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LORAIN LOCALS.

Summary of the News by the Records Special Correspondent.

Mr. D. Harrell has been quite ill all this week from severe attacks of neuralgia and asthma.

Miss Vera Gary was hostess at the Monday afternoon meeting of the young lady's "42" Club and a most charming and entertaining one she made. The twelve members were present and the game was played with much enthusiasm and friendly rivalry, each striving to have the largest number of punches. Colors of red, white and blue were used in the pretty score cards which were white hearts with little red cupid's tied with blue and red ribbons. Fudge was served as refreshments and the afternoon was very pleasantly enjoyed by all.

The Ladies of the Baptist church held their regular meeting at the church Monday afternoon. The election of officers and other important business was transacted. Mrs. Tubb was re-elected President, Mrs. H. M. Perry, vice-President, Mrs. D. C. Hazelwood, Secretary and Treasurer.

Mrs. Webb of Big Springs returned home Friday after a pleasant visit with Mrs. Will Summers.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Summers spent Friday in Abilene.

Messrs Edmondson, J. H. T. Johnson and Cornet Wimberly made a business trip to Mary Neal Tuesday.

Mrs. Miles of Palestine is visiting her son, Frank, Miles and was also a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Davis.

Messrs Childress and Turney spent Thursday attending to business matters at Mary Neal.

The Southland Quartette of which Mr. and Mrs. Will Flaniken one of our city are members will give a concert at the Opera House Friday evening May 28. We are delighted to welcome these talented musicians among us and no one should miss the opportunity of hearing them.

L. B. Walker and family have moved to their farm two miles north of town.

The series of meetings which were conducted throughout last week, at the Christian church by Rev. Lawrence, closed Sunday night, the attendance was good and every service and each sermon will be remembered by his hearers as replete with religious interest and full of the Gospel. Rev. Lawrence has made many friends among us, who are interested in his Christian career. Another series of services, will be held later.

Miss Morris left Friday for Big Springs after a visit of several days in our town, the guest of Miss Addie Whitten. Miss Mattie has been teaching music at Clyde and will spend her vacation with her brother, Ford, who moved to Big Springs last winter.

A crowd of young people of the Younger Society Set had a delightful picnic at Seven Wells last Tuesday.

Miss Maggie Joiner entertained several of her friends with an evening of "42" Friday May 21st, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Ike Gregg.

Last Sunday May 23 was set aside as Children's Day at the Methodist church. The day was as that on which Christ said to his little children to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of heaven, clear, bright and joyful, and the children of all ages were all on hand when the first notes by which the Sunday School was addressed the appropriate words were begun, the cute little reading, May White, and Nellie Nor and Dewey up children exercises

The Loraine Dramatic club will present "Miss Topsy Turvey" a sparkling and catchy little comedy at the Opera House on the evening of June 4. Following is the cast of characters:

Are you the lumb? I have pleasure in knowing this is true.

Colorado Texas



—From Fort Worth Star-Telegram

The children were trained by Messrs Edmondson and King and Miss Ruth McRea. The day passed most pleasantly for all.

Messrs T. O. Cowan and Fred Morris of Fluvanna returned home Sunday after a few days business visit in our city.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Zellner of Zellner Ranch, were guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Davis Sunday.

Miss Maggie Algood of Rock Mark, Ga., left Friday night after a delightful visit of several weeks to her cousin, Miss Lucy Matthews. Miss Algood is a beautiful and accomplished young lady and made many warm friends while among us.

What a change has "come over the spirit of our dream." Where we were blue and downcast last week, now we are joyously happy. What fairy has touched our little town and transformed it from a brown dusty waste, to a garden of smiling green loveliness—rain. The long prayed for rain—two good rains in the past week have revived downcast hope, have put the farmer and the merchant to singing while they work, have given the command "get busy" and we are obeying to our fullest capacity. "On with the dance, let joy be unconfined."

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Topsy Turvey—Miss Estelle Garland. Mary Golden—Miss Lillian Davis. Miss Spriggs (governess)—Mrs. R. T. Berry.

Mrs. Clarendon—Miss I. Garland. Lord Clarence—Ross Gregg. Frank Golden—Robert Hutchinson.

Deacon Jones—Frank Miles. Ned—(Colored gentleman)—R. S. Garland.

A special program of Loraine's best talent in music and elocution has been arranged and will be presented between acts. The proceeds of the play will go for the benefit of the Baptist church. Remember the dates, you will not be disappointed.

Mr. and Mrs. Flaniken who have been away some time visiting their daughter in Denver, Colorado, are at home again with their son, Mr. J. Fred Flaniken.

We are handling the J. I. Case threshing machines, engines and all kinds of farming implements. See us for further information. We have a complete catalogue from which selections may be made. ADAMS MERC. CO. 6-18c Loraine, Texas

Seven Wells Siftings. We will attempt to scratch you a few lines, just to let you know this part of "the old clod" still exists, and that it is actually inhabited, however by a few who lived in hopes, enduring the im-

pending dangers of drouth. The farmers are rejoicing over the recent good showers of rain, and cotton planting is the order of the day.

Mr. Venus, who has been confined to his bed for several weeks, is reported to be improving.

An ice cream supper was very much enjoyed by the young and old alike at the residence of our friend and neighbor, Mr. J. H. Tiller, on last Wednesday night. The cream was bountiful and delicious, and music was furnished during intervals by the string band, consisting of violin, guitar, mandolin and organ, played by Messrs Kirkpatrick, Casper, Brewster Early and another musician whose name we failed to learn.

Our school under the supervision of Prof. Seay, of Hopkins Co., and Miss Lydia Hood of Herbert, closed last Thursday, and a picnic on Friday was enjoyed by the pupils down at the wells.

Preaching every fourth Sunday and Sunday school every Sunday morning at our school house. A good crowd came out last Sunday evening and spent a couple of hours in song service.

We take notice that Mr. Pat Bodine of near town is a frequent visitor to our community, must be something very attractive for him down about the Wells.

J. H. Tiller and family visited Jas. B. Follis and family last Sunday.

There is to be preaching the

first Sunday in June at 11 o'clock and singing at 2:30 in the afternoon. It is reported that some new song books will be ordered and that an organ will be brought out, and that a program will be arranged for all choir-leaders and organists present, and if so, all visiting choir-leaders and organists should get here in due time to get their names on the program. Everybody come and bring some one with you.

Capt. Jeffries of Colorado was looking after his interests in our community last Sunday evening.

Miss Hewey Gatliff of the Bailey ranch attended prayer meeting last Sunday night.

We will come again providing we can extract any brand from another burning.

"SEIVE."

Union Units.

(Delayed from last week) There is but little news afloat out here at present. Dry is getting to be a common word, and watering stock is the order of the day. Water is the whole topic of conversation with us all.

The protracted prayer meeting is still going on at this writing; it has connected with it a protracted meeting under the management of Revs. Jones and Gibbs, two Baptist preachers. Now, Mr. Editor please send us a Methodist preacher in order that we may sorter mix up a little.

Mr. J. M. Dorn and wife are visiting their daughter this week, who lives near Coahoma. He has kinder left the subject of rain with the preachers for a few days.

I can't tell you how many prohibitionists we have, but I do know we have but one anti-tank. Best wishes for the Record and its readers.

CITIZEN.

Treasurer's Quarterly Report.

In the matter of the Quarterly Report of J. J. Patterson County Treasurer of Mitchell County, Texas, and the affidavits of the Commissioners of said County.

In the Commissioners' Court of Mitchell County, Texas May term A. D. 1909, this the 14th day of May A. D. 1909.

We, the undersigned, Commissioners of Mitchell County, Texas, and A. J. Coe County Judge of said Mitchell County, constituting the Commissioners Court of said County, and each one of us, do hereby certify, upon our oaths, that on this the 14th day of May A. D. 1909, at a regular term of said Court, we have compared and examined the Quarterly Report of J. J. Patterson Treasurer of Mitchell County, Texas, for the quarter beginning on the 8th day of February A. D. 1909, and ending on the 8th day of May 1909, and upon finding same correct, have caused an order to be entered upon the Minutes of the Commissioner's Court of Mitchell County, stating the approval of said Treasurer's Report by said Court, which said order recites separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said County Treasurer since his last report to this Court, and during the time covered by this report, and the balance remaining in each fund on the said 8th day of May 1909, and have ordered the proper credits to be made in the account of said Treasurer, in accordance with said order, as required by Article 867, Chapter 1, Title XXV, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, as amended by an Act of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of Texas at its regular session.

And we, each of us, further certify, upon our oaths, that we have actually and fully inspected and counted the amount of money, in cash and other assets, in the hands of the said Treasurer, belonging to Mitchell County on this day and date, and found the same to be as follows, to-wit:

Total cash on hand belonging to Mitchell County in the hands of said Treasurer \$8870.53

Assets, in addition to the above amount of money, as shown by deposits certificate exhibited by County Treasurer.

Permanent School Fund in 5 per cent Bridge Bonds of Mitchell County 1000.00 School Land Note 7856.00

Total 8856.00

Grand Total, Money and Assets 17,726.53

Witness our hands, this 14th, day of May A. D. 1909.

A. J. COE, County Judge, W. H. GARDNER, Commissioner Precinct No. 1, W. M. GREEN, Commissioner Precinct No. 2, J. S. BARBER, Commissioner Precinct No. 3, U. D. WULFJEN, Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, by A. J. Coe, County Judge, and W. H. Gardner, W. M. Green, J. S. Barber, and U. D. Wulfjen, County Commissioners of said Mitchell County, each respectively on this the 14th, day of May, A. D. 1909.

JESSE H. BULLOCK, Clerk, Co., Court, Mitchell County, Texas. By W. S. Stoneham, Deputy.

W. O. W. Please Read.

We have changed our meeting nights to the 1st and 3rd Thursday nights in each month.

You are requested to be present on the night of June 3rd, to help make the meeting a success.

Desiring to see a full attendance I am yours fraternally,

E. KEATHLEY, Clerk.

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Convicts On Roads.

The use of convicts for making good roads is rapidly extending, with generally satisfactory results. Washington, Oregon, North Carolina, Georgia, Colorado, New Mexico and Wyoming have been employing their convicts for this purpose, and are quite well satisfied with the experiment. Colorado has 88 convicts at work upon a great highway which will run thru three States. The convicts have no uniform, and no armed guards are to be seen. If one wishes to escape he can easily do so, but he is certain to be overtaken, and the penalty is sufficient to deter him. There are only five officers in charge of the camp, which is composed of tents. The convicts sleep in one big tent, and during the day are divided into five gangs, with an officer in charge of each. Washington began working her convicts on the roads in 1907 and tried the experiment in the most unpromising place at a great distance from the penitentiary. The convicts were set to work building a wagon road along the face of a perpendicular bluff, where the hard granite had to be laboriously drilled before being blown off by dynamite. In spite of this it was found that each man moved 2.42 cubic yards of solid rock and one cubic yard of earth per day of eight hours. The lowest bid for doing this work was \$1.50 per cubic yard for the rock and 40 cents for the earth, so that the average daily work of the convict was valued at \$4.03.

Midland will build a \$70,000 hotel.

