make it a most unusual value.



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Suits made-to measure. See our line of Shirts, Caps, Hosiery, and underwear.

**CHRISTIAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A. L. Oder, minister  
You are invited to attend the services next Lord's Day. We need you at our Bible School as well as at the preaching service. We were pleased to see so many men present last Sunday. Several new ones. The men were a little ahead but both classes were well attended. We are to have a preacher from Dallas next Sunday, who will speak after the close of the Bible School. No doubt his message will be very interesting. Be sure to be there.

Our Wednesday night meetings have reached about 30 in attendance. If you have not attended one of these meetings you do not know what you are missing. These are the best services of the week. Every child has an opportunity to take part and they seldom miss the opportunity. Come and enjoy a real spiritual feast.

People are talking about clubs, co-operation, education, reduction of taxation, etc. but the club history of this town seems to be a bit unfavorable from some cause. We believe in club work, club meetings and club activities, and if no other let's organize a Lion Tamers Club; for a community like this needs a club.

**Spring  
Millinery**

For Dress For Sport  
For Street For Travel

Rich, Beautiful variants are the early Spring Hats. New materials, shapes, colors, trimmings. Everything new.

Don't fail to see the most varied and extensive display of Millinery ever brought to Santa Anna—at surprisingly low prices.

**Mrs. G. A. Shockley**

Read the ads in this issue of **FOUR ROOM House** for rent close in.—W. T. Mitchell.

**Fly Time is Here!**

Spring will soon be here and will be accompanied with the usual amount of flies and mosquitoes.

The necessities for screening are inexpensive compared to the time they last.

We have a good stock of screening materials and can supply your wants.

Let us estimate the cost for you.

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# Imported Wash Fabrics For Spring

Essential to your Spring time Dress-making are the new Voiles, Ratines, Imported Flannels and Fast Colored Suitings. We especially want you to see what we have in these new fabrics before buying your new Spring Dress. Some of the new materials, we think are beautiful and we have the most complete stock we have ever had. It seems that colored Suitings, such as Linens, colored Indian head and Ratines are almost the only Dress fabrics that are going to be used for Spring, with Voiles and printed Crepes for later wear. We have been careful to make our selections, going to market early and getting the choicest patterns. You will be disappointed if you do not see what we have before you buy.

## A Wonderful Showing of New Shoes

We expect when our line is complete to show you the best line of Shoes that is in Santa Anna. Some of the new ones have been delayed in reaching us, but we are getting new ones every few days and soon we expect to have most anything you want. Fit the children in a pair of Red Goose Slippers or Sandals for Spring and you will reduce your shoe bill. "There are some higher priced, but none better."



The word "Iron Clad" on your hosiery is a guarantee of quality. You must be satisfied with the service they give of you get a new pair. In the cheaper Silk Stockings we carry "Everwear" and we know there are none better at the prices.

Children Hose, 35c and 50c  
Ladies cotton hose, 15c to 50c  
Ladies Silk Hose, \$1.00 to \$2.50  
Children Sox, and some of the prettiest patterns you have ever seen 25c to 65c  
Men's "Iron Clad" and "Everwear" Sox, Cotton 15c to 50c  
Silk 75c and 85c

Staple piece goods	Wide Sheetings
<b>at a saving</b>	
36 inch Percale, standard quality, fast colors, beautiful patterns, 22c	10-4 Bleached ..... 65c
36 in. "good as gold", soft linen finish Bleached Domestic 20c	10-4 Brown ..... 60c
32 inch standard Gingham ..... 25c	9-4 Bleached ..... 60c
Apron cheek Gingham ..... 15c	9-4 Brown ..... 55c
	Yd. wide Brown domestic, 15c and 20c

## New Spring Suits

Our new Spring Suits are now on display. Come in and take a look at one of them. "Curlee guaranteed" Serges. We have them in Blue, Gray and Brown. They are wonderful values and guaranteed to give you satisfaction or a new suit. We have some new Woolens in Young Men's suits, pleated backs, half belts, and the plain form fitting styles. We are proud of our clothing line and believe you will like them when you see them. "Scotch Woolens Mills" made to measure Suits, 300 samples all one price \$29.50 full suit



Stocks of new Dress Shirts with and without Collars. We have never shown such an extensive line of Dress Shirts. Most any color of fabric you may want and the prices are reasonable. New Caps and new Hats; new Work Clothes of all kinds. Men's Overalls, all you want at \$1.50 and \$1.75. Boys Overalls, best made, Elastic Suspenders, sizes to 14 at \$1.00, larger ones at \$1.25. NO CREDIT PRICES AT OUR STORE. No bad accounts for you to pay. No hurrah sales, but a stock carefully selected and reasonably priced in every department. A place where you can come, knowing that you are getting value for every dollar spent as near so as our experience and cash buying can get for you. LARGER SALES THE FIRST HALF OF THIS FEBRUARY THAN THE ENTIRE MONTH OF LAST YEAR. There must be a reason. Give us a chance to serve you.

Santa Anna, Texas **D. R. HILL & BROTHER** Santa Anna, Texas

### FOR SHERIFF

In this issue of the News will be found the announcement of Dr. Pauley, who is a candidate for Sheriff of Coleman county, subject to the action of Summer elections. Mr. Pauley is now serving his first term of office and his services, in so far as we have been informed, has been creditable, and he will not likely have an opponent during this campaign. Read his announcement, as it expresses in a very few words, all that is necessary for one to say.

People who do their Christmas saving early will have fewer regrets at the end of 1924.

### Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show

March 8 to 15, inclusive are the dates set for the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth this year. Mr. Ed R. Henry, secretary and manager is authority for the statements to the effect that the attractions this year will be superb. Special effort is being made to furnish an exhibition greater than ever before, and the amusement and entertainment features will be the best that can be secured. The Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show is worth the price in several ways. Aside from the amusements, it carries a real educational value that is worth while. Coleman county always furnishes a large attendance, and will be no exception this year.

### REMEMBER TO GET COPY TO US EARLY

The News closes its forms each week Wednesday at noon. In order to do this we are compelled to refuse copy for ads or news matter that reaches us at the 11th hour Thursday morning. This does not mean that we can not accept anything that is tendered us even early Thursday, for we are almost invariably crowded with copy before Wednesday is gone. So if you would be sure of getting your items or your ads in, do your best to get them to us not later than Wednesday at noon. It is very important to advertisers that we reach the mail in time for the departure of rural carriers at 11 a. m. Friday. Most advertisers require us to do this. We insist again that you cooperate with us and get your news items and ads to us not later than noon Wednesday.

Flowers that come before the funeral help to keep the undertaker away. The person who thinks the younger generation is going to the eternal bow wows forgets some of the pranks of an earlier day.

### SCOUT LEADERSHIP

The Boy Scouts of America celebrated their fourteenth anniversary February 8 to 14. To many that means nothing. To others it means much, because those who have seen the influence of Scouting upon boys realize the uplifting effect that it has. Scouting inculcates patriotism, courage, self-reliance and kindred virtues. What higher ideals could we ask for those who will be in charge of affairs in America in a brief span of years? The Boy Scouts organization has had an uplift fight against overwhelming odds. It was first held up to ridicule, but surviving that stage of its career, it has come to be regarded as one organization for boys that is above reproach. To perpetuate it and place it within the grasp of some eight million boys of Scout age in the United States, self sacrifice is needed on the part of men who are willing to devote some time to building for the citizenship of the future. Something over 142,000 men now give their time voluntarily, without any compensation, or the present organization would not be possible. But there are only a half million Scouts in America. The other seven and a half million are waiting for leadership. The Scouts need intelligent and enthusiastic co-operation. Lacking the time or ability to act as a leader, you can boast for them and be the means of carrying the message to some boy that will make him a better citizen when he grows into manhood. Friendship that flows from the heart can be relied on, but that which comes from a bottle nowadays is very likely to break in twain. It's common to hear people say that children of the present generation are not disciplined like their parents were. But if they were, their parents never would admitted it.

### AMERICAN CAFE ENTERTAINERS BAND BOYS

Last Friday evening, Mr. J. G. Sims, proprietor of the American Cafe, invited the members of the local band to the American Cafe for an oyster supper. About thirty plates were prepared and the band notified at 8 o'clock that all was in readiness for their reception, and they marched in very orderly. A few invited guests were also present to offer encouragement to the splendid bunch who recently went into the organization of the band. The writer, in our limited way, presided over the meeting, which was just an informal affair. Dr. T. R. Sealy, J. Frank Turner and W. Ford Barnes were also present and offered words of encouragement to members of the band. Santa Anna can now boast of a real band. At present there are 23 pieces in the band, and the boys play equal to many bands with as many years as the Santa Anna band numbers in months. In fact, they render some real music. There is a movement under way to raise funds to purchase uniforms for the members of the band which will be greatly appreciated by them, and the writer very much recommends the move to the public.

### LOCAL NEWS SHORT LAST WEEK

Due to our typesetting machine running a muck last week before we got our local and home news set, we were forced to go to press without our Round-Up and many other items of local interest. We hope she (the machine) behaves in the future and if there is any trouble brewing, it comes in the early part of the week, so as we will have a chance to overcome it at some time other than press day. Some scientist said the Japanese earthquake caused us to move 500 miles nearer the sun. And the weather man proceeded to knock his prediction into a cocked hat.

### THE EX-SERVICE MEN

The cordell Beacon takes this view of the obligation Uncle Sam owes to the ex-service men: "When the boys marched off to war every good citizen in this nation promised that they never would be forgotten, and they meant it. We heard the business men right here declare that as soon as the war was over they were going to show preference when it came to giving out jobs to the boys who served in our army. The former service men have been back how for five years. A majority of them are holding down their old jobs and are more or less independent of outside help. But there remains a good many who marched who are not employed. And despite the fact that many of them have taken vocational training and fitted themselves for skilled work, they are finding it difficult to get employment. They only ask that they be permitted to put into practice that which they learned through Uncle Sam's aid, and that they be given a chance to become self-supporting. They are not asking charity and they are not seeking special favors. Their request is a fair one and should be granted. Every man who employs labor should make it his business to look carefully into the qualifications of the returned service man. In so doing he will be not only aiding himself and the young man who offered himself to his country when he was badly needed, but he will also be showing that self-sacrifice in this country doesn't go unrewarded. Standing around arguing for or against a bonus isn't what the average service man wants. He prefers to have us remember that we once promised to give him a chance if he was lucky enough to get back from the war—and now that he is back he is certainly entitled to that chance." Have you all figured out what you are going to do with the extra day in 1924? Men who fail and lose heart were never cast for the part of being leading citizens.

