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"He Profits Most Who Serves Best"

Mrs. Ferguson Installed Governor

Vast Crowds Jam Capitol For Ceremony



Miriam A. Ferguson

Austin, Texas, Jan. 20.—A woman sits today in the seat of power where since the birth of Texas only men have sat.

A kiss bestowed on the state's oldest official Bible, an oath to uphold the laws, a promise to consecrate her life to her state, and Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson of Temple, Texas, became the first woman governor of the Union's largest state.

The investiture of the woman governor today was an epic in speech and song. A few thousand of her fellow citizens witnessed the simple, impressive ceremonies in the hall of the Texas capitol as history carved another epoch within.

Without parallel among the events of Texas history was the induction of this erstwhile housewife of the premier political position in the state. The ceremony was dominated by the simple faith which the common people of Texas cherish. It brought together under the roof of the historic capitol the humble and the mighty who, mingling in a common cause, brought the myrrh and incense of political fealty and laid them at the feet of the woman here in the birth of a new time.

Mrs. A. L. Bays received a message from San Angelo Monday afternoon, stating that her son, Wilmer, was dangerously ill. Mrs. Bays left on the night train to be with her son.

BIBLE AND PICTURES OF WILSON GIFTS AS NEFF RETIRES

Austin, Texas, Jan. 20.—A Bible as a gift to his "successors," a white house flower and a portrait of Woodrow Wilson were left by Governor Neff in the executive office as he closed the door today on his four-year term as governor. The Bible was placed on his desk where it would be the first object noticed by Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson as she assumed the duties of office.

Trickham Couple Married Here

Wednesday evening at the home of Pastor Oder of the First Christian church, Miss Mary Shield, daughter of Mrs. C. F. Shield of Trickham, and Mr. Oscar Boenicke were married, Pastor Oder speaking the words that united them in marriage. The News extends congratulations and best wishes for a prosperous and happy future.

J. Tom Newman received a message from his son, Oran, Thursday morning, which stated that Mrs. Newman was seriously ill, and no hope for her recovery. Oran is a senior in the Law department of the State University at Austin, and his young wife was teaching in the schools at New Braunfels, in South Texas. Mrs. Newman has been sick with pneumonia, and has made a turn for the worse. Mr. Newman and son, Lewis, left immediately for New Braunfels to be with Oran in his distress.

Mrs. S. L. Weaver left Sunday night for Austin to visit her brother Hon. A. L. Pearce, representative from this district, and incidentally, to attend the festivities of the inauguration of Mrs. M. A. Ferguson as Governor of Texas. Mrs. Weaver is a reporter on the Santa Anna News, and will probably tell us all about it in our next issue.

Among those reported to be victims of the flu and pneumonia this week are Mesdames R. P. Crum, P. L. Witten, Frank Miles and others. G. W. Faulkner is also confined to his room suffering with pneumonia. The epidemic is generally raging and all precautions should be used to prevent a further spread.

SANTA ANNA MAN BUYS BUSINESS PROPERTY HERE

A. Bertrand of Santa Anna, has purchased the American Cafe from Bill Cross, also the Young & Western barber shop next door to Cafe. He also purchased Bob Young's residence, where he will make his home.

Mr. J. S. Morgan, also of Santa Anna, will have charge of the barber shop. The same barbers will remain with the shop Mr. Morgan states. Mr. Bertrand will run the cafe, he states, but it will be a few days before he completes moving and making other arrangements. — Cross Plains Review.

Married Tuesday

Mr. Fred Brusenham and Mrs. Viola Richardson were united in marriage Tuesday, and left immediately following their marriage for Winters, where they will make their future home. Both parties are well known here and have a host of friends who will join the News in extending best wishes.

New and Renewals

Following is the list of new and renewals to the News since our last report: Fred Turner, Jr., M. E. Harvey, Gus Nabours, A. T. Stiles, T. H. Moore, G. F. Barlett, R. O. Manning, S. A. Neill, J. Fox Casey, Sam McCrary, R. W. Ashenbeck, T. J. Lancaster, Louis Newman, F. A. Parsons, J. W. Johnson, J. A. Price, Mrs. F. B. Fletcher, J. A. Post, G. W. Myers, John Fiveash, S. H. Brooks, R. O. King, Ranger, Texas; A. Bertrand, Cross Plains, Texas; C. H. Hunter, Los Angeles, Calif.

The Self Culture Club

The Self Culture Club met on January 16 with Mrs. W. R. Kelley. There were nine present. Mrs. J. Frank Turner was leader, and gave an excellent biographical sketch of Rudyard Kipling, with criticism of his writings. All members responded to the questions on the lesson which made it very instructive and interesting. Mrs. A. U. Weaver who is one of the charter members of the club resigned as president as she is going to Houston to spend some time and perhaps make her home there. This is a great loss to the club as Mrs. Weaver is one of its most valuable members. By her winning manners and her personal charm Mrs. Weaver has endeared herself to all members of the club. Besides losing Mrs. Weaver the club is also losing Mrs. T. W. Davidson and Mrs. Chas. Eck, who have both been highly esteemed and useful members and will be greatly missed.

Mrs. P. P. Bond succeeds Mrs. Weaver as president. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Fred Turner, Jr.

Senior B. Y. P. U. Program

Subject: Mexico and Central America.
Introduction, Leader—Byron England.
Curious Requirements and Customs—Reginald Owen.
Our Scattered Forces—Ola Polk.
Delightful place to live—Mary McCorkle.
What Revolutions Recur—Mondean Nabours.
After four Centuries of Roman Rule—Sybil Vinson.
Our Southern Baptist Missions in Mexico reported in May, 1924—Otho Polk.
The gate way of the world—Ora Lee Niell.
Each one come with a prepared lesson and let's render this program in the right spirit.—Reporter.

Mrs. Cavender of near Fort Worth and Ed Witten of Lampasas, are here this week at the bedside of their mother, Mrs. P. L. Witten.

OVERALL LIBRARY SPELLING CONTEST

Mrs. M. Tye Overall, as has been her custom for several years, will present a twenty dollar library to one of Coleman County's schools.

The winning school is determined by a spelling contest which is governed by the following rules:

- Boys or girls, who are regular attendants of school this year, and who have not done work higher than the seventh grade shall be allowed to enter the contest.
- Any school may have two contestants.
- The spelling shall be oral.
- The spelling shall be taken from page 73 to page 191 inclusive of the New World Speller Book 2; should these words become exhausted; the spelling list published by the Interscholastic League will be used commencing at the Junior year.
- The words shall be pronounced by a disinterested person and one trial shall be given each contestant.
- The words shall be pronounced in the order that they are in the text, the pronouncer may omit exercises if he desires but if an exercise is begun all words in that exercise shall be pronounced.
- Three disinterested persons shall act as judges during the contest.
- The date shall be two o'clock during the Interscholastic League Meet at Coleman.
- The library shall be awarded to the school whose representative spells last.

J. H. Kellett,
County Superintendent.

A FREAK EGG

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Zackery brought to this office Wednesday, a "2 in 1" hen egg. Mr. Zackery found the egg in a nest, with a small cavity broken in one end, the yoke wasting, and upon examination, there was another egg inside the Jumbo, with a full developed shell. The outside egg was one of the largest hen eggs we ever saw, apparently more than double the size of a regular egg. Mrs. Zackery states she has about 120 red hens, and prizes them very highly as they are a paying investment.

Merry Wives

Mrs. E. M. Easley was hostess to the Merry Wives on Thursday afternoon. The house was beautifully decorated for the occasion with cut flowers and pot plants. Instead of the usual routine of work the time was spent very pleasantly in playing 42. There were 5 tables of players and several visitors outside of the club were present. Dainty refreshments of pressed chicken, wafers, olives, cherry pie and hot coffee were served to the guests.

Mrs. G. W. Faulkner Entertains

Mrs. G. W. Faulkner entertained the Advisory Board of the Hospital on Wednesday afternoon. There were several guests outside of the Advisory Board present, and the time was spent very pleasantly in playing 42. The house was decorated for the occasion, the color scheme being pink. Dainty refreshments of chicken sandwiches, hot chocolate, cake and charlotte russe were served to the guests. All report a very pleasant afternoon.

Adilene and Leand Parker received a message Sunday, stating their grandfather, L. F. Frawe, whose home was in the State of Florida, was dead. Mr. Frawe leaves one daughter and three grandchildren as his only survivors.

Music in jail is proposed as a means of reducing the crime wave. "Home Sweet Home" might be a good number.

LATEST NEWS FROM THE COURT HOUSE

Deeds Filed:

Burgess Weaver et al, to W. O. Garrett, Lot No. 1 in block No. 6, original town of Santa Anna; \$3000.00.
R. N. Moffitt to J. M. Shields, Southwest and Northwest 1-4 of T. & N. O. Ry. Co., section No. 80; \$2909.00
R. B. Terrell, et al to J. L. Dodgen N. 60 acres of William Terrell Survey No. 83; \$2400.00.
W. E. Haney to J. E. Lanford, Lot No. 3 of Block No. 11, Beakley's Addition to Coleman; \$1,500.00.
H. M. Weir, to G. W. Candler, 160 acres of Wm. Brockner, Survey No. 753; \$20,800.00.
J. A. Stobaugh to J. C. Lewis, Lot No. 3 of Block No. 21 of J. A. Stobaugh Subdivision of Farm Blocks Nos. 5 and 6, of Clow's Second Addition to Coleman; \$250.00.
J. A. Stobaugh to Leon L. Shield, Lot No. 1 in Block No. 21, of J. A. Stobaugh Subdivision of Farm Blocks Nos. 5 and 6 Clow's Second Addition to Coleman; \$250.00.

Births Reported:

To Mr. and Mrs. John T. Evans Coleman, girl.
To Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Walton, Valera, girl.
To Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Younglove, Coleman-Burkett rte, girl.
To Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Hull, Coleman, boy.
To Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell, Santa Anna, Rte. 1, boy.
To Mr. and Mrs. John DeLeon Santa Anna, girl.