Most anybody can edit a newspaper says the Anderson Intelligence and make it interesting for a while. Some people can keep up the interest for a month or two without flagging but it takes a natural pencilshover and a hard worker to grind out an interesting batch of local and editorial items week after week for a term of years. There is no profession that is more exhausting or less remunerative for the work than the editorials or journalistic profession but few believe this.—Vernon Call.

The newspaper is born new every day or every week. It must be entirely from what it was yesterday or last week. This requires a continuous mental performance that few outside of the business realize the difficulty of. To run out of "soap" is as fatal to an editor as to run out of print paper. And as The Call hints a monthly's supply of "soap"—or "dope," rather—is about as much as a lot of us ever have on hand at one time.—Dallas News.

The fowl that gleams its liveliness from the fields makes a profit out of a loss. On the line of the Texas & Pacific the writer saw more flocks of geese than ever before in a given area. The most becoming flock I ever saw, however, was in an alfalfa field through which was running a ditch for irrigating, out of San Angelo. A fowl that can live on grasshoppers and grass with weed seeds on the side, and that will, as one farmer pronounced it, "Work in the field just like a hand," such a fowl is a mighty profitable fowl to carry. Raise some geese.

He Got His.

A wandering peddler at Eastland insisted that he be allowed to show his goods to the lady of a house at which he called, and after she had informed him that she did not wish to buy anything, he flew into a rage and used vile and insulting language to her. For this he was arrested and fined \$12.70 by a local court, which did not feel authorized in imposing a heavier fine, though the prisoner richly deserved it.

There are many honest and gentlemanly dealers, who sell their goods from house to house, and who carry meritorious lines, but it is equally true that many are the most arrant fakes. Usually finding their patrons among the most irresponsible and shifting class of people, white and black, they are wholly out of their element in refined homes or among polite people. Many of them literally impose their wares upon ignorant people, and wheedle them into signing a contract about which the buyers know next to nothing. Their method of collecting the monthly installments, is little short of a club and blackmail.

To gain entrance into houses where they know their class is not tolerated, they resort to tricks that would do credit to the most expert porch-climber. When their knock is answered by a child or lady, they will stick a foot into the opening, so the door can not be shut in their faces. They are pretentiously as polite and unctious as an eel until told none of their stuff is wanted, when they become insultingly, sarcastic about the trouble some people give who are too short to buy. "What do you want? An automobile for a dime?" and other such coarse insults, they often indulge. They exhale the very odor of the pawnshop, diluted with the methods of a bench-comber.

But of all this class, the eye-glass imposter, who goes over the country tampering with the precious eyesight of people ignorant of their wiles, is the worst. He is dangerous to the point of being criminal, and should not only be estopped from his piratical trade, but severely punished where he does injury to a victim's eyes. It is sad that good people can be swindled into paying such frauds \$20 to \$30 for a pair of glasses in no wise fitted to their needs, when they can get satisfactory service of an honest home optician for a fourth of that amount.

The action of the Eastland county court was righteous, and The Record hopes it may be a precedent for courts and victims all over the state.

A safe lock has been invented which is provided with phonographic mechanism so that it can be opened only by the voice of the owner. A mouthpiece like that of a telephone takes the place of a knob on the door, and this is provided with the usual style of needle which travels in a groove in the sound record of the phonograph cylinder. Before the safe can be unlocked the password must be spoken into the cylinder by the one who made the original record. The report does not state what would occur if the owner should come down to his office with a bad cold.

"Millions are poured into our colleges and universities to educate the brains of America, while almost nothing is done to educate the heart." Laws and their enforcement by prosecutions are necessary, but a thousand times more important is humane education, not only for the protection of the lower animals, but for the protection of property and life.

Hundreds of sheep and cattle were drowned and killed by hail in Tom Green county last Sunday night, and many houses were wrecked by the wind and a lady killed at Van Court by falling timbers.

Hamlin is busy promoting a direct line of railroad from the Atlantic to the Pacific oceans—straight through Hamlin.

Silver has been found in Gains county in paying quantities.

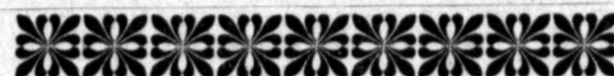
When the county seat is moved from Sweetwater to Mary Neal, in Nolan county, the former town will learn what "I" stands for in the railroad time table, says the Hamlin Herald.

Prairie fires in Castro county burned over 40 square miles, causing \$15,000 damage.

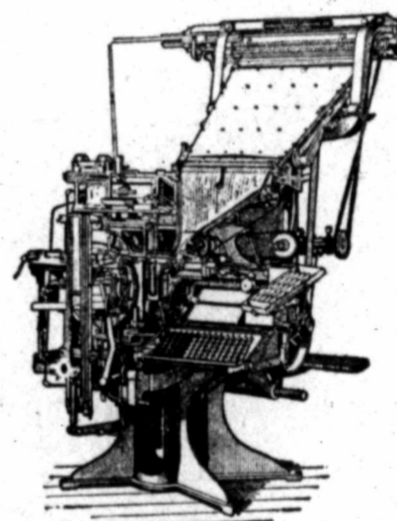
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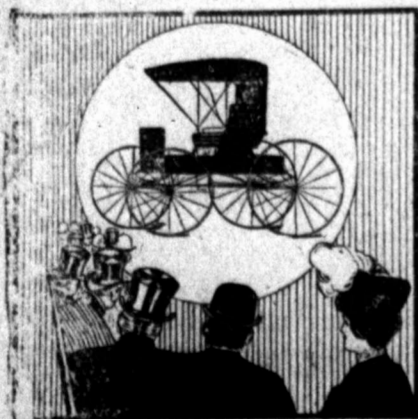
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PROPOSED AMENDMENT.

To the State Constitution Validating School Districts and their Bonded Indebtedness and Authorizing Levy and Collection of Taxes to pay Such Indebtedness.

(House Joint Resolution No. 5.)
House Joint Resolution to amend Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto Section 3a, validating school districts and the bonded indebtedness of such districts and authorizing the levy and collection of taxes to pay such indebtedness.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:—

Section 1. That Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a new section, to be known as Section 3a, which shall read and be as follows:—

Sec. 3a. Every School District heretofore formed, whether formed under the general law or by special act, and whether the territory embraced within its boundaries lies wholly within a single county or partly in two or more counties, is hereby declared to be, and from its formation to have been, a valid and lawful district.

All bonds heretofore issued by any such districts which have been approved by the Attorney General and registered by the Comptroller are hereby declared to be, and at the time of their issuance to have been issued in conformity with the Constitution and laws of the state, and any and all such bonds are hereby in all things validated and declared to be valid and binding obligations upon the district or districts issuing the same.

Each such district is hereby authorized, and shall, annually levy and collect an ad valorem tax sufficient to provide a sinking fund sufficient to redeem the same at maturity, not to exceed such a rate as may be provided by law under other provisions of this Constitution. And all trustees heretofore elected in districts made up from more than one county are hereby declared to have been duly elected, and shall be and are hereby named as trustees of their respective districts, with power to levy the taxes herein authorized until their successors shall be duly elected and qualified as is or may be provided by law.

Sec. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall be duly published once a week for four weeks, commencing at least three months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper in each county in the State of Texas in which such a newspaper may be published. And the Governor be, and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature. At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "For the amendment to article 7 of the Constitution validating school districts and school district bonds," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "Against the amendment to Article 7 of the Constitution validating school districts and school district bonds."

Sec. 3. That \$5,000, or as much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above. (A true copy). W. B. TOWNSEND, Secretary of State.

set apart annually for the benefit of the public free school, and in addition thereto there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem state tax of such an amount, not to exceed 20 cents on the \$100 valuation, as with the available school fund arising from all other sources, will be sufficient to maintain and support the public free schools of this state for a period of not less than six months in each year, and the Legislature may also provide for the formation of school districts by general or special law, without the local notice required in other cases of special legislation, and all such school districts, whether created by general or special law, may embrace parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in said districts and for the management and control of the public school or schools of such districts, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts, heretofore formed or hereafter formed, for the further maintenance of public free schools and the erection and equipment of school buildings therein, provided that a majority of the qualified property taxpaying voters of the district, voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such tax, not to exceed in any one year 50 cents on the \$100 valuation of the property subject to taxation in such district, but the limitation upon the amount of school district tax herein authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns constituting separate and independent school districts.

Sec. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall be duly published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three (3) months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such a newspaper may be published. And the Governor shall, and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature. At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "For the amendment of Section 3, of Article 7, of the Constitution in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "Against the amendment to Section 3, of Article 7, of the Constitution in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts."

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT.

To the State Constitution Authorizing Cities and Towns with a Population in Excess of 5,000 to be Incorporated by Special Act.

(Senate Joint Resolution No. 6.)
Joint Resolution to amend Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, of the Constitution of the State authorizing cities and towns within the State of Texas to be incorporated by special act where the population exceeds five thousand inhabitants.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:—

Section 1. That Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, be amended so that the same shall hereafter read and be as follows:—

Sec. 4. Cities and towns having a population of five thousand or less may be chartered, alone by general law. They may levy, assess and collect an annual tax, to defray the current expenses of their local government, but such tax shall never exceed for any one year one-fourth of one per cent, and shall be collectible only in current money, and all licenses and occupation taxes levied and all fines, forfeitures, penalties and other dues accruing to cities and towns shall be collectible only in current money.

Sec. 5. Cities having more than five thousand inhabitants may have their charters granted or amended by special act of the Legislature and may

levy, assess and collect such taxes as may be authorized by law, but no tax for any purpose shall ever be lawful for any one year which shall exceed two and one-half per cent of the taxable property of such city, and no debt shall ever be created by any city or town unless at the same time provision be made to assess and collect annually a sufficient sum to pay the interest thereon and create a sinking fund of at least two per cent thereon.

Sec. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall (be) duly published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such a newspaper may be published, and the Governor be, and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of the qualified electors for members of the Legislature.

At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "For the Amendment to Article 11, Section 4 and 5, of the Constitution," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "Against the Amendment to Article 11, Sections 4 and 5 of the Constitution."

Sec. 3. That \$5,000, or as much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above. (A true copy). W. B. TOWNSEND, Secretary of State.

Good Roads and Farm Values

The direct connection between good roads and the value of farm lands is shown in a striking manner in Bulletin No. 38 of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. This bulletin gives the results of an investigation by the Office of Public Roads that Department relating to public road mileage, revenues, improved roads, and expenditures in the United States in the year 1904, and the information contained therein is of great importance in connection with the movement on behalf of the systematic improvement of the public highways.

The returns from various States show that in nearly every case the States having the highest percentage of improved roads have the largest population per mile of road, thus showing that better roads are a powerful factor in encouraging the settlement of unpopulated sections of the country. Good roads are also an important influence in retaining in the farming districts the desirable elements who might otherwise drift into the towns and cities. As the price of farm lands depends on their productivity, accessibility to markets, and population engaged, or desiring to engage, in agricultural pursuits, it follows that road improvement, by attracting additional settlers, and giving them better facilities for reaching their markets, directly tends to increase the values of all farm lands within the radius of the roads improved.

A comparison of the percentage of the improved roads of the various States shows that the average percentage of the improved roads in all States where farm land is worth less than \$20.00 per acre is only 1.8 per cent; whereas in the States where the acreage value is more than \$20.00, improved roads constitute an average of 9 per cent of the total mileage.