## Exhibition Extraordinary

Of Franz A. Lundahl's Masterpiece

### "Christ On Calvary"

A Famous Painting valued at \$85,000.00, size 9x14 ft. Will be at our store from Wednesday, February 20th, to Wednesday, March 5th. Thousands of people will see it, to most people it will be one opportunity in a lifetime to see such a wonderful picture and it will surely be worth a trip to Brownwood to see this famous painting. The painting we had last fall brought between 12,000 to 15,000 people in to see it—some coming back a number of times. "CHRIST ON CALVARY" is said to be an even more wonderful painting. Do not fail to see it. Of course its FREE.

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Brownwood, Texas  
WHOLESALE & RETAIL  
HARDWARE FURNITURE

## Practical Nurse Tells

Mrs. N. E. Snow, of Route 1, near Paris, Tenn., tells the story of her experience as follows: "I am 62 years old and I have been a practical nurse for more than 20 years, taking mostly maternity cases. One of my daughters suffered from cramping at . . . She would just bend double and have to go to bed."

## CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic was recommended to her and she only had to take about five bottles, when she hardly knew that it was . . . she had so little pain. Her youngest daughter had run-down, weak and nervous, and looked like she didn't have a bit of blood left—just a walking skeleton, no appetite and tired all the time. I gave her two bottles of Cardui. It built her up and she began eating and even gained in weight and has been so well since. Cardui, the Woman's Tonic, has helped suffering women for over forty years. Try it. At all druggists. E-100

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Friday, February 15, 1924

**Political Announcements**

The News is authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries July 26, 1924:

**For County Judge:**

**S. J. PIERATT**  
(Re-election)

**For Tax Collector:**

**J. C. LEWIS**  
(Re-election)

**For County Treasurer:**

**NOLAN BARMORE**  
(Re-election)

**For Superintendent of Schools:**

**C. A. FREEMAN**  
(of Talpa)

**J. H. KELLETT**  
(of Valera)

**HUGH DAVANAY**

**For County Clerk:**

**L. EMET WALKER**  
(Re-election)

**For District Clerk:**

**W. E. GIDEON**  
(Re-election)

**J. R. MOORE**

**For Tax Assessor:**

**GEO. M. SMITH**  
(Re-election)

**For Commissioner Precinct 2:**

**FRED L. WEST**

**L. W. HUNTER**

**J. S. GILMORE**

**For Public Weigher, Precinct 7:**

**JOE B. FLORES**  
(Re-election)

**For County Attorney:**

**T. H. STRONG**  
(Re-election)

**SCOTT SNODGRASS**

**For Sheriff:**

**DICK PAULEY**  
(Re-election)

In the death of Woodrow Wilson the nation and the world has lost one of the greatest men of all ages. No greater tribute could be paid Wilson—the man—than the words of praise that have come from those who most bitterly opposed his political policies. Right or wrong, Wilson carried our nation through the most bitter war the world has ever known, and his great leadership has been recognized the world over.

**A PRACTICAL EXAMPLE OF CO-OPERATION**

Our idea of a good weekly paper is for each community to send in a nice weekly letter, reporting the activities of their correspondent in every community in this county we could get out a wonderful newspaper. We had one party to stop the paper because we did not make mention of a wedding which had taken place in his family. We were not informed of the wedding and so we did not happen to know that such a wedding had taken place. We are always glad to receive a few lines on any news item that may happen in the county. Your home paper is largely what the readers make it. We can print the news, but some one has to help us get it. We cannot know that the stork has brought a new boy out at some certain community. Or that some young swain had gotten married somewhere. We are always ready to rejoice with those who are rejoicing and to weep with those who are in sorrow. Try us.—San Saba News.

The above so nearly represents our own sentiments that we have reproduced it, hoping that the friends of the News will act on the valuable suggestion it contains. We are doing our best to give you a paper that you will be proud of, and will rejoice in your active co-operation.

**CO-OPERATE WITH YOUR TEACHERS**

Next to the parents no one is so interested in the children's welfare, so devoted to their general growth and development as well as their school education as the teacher. Her work will be far more effective if the children know that the parents and trustees believe in her, trust her judgment, and back her up in her ideals and her decisions. She will be happier as well as more effective in doing it if the appreciation that is in the hearts of the people of the community finds expression occasionally in words, in occasional hospitalities extended, and in other small acts of consideration. Co-operate with your teacher.

**KEEP IT TO YOURSELF**

Learn to laugh. A good laugh is better than medicine. Learn how to tell a story. A well-told story is as welcome as a sunbeam in a sick room. Learn to keep your own troubles to yourself. The world is too busy to care for your ills and sorrows. Learn to stop croaking. If you cannot see any good in the world keep the bad to yourself. Learn to hide your pains and aches under a pleasant smile. No one cares to hear whether you have the earache, headache, or rheumatism. Don't cry. Tears do well enough in novels, but they are out of place in real life. Learn to meet your friends with a smile. The good humored man or woman is always welcome.

Tax-free securities are about the only free thing left in this country.

Man is the only animal that reasons and laughs. Let us resolve to do little of both in 1924.

**CRITICIZING THE NEWSPAPERS**

Criticizing the home newspaper is the favorite pastime of a large number of the people.

Like public officials, what it says and what it does are constantly before the public, and its errors are easily detected.

An individual may go through life making one mistake after another, and few will know it but let your newspaper err in even a small detail, and the critics have a choice morsel to chew.

Newspapers, though mechanical, are human, because they are conceived by human mind and put together by human hands.

They are as liable to error as any man or woman and their opportunities for making mistakes may be found in every line—in every word.

A wrong street address, incorrect spelling of names, little inaccuracies may creep into the newspapers' columns, no matter how earnestly the editor and assistants may strive to be accurate.

All your home newspaper asks is that you be charitable. Make a few allowances for the difficulties that beset the newspaper publisher, and remember always that nothing hurts a newspaper editor quite so much as to see his mistakes in print.

He has no chance to cover them up. The printed word can't be erased. Don't forget that newspapers are made by human minds and human hands and to err is human.

**OWN A HOME**

A good percent of the people of this community own a home.

But why shouldn't more of them have a place to go each night, after the day's work is done, that they can actually really call home?

The time for building is here. The spring of the year is approaching—the time when hope springs anew in the breast and when nature sets about to the task of reviving the beauties which she is capable of producing.

Somewhere in the heart of every man is the desire to be independent, because independence is the measure of his standing in the community.

The first step along the road to independence is to own your home. The man who owns his own home is the respected, the trusted man in this community.

The home owner has a deep sense of civic pride. He is established; he is responsible; he is vitally interested in everything that tends toward the peace, security and improvement of the place in which he lives.

There are few excuses for not owning your own home. Means are provided whereby, with a small down payment, one may be acquired by weekly installments paid as rent.

The sense of security and shelter that goes with ownership is well worth the cost. It is a feeling that can be gained only through owning a home.

The independent man always owns his own home. Build your own.

There is no reason why Santa Anna should not see a great revival in home building this spring.

Countless people have had the home of their dreams before their eyes for years. They have been waiting for prices to come down.

But are prices going to come down? Has not a new standard of money values been set up since the war? Has not the average man's revenue increased in proportion to the increase in prices of commodities?

We can't expect the building material dealer to sell his goods for less or the carpenter or the brick mason to work for lower wages so long as the price of everything else remains correspondingly high.

There is no time like the present to build your home. Build now and help make Santa Anna in every sense of the word a city of homes—the best place on earth to live.

Men who are sure that they are right generally go right on attending to their own business.

If you think the world is all wrong, try a little personal examination.

**Agriculture and Co-operation**

Chas. E. Baughman, Commissioner of the Texas Markets and Warehouse Department, in a specially prepared article on Agriculture and Co-operation sounds the key note when he says:

"From an agricultural viewpoint it may well be said that this is the age of co-operation. Not only have the producers come to appreciate the necessity for co-operation but the government has recognized it as the most economical avenue to the markets of the world for the products of the farm, ranch and orchard, securing more profitable prices to the producer and lowering the living cost to the ultimate consumer. Both large and small manufacturing concerns employ the very best talent production engineers, we might term them, to keep the production cost down to the very lowest possible figure with the class of goods being turned out. The question of overhead expense is one of the great concerns to the banker, the merchant, and the great number of industries that dot our lands here and there seeking thus to make larger profits, to enable them to reach their customers through the shortest routes. Mercantile associations throughout the nation are somewhat linked together through a co-operative movement for their protection. Great commercial organizations at stated occasions meet to work out co-operatively kindred obstacles to the progress of the movements for which they stand hence there can be no sound nor logical reason offered in opposition to co-operation among the producers of the nation to the end that they might produce and market more profitably and further to overcome as much of the overhead and operating expense as possible and to reach the consuming public through the shortest routes of commerce. Co-operation is indeed an avenue to conservation, not merely the conservation of the product, but effort as well and the right kind of co-operation among the producers goes further—it tends to create a stronger demand among the consumers for these products that are being handled co-operatively—it tends to bring about better standards of both grade and class and moreover serves to prevent the shipment of inferior grades and has a tendency to stop the receiver from making false claims on commodities received. The railroads of the United States could afford to spend millions of dollars in an effort to educate the people of the agricultural areas to a better understanding of the standards of grade and class, to have them fully appreciate the importance of keeping out of their crates those commodities that bring about contamination. Yes, this is the co-operative age, but we must yet impress the banker, the farmer, the merchant, the railroad manager, and the manufacturer that the combined efforts of these are necessary to a complete elimination of useless agencies that now serve to make agriculture unprofitable to the producer, and to increase living costs to the ultimate consumer. The banker, the merchant, the railroad manager and the manufacturer could render no more valuable a service than to come together to co-operate with the great mass of producers of this nation to the end that agriculture might be more profitable to the producer and less profitable to the speculator, and to the further end that useless effort in transportation might be avoided."