Marriage License Issued:

A. H. Clay and Miss Noema Moore.
Steve Martin and Miss Thelma Harris.
Fred Wiginton and Miss Winnie McKee.
Wilburn Lester and Miss Ruby Dodd.
Andrew Jackson and Addie Lee Gordon (col).
Oscar Boenicke and Miss Mary Shield.
Marvin Pennington and Miss Lois Horton.

Dr. R. R. Lovelady turned his Tudor Sedan over a few miles west of town early Saturday morning and demolished the body and top beyond repair, but was fortunate enough not to get seriously hurt himself. The doctor is now driving a new Sedan to the tune of a several hundred dollar accident.

Never forget that the home run hitter has to touch all four bases.

MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION ELECTS OFFICERS

Poultry Industry to be Encouraged—Large Hatchery to be Installed.

At the January meeting of the Retail Merchants Association Tuesday, the following officers were elected to serve for one year: D. J. Johnson, president; J. J. Gregg, vice president; W. F. Barnes, Roger Hunter and B. T. Vinson, directors.

The poultry industry was brought up and discussed at some length, and it seemed to be the general consensus of opinion, that the business would be a good one to encourage, and a committee composed of W. F. Barnes, P. P. Bond and C. W. Woodruff was appointed to investigate and report back to the Association as to the advisability of the Association installing a custom hatchery incubator for the benefit of the public at large. A Ten Thousand egg capacity incubator will probably be installed—will be if the committee finds by its investigation, that in its opinion—it will be a good thing for the country. The News is already convinced that it will.

Another subject for discussion was that of establishing staple credit for worthy citizens and drawing the line on people who do not protect their credit by paying their accounts promptly when due. If a party is trading at one store on a credit it is unjust for him to try to start an account at some other store before he pays up where he has been trading, and this matter will have more attention in the future. The real purpose of the Association is to protect the members against customers who do not pay their debts—protect those who do pay, by extending to them a line of credit, and to promote such industries as will be of general service and benefit to the community. Such an association is worthy of the consideration of any business man or citizen in the community.

W. A. S. Cobb, who recently moved from his farm southwest of town to Coleman, where he and Mrs. Cobb are making their home with their son Sam, was in the city Wednesday, and carried the editor to battle with toy balloons, for not sending him a Santa Anna News last week.

J. E. Merrit from out west of Coleman was trading in the city Wednesday and called at the News office while here to get a supply of song books.



BROADCASTING FROM STATION

S-A-V-E

There is a message which is broadcasted daily in every village, town and city in this country. It is a message on which all people have tuned in. It is a short message, a big message, the message of success. It is—save first, save regularly.

Save at this Bank.



THE First State Bank



Before You Buy the Ring---

It costs money just to get engaged. Then it costs money to get married—then the honeymoon, and it costs more money to be married.

Young men who are wise say **FIRST**. And young men who are very wise save here **REGULARLY**.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

"AB" BLOCKER, ONE OF BROTHERS WHO DROVE THE MOST CATTLE

Has Cow Pony "That Can Dodge So Fast He'll Keep Six Wildcats From Going Under House if All Turned Loose Out of Sack at Once."

By Cora Melton Cross
Written Specially for The Semi-Weekly Farm News

At the Fat Stock Show in Ft. Worth, groups of cattlemen huddled together talking over yesterday's longhorns and today's Herefords. Laughing and slapping their knees as they squatted in a circle, recalling some trick played on a tenderfoot that had strayed into camp, cussing a little at recollection of a particularly close shave in a stampede, or with the "red devils" as "we took that 5,000 head to Abilene, Kan., or 3,500 head to Ogallala, Neb."

Interesting men, these, who "fit, bled and died" many times over as they blazed the way with thousands of head on the old Chisholm trail, sleeping on saddle blankets and living on the backs of Texas mustangs, that we of today might ride in motor cars on macadamized highways. And while they disclaim all credit for any part in Texas progress it was this test of endurance that peopled our State, built its cities and promoted its industries. For these makers of Texas history who wore leather leggins and Mexican spurs who were as much at home on a Texas saddle as in a rocking chair, were never white-livered enough to quit the job until they had finished. They were men, and while they might have said, "I seen" they would have seen everything going, which is a long shot more to the point than saying "I saw" and never seeing anything, as some of the later tailored editions have a way of doing.

Blocker Brothers Brands Known on Every Trail

Foremost among these whose brands became bywords along the cattle trails, because of much driving of their enormous herds, were the Blocker Brothers, John, Jenks, Macon and A. P., or Ab, as he was familiarly known, born in Travis County and so

well known for integrity and honesty of purpose that for one to say he was a friend of a Blocker was sufficient recommendation. This story is about Ab, the youngest son.

"Yes, I'm one of the Blocker boys, but I'm not the one who owned more cattle than any man in Texas at one time; that was Brother John. Up to '79 he owned 85,000 head. I'm just A. P. or Ab, as everybody calls me. There were six of us boys, four lived to be grown; we was born in Texas on a ranch in Travis County and proud of it. I worked cattle in that county and in Llano, Blanco and between Austin and San Marcos where there's mighty few houses around there. My first trip from Austin to San Antonio was on horseback beside a buggy that carried my mother and a neighbor woman in it. There wasn't any railroad between those towns then and not much of a town at either place—that was in '74.

"In '76 I left home to help Brother John with the cattle, and I roped and gathered wild steers all over Llano and Blanco counties until I had 3,700 head, which I took to winter seventeen miles below Austin on the Lockhart Prairie. The next spring Brother John and I drove that herd through Fort Worth on the trail, which ran about where the packing houses now stand, as well as I can remember. There wasn't anything of a town there, just a store or two and the post, that was all; but we got provisions enough to do us to Fort Dodge, Kan., where we loaded up on supplies again to take us to Ogallala, Neb. From there we went to Pole Creek, forty miles this side of Cheyenne, Wyo., and delivered the herd to Pine Bluff, Wyo., to John Sparks, who was some years later when Nebraska was made a State elected its Governor, and a fine one he made too, for he was a splendid man.

Some Excitement on Next Trail Trip.

"I came back home from Wyoming and worked all that winter in Blanco, roping and branding 3,000 more steers, which in turn were wintered on the Lockhart prairie, and the next March I started up the trail to Wyoming again. The boss of the herd was

a man by the name of John Golden, and when we got to Ogallala, Neb., Brother John overtook us, driving 3,000 more head. He put me in charge of his herd and he took the train for Cheyenne, to meet me forty miles this side, a few days later, where we delivered the cattle to Swan Brothers.

"A strange thing happened on that drive. We were right close to Julesburg, Colo., one evening just about two hours by sun. I'd just caught the night horses and left the wagon to go back to the herd, about a mile away. There'd come up a little cloud in the northwest, and it had begun to rain some and thunder and lightning a good deal. There came a pretty keen clap and I turned back and looked at the wagon, and there lay seven horses and four men! I ran my horse all the way back to 'em and found the men were just shocked and were soon up again, but the seven horses all laid there. And do you know, the sun came out about an hour later, and set as clear as a bell. I had to go out and catch more horses for the night mount, and I'm telling you that was one time, if I'd had time, I'd have sure moved my camp. Those seven horses didn't look one bit good to me—dead.

Just About Lived on the Trail From '76 to '93.

"How many times did I go up the trail? Why, I just about lived on it from '76 to '93. Would not have felt right without a chuck wagon and a cow outfit. An outfit was eleven men, including the boss, cook, horse wrangler and eight just plain cowboys—that was enough to handle any number of cattle too. I drove three yoke of oxen to my chuck wagon and we made it a point to swim every river going and coming that couldn't be forded; swam the Trinity more times than I can remember.

"I made several trailing trips and in 1882 I took 3,000 head to the mouth of Dry Powder river on a creek called Crazy Woman and delivered them to Stoddard & Martin, rode over a hundred miles to Cheyenne, Wyo., and came by train to Austin. I stayed off the trail from then 'til '86, when I drove 3,500 head, bought and received forty miles below Pearsall, Texas, to Hugo, Colo., and delivered them to Find Ernest at Denver. I came back from that drive with four horses and my outfit, right down the trail we'd gone up, to Tom Green county and gathered a herd of cattle and delivered them to Geo. Berry at the mouth of Devil's River. The next spring these cattle were put in Old Mexico and I went back to three miles this side of Austin to see how father and mother were making it. They had started to farm a part of the ranch, so I stayed and worked the farm for them in '87-'88. The first year I worked it I got 4c for my cotton, and the second year I worked it I got 5c for my cotton. Then mother sold the farm and I went back in the saddle on the hurricane deck of a little Spanish pony and swore that if I ever planted any more cotton I'd boil the seed three days so I know they wouldn't come up and I'd never be bothered with it, and I haven't planted any more to this day; and there's another verse to it, I'm never going to.

Picks Up Hundreds of Cattle Lost on Drives.

"I worked cattle, gathering, roping, branding and herding until '89 when we bought several thousand in Blanco and Llano counties and I drove one herd to Tom Green county and turned them loose on Aroya. Rancho Creek, and another in the widow Arden's pasture, twenty miles north of San Angelo; settled with my men; sent two to the camp twelve miles below on the Concho River with my horses, and I took the train for Austin to see my mother and sister. But I had not been there long when a message came from Brother John to come to San Antonio. He met me at the depot and took me to the stockyards, where he bought seventy-two head of horses and a wagon, while I rustled a cook and three men. We left those yards with that outfit and one steer, and from there we picked up lost cattle, bunches of them all the way back to San Angelo that had been dropped on the way or lost on the drive, and took them to

camp on the Concho and wintered there.