While there may be minor causes of variations in the value of farm lands it is an undoubted fact that as a general rule the higher values of certain States are largely due to their superior roads. Records on file in the Office of Public Roads show that farm lands have been known to advance in

value from 50 to 500 per cent, on account of the improvement of the roads connecting them with market towns.

When the facts secured by the Department of Agriculture become known to the farmers of the country, and they realize that the establishment of a complete system of properly constructed public roads will have the direct effect of greatly increasing the value of their farms, they will be the foremost advocates of a broad, comprehensive policy of public road improvement by the Nation, States, Counties and Townships.

The Greatest Eloquence.

A public speaker once quoted during an address a part of Mose's great oration recorded in Deuteronomy. It thrilled the audience like an electric shock, and many came to the speaker to inquire the author and the book from which the powerful quotation was taken. It is no absurd enthusiasm that asserts the need for children to be made familiar with the very words of scripture and that counts the Bible worthy of a place in the schools of the land, not as sectarian propaganda, but as the expression of the highest type of literature, because it deals with no driving diets of men, but the divine doctrines of God. The stream has shaped the channel—Observer.

The total of public gifts and bequests in America last year was \$90,452,000. The largest amounts went to charities, \$29,729,961. Next came educational institutions which received \$36,052,039. Museums, galleries, libraries and other public institutions received \$10,246,131. At the foot of the list stands religious organizations, receiving only \$4,413,959. The gifts were led by Andrew Carnegie with \$7,437,600. John D. Rockefeller came second, giving \$2,934,000. Mrs. Quincy A. Shaw and Mrs. Russell Sage were third and fourth.

Our Friend the Cow.

The following eulogy on the cow was delivered at a Christmas dinner last Sunday by Col. F. M. Wood of Nevada, Iowa: "Of all the animal friends of man she is the greatest. I wish that I, as you are about to sit down to your Sunday dinner, might take from your table what she has placed thereon. I would remove the cup of milk waiting at the baby's chair I'd take the cream, the cream biscuit, the roast beef, and leave you a meal of potatoes, beets, pickles, and toothpicks. Every scrap of her, from nose to tail, is used by man. We use her horns to comb our hair, her skin upon our feet, her hair keeps the plaster on the walls, her hoofs make glue, and her tail makes soap. Her blood is used to make our sugar white, her bones are ground to fertilize our soil. She has gone with man from Plymouth Rock to the setting sun. It was her sons that turned the sod in the settler's clearing; it is her sons that draw the prairie schooner for the sturdy pioneers, while she followed. And when the day's march was done she came and gave milk to feed the babe that was perchance to become the ruler of his country."

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An Argument For Compulsory Education.

Paper Read by Acker Miller, One of the Graduates of Colorado Schools, at the Commencement Exercises.

Compulsory education is not an unfamiliar term. We have seen and heard of it often. It is a term that has for all of us a more or less definite meaning. Especially within recent months have the people of Texas talked and read of compulsory education. Unfortunately they have not talked and read of it enough. The bill recently introduced into the Texas legislature providing for a state compulsory educational system was defeated. But this does not mark the end; rather the beginning. The legislature and the citizenship of Texas have not realized the importance of their problem and they have not worked at it with sufficient care and zeal. It is small wonder that they haven't got the right answer. Texas should have compulsory education. Let us reason together.

First, let us define our term concisely: Compulsory education is that educational system under which parents and guardians are forced by law to send their children to school for a specified number of days during a specified number of consecutive years.

This system is not of recent origin. It is not an innovation or a fad. On the contrary, it has a long and worthy history. We first find record of it in the year 61 A. D. in the schools of the Jewish Rabbis. We note that it was the basis of the admirable educational system of Charlemagne. Martin Luther scarcely less great as an educator than as a reformer insists upon it with the words: "The authorities are bound to compel their subjects to send their children to school. Germany dates her wonderfully effective system from the year 1619, and France and England have long had successful compulsory education. And recently Japan and China—lands that have slumbered centuries in the depths of ignorance have awakened to education reform and have enacted compulsory education laws.

But the system is not peculiar to the Old World. It has a history in our own country. As early as 1642 every township in the Massachusetts colony was required to have all children within its limits taught reading, writing and some knowledge of the capital laws. From this small but significant beginning compulsory education has advanced steadily until today practically all of our northern and eastern states are under this system.

Such in brief is the record of compulsory education in history. What does this historic survey reveal? One thing preeminently: "The countries that have the best schools and the highest standard of general intelligence, are the countries having compulsory education has the longest and most successful record. France and England have played the leading roles in modern history. Today the former country ninety-one per cent of its children in regular attendance in its schools; the latter eighty-five per cent. And in our own country the best schools and the highest standard of general intelligence is found in the north and east with Massachusetts easily in the lead, and let us not forget that Massachusetts is the birthplace of American compulsory education.

But does our discovery that compulsory attendance exists only

where schools are good and the standard of intelligence high really mean anything? Or did it just happen to be that way? Are the cases we have noted mere coincidences? Would the people of Germany be just as intelligent without compulsory education? Would the people of Russia be just as ignorant with it. Will China and Japan be the same in the twentieth century they were in the nineteenth? Would Boston have become a synonym for culture if her children had not gone to school when it brings positive and material results? We must know that it really reduces crime, lessens political corruption, increases the productiveness of labor, promotes national prosperity and conduces to human happiness. If all this be true (and few deny it now) is it not also true that that system of education is the best which brings these results in the largest degree?

First, let us see how compulsory education lessens crime. No one will dispute the fact that those who obtain an education are more intelligent than those who do not. Therefore, if all are compelled to attend school, the standard of intelligence must be advanced. And since crime is less prevalent among an intelligent people and since an intelligent people are a law abiding people it appears that compulsory education more than any other single agency reduces crime.

Further a man with an education is able to form his own plans. He can act on those plans and his will power is sufficiently strong as they wanted to or when their parents first like compelling them? Would Texas rank so low in educational statistics. Indeed is there not a vital relationship between good schools and a high standard of general intelligence on the one hand and compulsory education on the other? Our answer must be yes.

This relationship is the single one of cause and effect. Of course, we must not go to an extreme. Compulsory attendance is by no means, the source of all good in an educational system nor is it a panacea for all ills; but granting this it still stands unimpeached as a most potent educational factor. No complex-course of reasoning is needed to defend it. If we believe that education should be free that it should be democratic that it should be universal, it needs must follow that we believe that education should be compulsory. The question is not so much. Do we believe in compulsory education? as do we believe in education. We must come to realize more fully that education that he cannot be dissuaded from them. On the other hand the intellectual faculties of an uneducated man have never been trained, is will power is weak and often he will allow himself to be bribed. But if we had an efficient system of compulsory education, this sort of people would be forced to obtain an education, they could control their own will, better and political corruption would be greatly lessened.

Moreover, education is an important factor in increasing the productiveness of labor. This age of commercialism and of fierce competition demands men prepared in hand and brain to do one thing and to do it well. The better is the product. The advancement of our industrial and commercial life demands that the possible number of efficient producers be trained from early childhood. Compulsory education meets this demand.

In short, education seeks to reduce the worthless and the evil

and to increase the useful and the good. It is theory compulsory attendance makes it fact. It is abstract; compulsory attendance renders, it concrete. Any general impeachment of compulsory attendance is an impeachment of education. For if it is good that one child be educated, it is better that all be educated.

Upon this I rest my argument. Let us note briefly the criticisms of the compulsory system. It is urged that the state transgresses the limit of its authority, when it commands the parent to surrender the child to be educated. The child belongs to the parent; he may do with it as he pleases to do. This is a false and revolting theory. The child belongs to himself, to the state and to the race. The parent is only a guardian entrusted with the sacred task of fitting the child to enter into its heritage. Has the parent the right to cast the child away amid the winter snows, upon the mountain peaks, a prey to cold, to famine, and to ferocious beasts. Has the parent any clearer right to cast the child away upon the busy, bustling, tumultuous world a prey to circumstances and designing men? So it is the parents privilege to wear away the mind and body of the child in the factory or nefarious sweatshop or to work the child twelve months a year in the cotton field? Clearly this argument can have no weight with honest, thoughtful people. A more untenable but equally fallacious argument is that compulsory education does not compel—that is, it cannot be enforced. Such arguments cast grave reflections upon the officers and citizens of the localities where the law prevails. Certainly such a locality needs compulsory education in order that its officers and citizens of the future have mental capacity and moral courage to enforce a beneficial law. To be sure there are places where this law exists and is not enforced, but these places are exceptions and offer no real argument against compulsory education.

There is a final criticism which often is given much local emphasis. It has been especially used in Texas. It argues that compulsory education is good for the long settled and developed sections of America as New England; but since Texas is a comparative new state and is yet to be developed the services of the children are needed and so can not be spared for the required period of compulsory attendance. The argument continues by saying that, if the children be removed from the industrial life of the state and particularly from agricultural or to be more definite from the cotton crop, the development of the state will be greatly retarded. We are bidden to be wise, business-like and patriotic. "After a while" we are told but "not now." These are the words of commercialism not of patriotism. They do not come from the man who longs to see Texas the richest, grandest and happiest commonwealth on earth; rather do they come from the man who is greedy for the gold with which to buy another acre to add to his block and plantation. It is a foolish policy which seeks the highway to prosperity in the marshes of ignorance. Massachusetts was hardly developed in 1642. The children there could doubtless have been used to good advantage the year around. But if this had been done, we may imagine Massachusetts would have been today quite different from what it is. Had the mountaineers of Kentucky had compulsory education long ago, they and their

mountains might have been different, too. And if Texas had had a compulsory system since 1845, we might have had a different state today, splendid though our present one is.

But this cry of commercialism soon shall fail; this whine of pessimism shall soon be stilled; this bawl of brutality shall soon be hushed. For there shall rise above them all, the triumphant shout of wisdom patriotism and righteousness and the people of Texas shall proclaim: "Let every child within our borders have his inalienable right to learn and know. Give us compulsory education."

Their Scheme Worked.

Three painters were painting the inside of a house in the country. During the day these painters began to crave something to drink. Accordingly they put their heads together and the result of their conference was that the leader went to the mistress of the house and said: "The frames of your oil paintings are very dingy; ma'am; we'll clean them for you if you've any whiskey." "How much whiskey will be needed?" asked the guileless old lady. "About a quart, ma'am," said the painter. So the old lady brought to the three painters a quart of whiskey, and they drank it up and cleaned the picture frames with water. On towards sunset the old lady coming in to examine the frames, expressed herself as delighted with them. "Oh," said she, "they look beautiful, and who'd have thought a quart of whiskey would clean so many? It was lucky I saved it. It was what I washed Fido in before he died with the mange last Sunday."



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WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A CONSUMPTIVE

Graphic Picture of the Trials of Men Condemned to a Living Death Without Hope for a Commutation of Sentence.

(By One of Them).

Here in Abilene, where little of consumption is known, the busy people rarely stop to give it a thought and the great anti-tuberculosis movement has few sympathizers. In the East, where the white plague breeds and thrives without stint, it is horrifying to the well and strong, who see the hectic flush upon the ashen faces of their acquaintances and hear that enough that rings the death knell of thousands of victims.