**Where is the Elusive Washington Bootleg Book Of Names?**

Mixed drinks have caused a mixup in Washington. Or do the thirsty in the national capital drink 'em straight? At any rate a raid which netted much liquor resulted in the finding of what is alleged to be a list of customers supplied by a Washington bootlegger syndicate. And, it is said, all sorts of prominent names were written on the list.

Just who will be brought forth as a lover of the cup that cheers is a most disturbing factor right now in Washington. Of the 1,400 names, only 21 are known to the authorities. Thirteen hundred and seventy-nine dodge publicity and probable prosecution. And who knows who is on the list that is safe in the hands of the treasury department sleuths? It means that 1,400 of Washington's elite must quake with fear of the limelight.

"What's in a name?" may be all right, but what names are in the Washington bootleggers' lists is something else again.

**"TREAT 'EM ROUGH"**

There is a strong feeling of revolt against the drunken automobile driver and it is doubtful if the penalty is heavy enough. Rum runners have their cars confiscated. Yet the drunken driver is more dangerous than the rum-runners. A fine is not heavy enough punishment. Take his car and put him in jail, too. "Treat 'em rough!"

Folks who treat their neighbors right never have trouble sleeping at night.

**CATARRHAL DEAFNESS**

is often caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing. Unless the inflammation can be reduced, your hearing may be destroyed forever.

HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will do what we claim for it—rid your system of Catarrh or Deafness caused by Catarrh. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE has been successful in the treatment of Catarrh for over Forty Years.

Sold by all druggists.  
F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

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If you have a disease that medicine or other remedies have failed to cure, be sure to give us a trial and join the happy throng. Our method is absolutely harmless. Office hours 8:30 to 11:30 a. m., from 2 to 5 p. m. Post office box 97. 45-11

**BIG 19¢ SALE**

**The Greatest Event of the New Year!**

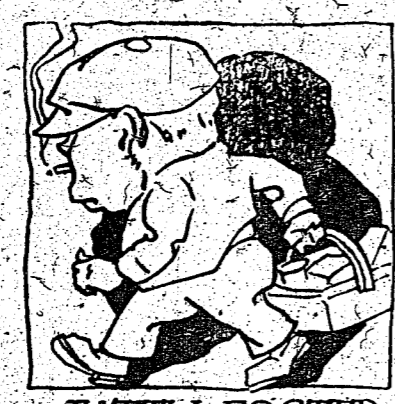
It's a Monster Sale of new bargains at the old fashioned price of 19c. You will find a lot of "corking" values that you'll surely want.

Each purchase is an investment! You save money on every article.

Come early for the widest choice.

**BLUE RACKET STORE**

Sale Begins Monday, February 18th.

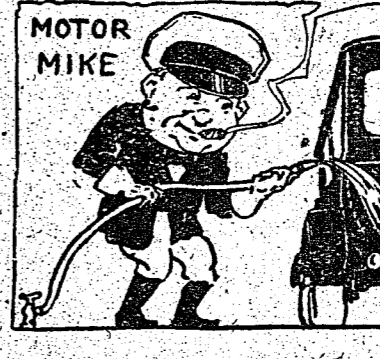


**FATTY FOSTER**

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Since I buy there I almost tear  
My stomach when I eat,  
For it's the proper place to go  
To buy your bread and meat.

You too will feel like eating if you buy your groceries from us. They are wholesome and pure and of the highest quality. Bell of Vernon Flour, All Gold Coffee, Pure Ribbon Cane Syrups, and all kinds of groceries and fresh fruits and vegetables.

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Santa Anna, Texas.



**MOTOR MIKE SAYS:**

We're now knee-deep in lovely June,  
The poet Riley said,  
Now that was said long, long ago,  
And the Hoosier poet's dead,  
But still we like "knee-deep in June,"  
We like the June vacation,  
And if we drive a Ford Sedan,  
Save trouble and vexation.

Whether cold November rain is falling or whether the September sun is shining, you'd better see us for genuine Ford parts, accessories, tires, tubes, gas, grease and oil for your car.

**SANTA ANNA MOTOR COMPANY**

Presbyterian Church  
Sunday School 10 a. m., J. T. Oakes, supt.  
Preaching services 11 a. m. and 7 p. m., Rev. J. M. Burrow, pastor.  
C. E. 6:30 p. m.  
Choir rehearsal every Friday night.  
Come join these services.

Cumberland Presbyterian Church  
Sunday School every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.  
Preaching services at both the morning and evening hours Sunday.  
Everybody invited.  
A. M. Pleasant, pastor.

The Week's Program  
—AT—  
**BEST THEATRE**

Monday and Tuesday 18 and 19  
The Fred Nible Production

**"THE FAMOUS MRS. FAIR"**

Shaking Shoulders and Cocktails painting the town and her lips red burning up cigarettes and moonlight roads, while Mrs. Fair was away getting famous, her daughter, Sylvia knew all the Flappers Follies. They have fair price, showing that because fame and fireside a woman must choose an elaborately red photodrama reflecting American society today. This is a Metro Special. This is 2 Reels of "FIGHTING BLOOD" in connection.

Wednesday & Thursday 20 & 21  
Cecil B. DeMills Production

**"MANSLAUGHTER"**

With Thomas Meighan, Leatrice Joy, Lois Wilson. Thomas Meighan denies the theory that big families are becoming scarce, especially in Boston. "I was playing in Boston in the family," he says, "The management advertised that the largest family in Boston would be given a free box that next night, and there were dozens of families consisting of parents and eighteen or twenty children. They were so numerous as to fill the entire theatre. "MANSLAUGHTER" is one of Meighan's biggest productions. Don't fail to see this picture. COMEDY in connection.

FRIDAY 22

**"THE SIREN CALL"**

With Dorothy Dalton. Talk about going over Niagara Falls in a barrel. Dorothy shoots the highest falls in the Yosemite Valley in a frail canoe for the Big Scene in her latest picture. "The Siren Call." In Connection William Duncan, 5. EPISODE OF THE

**"STEEL TRAIL"**

SATURDAY 23

Leon Maloney in a Western Musical and 2 Reel "GANG COMEDY"

**CLEVELAND ITEMS**

We are having some cloudy weather, looking as if it might rain.

The farmers are very busy preparing for another crop.

Misses Mattie Mae Thigpen and Selma Riddle, and Calvin Tussel and Ralph Thigpen were seen driving around Sunday afternoon.

Miss May Griffin spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Jeff Griffin.

Walter Rambo and son, Curtis of Sand Creek took dinner with John Horseman Friday.

Byron Moore, William Thigpen, Calvin Tussel, Douglas Moore went to Bangs Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Griffin and Henry Griffin motored to Coleman Friday.

Mrs. Horseman and little daughter, Gladys, went to Santa Anna Saturday.

Mr. Henry Griffin and family went to Bee Branch Saturday.

There is going to be a program at Cleveland school house Friday night, February 15. Everybody invited to come.

**VIOLET.**

**CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR  
Presbyterian Church**

Topic—What is Sin?

How does it affect character?  
John 3:4, Rom. 3:9-20.

Leader—Roy Land.

What sin is and what sin does—Vera Oakes.

Sin as corruption—Arnold Davidson.

Sin as Spiritual Blindness, Rev. 3:14-22—Garland Morgan.

Sin as selfishness—Olivia Land.

Sin as slavery—Mrs. Oakes.

Sin as sin—Celeste McClellan.

**A QUESTION  
OF CLIMATE**

By  
**WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE**

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COLONEL MORRISON had three initials, so the town naturally called him "Alphabetical." Morrison, and dropped the "Colonel." He came to our part of the country in an early day—he used to explain that they caught him in the trees, when he was drinking creek water, eating sheep-sorrel and running wild with a buffalo tail for a trolley, and that the first thing they did, after teaching him to eat out of a plate, was to set him at work in the grading gang that was laying out the Cottonwood and Walnut rivers and putting the limestone in the hills. He was one of the original five patriots who laid out the Corn Belt railroad from the Mississippi to the Pacific, and was appointed one of that committee to take the matter to New York for the inspection of capitalists, and he said to the credit of Alphabetical Morrison that he was the only person in the crowd with money enough to pay the ferryman when he reached the Missouri river, though he had only enough to get himself across. But in spite of that the road was built, and though it missed our town, it was because we didn't vote the bonus, though old Alphabetical went through the county, roaring in the school-houses, bellowing at the crossroads, and doing all that a good, honest pair of lungs could do for the cause. However, he was not dismayed at his failure, and began immediately to organize a company to build another road. We finally secured a railroad, though it was only a branch.

Over his office door he had a sign "Land Office" painted on the false board front of the building in letters as big as a cow, and the first our newspaper knew of him was twenty years ago, when he brought in an order for some stationery for the Commercial club. At that time we had not heard that the town supported a Commercial club—nor had anyone else heard of it, for that matter—for old Alphabetical was the president, and his bookkeeper, with the Miss dropped off her name, was secretary. But he had a wonderfully alluring letterhead printed, and seemed to get results, for he made a living while his competitors starved. Later, when he found time, he organized a real Commercial club, and had himself elected president of it. He used to call meetings of the club to discuss things, but as no one cared much for his monologues on the future of the town, the attendance was often light. He issued circulars referring to our village as "the Queen City of the Prairies," and on the circulars was a map, showing that the Queen City of the Prairies was "the railroad axis of the West." There was one road running into the town; the others old Alphabetical indicated with dotted lines, and explained they were in-process of construction.