Indians by the Fifties and Hundreds Came to Camp

"In the spring of '89 I gathered the cattle I'd turned out on Aroya Rancho, and turned them over to Bill Banister, boss of the outfit, who drove them up the trail, while I took my outfit and got the herd in Widow Arden's pasture and trailed them to Sand Creek, Montana, where I delivered them to Stoddard & Howard, ninety miles below Miles City in the Yellowstone. Indians came to our camp by the dozens, sometimes fifty and hundred at once, but I never had any trouble with them. If they asked for a beef I told the boys to give them a good one. I figured we was eating their grass and drinking their water with our cattle and I thought I was doing right to give them a beef when they wanted it, so they always treated me fair and square.

One Time Went Broke.

"In '90 and '91 I took charge of one of the ranches, fifty miles below Eagle Pass on the Rio Grande, and I ran that until '93; then I took a wagon and herd of horses from Spofford Junction and drove them seventy-five miles above Colorado City and drove a herd to fourteen miles below Deadwood, South Dakota, on the Balfourche River, where I delivered them to Harris & Franklin; then I went back to the ranch and run it till '97, when I moved a bunch of mine and Brother John's cattle to a pasture in Dimmitt County below Cotulla, and stayed there until I went broke. And I went so broke on those cattle that I couldn't have hauled a bread wagon without cussing the driver so he'd stop to fight me. Then I went to Oklahoma and stayed 1 year, and when spring came I swore that frost would never fall on me in Oklahoma again.

Is Made Brand Inspector for Cattle Raisers' Association

"I went to El Paso and stayed a little while and then I moved to the Chupadero ranch below Eagle Pass and stayed there till 1912, when I went to work for the Cattle Raisers' Association and worked for them 8 years before they fired me. Now I am on the Blocker ranch at Big Wells, 100 miles below San Antonio. I ride all day, can outride any man I can hire, am sixty-eight years old, and a pretty good old wagon yet, though some of the spokes are running loose.

"We carry about a thousand head of cattle on the ranch, which seems like nothing to a man who has driven as many cattle up the trail as I have; for I guess Blocker Brothers took more cattle up the trail than anybody in Texas; at least that is the reputation we had. I know that when Brother John had so many and the firm of Blocker & Lytell had such a lot of them, we drove 60,000 head up the trail in one year. And I also know that when the droughty years from '79 to '86 came, we lost at one time, for 100 days hand-running \$1,000 per day; but I'm still well and able to ride the little cutting pony in the picture harder and faster and more miles in a day than any of my men, and all's well with the world as long as a fellow can do that."

The Newcomer's Impression

Many visitors to a town get their first impression from the appearance of the buildings around the railroad station. If these structures are not attractive, the visitor may get a wrong conception which is difficult to remove. It is a fine thing when the owners of property near the railroad station realize that they are in a sense "on parade," and that the conditions existing on their property are subjected to the close scrutiny of a great many people. If they can brighten up and improve their property in cases where it needs attention, they will not merely make it more valuable, but they will accomplish a stroke for the reputation of their home community. Their townspeople will appreciate whatever they do to make the city's front door look like the entrance to a homey and a wide awake advancing community.

Farmers and Education

Farmers sometimes grumble at the cost of education and enlightened individuals among them know and admit, that they owe a great debt to the schools, including the whole research system. But, according to records compiled by the University of Illinois covering the period from 1913 to 1923, the most striking feature is the decline in students from the farms. While the total registration increased 141 per cent, those from the farms increased only 70 per cent. Children of skilled laborers increased 247 per cent and children of business men show an increase of 169 per cent.

At the College of Agriculture at the same university less than 43 per cent of the 706 students enrolled last year came from the farm. Contrast this with the showing made at the university by the children of parents engaged in other occupations. Between 1913 and 1923, the registration of the children of carpenters increased from 52 to

318, mechanics from 52 to 114, electricians from nothing to 22, barbers from 15 to 31, miners from 19 to 55, painters 8 to 37, plumbers from 4 to 35, tailors from 18 to 56.

The total of 994 children of skilled laborers registered last year contrasted with 244 in 1913.

There is an intangible but enormous mass of benefits for the rural community through education. Village life is made sweeter and more tolerable by the development of intellectual interests. The exercise and strengthening of the artistic faculties adds joy to lives which might otherwise be dull and vacuous. Thus contentment and happiness are fostered, and the countryside becomes more able to retain its hold on the people.

Some definite practical effort should be made to remedy the conditions shown by the foregoing records which are typical of other state universities. It is a matter in which all the people of the nation have an interest.



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Everything for the Man Who Shaves Himself

With the many kinds of shaving aids on the market it may be difficult for you to decide which is best. From our experience in selling practically every kind we have selected those that seem to give the most general satisfaction. We have everything you want—razors, blades, brushes, soaps and creams, strops, talcum powders, lotions, mirrors, etc.

Phillips Drug Store
Member Texas Qualified Druggists' League

"This sign is an emblem of service. It signifies that the druggist displaying it is a legitimate druggist. It guarantees to you that in this store is a man duly qualified by law to fill doctors' prescriptions."

Read the League's messages in Farm and Ranch and Holland's Magazine.

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We are equipped to give you the best battery service in town. Only eight hours required to charge a battery. We have new batteries in stock in case your old one is not good. Bring your battery troubles to us, we give Service.

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J. W. Golson

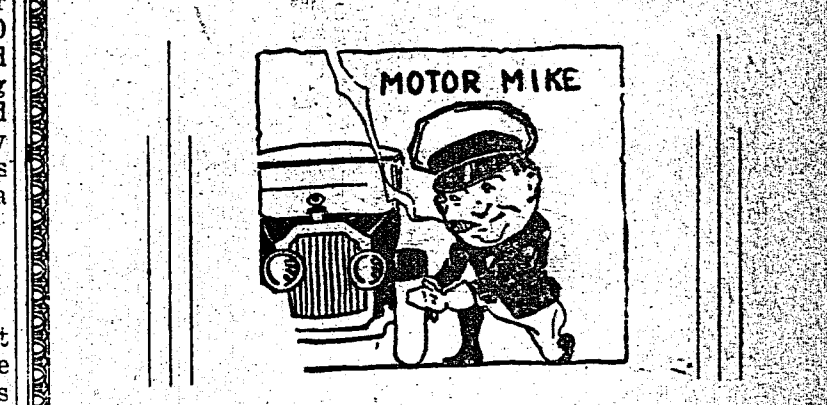
Good black Mesquite land in Live Oak County, on RAILROAD, 60 miles South east from San Antonio, in tracts to suit and on terms that you help make, priced at \$30 to \$40 per acre.

Mild climate, 32 inches annual (average) rainfall for the past 10 years.

Best cotton country in Texas. The place for diversified farming.

We carry prospectors to the land in our jitneys.

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MOTOR MIKE SAYS:

January rain is falling
And the weather may be drear,
You may be sad on the country road,
Your large car out of gear.
But even though the weather's dark,
And with the mud you're bored,
You won't get mad nor be much sad
If driving in a Ford.

"Buy a Ford and spend the difference" is not an idle expression. Try it and experience will convince you.

See us for genuine Ford parts and accessories, gas, grease, oils, etc.

SANTA ANNA MOTOR COMPANY

You Might Meet a Fool

On a road at the foot of the Rockies is a sign that reads: "Danger Sharp Curve—You Might Meet a Fool." Such a sign is calculated to make a driver sit up and take notice. The latter sees at almost every sharp turn a notice to proceed with caution, or to blow his horn, and comes to be little impressed by them. He has confidence in his ability to avoid running into another car. But if there is a fool in the other car the efforts of the most skillful driver to escape may be futile.

There would be far fewer automobile mishaps if every driver would bear constantly in mind the possibility that there may be a fool ahead, not only on sharp curves, but on stretches of straight road. It is unwise to assume that each car on the highway is in charge of an experienced driver who knows the traffic rules and will obey them. You may think that inasmuch as you are keeping on your side of the road there is no danger in running your car at a high rate of speed. But you might meet a fool who will not stick to his side of the road.

Cutting remarks invariably come from sharp tongues.

The main objection to a lazy man is that he takes up so much room on the street corner when people with something to do are trying to get some place.

People who borrow trouble are continually trying to pay it back.

The best way to avoid telling falsehoods is not to tell them.

Easy Way to Break Severest Cough

No matter how long you have had a persistent, weakening cough—no matter how many remedies you have tried without success—you can usually get relief instantly and often relieve the entire cough condition in 24 hours, by a very simple method.

The method is based on a remarkable prescription known as Dr. King's New Discovery for Coughs. You simply take one teaspoonful and hold it in your throat for 15 or 20 seconds before swallowing it, without following with water. The prescription has a double action. It not only soothes and heals soreness and irritation, but it quickly loosens and removes the phlegm and congestion which are the direct cause of the coughing. The prompt relief which the whole cough condition disappears is often simply amazing. There is nothing better for coughs, chest colds, bronchitis, throat irritations, hoarseness and all respiratory ailments. Economical, too, as the dose is only one teaspoonful. On sale at all good druggists. Ask for



BIBLE IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

William G. Shepherd contributes the leading article in this week's issue of the Christian Herald, entitled "Put the Bible With the Three R's."

Shepherd has been assisting in investigating the issue and writing several articles for Collier's and Good Housekeeping.

He gives statistics showing that two thirds of the children and youths in the United States, nominally Protestant, are not enrolled in any religious schools, either Sunday or academic, and receive no systematic religious instruction.

Not only so: Of the Catholic children in the United States, nearly eighty per cent, or four fifths, are not enrolled in religious schools. We cannot say that they are entirely without religious instruction, but it is certain that the greater portion of them receive none.

We have frequently heard in public addresses from educators that the object of our school system is three-fold: To educate and train the head, the heart and the hand. This has been reiterated so often that it has become almost a stereotyped expression.

But are we educating and training the heart, in accordance with this commonplace? As Shepherd says, "technically, among the educators, the phrase character development is used instead of moral training."

It is a tremendous big subject, too big for one person to digest and treat with satisfaction even to himself.