But far different from the sentiment prevailing in this section and that still different one in the East is the feeling toward the disease and the diseased in those cities of the West to which thousands of consumptives flock in practically groundless hope of relief. The feeling in those places is one of loathsomeness, and in the minds of some, hatred. The strong, healthy public has no sympathy for the terribly stricken health seekers and they ostracize them, legislate against them, call them "lungers," "lungers," speak of their affliction as "bugs" and shun them as they would lepers.

Speaking From Experience.

Having been born and reared in the East: having seen neighbor after neighbor droop from vigorous young men to pale, withered skeletons and cough themselves into untimely graves; having been pronounced a consumptive and ordered to the dry, health-giving climate of the western plains; having been refused lodging in place after place and driven to the last refuge of renting a tent and camping out on the outskirts of a much advertised health resort, and having at last settled down in Abilene where nobody cares whether his neighbor is a consumptive or not, I feel in position to speak from authority on the trials and vicissitudes of the victim of that horrid, rhying malady—tuberculosis.

Not Always Hopeful.

That the consumptive is always

hopeful, as is generally supposed, is not true. Some of them are, but that apparent hopefulness is in most cases assumed. Especially with the health seeker in the west it is assumed, for he has learned to deny and deny vigorously that there is anything wrong with his lungs. But when the poor consumptives gather in little groups in the parks and talk among themselves, they open up their hearts and let the anguish of their hopeless souls flow freely. I have formed a close friendship of many a despondent mortal and have taken the hand of many a good friend, thus made, in the grasp of a good-bye forever, and it is a picture too sad for words to paint.

Not Always Despondent.

But the consumptive is not always despondent, though hopeless. He becomes resigned to his fate; he learns that it is of no use to worry and he turns the clouds of his dreary life inside out and adopts the motto, "Laugh and the world laughs with you." In cities where hundreds of them have gathered, hoping against hope for relief, they often organize themselves into little charterless societies, calling themselves the "Lungers' Club," the "One Lungers," the "Bug Hunters," etc. And they have big times, even to the extent of unseemly revelry. They literally follow the ill-given advice to "eat, drink and be merry, for tomorrow ye may die."

"Lungers" as Reporters

Friendly, a stranger in a strange land, I wandered aimlessly about the big western city, to which I had gone upon advice of the old family physician, making the acquaintance of the other condemned men, whose condition was common to mine. But not all of them were idle as I was. Some had managed to procure light jobs and I found a number of them working as newspaper reporters. These were young men who had broken themselves down in health by close application to their studies while they were trying to prepare themselves for the battles of life. They had obtained their education at the cost of their health and their lives. But during the few short years on earth they had left to them, they were making

use of that education, where education is necessary for employment. And that is why so many newspaper reporters are consumptives. But the attack of that fatal malady, those bright young men would be filling far higher positions in life. As it is, the outdoor work of the reporter appeals to them, and their cultured minds appeal to the newspaper proprietors.

Only a Sore Throat.

I had for a good friend, a little fellow employed on an afternoon paper. In the evening, after the paper had gone to press, he would come out to the little park, where he felt sure he would find me, and we would sit for hours and discuss the "night have been." He said there was nothing long with his lungs. He would puff out his chest and hammer it with his fist with a feeble attempt at vigor. Then as a hacking cough would shake his wasted frame, he would add, "But I have quite a sore throat, this evening. The doctor says that when I get rid of that I will be all right."

Then the time came for the doctor to tell him that if he wished to die at home, he must go back at once. As he grasped my hand in that last good-bye, he threw back his bony shoulders and bravely said, "Well, old boy, when I get strong again, I will come back and be with you once more." He died on the train before he reached home.

Happy, Though Dying.

Another, who had also fallen into a little light newspaper work, boarded at the same miserable place where I did. No decent place would receive us. He had a fondness for buttermilk, but none ever graced that table. He often sat in the park in the evening with me and told of his old home where mother would give him plenty of buttermilk and he would get well and strong again. Finally a brother came and took him back. He wrote me: "I reckon I'll die all right, but thank God and mother, I will have plenty of good buttermilk till I do."

There was still another, a long, slim six-footer, also in newspaper work. He was employed on a morning paper. He never spoke of his troubles. He was a grad-

uate of Yale and a brilliant young man, but the "bugs" were eating away his lungs and he knew it. He never denied or owned that he "had 'em." But he worked, worked, worked. In the long, lone some hours of the night, when I could not sleep for brooding over my fate, I would leave my room and go to the newspaper office where this "lunger" friend of mine worked. There he would sit, his long, bony legs thrown over his writing table, entwining his typewriter, and pound away like lightning. And so he worked until the warning came to him, too, that if he would see father and mother back in old Missouri again, he must go at once. It was then that he made a clean breast of it.

"I'm Going Home to Die."

"I'm going home to die," he said nonchalantly, as he grasped my hand. "No, do not say that," I pleaded, "you will get strong when you get back where you will have plenty of rest and care." "Don't give me any of that gaff; you know as well as I do that I am going to die and we as well say good-bye with that understanding."

And we did. He lived but a few days after he reached home.—Abilene Reporter.

The New Sultan of Turkey.

The new Sultan of Turkey is the younger brother of the deposed Sultan. He is a man of fifty-five years, and for the past twenty-five years has been, with his wives and children, practically a prisoner in his palace at Constantinople, where he was confined after having been adjudged an imbecile. Whether he is really such or not is not known. The sultans for the past three hundred years have had the habit of disposing of their younger brothers to prevent them from heading revolutions, and it is not improbable that the new Sultan was imprisoned (instead of murdered) on this account and not because of any unusual mental weakness. But from articles from his pen and interviews with him, which have been published, it is evident that he is not a man of any strength, mentally or morally. It is predicted that throughout his reign he will

be simply the tool of those who put him in power.

"Don't wait for me," he said to his better half, "I may be rather late; but business you know, and can't be helped."

The next morning the man of method was far from either looking well or feeling well. At breakfast he sat listlessly down to his toast and coffee, while his spouse sat stonily silent behind the coffee pot. The breakfast room clock was equally silent.

"Maria, my dear, there must be something wrong with that clock; I am sure I wound it up last night," remarked the husband.

"No," answered the wife, "you wound up Freddie's music box instead, and had it playing 'Home, Sweet Home,' at 3 o'clock in the morning! The hall clock has also stopped and you have screwed your work screw right into the telephone!"—Judge's Library.

One of the most sensible as well as timely articles we have ever seen was the recent protest of Pauline Periwinkle, in the Dallas News, against the importation and adoption of a car load of babies from New York City, while there are thousands of homeless orphans in Texas in need of a parent's protection and care; children whose parentage and blood are known to be all right; whose mothers and fathers had a part in developing this state and supporting its institutions, and who have a prior and stronger claim upon the charity of the people of Texas than the car loads of waifs who are brought every year. There are orphans in Texas enough to supply all those who want to adopt them, and they can be had. What would the people of New York say if a car load of homeless children were taken there for adoption. It would be to the effect that a state large as Texas should be able to care for its own children.

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of building a new one; and if in the face of the fact that it will be several years before there shall come into the proper fund an available sufficient amount to meet the multiplying demands for attention; does it not look as if something should be done to preserve for prosperity, our county temple of justice, and stay the disintegrating hand and gnawing tooth of neglect? We ask only for information. The trees are dying in the yard, stress of wind and the abrading passage of flying sand have given the outside of the structure the appearance of a shedding pi-bald burro. Surely, something could be done to our courthouse. To neglect it further were to increase the ultimate expense beyond future available funds; then what shall be done? Build a new one again, and let it rot down to save repairs?

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Weekly Health Bulletin.

Although the various foods are composed, as previously described, it should be understood that it is not usual to find foods in the simple and elementary form. Foods are usually mixtures, in which a single element may be so predominant as to give its name to that food. Following are some examples of general food classes:

Proteids—Lean meat, eggs, cheese, dried beans and dried peas. Proteids are animal and vegetable.

Carbohydrats—Cane, grape milk and other sugars and their representatives, such as syrup, molasses, candy and all forms of starch, as seen most commonly in starch, potatoes, corn.

Fats—Fat meat, butter, cream, olive oil, lard, cottoline.

Salts—Table salt, and various salts occurring in the skins of fruit and in vegetable food generally.

Water—Occurs alone and in nearly all food structures.

(Continued next week.)

The rains of the past week have put new life and courage in every living thing in West Texas.

Judge William Poindexter of Cleburne, has shied his castor in the gubernatorial ring and dared "my mon to trid on de tail iv his coat."

The tariff is not the daddy of every trust. If you don't like the price the ice trust makes you pay for its product, why, you can import all you want, free of duty.

Those who hesitated, and wavered between hope and fear and just before the rains came, sold out at a great sacrifice and drifted back to where conditions were no better than here, are now wishing they had waited just a little longer.

Now the men of science say tuberculosis is caused by the tonsils, so we may expect a general crusade against that little gland. As science progresses, it is wonderful how many mistakes and unnecessary things Nature made and attached to the genus homo.

That "wierd, mysterious" letter supposed to have been written by the Saviour and found at the foot of the cross, is going the rounds of the press again. It is twin to the "mysterious" messages and warnings that intermittently break out on fresh laid eggs. But there is always a bunch whodid not read about them the other time they were printed, and attach much importance to them.

The Record is in receipt this week of a letter from Prof. J. E. Murray, of Sour Lake, Texas, to the effect that he is an applicant for the chair of English in the Southwest Texas Normal, at San Marcos, Texas. The management of the Record have known Prof. Murray for a number of years and bear cheerful testimony to his high standing as a christian gentleman and scholar. His fitness for the position to which he aspires is peculiarly happy. He has made a specialty of this branch, having written and published a series of English grammars that received the highest endorsement of the most eminent English scholars. He would not only fill the chair efficiently, but adorn the position as well.

The argument that an enterprise proved a failure twenty years ago in Colorado or Mitchell county, seems to us wholly untenable and unfair in the present development of both. At that time a basis of the county's prosperity was cattle alone. The county was sparsely settled and the pop-

ulation unstable. A few weeks of dry weather, and all one had to do to move out of the country was to gather up the camp utensils, start the herd and chuck wagon for greener pastures; there was no great sacrifice in moving as there would be today. Permanent and costly improvements cover the country, money has literally been sowed in the ground, and only by staying with it and working it out can dividends be realized. The character of the inhabitants of the City of Colorado has changed as much as material conditions. It is now fixed, and people who come here to make their home, come with the expectation of staying. They invest their money, and can not afford to pull up at every adverse wind that blows. The country has acquired that sense of permanency that accompanies abiding prosperity, and enterprises that were tried twenty years ago merely as experiments, are now promoted with the certainty of results that marks them in all old settled states and communities. At that time people embarked in enterprises with more hope for what might be, than to supply a demand that already existed. Today, the demand and the business are here, and it would be as unfair to judge by the experience and standards of twenty years ago, as to adopt the methods of that time.