He became possessed of a theory that a canning factory would pay in the Queen City of the Prairies, and the first step he took toward building it was to invest in a high hat, a long coat and white vest, and a pair of mouse-colored trousers. With these and his theory he went East and returned with a contract. The canning factory went up, but the railroad rates went wrong, and the factory was never opened. Alphabetical blinked at it through his gold-rimmed glasses for a few weeks, and then organized a company to turn it into a woolen mill. He elected himself president of that company and used to bring around to our paper notices of directors' meetings, and while he was in the office he would insist that we devoted too much space to idle gossip and not enough to the commercial and industrial interests of the Queen City.

At times he would bring in an editorial that he had written himself, highly excitable and full of cyclonic language, and if we printed it Alphabetical would buy a hundred copies of the paper containing it and send them east. His office desk gradually filled with woodcuts and zinc etchings of buildings that never existed save in his dear old head, and about twice a year during the boom days he would bring them around and have a circular printed on which were the pictures showing the imaginary public buildings and theoretical business thoroughfares of the Queen City.

The woolen mill naturally didn't pay, and he persuaded some eastern capitalists to install an electric plant in the building and put a street-car line in the town, though the longest distance from one side of the place to the other was less than ten blocks. But Alphabetical was enthusiastic about it, and had the governor come down to drive the first spike. It was gold-plated, and Alphabetical pulled it up and used it for a paper-weight in his office for many years, and it is now the only reminder there is in town of the street railway, except a hard ridge of earth over the ties in the middle of Main street. When someone twitted him on the failure of the street railway he made answer:

"Of course it failed; here I go pawing up the earth, milking out the surplus capital of the effete East, and building up this town—and what happens? Four thousand old sturion fossils comb the moss on the north side of the town, with ground shells, and turn

over and yawp that old Alphabetical is visionary. Here I can get a canning factory and nobody eats the goods; I hustle up a woolen factory, and the community quits wearing trousers; I build for them a street-car line to haul them to and from their palatial residences, and what do the sun-baked human mud-turtles do but all jump off the log into the water and hide from them cars like they were chariots of fire? What this town needs is not factories, nor railroads, nor modern improvements—Old Alphabetical can get them—but the next great scheme I go into is to go down the river, get some good red mud, and make a few thousand men who will build up a town."

It has been fifteen years and over since Colonel Morrison put on his long coat and high hat and started for the money markets of the East, seeking whom he might devour. At the close of the eighties the Colonel and all his tribe found that the stock of eastern capitalists who were ready to pay good prices for the fine, shimmering blue sky and bracing ozone of the West was running low. It was said in town that the Colonel had come to the end of his string, for not only were the doors of capital closed to him in the East, but newcomers had stopped looking for farms at home. There was nothing to do but to sit down and swap jack-knives with other land agents, and as they had taken most of the agencies for the best insurance companies while the Colonel was on dress parade, there was nothing left for him to do but to run for Justice of the peace, and being elected, do what he could to make his tenure for life.

Though he was elected, more out of gratitude for what he had tried to do for the town than because people thought he would make a fair judge, he got no further than his office in popular esteem. He did not seem to wear well with the people in the daily run and jostle of life. During the forty years he has been in our town, he has lived most of the time apart from the people—transacting his business in the East, or locating strangers on new lands. He has not been one of us, and there were stories about that his shrewdness had sometimes caused him to thrust a toe over the dead-line of exact honesty. In the town he never helped us to fight for

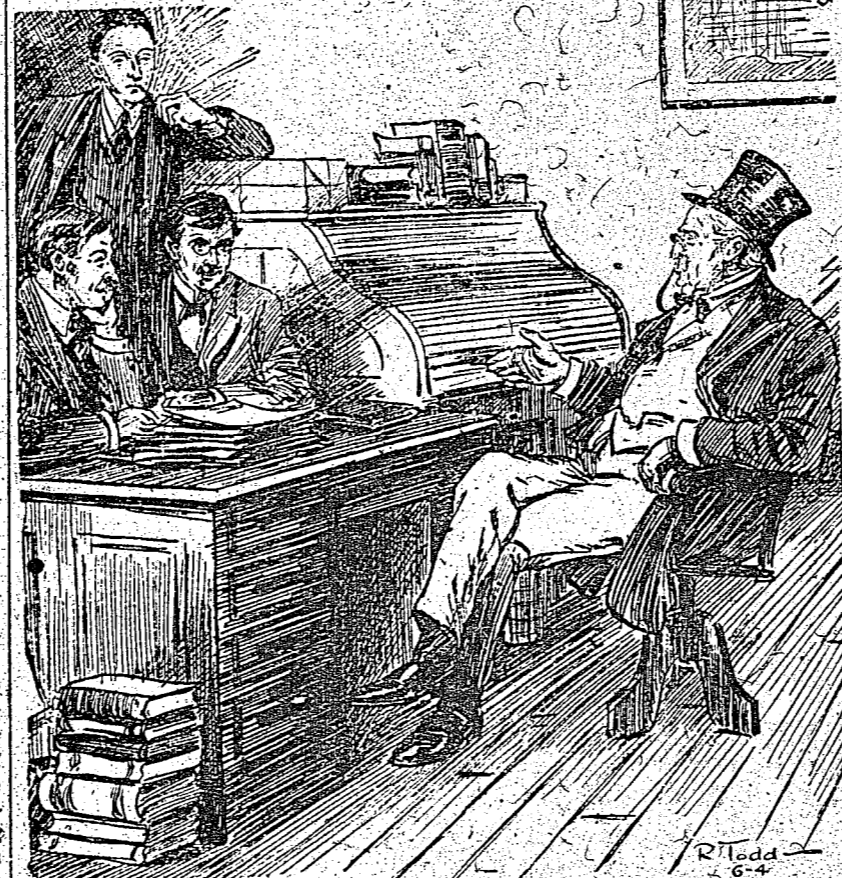
square board building at the end of the street. But every day for the past ten years he has been coming to our office for his bundle of old newspapers. These he reads carefully, and sometimes what he reads inspires him to write something for our paper on the future of the Queen City, though much of these articles are retrospective. He is the president of the Old Settlers' society, and once or twice a year he brings in an obituary, which he has written for the family of some old-timer.

One would think that an iller would be a nuisance in a busy place, but on the contrary, we all like old Alphabetical around our office. For he is an old man who has not grown sour. His smooth, fat face has not been wrinkled by the vinegar of failure, and the noise that came from his lusty lungs in the old days is subsiding. But he has never forgiven General Durbin, of the Statesman, for saying of a fight between Alphabetical and another land agent back in the sixties that "those who heard it pronounced it the most vocal engagement they had ever known." That is why he brings his obituaries to us; that is why he does us the honor of borrowing papers from us; and that is why, on a dull afternoon, he likes to sit in the old sway-back swivel chair and tell us his theory of the increase in the rainfall, his notion about the influence of trees upon the hot winds, his opinion of the disappearance of the grasshoppers. Also, that is why we always save a circus ticket for old Alphabetical, just as we save one for each of the boys in the office.

One day he came into the office in a bad humor. He picked up a country paper, glanced it over, threw it down, kicked from under his feet a dog that had followed a subscriber into the room, and slammed his hat into the waste-basket with considerable feeling as he picked up a New York paper.

"Well, well, what's the matter with the Judiciary this morning?" someone asked the old man.

He did not reply at once, but turned his paper over and over, apparently looking for something to interest him. Gradually the revolutions of his paper became slower and slower, and finally he stopped turning the paper and began reading. "It was ten



"He Likes to Sit in the Old Swayback Swivel Chair and Tell Us His Theory of the Increase in the Rainfall."

those things of which the town is really proud: our schools, the college, the municipal ownership of electric lights and waterworks, the public library, the abolition of the saloon, and all of the dozen small matters of public interest in which good citizens take a pride. Colonel Morrison was living his grand life, in his tailor-made clothes, while his townsmen were out with their coats off making our town the substantial place it is. So in his latter days he is old Alphabetical Morrison, a man apart from us. We like him well enough, and so long as he cares to be Justice of the peace no one will object, for that is his due. But, somehow, there is no talk of making him county clerk; and there is a reason in everybody's mind why no party names him to run for county treasurer. He has been trying hard enough for ten years to break through the crust of the common interests that he has so long ignored. One sees him at public meetings—a rather wistful-looking, chubby-faced old man on the edge of the crowd, ready to be called out for a speech. But no one calls his name; no one cares particularly what old Alphabetical has to say. Long ago he said all that he can say to our people.

The only thing that Alphabetical ever organized that paid was a funeral. In the early days he managed to get a home clear of indebtedness and was shrewd enough to keep it out of all of his transactions. Tow-headed Morrisons filled the schoolhouse, and twenty years later there were so many of his girls teaching school that the school board had to make a ruling limiting the number of teachers from one family in the city school, in order to force the young Morrison girls to go to the country to teach. In these days the girls keep the house going and Alphabetical is a notary public and a Justice of the peace, which keeps his once going in the little

or fifteen minutes before he spoke. When he got down the paper his clerical face was beaming, and he said:

"Oh—I know I'm a fool, but I wish the Lord had sent me to live in a town large enough so that every dirty-faced haw on the street wouldn't feel he had a right to call me 'Alphabetical.' Darnit, I've done the best I could! I haven't made any alarming success. I know it. There's no need of rubbing it in on me." He was silent for a time with his hands on his knees and his head thrown back, looking at the ceiling. Almost imperceptibly a smile began to crack his features, and when he turned his eyes to the man at the desk, they were dancing with merriment, as he said: "Just been reading a piece here in the Sun about the influence of climate on human endeavor. It says that in northern latitudes there is more oxygen in the air and folks breathe faster, and their blood flows faster, and that keeps their liver going. 'Trouble with me,' says always been climate-slaggy liver. It had been a little more oxygen floating round in my system, the street cars would still be running, the woolen mill would have forty thousand inhabitants. My fatal mistake was one of latitude. But—and he drawled out the word mockingly—"but I guess if the Lord had wanted me to make a town here He would have given me a different kind of liver." He snipped his knees as he signed: "This is a funny world, and the more you see of it the funnier it gets." The old man grinned complacently at the ceiling for a minute, and before getting out of his chair kicked his shoe-heels together merrily, wiped his glasses as he rose, put his bundle of papers under his arm, and left the office whistling an old, old-fashioned tune.