If we avoid a future generation of crime far more extensive even than the wave which has overspread the earth since the World War, we have got to give more attention to heart training. Some way of getting such results must be introduced into the public school system. Whether it shall be through excerpts from an expurgated Bible or done in some other way is the great question.

Our civilization depends upon it.—L. B. Russell in Comanche Enterprise.

The man who drank horse liniment and got drunk figured that at least he would not make a donkey out of himself.

The ideas that benefit a man are scarcely ever welcomed when first presented to him.

The less you expect, the more you will be pleased with what you get.

50 CASES OF NEW SHOES

The past ten days we have received more Shoes than we have had at any time since we have been in Santa Anna. Low and high top shoes for men, straps and oxfords in all leather for ladies, and the most wonderful line of "RED GOOSE" Shoes for children, brown patent straps, black and kid straps and combination. We have a wonderful line of shoes and if you are not a shoe customer of ours it will pay you to take a look at them.

A Clean-Out on Men's Suits

We have only about 25 Men's fancy Suits left. We want to sell them and to do so we quote the following prices which includes any suit in the house with the exception of "CURLEE GUARANTEED LINE"

\$30.00 Suits now	\$24.75	\$20.00 Suits now	\$15.35
\$25.00 Suits now	\$18.95	\$16.50 Suits now	\$11.75

Our Spring Merchandise

This season we are preparing to show you the best line of standard merchandise you have ever seen in our store. We are going to have a complete line of Voes & Stern "Kant Fade" wash fabrics, guaranteed to be fast colors in every respect. New material and the cost of making if it fades. Keep our store in mind. We will save you money and give you merchandise that you will appreciate.

D. R. HILL & BROTHER

BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School at 9:45.
Morning worship at 11:00.
Sunbeams at 11:00.
B. Y. P. U's. at 6:00 p. m.
Evening worship 7:00 p. m.
Evangelistic.

There will be a special meeting at the First Baptist church of Coleman Wednesday the 28. All of us have an invitation to go and as Pastor we urge all to attend this meeting if possible. There will be some valuable information given in regard to the Budget Plan, and other denominational work. There will be speakers from other towns to speak. Let's go.
S. F. Martin, pastor.

The older you grow, the more your respect for age increases.

The High Salaried Executive of Tomorrow

Every office is divided into two groups—those who direct the business, the sales and the accounting—and those who carry out the directions. Those who direct are the high salaried department heads and managers. Those who carry out the directions are assistant executives—stenographers, secretaries, accountants, bookkeepers, confidential assistants. As changes take place or as the business expands, these assistant executives inherit or grow into higher executive and administrative positions.

This is the history of practically every big organization. The executives of today were the assistant executives of yesterday—the stenographers, bookkeepers, etc., are executives of tomorrow. And the executives of today are the owners of tomorrow.

How can you be an executive? Every year thousands of young people—some high school graduates and some with only a grade school education—go to Tyler Commercial college to take the private secretarial, general business, general banking, general railroad, general western union, bookkeeping, shorthand, cotton classing, civil service, penmanship, telegraphy or radio course. They are then prepared for just such positions. They start the course wholly unfit for positions, yet they graduate a very few months later with a greatly increased earning capacity. They are able to enter any line of business; they are placed in responsible positions by the school's Employment Department.

What thousands of other young people have done—and are doing—you can do. You can prepare for a position as executive—both in Civil Service and in business. You can create a big demand for your services. You have only to enter Tyler Commercial College for a business training and follow to success the path which thousands of young men and young women have taken.

If you want to get a good position—one with a good starting salary and offers excellent opportunities for advancement—send the coupon below with your name and address for "Achieving Success in Business." This big 208-page book will be sent to you free. Clip the coupon now.

(We have no branch schools anywhere)
Tyler Commercial College,
Tyler, Texas

Name
Address

Caterpillars as Barometers

Oh, joy! The wise old weather prophets are all heralding an early spring. Of course, one might naturally guess that we would have an earlier spring than last year because we have had so much more winter up to the present time. But the thing that makes the weather prophets more sure in their prognostications is the caterpillar. Just where the prophets find the caterpillars at this season we do not know, but in order that you may not have to depend upon the government for your weather prophecies, we would suggest that you catch a few caterpillars and note the following markings: If there is a black stripe first that indi-

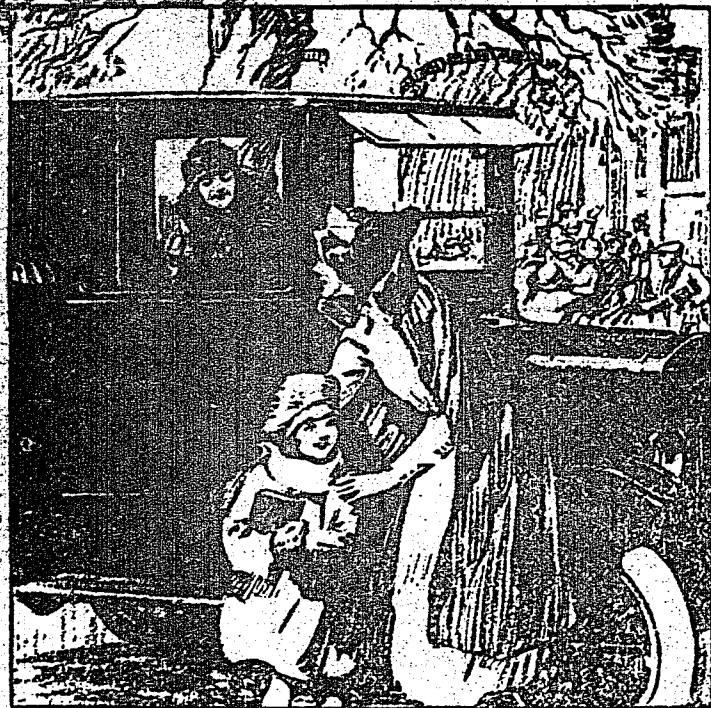
cates a mild winter, if a red stripe comes next a cold snap in the middle of winter is indicated, another black stripe indicates a mild ending of the winter with an early spring. Now gather up all the caterpillars in your neighborhood and make your own prognostication. It's as easy as eliminating the static on your radio.

STOP THAT ITCHING

If you suffer from any form of skin diseases such as Itch, Eczema, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Poison Oak, Ring Worm, Old Sores or Sores on Children. We will sell you a Jar of BLUE STAR REMEDY on a guarantee. It will not stain your clothing and has a pleasant odor.
C. K. HUNTER

Ford

THE UNIVERSAL CAR



The TUDOR Sedan admirably meets winter driving needs

Tudor Sedan \$580

Four-door Sedan - \$660
Coupe - \$520
Touring Car - \$390
Runabout - \$260

On open cars demountable rims and starter are \$85 extra
All prices f. o. b. Detroit

Visitors are always welcome at all Ford Plants

The wide utility of this popular body type makes it a splendid winter car for the average family.

In the Tudor Sedan you have a closed car you will not hesitate to take out in any weather. Light in weight, yet sturdy and always dependable of performance, it is safe, convenient and extremely easy for anyone to handle.

In its roomy interior you will ride snugly and comfortably. Viewing its attractive appearance, you will never regret your decision to purchase this inexpensive, yet so highly satisfactory a car.

Ford Motor Company, Detroit

SEE THE NEAREST AUTHORIZED FORD DEALER



**Always at Your Service
Corner Drug Co.**

Whatever your needs may be, you will find the utmost in quality and service at the Corner Drug Company. Full selections at bottom prices. "Get It Where They Have It."

Corner Drug Co.

SANTA ANNA NEWS

Entered at the Post Office at Santa Anna, Texas, as Second Class Mail.

One year in Coleman county \$1.00
Six months in Coleman county 60c
One year outside of county \$1.50
Advertising rates 25c and 30c per inch.

Local notices ten cents per line for each insertion.

Obituaries, Cards of Thanks and Resolutions of Respect are charged at one-half the regular rate.

J. J. Gregg, Editor and Pub.

Friday, January 23, 1925

If it is not boring our readers we would like to call attention to the fact that this country was visited again last Saturday and Sunday by another real blizzard. Some snow, but not enough to put out very much moisture.

The report comes from Brady to the effect that the cash received from the turkey crop in McCollough county exceeded that of the cotton crop last year, and just think, the other fellow had to pick the turkeys.

If every barnyard in Coleman county were stocked with 100 good hens, and the flocks were properly cared for, the bank deposits in Coleman county would double in less than 12 months.

Vol. 2 No. 2 of The Mountaineer, official publication of the Santa Anna High School was published and mailed out this week. The Mountaineer is a newsy little Journal.

Second thoughts are always the best when they are an improvement over the first.

Men who leave the solving of cross word puzzles to their wives feel more like work the next day.

Many a wise man knows a few things and makes good guesses on the rest of them.

THE PASSING DAY

By Will H. Mayes

Some of Governor Neff's friends gave him a banquet at Austin just before he retired from the office of governor. A number of eulogistic talks were made in which he was praised for his services, and an automobile was presented him. The testimonial must have been very pleasing and the present very acceptable to the retiring governor. A Texas governor is likely to get more criticism than praise, and no governor can please all the people. The deference many persons are so ready to show incoming governors may be prompted by selfish motive—it nearly always is—but there is nothing to be gained by eulogizing those who are going out of office.

The gift of the automobile at this time was especially considerate. Holding the office of governor of Texas is costly, for the salary is low and the expenses are high. It has even been said that "a poor man can not afford to be governor of Texas." A governor can not well afford to accept expensive gifts from his constituents during his term of office, for receiving presents while in office creates a suspicion of an implied obligation to reimburse the donors in some way. For that reason most governments frown on gift-taking office holders. But where friends gather and make a gift as a token of appreciation for years of faithful service the gift carries with it a compliment, and the retiring officer can afford to accept it, knowing that he is no longer in position to be approached for official favors by gift-makers.