The state supreme court has declared the search and seizure law unconstitutional. Every thing is lovely and the goose honks high, in West Texas—since the rain. If a man deceives you once, the fault is his; if he deceives you a second time, the fault is yours. Senator Joe Bailey is slowly emerging from the silence imposed by his "throat trouble" during the campaign, when excommunication and reprimand flew thick and fast. We asked a man, why he was leaving here to go to the county just as much in need of rain as this section, and his reply was that it was in the habit of raining oftener there than here. The gubernatorial hurdle next year promises to be a kind of go-as-you-please, every man for himself, and the devil take the hindmost, without party lines. When H. H. Rogers stood before his maker, stripped of all his wealth, with the power and homage it secured, how much greater individual we wonder, did he feel himself than the millions of warring people he despised in the flesh. Nothing but Christ-likeness availed him there. People who wait for ideal conditions to do their part of the world's work, never do anything. Many of them spend their lives "getting ready to get ready," as Dr. Torrey so happily puts it. Take hold of the first thing that offers to your hand; lose your personality in the zeal and faithfulness of your work, and sooner than you think, you will be called to higher and more responsible work. Patten sees nothing but high priced wheat in this country for the next year. He says: "I cannot dwell too strongly on the law of supply and demand and the theory that the production of wheat in the United States has not kept pace with the increase in population, and I want to suggest that the trade each year will have to realize this condition in its future dealings and study it from this standpoint. The wheat lands are being cropped to death. Changes must come or we will suffer the result."

The rains of the past week have put new life and courage in every living thing in West Texas.

Judge William Poindexter of Cleburne, has shied his castor in the gubernatorial ring and dared "my mon to trid on de tail iv his coat."

The tariff is not the daddy of every trust. If you don't like the price the ice trust makes you pay for its product, why, you can import all you want, free of duty.

Those who hesitated, and wavered between hope and fear and just before the rains came, sold out at a great sacrifice and drifted back to where conditions were no better than here, are now wishing they had waited just a little longer.

Now the men of science say tuberculosis is caused by the tonsils, so we may expect a general crusade against that little gland. As science progresses, it is wonderful how many mistakes and unnecessary things Nature made and attached to the genus homo.

That "wierd, mysterious" letter supposed to have been written by the Saviour and found at the foot of the cross, is going the rounds of the press again. It is twin to the "mysterious" messages and warnings that intermittently break out on fresh laid eggs. But there is always a bunch whodid not read about them the other time they were printed, and attach much importance to them.

The Record is in receipt this week of a letter from Prof. J. E. Murray, of Sour Lake, Texas, to the effect that he is an applicant for the chair of English in the Southwest Texas Normal, at San Marcos, Texas. The management of the Record have known Prof. Murray for a number of years and bear cheerful testimony to his high standing as a christian gentleman and scholar. His fitness for the position to which he aspires is peculiarly happy. He has made a specialty of this branch, having written and published a series of English grammars that received the highest endorsement of the most eminent English scholars. He would not only fill the chair efficiently, but adorn the position as well.

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WAIL FROM THE DESERT.

"Whatever You Do, Don't Come Out Here."

After, all, this world is a very small place. If any one doubts this let him do something of which he is ashamed, or should be ashamed and try to outrun it. Usually he will find it waiting for him at his destination. Many a man makes a speech or writes an article for publication, which is intended to produce a certain effect in one locality, and is surprised to find he has thrown a boomerang that slaps him on the nose at home. The following letter written to the Ennis Weekly Local from Winston in this county, by a former Ellis county man, evidently was not intended for the edification of his neighbors, in the Winston community:

Winston, Scurry Co., May 9.
I am a way out west. It is very dry out here hasn't rained in six months. Some few have planted cotton and feed stuff but won't get up anything until it rains. I used to hear the people say that this is the poor man's country, which is true, for if a man comes here with money, he is soon so poor that he can't get away.

There has been 20 or 30 families left here in the last two weeks and several more are fixing to leave. I haven't seen any green vegetation since I left old Ellis county. Will say that all your people who like back there had better stay or go somewhere else. Whatever you do don't come out here.

There are 90 per cent of the people here who are in hard shape. Come and see for yourself. The first thing you see when you get off the train will be a big sand storm and the next thing a land agent telling you of the good things out here, but none of the bad ones.

Now if there are any good things out here I haven't seen them. I find these agents are for self and not for you. I notice none of them ever buy land here. All they want is your money and then they don't care what becomes of you, but I think their day is about spent for you can buy land lots cheaper than you could two years ago. Well you can get a place almost at your own price.

Ellis county land is cheaper at \$75 than this is at \$15. If any one doubts this come and see. I will take you around and show you free of charge.

AN OLD SUBSCRIBER.

The worst feature about the letter is that it is anonymous; this is strong presumptive evidence against its statements. Making charges without the responsibility and authority of a name, is like fighting from ambush. It is not only begging the question, but taking an unfair advantage. Attempting to answer all the attacks on Mitchell county and west Texas, is but threshing over old straw but there are a few statements in the above letter that should not pass unchallenged. His statement that "90 per cent of the people here are in bad shape," is refuted by the banks and merchants, who say business has kept up so far remarkably well, owing to the fact that the farmers have more money on hand than in any previous year. The experience of men who have lost out and are homesick, with a hankering for something "green," is no measure of the condition of the country. We have lived in three towns of Ellis county, and have seen more disastrous results from drouth there, than in west Texas during the past eight years. The year 1902 is a case in point. You can get a place almost at your own price," the writer further complains. If he will name one block of land and give the owner's name that can be bought on such terms, the Record will willingly publish the fact and sign "Old Subscriber's" own statement in regard to this country. Unless he can do this, he must stand convicted of wilfully misrepresenting conditions. Capt. A. F. Winn who came here from Ellis county owns a beautiful tract of land in this county. When shown the above statement, he said, "I hold my land higher today than at any time since I bought it, and esteem it worth more, acre for acre, than land in Ellis county."

"Old Subscriber" is mistaken about the extent of the demoralization among the people of this county. True, there are many who have been accustomed to seeing it rain once or twice a week where they came from, and a drouth of six months completely upsets them. No matter how bad things may get to be, people who have their all invested, can not afford to turn loose if they wanted

to. They can not quit, which would mean to lose all.

If "Old Subscriber" had told of the present condition of the farmers in "old Ellis" and how much worse the out-look for a crop is there than in Mitchell county, the effect of his scarry story would have been lost. Capt. Winn has recently returned from that county and says this section has the advantage in crop prospects.

But enough. The trouble with "Old Subscriber" is that he is home-sick. If he could only see something "green" growing and could "bile the pot with a mess of greens and hog jowl," and pasteurize his blood with sassafras and poke root, he would see things in a vastly different light—he's bilious without a doubt.

After Judge Simpson had remanded six of the men charged with the lynching of the negro at Tyler to jail, without bail, the ladies of the town sent a wagon load of flowers to them. The jail doors were literally filled with flowers. Judge Simpson did what was eminently right and decent; had he done less, he would not only have been recreant to his duty as a judge, but would have laid himself liable to the charge of sympathy with the mob. He is under oath to do his duty impartially, and every good citizen who deprecates mob violence and believes the law, if not interfered with, will reach such offenders, rejoices at the stand Judge Simpson has taken in the matter, and hopes it may be a precedent for others.

We need more smoke stacks in Texas and in Colorado, something that will create new wealth every day. In purely agricultural sections it is the farmer alone who creates wealth. The merchant, banker, doctor and every other trade, business and profession, does nothing more than exchange this wealth according to their several services or wares. The manufacturer creates no material; he only multiplies the value of the raw product of the farmer, and this adds to the wealth of the community. It requires men to keep the smoke stacks hot and mills running. Many of these men have families which must be fed, clothed and housed in the town where they work; in the supplying of which every business of the place will be benefited.

Teddy for the Job.

The Record feels it has as much authority as the big city papers to select a job for Mr. Roosevelt when he has finished his African hunt. So far he has shown himself the only man connected with the Panama canal with a supreme desire to see the work done thoroughly promptly and without the suspicion of graft. Practically he is above money temptation, while he has enjoyed the highest honors his country can give. Should he be given the task of building the canal, he'd do it if money, men and time can accomplish it, and as free from the taint of graft as human nature is capable, considering the enormity of the work. It would be a fitting rounding out of the most dramatically successful career in American history.

THE RECORD MAKING GOOD.

A letter from the Linotype Company has the following to say of the Record:
Whipkey Printing Company: Colorado, Texas:

Dear Sirs:—The May 7th issue of the Colorado Record which you forwarded has been received, and we are certainly very glad to have it.

You are using your Linotype to excellent advantage and you deserve to be highly complimented on the quality of work you are turning out by the aid of this machine. The large two-page advertisement appearing in your publication for A. J. Payne has been noted with interest. This is one of the best advertisements of its size that has ever been brought to our notice. It is exceptionally well displayed and well executed and should prove profitable to both yourself and Mr. Payne.

Again we thank you for the copy of your paper which you have forwarded and compliment you upon the excellency of the Linotype work you are doing.
Yours very truly,
Mergenthaler Linotype Company.
FRED W. BOTT, Manager.

When President Diaz was asked to accept another term, he was so surprised that he broke down and cried—wep.

Let It Teach Us.

It is wonderful how many, since it has rained, remembered they firmly believed all along it would rain, just about the time it did; that they were not in the last uneasy but that everything would come out all right.

How easily faith comes after things happen. But the right thing has always happened just at the right time, else this old world would have gone to pieces long ago. There is always a definite cause for everything that does or does not happen.

Let us take the lesson of the recent drouth to heart, and when such conditions recur, not lost faith in the country, but do diligently our part; remember that whatever is best for us, will come to pass at the most opportune time. There is a power, a soul and an omniscience that overrules all things. We see His plan only in disjointed and selfish segments not as a comprehensive whole.

Under the present system of working the public roads with the funds available, a vast amount of human and animal labor is employed to no permanent good. This is just as truly a waste of money as if there should be a physical destruction, by fire, of bank bills. The only economical and permanent way is to impose a specific tax and put the road work in charge of competent supervisors, with labor and teams hired in the usual way, as by any private contractor. The present way is wasteful and inefficient. The county does not get decent roads, while the money spent is worse than wasted. Direct taxation for the specific purpose, has been found the only solution to the good road problem.

EL PASO HERALD.

For Texas News. Best general newspaper in Western Texas. Sixty cents per month.

AN AKRON MAN.



MR. WILLIAM F. STEESE. Mr. William F. Steese, 701 Coburn St., Akron, Ohio, writes:

"I have been troubled for several years with catarrh of the stomach. I have used different patent medicines to no effect whatever, and have doctored considerable with family doctor. Sometimes his treatment would relieve me for a few weeks, but would eventually have to go back to him, and that had kept up for several years. I was advised to use Peruna, and have taken three bottles. Never felt so good in my life. Am going to continue using it. Wouldn't be without it in the house. I will gladly recommend it to any one afflicted with catarrh of stomach, or stomach trouble of any kind."

The above is an oft-repeated story. Troubled for years with chronic catarrh. Tried different remedies and doctors to no avail. Peruna was advised by friends. Instant relief experienced. Great gratitude to Peruna expressed. This, in brief, is a story that is repeated to us a great many times every year.

No one could be in touch with our vast correspondence for one month without being impressed with the sincerity and truthfulness of these kind testimonials.

Peruna promptly produces an appetite, corrects digestion and relieves stomach difficulties that have resisted other treatment.

Man-a-lin an Ideal Laxative.