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**With a complete stock of Quality Groceries**

Let us send up a can of that good Heinz Plum Pudding for your Sunday Dinner.

**Also**

Include a can of Folgers Golden Gate Coffee. Every can guaranteed to please. Fresh Vegetables twice a week, Tuesday and Friday. Fresh Fish on Fridays also.

**Hunter Bros.**

48—TWO PHONES—70

"THE HOUSE OF QUALITY"

**Dr. J. Harris Hales**

Optometrist, (Eyesight Specialist) Office and Laboratory, 302 First National Bank, Brownwood, Branch office, Polk Bros. Bldg., Santa Anna, Texas.

I will be in Santa Anna Office EVERY SECOND and FOURTH TUESDAY of each month.

Children's eyes given very special attention.

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Out of every 100 chicks hatched, 50% ordinarily die. It is the experience of poultry raisers who use Purina Chick Startena that they raise 95%.

It is the most perfect baby chick ration obtainable and is sold on a positive guarantee of double development or money back.

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WITH BUTTERFLY BRAND FOR STARTING BABY CHICKS

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We have just installed a new combination Sausage mill. We are in a position now to make any amount of Sausage for our customers who are killing hogs.

We can also grind bones on this mill, these are very fine for chicken feed. Another feature of this mill we can grind Coffee on it too.

**Texas Merc. Co.**

"The People's Store"

We give S. & H. Green Stamps.

WANTED—To know the whereabouts of A. L. Smith. Have some important information for you. Communicate with Box 194, Coleman, Texas. 3-6tc

An automobile manufacturer said that America is on wheels. And none of them came from the heads of the automobile drivers.

**A WORD OF THANKS**

At last we have our new manse completed, of which the pastor, his family, and church are indeed very proud.

We feel very much at home in our neat, commodious little building.

We feel very grateful to our many friends who have so liberally contributed. We take this opportunity of thanking you one and all. Wishing you prosperity and happiness throughout the year, and we extend to you a hearty invitation to be with us in our church services on Third Sundays when convenient.—A. M. Pleasant, pastor, joined by the entire membership.

Now they are proposing a universal language just when most of us were becoming half-way proficient in English.

**W. O. W. NOTICE**

Delinquent Woodman may now reinstate FREE. See me at once for particulars.—J. S. Jones clerk. 19-1f.

G. W. Bourland, the Music Man, Coleman, Texas, 110 E. 1st St., phone 534. Factory Agent for the Celebrated Estey Organs. Write or phone. 5-4tp.

WANT to hire a hand to work on farm from now until July 1st.—C. W. Williams, route 3 4-tp

FOUND—A lady's coat. Owner can have same by calling at this office and paying for this ad.

**NOTICE**

I have opened up a Second-Hand Store first door west of the J. T. Close Repair Shop, and will be in the market for Second hand articles. Will buy, sell and repair. I am also prepared to take orders for Fruit Trees.—S. H. Petty.

**CLOSING NOTICE**

The First National Bank and First State Bank, will be closed Friday, February 22, same being a legal holiday.

GOOD Oats, clear of Johnson Grass at 57 1-2c per bushel at the grainery.—G. P. England.

PLENTY of second hand cars and trucks for sale cheap.—Santa Anna Motor Company.

GOOD JERSEY milk Cows for Sale.—H. J. Parker. 7-1f

**POSTED**

The public is hereby notified that the portion of the Weaver and Mitchell premises occupied by Mrs. E. L. Hester and J. B. Choate are posted against all intruders. 7-4t

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Use Blue Star Remedy for Eczema, Itch, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Ring Worms, Chapped Face, Poison Oak, Sunburns, Old Sores or Sores on Children. It relieves all forms of Sore Feet. For sale by

C. K. HUNTER

**PLANTING FLOURS IN HUMAN LIFE**

"Die when I may," wrote Abraham Lincoln to his friend, Speed, on one occasion, "I want it said of me by those who know me best that I always plucked a thistle and planted a flower where I thought a flower would grow." This superman never spoke carelessly. He knew, as you and I must learn, that what is said of one by the general mass amounts to little or nothing. He had such respect for what "those who knew him best" said that he wanted to deserve their commendation after death. Great souls are not affected by what the world thinks or says. They listen only to the voice within and the few other voices that come close to them. If you will eliminate that foolish regard for what people may, will or do say a fear it soon becomes—you will find your way smoother and easier and your work more successful. The world at large cannot know you. How, then, can it judge you? And what difference does it make if it attempts to judge? Are you answerable to the world at large, save for respecting its laws? Perhaps you are one of the few who make it a rule, as Lincoln did, to pluck thistles and plant flowers in place of them. If so, do you preface your action with a thought as to whether or not a flower will grow where the thistle now is? For, if you went through the world supplanting all thistles with flowers, you'd soon see a stretch of withered flowers, and you would have wasted many blossoming plants. As a rule, those who plant flowers in human lives, do it blindly. They seem to think their whole duty consists in sticking the shoot into the soil and hurrying along the sun sets. Whereas, it is just as important to select your planting ground as to plant your flower. And one great cause for the common complaint that life seems to yield so little in return for what is given it in the way of time and effort is the misplacement of the effort. Measure this day's work by this standard of Lincoln's and see where YOU stand!—Lubbock Avlanche.

There has been much agitation from time to time to get the salaries of the various state officials raised. Those who advocate higher pay for the officials argue that more competent men would offer for the offices and that the present salaries are not now in keeping with those paid men of like ability in other walks of life. The News believes that the Governor—and other state officials—should be paid a salary that would be adequate for a family to comfortably live on, and it must be considered that a man high in public life necessarily has more expenses than a private citizen. But we do not believe that the question of salary should influence a man to offer himself as a candidate for any state office. On the other hand, a man who has no other desire to serve his people only for the salary attached to the office is unfit for the office. To be the chief executive of a great state is quite an honor, an honor much greater than holding a high-salaried position. The present administration, and the people all over the state of Texas, are now demanding a reduction in expenditures of state government, and it seems that this is a most inopportune time to consider raising the salaries of state officials.

Doc Sellers, for seventeen years editor and publisher of the Brady Sentinel, purchased from W. T. Curtis last week, the Rising Star X-Ray, and will soon be in full charge of same. Since it was Mr. Curtis' desire to sell the Rising Star printing plant and newspaper, we are glad to see Mr. Sellers purchase it and assume the responsibilities necessary attached thereto. Look out Rising Star, Doc Sellers is a dog-gone good newspaper man, and will help you fellows out in your "pep" work that never ceases in your good little city.

If there's anything in a hame Great Britain ought to have a hard-working government.

Labor saving devices are created to save the labor of men so that they can labor more.

**LOCAL ADVERTISING**

SHERWIN-WILLIAMS, the best paint made, the cheapest, for it goes further and lasts longer. Paints, Oils, Wall paper.—Phillips Drug Store.

GOOD Fresh Jersey milk cow for sale.—W. L. Alford. 7-3tp

MESQUITE Pole Wood for Sale. Oats 60c per bushel at grainery.—E. W. Polk. 2p.

I AM opening a Radlaton Shop in the Riley building, just west of Gardner Filling Station, and am prepared to handle any kind of radiator repair or recore work. All work strictly guaranteed. Give me a trial.—L. C. Williams.

FOR SALE—200 bales Johnson Grass Hay, 250 bales bright oat straw. On Coleman and Brady Road, 10 miles from Santa Anna.—L. E. Bell, phone 5103, Coleman, Texas. 7-2tp.

HALF AND HALF—Farmers why raise cotton that is all seed? Get some of my first year seed, and get on the road to Lint production, \$2.50 per bu. F. O. B. Mabank.—A. S. Blansitt, route 2, Mabank, Texas. 6-2tp.

GOOD bundle feed for sale on my farm ten miles south of Santa Anna.—Carl Williams, 5-3

MAIZE FOR SALE—Can supply Pure Dwarf Maize Seed for planting, recleaned at 8c per lb.—Joe E. Brooks, Coleman, route 1. 6-6tp.

800 ACRES: no better on South Plains, sheet water 59 feet, fenced 3 sides, a bargain. Will trade.—Fred W. Turner. 49-1f

WHY not use clean filtered gasoline, it cost no more.—Gardner Filling Stations. 6-2tc

EGGS FOR SETTING—Rhode Island Red Eggs for sale at 50c per setting of 15.—Mrs. E. E. Land, phone 1412.

ROOMS with stove and plenty cover, over the State Bank. Phone 142.—Mrs. J. D. Allen. 5-3

WANTED—To know the whereabouts of A. L. Smith. Have some important information for you. Communicate with Box 194, Coleman, Texas. 3-6tc

IF you don't see what you need, call for it. We have it, or will get it.—Phillips Drug Store.

FOR SALE—Pure Bred White Rock eggs, \$1.50 setting of 15.—Mrs. Ed Keefer, phone 175.

FOR SALE—Some nice registered, Big type Poland China Pigs and Shoats; prices right.—H. J. Parker. 5-1f.

WE are tire dealers. Tires \$6.95 up.—Gardner Filling Stations.

SEE F. M. Jaynes for Wall paper, paint, brushes, enamel, pure Linseed oil, canvass and tax. Anything you want in the paint and paper line sell cheap, for cash. 6-1fc.

A few choice Plymouth Rock cockrels, price reasonable, phone 82.—Mrs. T. T. Perry. 5-3t

OATS for sale at 65 cents at my grainery.—R. H. Taylor. 4-1f

**NEED GLASSES**

Dr. Jones, the Eye man, will be at Childers & Co. Store, Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Eyes examined, glasses fitted, headache and Eye-strain relieved.

WHY not use clean filtered gasoline, it cost no more.—Gardner Filling Stations. 6-2tc

SOME good horses and mules for sale on terms.—Dr. Hays. 2

PHILLIPS' DRUG STORE Your Business Is Appreciated. PRESCRIPTION WORK A SPECIALTY. Phone 11—Night Phone 5 or 85.