The Texas presidential electors met at Austin last week and selected Mrs. J. D. Claybrook, of Austin, as messenger to take the Texas vote to Washington. This is an honor that is usually much sought, but only two persons were considered

by the Texas electors, both being women. The action of the electoral board was a decided compliment to Texas women and was in line with the present disposition to give women a share in political honors. Mrs. Claybrook is a talented woman, an impressive public speaker, and her selection for this honor is most pleasing to the Texas Democratic women voters, of which organization she is president.

Indications before the opening of the legislature were that the body would favor passing the appropriation bills first and giving the remaining time to the consideration of important measures. With a board of control considering all appropriation measures in detail long in advance of the legislative sessions and the finance committees of both houses taking early action on appropriations, it seems that the wise thing would be to get such measures out of the way of other matters of legislation, and it is probable that this may be done. This action appears to be in line with the declared purpose of this administration to give the people an economical administration.

For his own encouragement as much as for the interests of the students, this writer recently gave a lecture to one of his classes at the University of Texas on "The Writing Mood." The conclusion reached was that writers can not afford to wait on the proper mood for work before doing it. While writing is coming to be regarded as a profession and by most writers must be considered as a business, it is somewhat an art, and most artists are at times governed by their moods. This, however, is not limited to the arts. Most persons do their work according to the humor they happen to be in. Too many postpone whatever they are doing, whenever they may so wish, with the statement "I just don't feel like doing it now." The habit of procrastination, if at all encouraged soon becomes fixed.

It is so easy to persuade yourself that you can do a certain thing tomorrow better than today, next week better than this week. Unnecessarily postponing action results in dawdling, and the dawdler soon becomes a failure. He may be never so active at times, he may not be lazy at any time, but his dilatory methods make a failure. Today is the best time to face today's problems, to discharge today's duties.

The First Advertisement

The first known English newspaper advertisement appeared in the "Moderate" in 1649, and ever since the wise have been profiting from the use of advertisements.

It did not portray the advantages of the newest breeches and silk stockings, or describe in lavish terms the beauties of the popular hoop skirts, but entreated the reader to "inquire after a blackish and kind of piebald nag, very poor, his face, feet and flank white, and a little white tip in his tail. He was stolen from grass from John Rotherham of Barnet, in Hertfordshire. Whosoever will enquire, find him out and bring or send tidings of him, shall have what content they will for their pains."

The modern predecessor of the first advertisement is a "lost ad" which is still performing a valuable service after almost 300 years of existence.

It matters not whether a "piebald nag" or some valuable possession is lost, a "lost ad" seldom fails to get results.

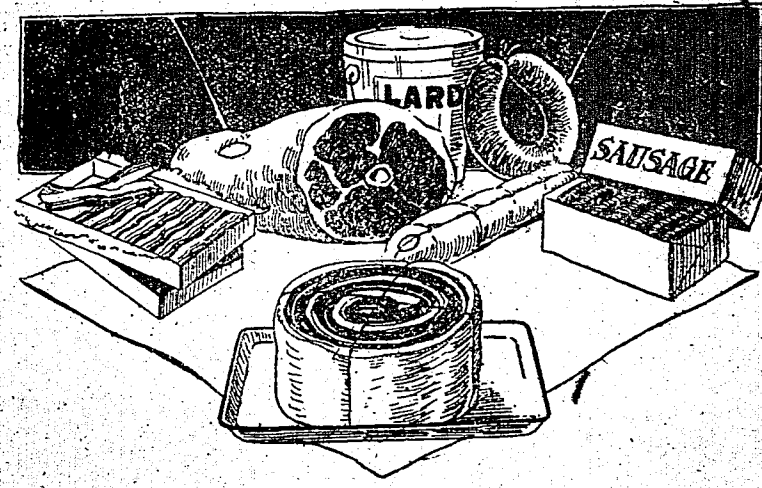
Set your money to work and you will find it a good servant. Let it remain idle and you are its slave.

The average man feels very self-righteous when he helps a little with the work around the house.

It's next to impossible to hear opportunity knock if you are on the roof or in the cellar.

New ideas that everybody laughs at are the big ideas of the future.

A woman convinced against her will is of the same opinion still.



Something Different

—A—

Rhubarb Custard Pie

- One Cupful Cut Rhubarb
- One Cupful Sugar
- One Tablespoonful Flour
- One Tablespoon Melted Crisco
- Two Eggs
- Extract
- One-half Teaspoonful Ginger
- One Cupful Milk
- Crisco Pastry

Cut Rhubarb in small pieces and mix with sugar and flour; beat egg yolks, add milk, ginger, extract and melted Crisco. Line pie plate with pastry, and fill with rhubarb mixture. Pour custard over and bake in moderate oven until firm. Cover with Meringue made with stiffly beaten whites of eggs to which 2 tablespoonful powdered sugar has been added.

Sufficient for one small pie.

You will find it at

Hunter Brothers
48-49 QUALITY AND SERVICE

LYRIC THEATRE, MON. JAN. 26
BROWNWOOD, TEXAS

SPALTH & COMPANY'S Present
LASSES WHITE
ALL STAR MINSTRELS

THE FIRST PART BEAUTIFUL

THE BOWER OF ROSES

THE BOY WITH A SMILE
BILLY DOSS

JAZZLAND MUSICAL
REVIEW

PLANTATION PASTIMES
OF 1925 BY
PICININIES

SOUTHLANDS
WIZARDS OF
SYNCROPATION

INCOMPARABLE HUMOROUS AFTERPIECE

HOTEL De BLACKVILLE
LASSES WHITE THE HEAD BELL HOP

SEATS ON SALE AT BOX OFFICE TUESDAY
MAIL ORDERS NOW IF ACCOMPANIED BY CHECK
PRICES \$2.00, \$1.50 AND \$1.00 PLUS TAX



FATTY FOSTER

SEZ:

At night and day I work and pray,
And try to live and eat,
For my dear sir, I much prefer
Some tea and Cream of Wheat

We have all kinds of cereals, as well as Cream of Wheat; best Teas, Coffees, Preserves, etc. You will do well to see us for Bell of Vernon Flour, Schotten's Coffee, bacon, hams, butter, bread, canned goods and fruits

W. R. KELLEY & COMPANY

LOCAL ADVERTISING

HOUSEHOLD furniture for sale
—Mrs. Chas. Eck.

THESE ARE NOT SPECIALS
But For Cash Only

- 5 gal. Kerosene Oil 60c
- 25 lb. sack sugar \$1.90
- Peaberry Coffee, per lb 40c
- New Crop Cane Syrup, 1 gal. 95c
- Good Flour, per sack \$2.25
- 4 lb. Caddy of Crackers 50c
- 1 gal. Pennant Auto Oil 70c

JACK TAYLOR
Grocery and Filling Station

Mrs. Ford Barnes, who teaches Oratory, Dramatic Art and Expression at this place, informs us that she will begin some classes in Aesthetic, Ballet and Interpretative Dancing on Wednesday, January 28. Mrs. Barnes is a graduate of the Emerson System of Oratory and a pupil of Sergei Marinoff's Classical School of Dancing in Chicago.

WANTED—To buy your poultry and eggs.—Concho Produce Co. 4-tfc

FOR SALE CHEAP—Cow with young calf.—E. F. Richardson.

FOR SALE—My home in Santa Anna, a nice, new Bungalow, all modern conveniences.—R. T. Rountree. 1tp

FOR SALE—Mesquite Cord Wood \$2.00 per cord. Post 12 1-2c each, 1 1-2 miles S. E. of Live Oak school house. Pay Mexican on the place.—A. E. Dalton. 4-4tp

JOHNSON Grass hay for sale.—T. T. Fowler. 4-3tp

NICE line of wall paper just received. Plenty of wall paper, canvass, tacks, paint and everything in the paint line.—F. M. Jaynes, Phone 244. 2-tfc

TRY Gardner's Pure Filtered Gasoline and see the difference. It cost no more. 13-tf.

WE are in the market and will pay the highest market price in cash for your poultry and eggs.—Concho Produce Co. 4-tfc

LOST—Between Santa Anna and Whon, Blue Ribbon Sulkey Wheel and lever. Reward.—Texas Mercantile Company.

FOR SALE—Baled and bundled feed at market price. Mesquite Cord Wood. Phone 212.—Mrs. Banister. 1tp

NEED GLASSES
Dr. Jones, the Eye Man, will be at Childers & Co., Store, Saturday, January 31st. Eyes examined, Glasses fitted, Headache and Eye strain relieved.

PIGS and hogs for sale. See Clyde Sims at American Cafe. 3

W. CRUGER & SON
Painters and Contractors
Give us a chance at your work. Satisfaction guaranteed
Santa Anna, Texas

FOR SALE—Two cows, fresh, also one Big Bone Poland China Boar 20 months old.—B. G. Brown on Kelley farm. 3-2p

REGISTERED Jersey Male for Sale.—H. J. Parker. 49-tf

SEE me for carpenter and brick work. Chimney building a specialty.—Will Hines, Santa Anna, Texas. 3-4tp

ROOMS for rent, close to school building.—H. W. Kingsbery. 3

FOR SALE—One or two Jersey cows, fresh.—H. H. Brown. 2-3

Rawleigh Good Health Products
I have moved here from Star, Texas, and have the agency for the south half of Coleman county for the Rawleigh line of goods. I will appreciate your business and try to give satisfaction.—R. O. Manning. 3-3tp

WANTED—Three Cars Live Poultry in next 60 days, fryers especially, 25c pound, selling the latter in Tampico, Mexico. See us before you sell.—Santa Anna Produce Co. 3-3tc

FOR SALE—Good team of work mules and leather harness, \$175, also good as new, 260 egg capacity incubator for \$25.—J. W. Richardson, Santa Anna, Texas, Route Two. 3-3tp

POSTED
All the premises owned or controlled by the undersigned are posted and no hunting, trapping or trespassing of any kind will be permitted.
Mrs. M. E. Chambers, Miss Blanche Boyd, E. P. Rendleman. Note—By paying 50c you can have your name added to the above notice to appear several

W. O. W. NOTICE
A special meeting will be held Saturday night, Jan. 24. Come. J. S. Jones, clerk

FOR SALE—Two Female Bull dog Pups 2 months old. Make good rat dogs.—Fred Watkins, Santa Anna, Texas. 1tp

LEATHER GOODS SALE
We are still making special prices on Leather Goods of all kinds. Will give you a real bargain on Harness and Saddles.—C. E. Welch. 48-tf

Special for Monday, 26, Gas 13c
JACK TAYLOR
Grocery and Filling Station

ROOMS for rent, furnished or unfurnished, single or light housekeeping. Phone 212.—Mrs. Banister.