J. L. DOSS, President. F. E. MCKENZIE, Vice-President. J. E. HOOPER, Cashier. CAPITAL \$60,000.00. City National Bank of Colorado, Texas. Prompt attention to all business. Correspondence and Collections Solicited.

The Colorado National Bank. Capital \$100,000. Surplus \$100,000. OFFICERS: R. H. LOONEY, Pres.; F. M. BURNS, Vice-Pres.; C. M. ADAMS, Vice-Pres.; W. J. HATCH, Cashier; T. W. STONEROAD Jr., Assistant Cashier. DIRECTORS: R. H. LOONEY, F. M. BURNS, J. C. PRUDE, C. M. ADAMS, GUS BERTNER, C. H. EARNEST and W. J. HATCH. Transacts a General Banking Business.

"SAMBO" A fine large Black Spanish Jack, will stand the season at my place, 1 1/2 miles west of Colorado. Price—\$10 to insure. If mare is traded or sold, the bill becomes due. A. E. GREEN

Burton-Lingo Co. LUMBER and WIRE. See us about your next bill of lumber, we can save you some money. Colorado, Texas

A LITTLE HERE AND THERE.

St. Louis merchants will make a tour through Texas next week.

A boom has been started for Roosevelt as mayor of New York.

A mob of 100 women threatened to lynch Mrs. Boyle, the kidnaper on her way to the prison.

More than a ton and a half of quinine is served free to the canal employes in Panama by the government.

Capt. Hains was sentenced to an indeterminate number of years in the penitentiary. It will be either 8 or 16 years.

Mrs. Augusta Evans of Mobile, Ala., whose novels were the delight of the older generation, died at her home last week.

President Taft has placed himself on record as favoring playgrounds for children in all the larger cities.

H. Clay Pierce came to Texas and had his trial postponed till the October term of court, after giving bond on the new indictment.

The last legislature, with the two extra sessions, cost the people of Texas more than \$200,000. A pretty steep figure, for such a shoddy article. Next time let's try Sears & Roebuck or the remnant counter.

Ex-private secretary William Loeb is making as good a collector of the New York custom house as he did in guarding the president from bores, at the White House. He is making the fashionable smugglers hard to catch.

The tallest chimney in the world has recently been completed for a copper smelter in Montana. It is 506 feet high. Dust and soot from the inside of it is assayed every week, yielding hundreds of dollars worth of copper and gold.

In 1837 or '38 Gail Borden, a citizen of Texas and the founder of the first newspaper published in the republic, made the first condensed milk and had the process patented. Now there is annually exported from this country \$2,500,000 worth of it to foreign countries.

The United States Circuit Court at New Orleans has decreed that a widow or other heirs can not collect life insurance on a man who fights a duel and is killed. The decision was in the case of Mrs. Lee Maner against the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company, the case coming from the northern district of Texas.

The Texas papers are disputing what shall be done with the big fine collected from the Waters-Pierce Oil Co. The amount has now swollen to \$1,808,183.30. The Houston Post opposes the suggestion of distributing it in the way of reduced taxes, as that would mean but 40 cents per capita of population. The Dallas News suggests that the fine be treated as a legacy to the helpless. There are any number of suggestions as to desirable purposes to which the money could be put.—National Tribune.

The Czar has recently dispatched to Peking, as a gift to the three year old Emperor Pu-Yi of China, a toy train and railroad the value of which is estimated at \$60,000. The toy was sent by a special embassy and will be officially presented. Two other gifts of this kind have been recorded. One was the gift last year by President Fallieres, of France, of a toy train and railroad to the infant son of the Czar. King Edward also gave one to his grandson, Crown Prince Olaf, of Norway. These, however cost only \$2,000 each.

Rubber Stamps—All kinds and styles at the Record office.

Special Election Notice.

Whereas, Two Hundred resident citizens who are property tax payers and qualified voters of Mitchell County, Texas, filed with the Commissioners' Court at the May term of said Court, 1909, their petition petitioning said Court to order an election to be held in Mitchell County to determine, whether or not there shall be levied and collected a special road tax not to exceed fifteen cents on the One Hundred Dollars valuation of all property assessed for taxes in said county, and, Whereas, said Commissioners' court granted said petition as shown by the records of said court at the May term 1909, I hereby give notice, that an election will be held on Saturday the 19th day of June, 1909, for the purpose of determining whether or not said special road tax not to exceed fifteen cents on the One Hundred Dollars valuation shall be levied and collected, and I hereby appoint the following persons as presiding officers to hold said election:

J. W. Bird, Colorado, J. H. T. Johnson Jr., Loraine, A. Petty, Westbrook, C. C. Roach, Seven Wells, L. L. Welch, Herbert, W. R. Womaek, Cuthbert, E. T. Phillips Daniels School House.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 25th day of May, 1909. A. J. COE, County Judge of Mitchell County Texas. 6-11.

MAY PROVE FATAL.

When Will Colorado People Learn the Importance of It?

Backache is only a simple thing at first; But when you know 'tis from the kidneys; That serious kidney troubles follow; That diabetes, Bright's disease may be the fatal end. You will gladly profit by the following experience.

'Tis the honest statement of a sufferer who was cured. Frank Polacek, of Big Springs, Texas, says: "It was two years ago that I first used Doan's Kidney Pills. I was then working in the shops and from continual drinking of too much ice water, my kidneys became disordered. The most severe pain darted thru my back, causing intense misery. The kidney secretions were too frequent in passage and annoyed me greatly. I was unable to get anything that would relieve me until I procured Doan's Kidney Pills. After taking the first few doses I felt better and two boxes made me well as ever. Whenever I have the least symptoms of kidney ailment, I use Doan's Kidney Pills and am soon all right."

For sale by dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Notice.

Owing to the accumulation of so many small accounts, on and after this date we will not sell meal or hulls to any one except for cash. We will make no deviation from this no matter who you are, we do not wish to disappoint you, so please send the money along with you send for the feed. COLORADO OIL & COTTON CO.

Mortgage notes at The Record office.

Rubber Stamps—All kinds and styles at the Record office.

Boys On the Farm.

"Living in Paradise, and do not know it," says our William Jennings Bryan. We would like Mr. Bryan to tell the boys on the farm who are living in paradise and do not know it. I say hurrah! for the farm boys.

If there is one lesson taught by history, it is that the permanent greatness of any state must depend more upon its country population than upon anything else. I say hurrah! for its country population! Thus speaks Mr. Theodore Roosevelt, as quoted in the Record of April 30th. Thus the two leading exponents of public life in America plead against the migratory movements of the boys and girls from the farm to the cities and factories.

How to prevent this has been a subject of study and investigation by statesmen and sociologists and political economists for years, but as a factor of national importance it has never before assumed the proportions it has reached today. Now Mr. Colorado Record, we would like for you or some one else to tell us when the boys on the farm are living in paradise, but do not know it. I think not. The boys on the farm work hard to make a living and to pay their debts. I would like to ask Mr. Bryan one question, or some one else. Calculate the interest on what the people pay and see how much they pay to the profit-taker, and see how much cotton, corn, wheat, milo-maize, kafir corn, potatoes and everything else that is raised on the farm, so the boys on the farm can see how it is they are living in paradise, but don't know it.

"ELEPHANT FRIEND.

Joseph Medill Patterson, the wealthy Chicagoan, tries to defend the socialists from the charge of preaching free love. He says: "The percentage of Socialists who advocate sexual promiscuity is less than the percentage of plutocrats who practice it." This is not to the point, as Mr. Patterson would see if his Socialistic tendencies did not render him incapable of correct reasoning. We are dealing with the doctrine taught by professional Socialists, and not with the practices of certain individuals of another class. Every Socialist writer of prominence since the days of Plato has made communism of women a part of his scheme of regenerating the universe, and avoiding the evils of the present social system. Therefore, instead of attacking Mr. Patterson for stating a truth, Mr. Patterson should employ himself in proving that from Plato to Fourier the advocates of Socialism have not correctly represented his class.—National Tribune.

Brick and Cement Contractor.

J. B. Reese is now ready to give estimates on all kinds of brick or cement work, Brick or Cement block buildings, chimneys, foundations, flower pits. Anything in brick or cement. It will cost you nothing to get prices. Phone 23. J. B. Reese, Colorado, Texas 3-191f

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I have installed a grist and feed mill at my place, one mile east of Colorado, near the stand-pipe, and am prepared to grind kafir corn, milo maize and corn meal for the regular toll, for the public, every Saturday. I solicit a share of your patronage.

H. COOK.

Not One-tenth of Lard is Leaf Lard!

Here is what the leading lard packer says in a recent advertisement: "Leaf is the cream of lards. There is not enough of it to supply one-tenth of the people, and so it goes only to those who insist upon it."

Does it not stand to reason that if there is only enough of the proper fat produced to make pure leaf lard to supply one-tenth of the demand that the chances are nine to one against your getting pure lard? The only absolute protection against getting common hog fat when you buy lard is by buying *Cottolene* instead. *Cottolene* is a pure vegetable product—made from cotton seed oil, refined by our exclusive process. It contains no hog fat and makes palatable, nourishing food which will agree with the most sensitive stomach.

COTTOLENE is Guaranteed Your grocer is hereby authorized to refund your money in case you are not pleased, after having given *Cottolene* a fair test.

Never Sold in Bulk *Cottolene* is packed in pails with an air-tight top to keep it clean, fresh and wholesome, and prevent it from catching dust and absorbing disagreeable odors, such as fish, oil, etc.

Cook Book Free For a 2c stamp, to pay postage, we will mail you our new "PURE FOOD COOK BOOK" edited and compiled by Mrs. Mary J. Lincoln, the famous Food Expert, and containing nearly 300 valuable recipes.



Made only by THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY, Chicago

"Nature's Gift from the Sunny South"

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE.

(Real Estate).

By virtue of a pluries execution issued out of the Honorable District Court of Dallas County, Texas, 44th Judicial District, on the 12th day of May A. D. 1909 in the case of H. R. Hammond vs A. R. Smith, No. 8563, (same being issued in behalf of Chas. I. Evans, Jr., as administrator of the Estate of said H. R. Hammond, deceased) and to me as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this the 14th day of May A. D. 1909, and will, between the hours of 10 a. m., and 4 o'clock p. m., on the first Tuesday in July A. D. 1909 it being the 6th day of said month, at the Court House door of said Mitchell County in the State of Texas, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, all the right title and interest which A. R. Smith had on the 14th day of May A. D. 1909, or at any time thereafter, of in and to the following described real property, to-wit: All of Section No. (28) Twenty-eight in Block No. (28) Twenty-eight Township 1 South (18) of the Texas and Pacific Ry. Co., surveys in Mitchell County, Texas, located for the Public Free School Fund by virtue of certificate No. 2-1634. Originally purchased by J. D. Childers from the State of Texas, abstract No. 1003, patented to A. R. Smith, assignee, same being situated about 12 miles southwest from the county-seat, and being generally known as the old Childers section, said property being levied on as the property of A. R. Smith to satisfy a judgment amounting to Twelve Hundred and No-100 Dollars with a credit thereon of Seventy-four and 36-100 Dollars (74.36) of date of April 3, 1894, with six per cent interest on said judgment from November 18, 1893, one and 55-100 dollars (\$1.55) cost of suit, and the further costs of executing this writ in favor of H. R. Hammond, now deceased, and represented by Chas. I. Evans, Jr., Administrator of the Estate of said H. R. Hammond, Deceased.