ONE large unfurnished room for rent.—Mrs. John Harper.

WE are tire dealers. Tires \$6.95 up.—Gardner Filling Stations.

G. W. Bourland, the Music Man, Coleman, Texas, 110 E. 1st St., phone 534. Everything in music from a Jew's Harp to a Grand Piano delivered in your home direct from factory at prices that will save you money.

WANT to rent farm 100 acres or more. Would share crop or furnish myself.—G. W. Cameron, Santa Anna, Texas.

GOOD Red Oats for sale at 60c per bushel at the grainery.—J. E. Wheat, 6 miles north Santa Anna on Coleman-Comanche road. 7-4tp.

TRY that Spring Tonic and Body Builder admirine.—Phillips Drug Store.

NOTICE—Two Red Cows, one branded O D on left hip, the other H on right side, have been in the Boyd pasture almost two weeks. Owner may remove them by first paying for this notice.

LOST—Open face gold watch, with Elgin movement, Simmons chain attached, somewhere in Santa Anna, Tuesday, February 12. Reward if delivered at the News office.

SEE me for plain or ornamental Concrete work.—J. K. Odle.

**CITATION**

THE STATE OF TEXAS To the Sheriff or any Constable of Coleman County—Greeting:

You are hereby Comanded to summon of Mund Gross, B. H. Mudd, Administrator of the estate of Mund Gross, deceased; Linnie Williams Eddy, Zimri Williams Eddy, Wm. N. Harmon, J. W. Flanigan, Nathan G. Bagley, Frost Thorn, H. H. Edwards and James H. Starr, Administrators of the estate of Frost Thorn, deceased; Susan W. Thorn, James Turn, Mary Marcellite Thorn, Frost Thorn, Jr., Mary M. Thorn, Clara C. Starr, James F. Starr, W. B. Beakley, America Beakley, J. D. Beakley, I. J. Barber, Joannah Barber, Joannah Barber and the heirs of the following named deceased persons, to-wit: Mund Gross, Linnie Williams Eddy, Zimri Williams Eddy, Wm. N. Harmon, J. W. Flanigan, Nathan G. Bagley, Frost Thorn, Susan W. Thorn, James Thorn, Mary Marcellite Thorn, Frost Thorn, Jr., Mary M. Thorn, Clara C. Starr, James F. Starr, W. B. Beakley, America Beakley, J. D. Beakley, I. J. Barber, Joannah Barber and Joannah Barber, defendants by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Coleman County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Coleman, Texas, on the 16th day of June A. D. 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 30th day of January A. D. 1924 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 2878, wherein D. J. Woodward is Plaintiff, and the above named defendants are all the Defendants and the only Defendants in said cause, said petition alleging:

That heretofore, to-wit: On the 30th day of January, 1924, Plaintiff was the owner of and in possession of the following described land and premises, owning, holding and claiming the same in fee simple from and under the sovereignty of the soil, to-wit: 113 6-10 acres of land situated in Coleman County, Texas, and being out of and a part of Mund Gross Survey No. 44 Abstract No. 221. Beginning at a stone set in the ground from which a forked mesquite tree 12 inches in diameter bears North 40° E. 21' vrs. and a Do. 14 inches in diameter bears N. 83° E. 30' 2-5 vrs. said beginning corner is situated 669 1-2 vrs. S. from the N. W. corner of Mund Gross, Survey No. 44 and the N. E. corner of Samuel Sprague Survey No. 664. Thence S. with the W. line of Survey No. 44 and the E. line of Survey No. 664, 594 vrs. to a stone set in the ground. Thence E. 1080 vrs. through said Mund Gross Survey No. 44 to a stone set in its East line. Thence N. 594 vrs. with the East line of Survey No. 44 and the W. line of Survey No. 32, H. T. & B. R. Co., to a set stone for the N. E. corner of this tract. Thence W. 1080 vrs. to the place of beginning.

That afterwards and on said date while Plaintiff was the owner of and in possession of the lands and premises aforesaid, the Defendants unlawfully entered in and upon said premises and dispossessed Plaintiff of such premises and that Defendants unlawfully withhold from Plaintiff the title and possession of said premises to the amount of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS.

That in addition to his title in fee simple to the land and premises aforesaid, Plaintiff is the owner of said land under the ten years Statute of Limitation, in this: That Plaintiff and those under whom he claims, have had peaceable and adverse possession thereof, cultivating, using and enjoying the same for more than ten years next preceding the institution of this suit and next preceding the 29th day of January, 1924, and Plaintiff here pleads the ten years Statute of Limitation as further title to said land and premises.

Wherefore, premises considered Plaintiff prays the Court that the Defendants be cited to appear and answer this Petition, and that upon hearing hereof be have judgment for the title and possession of said land and premises and for all costs of suit, and for such other and further relief, general and special as he may be entitled to in law and in equity. Herein Fail/ Not but have before said Court, at its aforesaid regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same. Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Coleman, Texas, on this 30th day of January A. D. 1924. F. E. Gidson, Clerk District Court Coleman, County, Texas. By B. H. Pittman, Deputy.

**IT IS TOO LATE**

How often we hear the son as he stands by the bier of his mother remark that "she was a good mother, God bless her!" How often we see that son buy the first flowers for his mother after she is placed in her grave. The woman there had borne the heat and burden of life's long day, and no one had ever heard her murmur; her hand was quick to reach out in a helping grasp to those who fell by the wayside, and her feet were swift on errands of mercy; the heart of her son had trusted her; he had left her to long hours of solitude, while he amused himself among scenes in which she had no part. When boon companions deserted him, when fickle affection selfishly departed, when pleasure palled, he went home to find her waiting for him. Children had been born to the home. She had reared them, almost alone, and they were gone. Her hand had led them to the uttermost edge of the morning that had no noon. Then she had comforted them and sent them out strong and whole-hearted, while she stayed at home and cried. What can a woman do but cry—and trust? She is at rest now. But she could not die until he had promised to "bear up." She had been blessed in giving, and he in receiving. It was an even partnership after all. She had been a good mother to him. Oh, man! man! why did you not tell her so, when her ears were not dulled by death? Why wait to say these words over a coffin wherein lies a wasted, weary, gray-haired woman, whose eyes have so long held that pathetic story of loss and suffering and patient yearning, which so many women's eyes reveal—to those who read. Why not have made the wilderness in heart blossom like the rose with the "prodigality" of your love? Now you would give words—were they yours to give—to see the tears of joy your words would once have caused, bejewelling the closed windows of her soul. It is too late.

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Torpid Liver Fills Body With Poisons—Pepsinated Calomel Guaranteed to Relieve Between Sundown and Sunup—No Nausea.

Calomel is the only medicine that will actually reach the liver, but ordinary calomel is so drastic that many have derived themselves of its fine effects because of its harshness. This objection has been overcome in Pepsinated Calomel. Many who formerly could not take calomel are finding a most acceptable remedy in Pepsinated Calomel because it is English Calomel (which doctors recognize as the standard of purity), treated with pepsin and other soothing ingredients that not only stimulate the liver to normal action, but sweeten the stomach and aid digestion. Many report that the use of Pepsinated Calomel unclogs their systems of poisonous waste, brings back appetite, causes dullness to disappear and makes them "feel like new!" S. H. Phillips and all reliable druggists recommend and guarantee Pepsinated Calomel to bring relief between sundown and sunup or your money refunded. Try it—we guarantee you'll feel better tomorrow. (Adv.)

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After every meal

A pleasant and agreeable sweet and a 1-3-5-t-1-g benefit as well.

Good for teeth, breath and digestion. Makes the next cigar taste better.

Sealed in its Purity Package

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**What is a Teaspoonful?**

—It depends on the Baking Powder you use. You must use a heaping spoonful of many brands because they don't contain as much leavening strength as

**GALUMET**  
The Economy BAKING POWDER

Level spoonfuls are all that are necessary when you use GALUMET—it makes more bakings which means a real saving on bake day.

Sales 2 1/2 times as much as that of any other brand

THE WORLD'S GREATEST BAKING POWDER

**H AND H BLEND COFFEE**  
MEDIUM GROUND  
ROASTED AND PACKED BY HOFFMANN-HAYMAN COFFEE CO. SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

We roast it. They praise it. At your grocers.

**HOFFMANN HAYMAN COFFEE CO.**

Editors and publishers who do not have success in convincing their local merchants of the value of newspaper advertising as an accelerator of trade are interested in the record of the editor of Linn Creek, Mo., Reveille, who grew tired of having the merchants tell him that advertising would do them no good, and therefore added to his print- ing establishment a well selected stock of general merchandise, and now is the leading shoe dealer, the leading dry goods merchant and leading general store proprietor of his town. He not only proved that advertising would pay, but there was more money in the mercantile than in

the newspaper business, and has announced that he will dispose of his newspaper property to the first buyer who will run it on progressive lines, and devote himself to taking care of the mercantile trade that his advertising has developed.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL Sunday School Lesson

(By REV. F. B. FITZWATER, D.D., Dean of the Evening School, Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.)

LESSON FOR FEBRUARY 17

JOSHUA AND THE CONQUEST OF CANAAN

LESSON TEXT—Josh. 1:1-9; 23:1-3. GOLDEN TEXT—Not one thing hath I done for you, O Lord your God, concerning you...

The book of Joshua, from which our lesson is taken, is a history of the conquest of the Promised Land and its apportionment among the tribes of Israel. It takes its name from its principal character, Joshua. During the wilderness journey he was Moses' minister and captain of his army.

I. Joshua's Call (Josh. 1:1, 2). Moses was dead, but God's work must go on. The work was continued by calling Joshua to take it up.

II. God Renews His Promise of the Land to Israel (Josh. 1:3, 4). This promise had been given to Abraham and renewed to Isaac, Jacob, and Moses.

III. God's Presence Promised to Joshua (Josh. 1:5). Joshua was entering upon a perilous and difficult enterprise, but the Lord said, as He was with Moses so He would be with him.