NOTICE—My pasture is posted, and hereafter no trespassing or hunting will be permitted.—I. V. Sewell, Santa Anna, Rte 1. 2-1

FOR SALE—7 room house with water and gas, 6 acres of land situated in South edge of town.—W. J. Coppin. 2-2

HOUSEHOLD furniture for sale.—Mrs. Chas. Eck.

DRY Oak Wood, sawed in 16-in blocks for sale at my farm 4 miles west of Bangs, \$4.00 per cord.—J. L. Riordan. 2-4tp

SEWING done by piece; men's shirts and children's clothes a specialty.—Mrs. C. H. Todd. 3-7

FARM LOANS
On 10 or 20 years time with pre payment privileges. Low interest, prompt service.
CUTBIRTH & SEAY
At The Abstract & Title Co., Brownwood, Texas

HISTORY OF RURAL MAIL SERVICE

Few institutions in the history of American progress can be credited with a more salutary effect upon the march of that progress than the Rural Mail Service of the Post Office Department.

No other single instrumental ity has done more than the Rural Mail Service toward "bringing the city to the country," and relieving the prosaic existence of farm life, or has been as effective in establishing closer contact between the farmer and his markets. It has been the most important factor in making agriculture an exacting business instead of its one-time precarious classification which conveyed no broader meaning than "tilling the soil."

Twenty-nine years ago the farmer, and his wife, and children, led an existence of almost complete isolation, living upon widely scattered farms, some of them miles apart. They had comparatively little communication with their neighbors or the outside world, except that derived from weekly trips to the adjacent village. More often than not the farmer lost a full day's work and his crops were neglected in order to obtain expected mail at the village post office.

In those days the farmers' mail consisted largely of communications from relatives and friends. Today the daily mail includes, usually on the very date of publication, the metropolitan newspaper, containing market reports and agricultural news; the weekly and monthly farm journals and magazines, and business letters from the village merchant and the more pretentious establishment in the distant city. All of these are now brought to his door or to the box a few yards away.

The rural carrier is the farmer's post office and his agent. Through him he conducts transactions for the sale of his live stock, grain, and other farm produce. From him he buys stamps and pays his bills by postal money order. In short, the letter carrier is the medium that has transformed the once secluded habitant of the rural district into a cosmopolitan citizen, conversant with current affairs and occupying a larger place in the destinies of a great nation.

It was Postmaster General John Wanamaker who first officially suggested in 1891 the rural mail idea to Congress. The plan was fought in the legislative branch of the Government for five years before it was given a try-out.

The first bill authorizing the establishment of the service was introduced in the House by Representative James O'Donnell of Michigan, January 5, 1892. It carried an appropriation of \$6,000,000 but failed of passage. A year later Congress was induced to appropriate \$10,000 for experimental purposes followed in 1894 by \$20,000 more. Mr. Wanamaker, believing the amount insufficient even for experimental service, declined to use the money.

On January 9, 1896, \$10,000 was added by Congress and on October 1, the same year the first experimental rural delivery service was established simultaneously on three routes in West Virginia, one from Charlestown, one from Uvilla, and one from Halltown. From this small beginning, nine months later found the service operating 82 routes emanating from 43 post offices in 29 states. Twenty-eight years later, on June 30, 1924, the Rural Mail Service had grown to 44,260 routes with a total mileage of 1,205,714.

In comparison with the insignificant appropriation of \$10,000 made by Congress more than a quarter of a century ago to inaugurate the service, it now requires an annual expenditure of \$89,250,000 to keep it functioning.

The first county to be completely covered by Rural Mail Service was Carroll County, Maryland, where county service was established December 20, 1899. There are very few counties in the country today that are not honeycombed to the uttermost corners with free mail delivery.

By 1915, 26,080 fourth class post offices had been discontinued as a result of the extension of the Rural Mail Service. It is estimated that an annual saving of \$1,613,040 was accomplished by the discontinuance of these offices while the elimination of star, or contract, routes is estimated to save \$3,482,670 per annum.

When the service was first inaugurated the salaries of rural carriers was only \$200 a year. They may now get as much as \$2,160 a year, depending on the length of the routes, while the motor routes of 50 miles or more pay salaries of \$2,450 to \$2,600.

Under the administration of H. H. Billany, present Fourth Assistant Postmaster General, a marked increase in rural delivery facilities has been made, the number of routes climbing from 43,649 to 44,760; the mileage from 1,159,239 to 1,205,714 and the number of individuals served from 29,113,883 to 29,921,123.

BUY A SUIT NOW!



Every man or young man's suit in our house goes on sale at the final Clean-Up Price of the Season.

You will find a nice assortment of colors and sizes. In the lot you will find Hart Schaffner and Marx Suits, both Fancy and Blue Serges, worth \$45.00 for . . . **\$33**

To make your selection easy we are making just three prices---you will be surprised at the values you will get, let us show you. The prices for the next week will be---

\$17⁰⁰ \$24⁰⁰ \$33⁰⁰

Men's Overcoats and Boys' Suits at One-Fifth off our already **LOW PRICE**

Odds and ends of \$3.50 to \$5.00 work shoes at special **\$2.95**

Santa Anna Merc. Co.

Packed to the Limit

No guessing the savings; no doubting values; people have responded wonderfully to our big sale, but we still have plenty of good values left. It will pay you to visit our store as we positively will save you money.

- Men's \$5.00 All Wool dress pants in great variety \$2.95
- Men's \$1.00 Dress Shirts, with or without collars. . . 79c
- 25c best grade heavy Outing, plain or fancy . . . 17 1-2c
- Men's \$2.25 heavy Khaki work pants . . . \$1.45
- 25c Percales in light and dark colors . . . 18 1-2c
- 25c super-quality dress gingham, assorted patterns 19c
- 20c dress gingham, good quality . . . 14 1-2c

SHOES

- Men's \$5.00 work shoes . . . \$3.85
- Men's \$7.00 work shoes . . . \$4.45
- Men's \$5.00 dress shoes . . . \$3.95
- Boys' \$2.50 work shoes . . . \$1.85
- Boys' \$5.00 dress shoes . . . \$3.75
- Ladies \$4.00 Pumps, Oxfords and Cut-outs . . . \$2.95
- Ladies \$6.00 Pumps and Cut-outs . . . \$4.45
- One big special lot Ladies' Pumps and Oxfords, assorted lasts and sizes, \$6.00 values for . . . \$2.95

These Prices Speak for Themselves
H. SHAPIRO
Santa Anna, Texas

Illinois leads the nation both in the number of rural routes and in mileage, there being 2,637 routes covering a distance of 70,677 miles in that state. Ohio is second with 2,542 routes and a mileage of 63,820; Missouri third with 2,252 routes covering 56,074 miles; Iowa fourth with 2,229 routes covering 60,734 miles; Texas fifth with 2,193 routes covering 59,998 miles; the Pennsylvania sixth with 2,036 and 53,385 respectively, Kansas seventh with 1,902 and 55,464 respectively; and New York with 1,863,180, respectively.

Hot Onions For Pneumonia

Dread Disease Robbed of its Terrors by Simple Remedy

Owing to the prevalence of pneumonia and the great mortality which attends its ravages during the winter and spring, several boards of health in northern New Jersey have been taking measures to protect the citizens of their towns from the disease. The health board of Washington, N. J. has published a remedy which is said to be a sure cure for pneumonia, and other health boards are looking into the matter with a view of having the same thing published for the good of the general public. This is the publication as it has appeared in the papers of Washington:

"Take six or ten onions, according to size, and chop fine, put in a large skillet over a hot fire, then add the same quantity of rye meal and vinegar enough to form a thick paste. In the meanwhile stir it thoroughly, letting it simmer five or ten minutes. Then put in a cotton bag large enough to cover the lungs and apply to chest as hot as patient can bear. In about ten minutes apply another, and thus continue by reheating the poultices and in a few hours the patient will be out of danger.

This simple remedy has never failed to cure this too-often fatal malady. Usually three or four applications will be sufficient, but continue always until the perspiration starts freely from the chest. This remedy was formulated many years ago by one of the best physicians New England has ever known, who never lost a patient by the disease, and won his renown by simple remedies."

Editors Note:—The above is a clipping from a newspaper published in some of the Eastern states about twenty years ago, and was brought to this office last Saturday by Mr. S. A. Neill, who states the clipping has been in his family for more than 18 years, having brought it here with him when the family moved here from the state of Arkansas. Mr. Neill also states that his family has used the simple remedy several times with satisfactory results.

Special Demonstration Meeting at Coleman

Dr. E. E. Dawson and Missionary McCorkle were in the city Tuesday and asked that we announce the special meeting of the workers of Coleman county Wednesday the 28, at the First Baptist church of Coleman. All the Baptist people have a special invitation to attend. This is an important meeting, and every one should make a sacrifice to attend! Much depends on this occasion and we again urge upon all to attend.—S. F. Martin.



Money back without question if HUNT'S GUARANTEED SKIN DISEASE REMEDIES (Hunt's Salve and Soap) fail in the treatment of Itch, Eczema, Ringworm, Tetter or other itching skin diseases. Try this treatment at our risk.