Given under my hand this the

14th. day of May, A. D. 1909. G. B. COUGHRAN, Sheriff of Mitchell County, Texas. By EAR JACKSON, Deputy. A true copy I certify: G. B. COUGHRAN, Sheriff. By Earl Jackson, Deputy.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The Colorado Drug Co., is prepared to furnish ice cream, sherbert, etc., in any quantities, delivered at your home at any hour on Sunday by leaving order for same on Saturday. This will solve the Sunday eating question.

W. P. LESLIE

Lawyer Will do a general civil practice. Abstracts and Land Titles examined with care and dispatch.

DR. W. C. NEAL

—Dentist— Office in Gymnasium Building at Fire Hall. Office Phone 87 Colorado Res. Phone 4 Texas

C. H. EARNEST

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No matter what kind of a structure you contemplate erecting, or how cheap or costly it be, it will pay you to see

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To have your WATCH repaired by me
THE fact that I will do you a better job, is a strong inducement; and I'll charge you less money for this better job, is the double inducement I hold out to you.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS and PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Welbourn and daughter, Miss Dean, left for a visit at San Angelo, Wednesday.
Albert Sidney Johnson Camp U. C. V. will meet Sunday at the court house at 2:30 p. m., to commemorate Decoration Day.

We solicit your repair work. Satisfaction guaranteed and price reasonable. Greene & Knott.
Mrs. Trammel and Miss Jackson of Sweetwater are visiting Mrs. Brooks Bell this week.
If you have a friend visiting you, call us and tell us; it is due your guest, it will help us and give you a better paper.

Ed Jones, Fred McKinney and Mr. Robertson, went fishing Wednesday and brought back about 65 pounds of fish, perch and cat-brought back, we said, not caught.
Aubrey Harrington, suffered a very serious and painful accident Wednesday. In cranking up the big seven passenger auto, the handle flew back and shattered his wrist and forearm.
Otis Geers, the Record's Linotype manipulator, spent several days this week in Fort Worth.

Open House for Card Club.
The Ladies' Card Club held an open meeting Tuesday evening at the home of Judge and Mrs. R. H. Looney. The house was brilliantly lighted, the doors were thrown ajar and the guests were welcomed by the receiving line composed of the following: Miss Hooper, president, Miss Terrell, secretary and treasurer, Miss Looney, Miss Chilton, Mrs. Looney and Brooks Bell. Every room was profusely decorated with roses and cape jasmines—bowls and vases everywhere.

A Pentecostal Revival.
J. L. Brasher, President of John H. Sneed Seminary, Boaz, Alabama, will hold revival services at the Tabernacle in Colorado, beginning June 11th and continuing to June 23rd.
As a profound preacher of the Word, as a pulpit orator, as a practical revivalist, Mr. Brasher has few equals. He is most highly indorsed by his church, and in perfect accord with her holy doctrines. It will be a treat for Colorado people to hear him, as they hold his labors here last year in most fraternal remembrance.

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and Oklahoma 30 inches deep and 24 inches wide, besides the following information: Population of the principal Cities of the World. Population of the States and Cities of the United States. The United States Reclamation service, with a map showing the forest reserves and reclamation projects. Portraits of the presidents of the United States from George Washington to Theodore Roosevelt, both inclusive, with a sketch of the life of each. A map of the Panama Canal, with a historical sketch and explanation of the final plans adopted by Congress. The total population of the United States and elements at each census. The River system of the World, their length and area of basins. You can get the Dallas Semi-Weekly News, the above described atlas and the Colorado Record all one year for only \$2.00. The News and the Record without the atlas for \$1.75. Old subscribers must first pay up and then renew for both papers at the above price. Call at the Record office.



TOO LATE, TOO LATE,

to think about taking out a policy on your house if it is already burning. We take a risk but not a certainty. If you have taken time by the forelock, and insured your property against fire, you have the ABSOLUTE CERTAINTY that the company will pay all your losses. The race is to the swift, and you owe it to your family to protect them from all trouble. Do not be a laggard. SIMS & SIMS

A Special Road Tax.

Attention is called to the order for an election by the County Judge on the road tax question for the county. The Record believes that if the question is thoroughly understood that it will carry. There is no question but that roads can be worked by taxation to a better advantage than any other way. The county road and bridge fund is in debt and cannot and will not spend a dollar this year on roads. It is simply a question of voting this 15c tax or submit to a raise in the present tax levy. The best feature about the road tax election is that each precinct will be allowed to collect and spend its own road tax money.

A Good Newspaper.

The Colorado Record, though not yet 4 years old, has grown to a full-fledged newspaper. The last issue consisted of eighteen pages, all of which were chuck full of good news, seasoned with sufficient advertising to save the proprietors from starvation. They have installed the latest model of Linotype machine, and have one of the best offices west of Fort Worth. The Record is a power for Colorado, and the people realize it.—Cisco Round-up.

The Swine or the Flower?

Ah me! I saw a huge and loathsome sty. Wherein a drove of wallowing swine were barred, Whose banquet shocked the nostril and the eye; Then spoke a voice, "Behold the source of ills!" I fled, and saw a field that seemed at first One glistening mass of roses pure and white, With dewy buds 'mid dark green foliage nursed; And, as I lingered o'er the lovely sight, The summer breeze, that cooled that Southern scene, Whispered, "Behold the source of COFFOLENE!" Rubber Stamps—All kinds and styles at the Record office.

ANNUAL FREIGHT TONNAGE OF COLORADO STATION.

Itemized Statement of Full Car Loads of Freight Received and Forwarded at Colorado.

Following is a list of car-load freight received and forwarded at this station for the year ending April 30th, 1909, all of which carried car-load rates:

Cars Received	Cars Shipped
Apples 5	Apples 1
Agricultural Implements 19	Bananas 1
Bagging and Ties 8	Cattle 304
Bran 1	Cases Oil 41
Bananas 2	Meal and Cake 94
Brick 7	Hulls 21
Beans 5	Cotton Seed 4
Bags 2	Coal 4
Cattle 71	Canned Goods 1
Chops 24	Emigrant Outfits 28
Cotton Seed 246	Flour 2
Chairs 1	Fruit Trees 1
Cottolene 7	Groceries 1
Cotton Seed Hulls 24	Horses 8
Corn 1	Hiawatha 1
Cement 15	Hay 1
Canned Goods 10	Ice 139
Dried Fruit 2	Lumber 22
Emigrant Outfits 37	Merry Go Round 1
Furniture 3	Salt 426
Hiawatha 12	Sand 145
Hay 37	Soap 1
Horses and Mules 4	Stoves 1
Ice 3	Twine 1
Kraut 1	Empty Bottles 8
Lumber 97	Vehicles 1
Lime 3	Total 1258
Meat 23	There have been forwarded 20-
Marble 1	668 Bales of Cotton, counting 50
Total 671	bales to the car, will make 414
Merry Go-Round 1	cars.
Matches 1	Cotton 414
Oat Meal 2	Miscellaneous 1258
Ore (Refined and Fuel 110	Total 1672
Oats 19	Cars Forwarded 1672
Posts 12	Cars Received 1238
Potatoes and Onions 33	Total car loads handled 2910
Pipe 4	Making 242 cars handled at this
Paper 1	station per month. Making 8 cars
Pickles 1	per day. This statement does not
Stone 2	include anything less than car
Stovewood 1	load shipments. And there are
Soda 3	two weeks of the year not includ-
Soap 3	ed in this statement.
Stoves 2	NOTICE.
Tanks 1	Owing to the accumulation of so
Vinegar 2	many small accounts, on and after
Vehicles 6	this date we will not sell meal or
Wire 7	hulls to any one except for cash.
Wood 68	We will make no deviation from
Wheat Mills 6	this nonmatter who you are, we do
Coal and Lignite 154	not wish to disappoint you so
Sugar and Molasses 29	please send the money along when
Flour, Meal and Feed 90	you send for feed.
Iron 2	COLORADO OIL & COTTON CO.
Twine 2	\$1.75
	Gets the Record and Dallas Semi-
	Weekly News both one year.

Special Election Notice.

Whereas, Twenty resident property Tax Payers, who are qualified voters, of Zelner School District, No. Two, Mitchell County, Texas, filed with the Commissioners Court of Mitchell County, at the May term of said Commissioners Court, 1909. Their petition, petitioning. Said Commissioners Court to order an election to be held in said School District No. Two, to determine whether or not there shall be levied a special school tax of 20 cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of all property assessed for Taxes in said School District No. Two, and whereas, said petition was granted as shown by the Records of said Commissioners Court at the May Term 1909, I hereby give notice that an election will be held at the Zelner School House in said School District No. Two, on the 2nd Saturday, the same being the Twelfth Day of June 1909, to determine whether or not said Special School Tax of 20 cents on the \$100.00 valuation shall be levied and collected for School purposes, and W. R. Clark is hereby appointed to hold said election.

Given under my hand and official seal of office, this 18th. day of May, 1909.

A. J. COE,
County Judge of Mitchell County, Texas.

To My Customers.

Owing to the temporary suspension of the factory, I have been unable to get the premium rocking chairs which I gave with cash purchases aggregating \$40.00. A letter from the factory advises that the chairs have been shipped and will be here in a few days, if not this week. Every customer entitled to a chair will receive one, which are both serviceable and beautiful, and will meet your highest expectations.

Thanking you for your patience in waiting and assuring you that all future premiums will be promptly paid, I am,

Yours for continued business,
J. O. McCRELESS,
Leading Grocer.

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The Record and Dallas Semi-Weekly News, both one year for \$1.75.

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Straw Matting Specials

10 Bolts of 40 yards to the bolt to close at 15 cents the yard. The self same goods are worth more money and being sold to-day by other dealers for 20 cents or more.

As has been our custom in the past, when we pick up a deal at less than regular value, we pass it on to our customers at the same liberal discount. Therefore we offer you this special low price on 10 Bolts CHINA MATTING. Colors, Plain White and Green and White at 15 cents. See Sample at front door.