1. The Jordan River (v. 2). This river was now at its flood (Josh. 3:15), making it impossible for armies to cross.

2. The People Were Living in Walled Cities (Num. 13:38). Notwithstanding this, God is ready to insure success.

3. Unwavering Obedience to the Word of God (v. 7). In a land of idolatry it required much courage to be true to God.

4. Conditions of Blessings in the Land (Josh. 1:6, 7). "Be strong and of good courage."

5. Joshua's Retrospect (Josh. 3:1-3). As his life was now drawing to a close, he summoned the people and rulers to give some farewell counsels.

6. All That Had Happened Was Done by the Lord. God had fought for them. No one had been able to stand against them; therefore He urges upon them fidelity.

7. Give God the blossom of your life! Put Him not off with the fallen leaves! —Nicholls.

8. Be Obliging. We cannot always oblige, but we can always speak obligingly. —Yettis.

TALES OF THE OLD FRONTIER

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

PONY BOB HASLAM'S RIDE

AT ONE of the most critical periods in American history, the Pony Express was the only means of rapid communication to bind the East and West together, and well did the brave combination of gallant horseflesh and dauntless manhood live up to the tradition of "Get the mail through—no matter what the perils of desert, blizzard or hostile Indians—get it through!"

One day in the summer of 1860, when Haslam had finished his run to Reed's station on the Carson river, Nevada, he found that settlers had commandeered all of the horses for a quick dash against raiding Plutes.

Haslam was due to lay off at Bucklands, the end of his 75-mile stretch of the express route, but the next rider was ill and the division superintendent offered Bob a \$50 bonus to go on. Haslam accepted and started on the lonely ride of 35 miles to Carson Sink.

Then, after this ride of 187 miles without a stop except to change horses, he rested for nine hours and was ready to go back with the eastbound mail. But tragedy was ahead of him.

At Carson Sink, the next station, he found 15 men garrisoned in the station, which had been attacked only a few hours previously. They tried to persuade him to remain until it was certain that the Indians had left the vicinity, but he refused.

He had ridden 350 miles with less than eleven hours lay-off, and there was not an hour of his riding time when he was not in danger of capture by the Plutes and death at the torture stake.

SHERIFFS MEET AT COLEMAN PLEDGE CO-OPERATION, ASS'N FORMED

The Sheriffs of five counties—Brown, Coleman, Runnels, McCullough and Concho—composing the 35th judicial district, together with a number of deputy sheriffs, met at Coleman, February 8th, for the purpose of discussing the problems of law enforcement coming within the province of the sheriffs' departments, and to evolve plans of mutual helpfulness, that there might be a spirit of co-operation between the departments of the different counties, to the end that the laws might be fully enforced and the situation handled in the most business like manner.

The sheriffs and their deputies were the guests in Coleman of Sheriff Dick Pauley, and report that they were treated with true Texas hospitality by the sheriff of Coleman and his force.

Sheriff Jim Flint, of Runnels county, in a few well chosen remarks explained the object of the meeting, which was that the sheriffs of the different counties form a District Sheriffs association and work in co-operation with each other in coping with all law violations.

The association was formed comprising the five counties in this judicial district and with the sheriffs and their deputies of these counties as charter members. Sheriff Jim Flint of Runnels was elected President of the association and Deputy Sheriff Carl Adams of Brownwood was elected secretary.

On motion of Sheriff Bob Miller of Concho county, the second Friday of each month was chosen as the monthly meeting date and the meeting will be held at Ballinger on the 14th day of March.

Sheriff Flint pointed out that the problem of the different sheriffs were almost identical that they each had the same kind of law breakers to cope with and the same problems to solve. Therefore it is the purpose of the new organization to work in harmony and cooperation with each other that each may the more efficiently discharge the duties of his office.

He said that many heads were better than one and that meeting together each month, the various sheriffs could help to solve each others problems.

By having the sheriffs departments of the different counties work in harmony and render aid to each other through the functioning of this association, it is intended that the law enforcing machinery may be so moulded together that county lines will offer no protection to the law breaker in the future. Every sheriff present pledged that he and his deputies would do their utmost, when notified of that a law violator from a neighboring county was attempting to make his escape through his territory, to apprehend him.

At the meeting in Ballinger in March it is intended to invite the sheriffs of the counties adjoining this district to attend the meeting and to then present to them the plan of operation and to invite them to form other associations. In this way it is hoped that the formation of the sheriffs association of the 35th judicial district may mark the beginning of a movement of like nature spreading out and covering the entire state, and may ultimately lead to closer cooperation and more efficient enforcement of the laws in the entire state of Texas.

Automobile production may have increased fifty per cent in 1923, but the ability to buy didn't.

The railroads killed 120,685 persons last year, which doesn't include those who got caught at the crossings.

Embarrassing to Aunt Susan "Aunt Susan," an old Mary land ducky, was being registered. Like many another woman, Aunt Susan neither relished telling her age nor her private affairs.

"What are your affiliations?" asked the registrar. "Why, I don't hav'ter tell dem, does I, boss?"

"Answer the question," he commanded. "But, boss," protested the old ducky in dismay, "I don't like to. He's gotter wife and three chil-lun." —Swiped.

BILL BOOSTER SAYS

SOME OF OUR CITIZENS DO MOST OF THEIR BUYING AT 'BIG-TOWN.' 'BIG-TOWN' FOLKS BUY IN CHICAGO. CHICAGO SHOPPERS GO TO NEW YORK, NEW YORK FOLKS SHOP IN LONDON, WHILE LONDONERS TRADE IN PARIS! THE HULL DARN CABOODLE WOULD DO BETTER TO 'BUY AT HOME!'



"GOOD MORNING"

We always know the cheerful man by his hearty "good morning." As well might fog, and cloud, and vapor hope to cling to the sun's illumined landscape, as the blues and moroseness to remain on any countenance when the cheerful one comes along with a hearty "good-morning." Do not forget to say it to your parents, brothers, sisters, playmates. It costs you nothing. Say it cheerfully and with a smile; it will do you good and do your friends good. There's a kind of inspiration in every "good morning," heartily and smilingly spoken, that helps to make hope fresher and work lighter. It seems nearly to make the morning good, and a prophecy of a good day to come after it. While this is true of the "good morning" it is equally true of all kind and cheerful greetings. This cheer the discouraged, rest the tired one, and somehow make the wheels of time run more smoothly.

Silks Beau Monde

36-38 inch Crepe de Chine in blue, pink, honeydew, maise, logcabin, black, brown and peacock-blue. Just the thing for lingerie and children's dresses.

Specially priced at \$1.49 yd.

38-inch Canton Crepe in gray, blue hehna, tan and pekin-blue. Will make lovely spring dresses.

Specially priced at \$2.50 yd

R.P. Crum & Son

"House of Service"

Next Spring—

With over 200,000 orders for Ford Cars and Trucks already placed for delivery during the next few months, we are facing a record-breaking spring demand.

Each successive month this winter has witnessed a growth in sales far surpassing that of any previous winter season. This increase will be even greater during the spring months, always the heaviest buying period.

These facts suggest that you place your order early to avoid disappointment in delivery at the time desired.

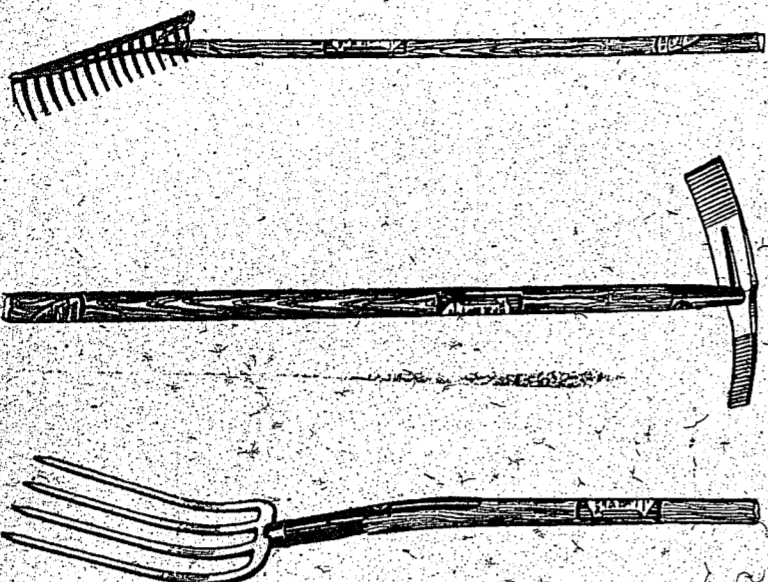


It is not necessary to pay cash for your car in order to have your name placed on the preferred delivery list. You can make a small payment down, or you can buy, if you wish, under the convenient terms of the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan.

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We wish to call your attention to the splendid line of Rakes and Garden Implements.

Fresh shipment Water Hose, very heavy. Don't fail to examine this "Crack Proof" Hose.

BUCKEYE INCUBATORS



SELF CULTURE CLUB

Time, 3:30 o'clock, March 14.  
 Hostess—Mrs. Tom Hays.  
 Leader—Ruby Harper.  
 Subject—Julius Caesar, Acts III-IV-V.  
 Roll Call—Questions from the play.  
 Character Sketch of Caesar—Mrs. Paul Williams.  
 Questions:  
 1. Note the dramatic effect of the first line of the Act. What is Caesar's mental attitude in speaking the line?  
 2. Does Shakespeare intend any final impression concerning the justice of the conspiracy before the blow is struck?  
 3. What is the immediate effect upon Cassius and Brutus of Caesar's death?  
 4. Does the message that Antony sends by the servant sound frank and sincere? Does it initiate the following action?  
 5. Upon what differing suspects of the situation do Cassius and Brutus dwell in their scene with Antony after the assassination?  
 6. Where rests the blame for the failure of the conspiracy?  
 7. How does Antony take up a phrase of Brutus' speech? What means does he use to contradict the assertion contained therein?  
 ACT VI  
 8. Does scene 1 endeavour to enlist the sympathies for the triumvirs that were once given to the conspirators?  
 9. What is the purpose of scene II? What speeches in it indicate the declining fortunes of the republican leader?  
 10. Is there shown any deterioration in the characters of these two men?  
 11. How does the news of Partius' death serve as a list of the stoic principles professed by the two men?  
 12. What is the dramatic purpose of the ghost scene?  
 ACT V  
 13. What change in his philosophical part does Cassius announce in this Act?  
 14. Does Brutus remain a confirmed stoic?  
 15. What is the immediate occasion of Cassius' death? Describe the manner of it. In that he a true stoic?  
 16. Compare the now implied opinion of Brutus with the opinion held by him at the beginning of the conspiracy.  
 17. How does Antony speak of Brutus at the end of the drama?  
 J. B. Henderson and B. D. Vinson, two of our valued readers who get their mail on route 1 out of Coleman, were among the business callers at the office Wednesday.