S. H. PHILLIPS, DRUGGIST
Santa Anna, Texas

Program For Social Meeting

Methodist Missionary Society

Time, Monday, Jan. 26, 3 p. m.
Place—Mrs. J. Frank Turner.
Leader—Mrs. Grady Adams.
Subject—"The Sisterhood of Service."

Hymn—"What A Friend We Have in Jesus."

Prayer.

"The Writing of the Friendly Gospel."
Mrs. Adams, "Maason."
Mrs. Greer, "Luke."
Mrs. Bond, "Barnabas."
"From Female Cent Societies to a World Sisterhood"—Mrs. T. B. Verner.

"Southern Methodist Womanhood's Urge"—Mrs. W. L. Mills.

You can't fool a dog the second time on the same bait, even if you can the man who buys "wild cat" stocks.

When patience is carried too far, it becomes plain laziness.

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Bean-Not Club

Misses Patricia Reynolds and Lillie Hosch were hostesses to the Bean-Not Club on Thursday evening of last week. Instead of entertaining in the usual way the members of the club were taken to a restaurant where a splendid supper was served and then they were taken to the picture show which furnished them splendid entertainment for the remainder of the evening. There were eleven members present.

Miss Algia Porterfield

teacher of Dramatic and Dancing

is a graduate of the Wichita College of Music and Dramatic Art, a student of the Georgia Brown school and Dennis Shown school in Kansas City, Mo. She has studied the Curry and Emerson system, but in her experience she has worked out a system of her own. She teaches class and private work. Specialized on small children and has the art of teaching grown people.

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Sunday School Lesson

By REV. P. E. FITZWATER, D.D., Dean of the Evening School, Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.

Lesson for January 25

JESUS COMFORTS HIS DISCIPLES

LESSON TEXT—John 14:1-31. GOLDEN TEXT—"I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."—John 14:6.

PRIMARY TOPIC—The Heavenly Home. JUNIOR TOPIC—Walking in Christ's Way.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—How Jesus Comforts His Disciples. YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Sources of the Christian's Comfort.

The hopes of the disciples were utterly shattered when Jesus told them about the cross. Jesus had told them that He was going away, and that they could not follow Him. Their hearts were flooded with grief. He consoled them by

1. Pointing to the Reunion in the Father's House (vv. 1-3).

1. He Asks Them to Trust in Him Even as God (v. 1). Faith in the Godman, Christ Jesus, will steady the heart, no matter how intense the grief or how great the sorrow.

2. He Informed Them That He Was Going to the Father's House in Heaven to Prepare a Home for Them (v. 2). He assured them that there was abundant room for all. Heaven is an eternal, dwelling place.

3. He Assured Them That He Would Come Again and Escort Them to Heaven (v. 3). Jesus will not wait for His own to come to Him, but will come and call forth from the graves those who have died, and transform living believers, and take them all to be with Himself in the heavenly home forevermore (1 Thess. 4:16-17).

11. Revealing the Way to the Father's House (vv. 4-11).

Jesus informed the disciples that they knew the place to which He was going and the way. To this Thomas interposed a doubt, in answer to which Christ asserts that He is

1. The Way to God (v. 6). He is something more than a mere guide or teacher. He is the way itself. He is the door of the sheep-fold.

2. The Truth (v. 6). He is not merely the teacher, but the truth incarnate. In His incarnation the spiritual and material worlds were united, therefore every line of truth whether spiritual or material converges in Him. No one who does not have Christ can ever have the real truth about anything. In Him we have the truth about man, what he is, what he ought to be, and what he shall be in eternity. In Him especially we have the truth about God.

3. The Life (v. 6). Christ is not merely the giver of life, but He is the essence of life. Only those who receive Christ have life in the true sense. Since He is God incarnate, to know Him is to know God.

111. Assuring Them That His Work Was to Continue (vv. 12-14).

Jesus' going away was not to end the work which He had begun. This no doubt meant that through the ministry of the Spirit-filled disciples, the work which Christ began would assume larger proportions. There would be a much greater number of conversions than under His ministry. After the Day of Pentecost the gospel did take a much wider range. During His ministry the message was confined to the Jews, while under the ministry of the disciples it was only limited by the world itself. The disciples' ministry was ushered in by the conversion of three thousand in one day.

IV. Promises Another Comforter (vv. 12-17).

The word comforter means literally one called to the side of another to give help, protection and deliverance. This comforter was the Holy Spirit. Jesus was the Comforter while here in the body. The Holy Spirit was to be "another comforter."

V. Assuring Them of His Return to Them (vv. 18-24).

Although Christ went away He did not leave His disciples as orphans. The Father and the Son make their abode with the disciples who love and obey Jesus Christ.

VI. Assuring Them That the Holy Spirit Would Aid Them in Remembering and Understanding His Words (vv. 25-28).

This the Holy Spirit does by illuminating the minds of the disciples.

VII. Giving the Legacy of His Peace (vv. 22-31).

By His peace is meant the serenity of soul which one enjoys who is reconciled to God, who knows that his sins are forgiven.

Doing Better

It is not a question of how much we are to do, but of how it is to be done. It is not a question of doing more, but of doing better.—John Ruskin.

Duty

Do the duty that lies nearest thee; which thou knowest to be a duty! The second duty will already become clearer.—Carlyle.

Tomorrow

Where is tomorrow? In another world. To numbers this is certain. The reverse is sure to none.

Sorrow and Joy

Worldly joy ends in sorrow; godly sorrow ends in joy.

DID YOU EVER

STOP TO THINK

By E. R. Waite

That a city must be advertised the same as any business.

That advertising facts, not fancies, is what brings results.

That modern cities aim to attract tourists. Great sums are spent in telling tourists of the attractions to be found there.

That tourist travel is increasing every year, and in order for a city to get its share of this remunerative traffic, it must have ample hotel and camping facilities.

That tourists will detour out of their way to stop where they can find good hotel or camping accommodations.

That today the wide-awake cities are not waiting for the tourist to discover them accidentally, but tell through advertising, their many advantages and attractions.

That cities do not prepare for this trade are short-sighted. If business principles are not applied in the securing of new business for a city, that city will not get far.

City builders of today are men who take a broad view of life, who realize that only through the development of better business can a bigger city be built.

Rev. Parrack Has Returned

Rev. Ira L. Parrack, former pastor of the local Baptist church has come back home and renewed his pastorate here. He went to Brownwood to do some field work for the State Board, but found when he was in the work that he liked the pastorate better and upon receiving a call to come on back home he came. We are glad to see him here with us and hope he and his church get into the harness once more and lead the Baptist forces of this section as they have in the past.—Gorman Progress.

UNION STUDY CLASS

February 2

Hostess—Mrs. Miriam Prickett.

Leader—Mrs. W. P. Kelley. Healthier America—Mrs. Fred Turner, Jr.

More Intelligent America—Mrs. P. P. Bond.

Better Religious training for American Youth—Mrs. Lowe.

Better provisions for using leisure time—Mrs. Lee Woodward.

The taxes that are consumed for the average pupil in grade schools is fifteen dollars per year, and for the average criminal in courts and in penal institutions is fifteen hundred a year. What lesson do we get from this?

We spend nearly as much on crime in the U. S. as we spend on public schools below the high school. Explain.

Only seven per cent of boys in certain state institutions for delinquent ever had a good home. What does this fact prove?

What are the five essentials in child training in the home?

What did Pariah Strong say about America's new peril of wealth?

Checking crimes at its source. Where is the source?

How to reach children of different races.

Tell something of our Home Mission work in our cities, our Foreign speaking, communities and our industrial settlements.

There is some dispute as to whether the road signs should read "Go Slow or "Go Slowly." But the speeders are usually going too fast to notice errors in grammar.

If the radio won't keep them at home the cross word puzzle will.

OUR LABORS IN 1925

We can materially benefit our town and community if we begin right now—the first month of the new year—to make it a year of production and prosperity.

It would be hard to find one among us who could not in some manner increase the result of his labors during the coming year, and with each of us persevering to this end the year's profits would mount high in the financial column of local history.

While considering our own individual interests we might dwell upon those of the community in which we live and love so well for what is of value to all of the people is of equal value to us.

But we can without detriment or inconvenience, or expense, at least, remember that we are neighbors, and friends, and brothers, and so act to the other, to the end that peace, harmony and happiness may be for our lot for the ensuing year.

To obtain results that are worth while in a community, to do work that is followed by a constantly increasing return of prosperity and growth to a community, to do work that makes it possible for other people to live more contentedly and easier in your home community, is a much more difficult accomplishment than making money, but the object is more worth while.

Banker's Wife Advises Santa Anna People

"I had stomach trouble so bad everything I ate soured and formed gas. Was miserable until I tried Adlerika. This helped the first day." Adlerika helps any case gas on the stomach unless due to deep-seated cases. The QUICK action will surprise you. Because Adlerika is such an excellent intestinal evacuant it is wonderful for constipation—it often works in one hour and never gripes.—Corner Drug Co.



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Meditate Before You Mail It

Consider these things—before you mail your orders out of town. The dollar that you spend out of town is gone forever.

The dollar that you spend at home—stays here and works. Whether it goes into civic improvements, via taxes, better schools, churches, streets—or whether it simply goes into more merchandise for your needs—it circulates at home.

Remember your neighbor will take better care of you than a stranger. It is to his interest to do so. His future depends on his winning and holding your confidence and friendship—and he's right here to make good any mistakes.

When you help the home merchant, the home industry—they in turn help build up your town—thus making greater and better opportunities for you and your children.

Spending money at home is putting a mortgage on it to come back to you—spending it away from home is bidding it goodbye.

And your home purchase is better, for you can see and measure its value—before you part with your money. Not so “the cat in the bag” you buy from the distant point.

Don't mail your order until you have considered these things—and you won't mail it at all.

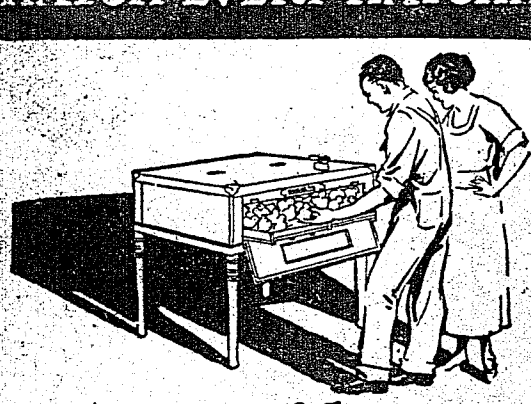
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Caught in the Round-Up

Z. A. Parker left Thursday for San Saba on a business trip.

Frank Crenshaw of Fort Worth was here this week visiting his former home.

Rev. S. F. Martin, Rev. A. M. Pleasant and S. M. Polk were Brownwood visitors Wednesday.

Mrs. Harris Idol of Gouldbusk is being treated in the local hospital this week.

Mrs. Nat Butry of Rockwood was operated on at the local hospital this week.

L. F. Cullins of Cross Plains was in the city this week.

Mrs. Cecil Curry was carried to the local hospital for an operation last Friday.

Prof. J. H. Kellett, County School Superintendent of Coleman county, was here on a business mission this week.

Herbert Cook came in last week from Leads, Ala., to make Santa Anna his home, and is now with his uncle, T. D. Moore, in the Palace Barber Shop.

D. T. Perkins, who lives near Oplin, 29 miles north of Coleman, brought a load of poultry here and sold to the Potter Produce Company Wednesday. Mr. Perkins formally lived here and knows where to sell and buy.

WEEKLY NEWS SUMMARY

(By West Texas C. of C.)

Lubbock—All but about \$60,000 of the \$350,000 bonus required for the building of the railroad from Lubbock west thru Levelland to the New Mexico line has been raised and the remaining amount will be raised at once.

Muleshoe—Bailey county has just voted \$60,000 Court House Bonds for the purpose of building a modern county court house. Bailey County had a very prosperous crop year for her farmers and many new farms were put under cultivation during 1924.

A large deposit of mica has been found near Brady. L. L. Anderson owner of the land has just made a contract with the Ford Mica Company of New York for a part of the production. Considerable tonnage of the mineral substance is now available.

Best—Best a thriving town of West Texas, will have a large number of visitors at the District Convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce to be held at Big Spring, Feb. 5th.

Breckenridge—Stephens county bond issue for the sum of \$250,000 to build a new modern court house carried a few days ago by a substantial majority.

Canadian—The Canadian C. of C. will build a long distance telephone line from here to Durham, Okla., according to plans made at a recent meeting of the organization. The new officers of the Chamber of Commerce are G. L. Anderson, president; H. S. Wilber, vice-president; W. A. Miller, Secretary and C. W. Allen, treasurer.

Christoval—Much interest is being shown at Christoval, one of the most attractive summer resorts in West Texas, in the construction of new residences. Christoval is the annual convention grounds of many religious denominations that hold their annual meetings. The rugged banks of the South Concho, the large and beautiful pecan trees and liveoak groves are second to none in West Texas.

Lamesa—Poultry business in Dawson county has proven to be very profitable in the last few years and many farmers who heretofore paid no attention to the business has given it much attention. Numbers of farmers are installing poultry houses, lots or other enclosures as well as many are purchasing incubators for their own use.

Tahoka—The new 150 horse power engine for the Light Plant is in the Santa Fe yards and will soon be installed by an expert from the factory.

SANTA ANNA—ITS HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING

A town is usually judged by its civic improvements, such as its schools, for it points out the attitude of the citizens.

Santa Anna is in a splendid farming section, and the town itself is beautifully located with the Old Indian Mountain as a background. A direct highway through Central Texas passes through Santa Anna. There are two more highways. One going northward, and one going southward to San Antonio. The town itself, cannot be said to be lacking in civic improvements, but the great drawback to its progress and prosperity is the school buildings, especially the high school building. The high school building is lacking in attractiveness and is also very inadequate and defective.

On first observation two large cracks, besides numerous small ones are visible on the west and south sides. Several bricks are out of place. The entrance hall is very unattractive with its dull orange paint with dingy pencil marks as decoration.

There is no auditorium in which to have entertainments. The study hall, which is filled to its capacity, serves this purpose to a small extent. The piano is crowded into one corner among the litter and trash. The reference books are placed with little order on a board constructed for the purpose in the front of the room, allowing barely passing space. The library is crowded into one corner. It is very inadequate and unsystematically arranged. The study hall is on the whole very unattractive. The walls, which have been painted white, are streaked with rain caused by leakage, dirt and all other imaginable substances. The desks are dirty, cut on, and crowded. The only decorations are two or three pictures, which are not hung straight. The windows are bare, except for several old curtains hung at various angles.

There are only four class rooms in the building which are as equally unattractive. They are not only unattractive, and poorly furnished, but are defective. The cold and windy days prove that.

There are no class rooms for the Home Economics or Vocational Agriculture classes in the building. Rooms in the grammar school building have been furnished for the Home Economics class and for the laboratory. A house, resembling a warehouse, has been constructed on the campus for the Agriculture class.

The bath house has been constructed on the campus, also as there is no gymnasium.

On the whole the high school building is unattractive, inadequate and defective.

Santa Anna will grow and prosper when it gets a new school building, but it will not get it by the singular efforts of the Football Team, Choral Club, Roosters Club, Business Men's Organization, Parent-Teachers' Association, Faculty or Student Body, but by the combined efforts of them all.

—A Junior.

REASONS FOR NEWS-PAPER ADVERTISING

Newspaper reading is a universal daily habit, therefore newspaper advertising virtually reaches each day a great majority of those who buy.

Newspaper advertising is the life-blood of local trade, because it touches all consumer sources in every community. It gives the National Advertiser the same opportunity for complete consumer appeal in any locality.

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Newspaper advertising enables manufacturers to tell where their products may be bought.

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Newspaper advertising enables manufacturers to check advertising results and costs in every market which they enter. Newspaper advertising costs less than any other kind.

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Santa Anna, Texas

SPECIAL PRIVILEGE OR EQUAL TAXATION?

An eastern bond house specializing in government bonds has issued an exhaustive statement showing why this type of bonds should be tax free. After reading it all over one is impressed with the fact that the arguments presented are largely in the interest of the holders of tax-exempt bonds and not in the interest of the taxpayer who must dig up exhorbitant taxes in order that the income from billions of these bonds outstanding may go absolutely tax free.

The statement claims that taxation of the income derived from public bonds would cause a higher interest rate that would have to be paid by every one.

At the present time the difference in the interest rate between tax-exempt bonds and taxable bonds of standard issues is stated by "The Bond Buyer" to be only about one half to one per cent. Public bonds could always demand a lower rate of interest than private bonds because public bonds are the safest form of investment and stand as a mortgage against all the property in the district where they are issued.

Which is the worst: A possible slight addition in interest rate divided up among 110,000,000 people paying millions in increased taxes in order that a small minority which owns billions of public bonds, the income from which is tax-exempt, may escape tax free. A democracy will survive on a basis of equality and equal taxation, not by building up special privileges and tax exemptions for a few.

The golden rule doesn't mean the rule of gold.

GET GARDNERS GOOD ASOLENE

STACKED DISHES

The fellow who puts things off is the fellow who slows down production and jims the works. In any organization the man who is going to do it as soon as he can is the man who holds the others back. One of the best mottoes to adopt is "Do it now." It was the janitor who was going to clean up the rubbish in the cellar that was responsible for the fire that destroyed the building. It was the chauffeur who was going to have the brakes overhauled tomorrow that was responsible for the death of the child. It was the busy business man who was going to the dentist at the first opportunity that let his decayed teeth so poison his system that he died ten years before he should have died. And so it goes. The leaky roof that was to be mended when the owner of the building found the time, let the water through and ruined a lot of stock. The man who stopped to chat with a friend missed his train and lost a big contract. Putting things off slows down the whole enterprise. It is such an easy thing to let an unpleasant task go over to another time, and yet the price paid for such delays is often enormous. The fellow who clears his desk each day never has a pile of unpleasant things to greet him next morning. Stacked dishes never wash themselves and the housewife who has piled the sink full of unwashed supper dishes cannot enjoy the movies as much as the woman who started earlier, stepped livelier and had the dishes put away and the table set for breakfast before she started for the picture show.

"Do it now and get it over with." Never put off until tomorrow what you can do today," are old-fashioned maxims that the rustling, bustling civilization of today might heed with profit.

Much happiness is overlooked because it doesn't cost anything.

Better pin your faith to luck than waste your energy pursuing luck.

He who depends upon excuses soon stamps himself as one.

Resolutions lived up to are better than any that were ever written down.

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- Powder Blues
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Wednesday & Thursday, 28 & 29
POLA NEGRI

"LILY OF THE DUST"
Pola Negri is at her fiery best in this drama of a girl's struggle for happiness against heavy odds and among all kinds of men.
The woman's side of an everyday story. Frank heart winning, unforgettable. Daughter of a regiment. Toast of a great city, dragged to the depths and fighting back.
Here is a Pola Negri. You'll never forget Ben Lyon, Noah Beery and other favorites in support.

AESOP FABLE in connection

FRIDAY 30

"THE GO GETTER"
Featuring T. Roy Barns, Seena Owen, William Norris and others. Here's a high geared, six cylinder lover for you starting with nothing but his nerve. Winning a million dollar girl and job in a romance that sizzles. Up and at 'em full o' pep, that's the "GO GETTER."
"10 SCARS MAKE A MAN" in connection.

SATURDAY 31
Don't miss Saturday's picture
FRED THOMPSON

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