MAKES GOOD—THO BLIND

Austin, Texas, Feb. 12—Although blind, Robert G. Stoll, of Taylor, a student of the University of Texas, earns most of his expenses while attending school, and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa because of high scholastic attainments. He received the bachelor of arts degree from the University after attending three long sessions and two terms of summer school, and he is now working for the master of arts degree. Stoll was 23 years old when he entered the State Blind Institute, where he finished the five years' course in 3 years.  
 In his class work, he depends on having the text assignments read to him, but he does not review before examinations. He writes his examination papers on a typewriter, after hearing the questions read to him. He speaks Spanish and German very fluently, and is an excellent student of Latin and French. He became blind at the age of 18, by an accident in which a nail caused the loss of one eye, and the sight of the other failed soon after. He has devised several cigar and chewing-gum slot machines, which enable him to earn his expense while in school. He expects to teach after he finishes his University education.  
 Stoll enjoys attending the various concerts and lectures held on the campus, but he finds basketball and football games rather tiresome, he says. He attends the Lutheran Church. Since he has entered the University, he has lived at Brackenridge Hall, and considers it a second home. To shave, shine his shoes, make up his bed, and to perform other duties, are the common routine for him, just as for the other boys; he says that he prefers the straight razor to the modern safety one for shaving. He has no difficulty in getting to classes, and the Woman's Building is the only place he has trouble getting away from. This may be because he likes the girls so much, he says.  
 NOW Shipping Frost-proof Cabbage plants, prepayed, 5000, \$8.50; 1000, \$2.25; 500, \$1.25. Crustal Wax and Bermuda Onions, 5000, \$5.75; 1000, \$1.25; 500, 70c. Cauliflower, 100, \$1.00. They are fine. We will have Sweet Potato, Tomato and Pepper plants after March 15th. Dealers get our wholesale prices. We are Texas' Pioneer Plant Shippers.—THE SEWELL CO., Carrizo Springs, Texas. 7-4tc.  
 J. E. Wheat from out on route one was among our business visitors Tuesday.

Caught in the Round-Up

Mrs. Comer Blue is expected to return the latter part of this week from Kaufman, Texas, where she has been for several weeks visiting her mother.

Mrs. C. F. Freeman is visiting her son, C. A. Freeman and family of Talpa this week.

March 1-8 has been designated as Canned-goods week. What have you merchants got in the way of special offers in canned goods for the occasion? Tell us about it in our next issue of the News.

Mrs. Byran Edwards and son, Manuel, visited relatives in Gokman last week-end.

Mrs. James L. White of Abilene was here Sunday to visit relatives and attend the wedding of her sister Miss Lois Werner.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Crum of Melvin, visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crum Sunday.

F. C. Ramsey and family of Cleburne moved to Santa Anna this week where they will make their future home.

Messers Scott Snodgrass and R. D. Kinney, Jr., of Coleman were pleasant callers at the News office Tuesday. The two young gentlemen are ex-students of the State University and were out in the interest of an ex-students meet in Coleman, March 2nd.

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Mitchell accompanied Mrs. Harry Thompson of Coleman to Dallas last week, where Mrs. Thompson is having her eyes treated.

H. S. Willey of Coleman has accepted employment with the Burton-Lingo Lumber company, taking the place of Lonzo Moore, who left Tuesday for Colorado city, to work in a lumber yard there.

Mayor Ed Baxter and family and Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Brown were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Shield of Coleman Sunday.

G. P. England of the Plainview community was a visitor to our office Tuesday and placed an ad in our want ad column.

Mrs. H. O. Newman and children of Eldorado, are visiting Mrs. Newman's mother, Mrs. J. W. Kirkpatrick of this city.

B. W. Ryan orders his address changed from Coleman to Tuscola, beginning with this issue of the News.

If it is of any interest, we will state that Coleman county received another fine rain, Monday of this week.

Miss May Blue, buyer for the Santa Anna Mercantile company is in St. Louis and other eastern markets this week, purchasing new spring goods. We have not been informed, but have an idea she will make a heavy purchase, as the demands are strong at their store.

Mrs. Miriam Prickett is in Dallas this week purchasing new stock for her millinery store.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. McHorse of Coleman visited Mrs. John Hensley Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Newman returned Friday from Clovis, N. M., where they were called to the bedside of Mr. Newman's brother, Claud Newman, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, but was improving when they left him.

HOW TO MAKE YOUR ADVERTISEMENTS PAY

Few merchants really have the proper appreciation of what advertising means to them. A writer in an exchange amply put it in this way:  
 If a man spoke to his wife only once a month or every two months she wouldn't recognize his voice, says an exchange. Yet some business men advertise once a month or every two months and then wonder why they don't get much business. Advertise every week. Remember "the used key is always bright." The store that tells the public what it is doing every day is the store that gets there in the end.

J. Q. Barnes, buyer for the Texas Mercantile company, is in the market this week, purchasing new goods. Due to the flattering prospects for business this year, he will probably buy a large stock.

The Women of the Presbyterian Church are asked to observe Monday, Feb. 18th as a special day of prayer for missions. Will not every woman be present at the church Monday from 1 to 3 o'clock? Let us fully our forces the prayers of the women of the Southwest rising as one voice in prayer and supplication that there may be no "going back" in the work of the kingdom.

The Texas Mercantile company has recently installed one of the completest combined Sausage, Coffee and Bone grinding mills we have ever seen. They are prepared to furnish ground bone and meat scraps for chicken feed which should be very much in demand.

THE "MISSING LINK"

A speaker at the meeting of the American Association by the Advancement of Science said that the "missing link" is in a fair way of being discovered, in fact, it may be found any day.  
 He reported that all of America and western Europe have been explored, which is assurance enough perhaps, that we have escaped the possibility of that phantom of science being found in our midst.  
 Americans may now well feel secure and Mr. Bryan may continue to condemn the theory of evolution, for all we care.  
 The "missing link" is not among us. Let joy be unrestrained.  
 But even scientists may make mistakes.

MOTHER

By Grace E. Hall

It seems we scarcely knew her  
 In her many years on earth,  
 Nor realized, 'til she had gone,  
 Her wonderful woman's worth.  
 Too much she gave, too freely  
 Toiled  
 For others, all the while,  
 Too much we blindly let her give  
 Forgetting thanks or smile.  
 Now looking back, across the  
 years  
 Our hearts are wrung with  
 pain,  
 Remembering the price she paid  
 That we—her own—might  
 gain.  
 She placed no price upon her  
 deeds  
 Love prompted every one;  
 We simply knew she filled our  
 needs  
 Until her work was done.  
 Those toil worn hands had never  
 meant  
 So much to us, until  
 Upon her quiet breast they lay,  
 So white and cold and still;  
 What service they had done for  
 us  
 We never paused to say,  
 Until we missed her ministry—  
 When she had gone away.  
 The thin grey hair upon her  
 brow  
 Was like a halo-light,  
 But we had never known it—  
 'Til she went away that night  
 We longed to tell our love at last  
 And how we held her dear,  
 But oh! the hour had glided past  
 Our words she could not hear!  
 Heart-breaking fears at last we  
 saw  
 With vision clear and bright,  
 The beauties of that noble soul  
 Who went away that night,  
 With aching hearts we knew too  
 little  
 There never was another  
 So fine and true the whole way  
 through  
 As she, whom we called—  
 Mother.

INTERMEDIATE B. Y. P. U.

Subject—Paul converted.  
 Memory verse—Thelma Lacker  
 Leader—Ethel Jones.  
 Jesus the center of the New Testament—Louis Ratcliff.  
 Introduction—Leader.  
 Paul's early years—Mondelan Nabours.  
 Paul, the persecutor—Manuel Edwards.  
 Paul going to Damascus—Ola Polk.  
 Paul sees Jesus—Louis Ratcliff.  
 Paul surrenders to Jesus—Bernice Traylor.  
 Paul Baptized—Leader.  
 Scripture reading—Mrs. T. S. Slaughter.  
 13 Reasons Why One Merchant Lost 200 Customers  
 A recent issue of The Butcher's Advocate contained the following interesting article:  
 1. Indifference of salespeople 47  
 2. Attempts at substitute 24  
 3. Errors 18  
 4. Tricky methods 18  
 5. Slow deliveries 17  
 6. Overinsistence of salespeople 16  
 7. Insolence of salespeople 16  
 8. Unnecessary delays in service 13  
 9. Tactless business policies 11  
 10. Bad arrangement of store 9  
 11. Salespeople's ignorance of goods 6  
 12. Refusal to exchange purchases 4  
 13. Poor quality of goods 1  
 Total 200  
 Salespeople responsible for loss. These thirteen reasons for discontinuing patronage were given by 200 former customers of a merchant in answer to a letter asking for an honest expression of why they no longer favored him with their patronage. The letters were sent to all customers on this merchant's book, from whom he had heard nothing for a year or longer.—Radford Grocery News.



GOOD GROCERIES

When You Have Said That  
 You Have Said All  
 That's to be Said

There are inferior brands, but we do not handle them.  
 There are stocks of stale goods, but not in our store.  
 Good groceries stand for quality, service and satisfaction,  
 and that's what the shopper gets here.

Prices Reasonable

Wholesale and Retail

MARSHALL & SONS

"The Store That Makes The Prices."