And by the way while thinking about the MATTING, See our collection

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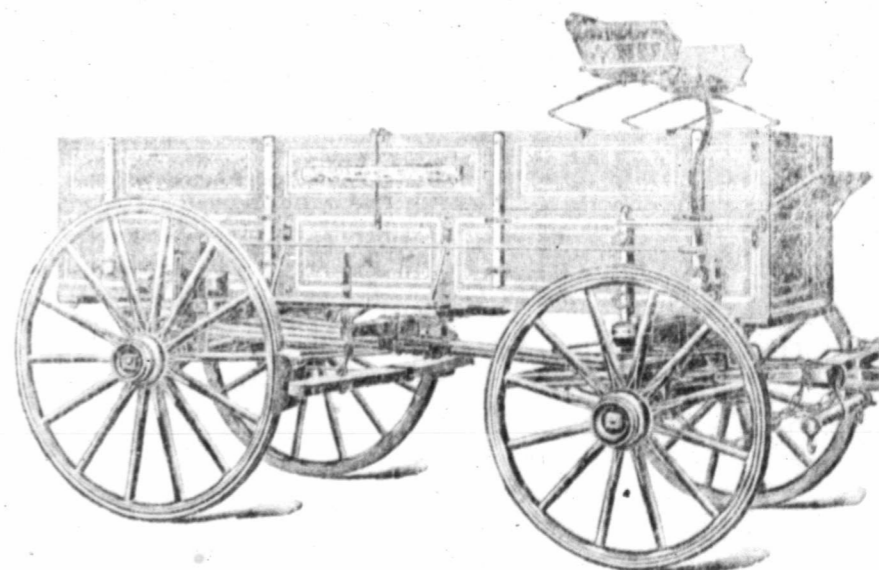
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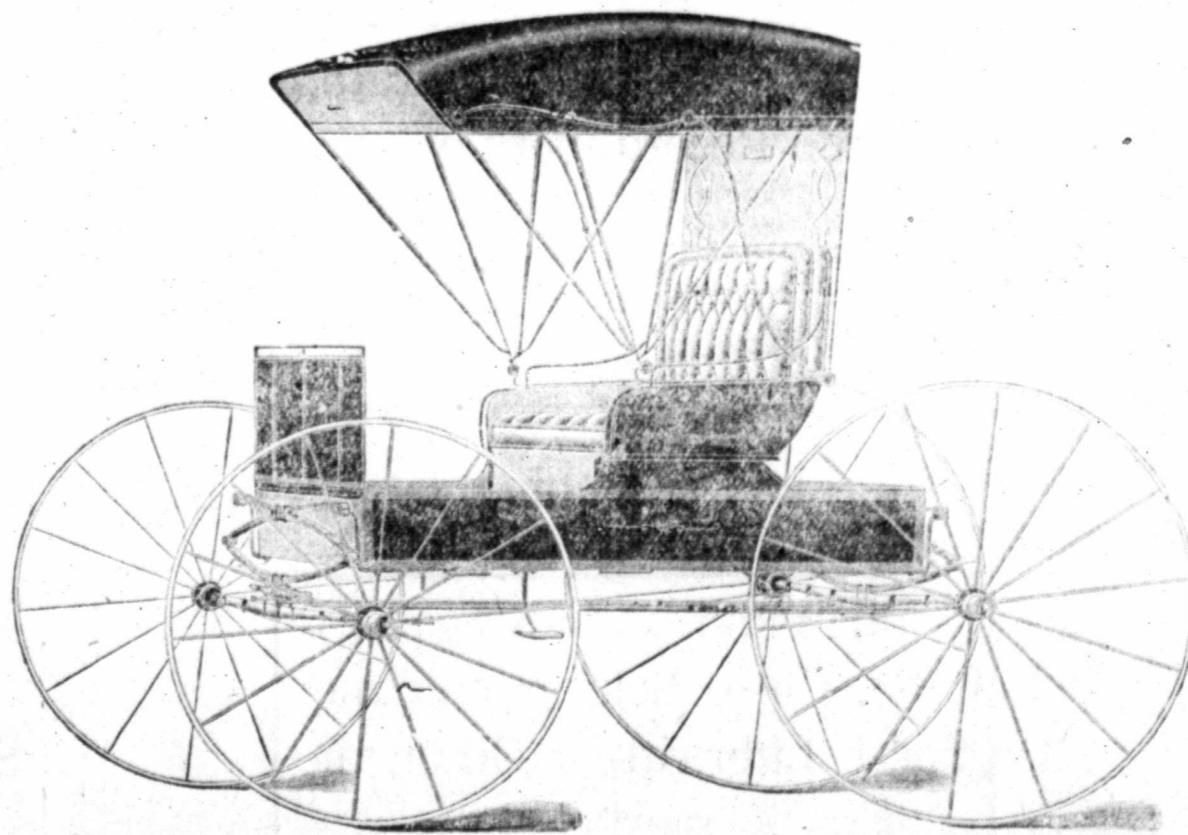
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If you are from

Missouri

I Will Show You.

This is a Losing Proposition for me, bet it means \$ to you.



I am not selling

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But am selling

Buggies Cheap

There may not be enough to go around, so you had better come early, while you have plenty to choose from.

If you have the money I'll take it, if not, make me a good note.

CHAS. C. WYATT

The Vehicle Man.

Colorado, Texas.

Long Delayed Tribute.

Wednesday, April 28th., a long tribute was paid in the city of Washington to the man whose genius is due the present and prospective beauty and dignity of the nation's capital. On that day the remains of Major Pierre Charles L'Enfant were transferred from an abandoned family burial ground on a Maryland farm to their present resting place in the National cemetery at Arlington. The ceremonies were of a simple character. No stronger evidence could be given of the need for this national recognition than the fact that the majority of the people of the United States are probably ignorant alike of the name of Major L'Enfant and the important work which he accomplished. It is to L'Enfant that we owe the excellent plan upon which the city of Washington was originally laid out. At the suggestion of Jefferson, this French soldier, who had been identified with Lafayette in the cause of American liberty, was invited by Washington to lay out a city which would form the capital of the nation, and in his plan and scope he suited to the requirements of the republic for all time to come. History tells us that the present scheme was the outcome of a week's sojourn at Mount Vernon, where, with the plans of several cities of the old world before them, President Washington and his French engineer worked out at least in their broad outline, the plans of the capital approximately as we now know it. It has been asserted that in constituting the Capitol and the White House the two centers for the series of radiating avenues, L'Enfant probably had in mind the plan of Versailles. Whatever the origin of the present plan, there can be no doubt about its success; for, when in connection with the celebration of the centennial of the city, in 1900, a commission of prominent American architects was sent abroad their recommendations upon its general outlines. Unfortunately, after the work of construction commenced, there was disagreement between the French engineer and the building committee, and he was removed. In spite of President Jefferson's recommendation that he be paid from \$2,500 to \$3,000 for his services, it was not until 1810 that he was voted \$666.66, with interest from 1792, for the work he had done. He was invited by a Mr. Riggs to his farm in Maryland, and, after spending some twenty-five years of his life there, he died and was buried in the family burial ground of the Carrolls and Riggs. Here the body remained for nearly a century until its recent removal to Arlington. To make this tardy recognition of the important services of the designer of our capital city complete, it will certainly be in order for the nation to erect a suitable memorial above his present resting place.

Fruit Tree Buyers.

Now that it has rained, I am ready for business—ready to sell fruit trees. I will replace all trees bought of me last year at half price. Give me time and I will call upon you all.
5-21 A. J. CULPEPPER.

Services at the church of Christ in Colorado every Sunday morning at 10 a. m.

That Continuous Road.

A continuous highway from Denison to San Antonio is being discussed by the papers along the proposed route. And why not? The project is as practicable as a pike through a single county, each county covenanting to build its own roadway connecting at the county line. All that is needed would be a definite plan, each county through which the highway passes, working to a common purpose. It is not contemplated to do the work in a year, or two years, or even three, for that matter. The idea would be to build a permanent road, with iron bridges that should ever be a monument to the thrift and solid development of the state. Along such a road would be built flourishing hamlets, handsome homes and it would stimulate as well as attract the highest expression of agriculture and most progressive farmers. Such a highway would be worth more to the section through which it passed than a railroad along the same route. It would build up a continuous community from end to the other and be no small factor in solving the additional problem of "How to make country life attractive." It is no visionary idea at all, for just such public highways are to be found in France and Germany, and have done more than any other one thing to promote the thrift economy and contentment which in those countries have become national virtues. The construction of such a road would be the greatest possible object lesson to other counties, which in self-defense would be compelled to build similar ones or see their trade diverted to neighboring counties.

The only man living known to have traveled the full length of the great wall of China—has arrived in New York, with wonderful tales of heretofore uncharted portions of the mighty breastworks; of the discovery of a tribe of hairy, wild men traced to 210 B. C. and details of a movement in China looking to the establishment of a great standing army. This traveler is Dr. Edgar Geil, an author, who organized an exploring party a year ago, for the purpose of accomplishing the work that has been done. He has not made his discoveries public, as they will shortly appear in book form. He says, however, that in the hundreds of towns and cities visited by him regularly appointed men are drilling the inhabitants in the use of arms. In other words China is preparing to put an army of 3,000,000 or 4,000,000 men in the field.

Flour from alfalfa is now cracked up to be the long-sought ideal food for man as well as beast. College professors say it is the one perfectly balanced ration. With cotton seed and alfalfa what has the west Texas people to fear from gaunt famine?

NOTICE.

Owing to the accumulation of so many small accounts, on and after this date we will not sell meal or hulls to any one except for cash. We will make no deviation from this nomatter who you are, we do not wish to disappoint you so please send the money along when you send for feed.

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The Knocker.

When you come in contact with a knocker you can size him up without the least trouble, if you will think for a moment. In ninety-nine cases out of a hundred the knocker is a man who is either going to leave the town, having sold out, else he is trying to buy out some one for a song, or is in hard luck, being broke. He, in the latter case, has managed his affairs badly, is on the ragged edge of despair, and seeks to make converts to his condition, on the principle that 'misery loves company.' Like the fox that got his tail cut off in a trap, he is out of luck, and seeks to persuade other foxes to cut off their tails, so that he may appear as still in the fashion. But it takes a sly fox to succeed. Sensible men pay not attention to the knocker. He simply sizes him up. He understands that the knocker is broke, sold out, or wants something for nothing. A knocker is to be pitied. Some people think they ought to be carried to the river and ducked. They do not understand that he is rather to be commiserated. That is, unless he is a pervert. When he says the town is dead, or that there is so many vacant houses in the town, or that a great many people are leaving, or that the city officials are "no good," or that all the business men are going to "bust," mark him. If what I say of the animus of the knocker cannot be substantiated, then he knocks against the town from pure enviousness, and deserves and should receive, the contempt and execration of every citizen of his town. It is the duty of every good citizen to help build up his town in every honorable way possible, and to instruct his wife and children to exploit the possibilities and resources of his home town, for the welfare of the town is the concern of all. We should be fellow-citizens in the true sense of the term, and help each other by helping the town. If you are a gentleman you will do so. If you do not like the town, quietly leave, and bid those whom you leave behind, God-speed, and in your absence from the town speak a good word for the town and people. If you can do no good, seek to do harm and praise its good points. It is heathenish and wicked against the well-to-do citizens, from whom you have made your money, and under whose wings you have profited by these suggestions and never knock against them again.

"COMMUNICUS."

PLAINVIEW POINTS.

Interesting Chronicle of that Community's Doings.

Sure it has rained and most people have work to do, but they do not mind the work as they have not worked any lately.

Plainview and Seven Wells did not play ball Saturday for they had to work as it has rained.

The Plainview school was out Friday. A picnic was enjoyed by all. The picnic was down on the river and everybody that was there entertained themselves immensely.

The singing at Mr. H. J. Free's was enjoyed by all.

Sunday School was well attended Sunday evening.

Most of the people of this community attended the meeting at Union last week. Everyone reported the meeting as a great one.

We had another sand storm Monday evening. The rain does not have much to do with the sand in this country.

It did rain after so long a time but did not settle the sand very long. We had some hail Sunday night.

Mr. L. D. Mangham informs us that he was in a company that caught eight young wolves last week. We claim that is thinning them out some.

"RAMBLER."

The Talk to The Farmer.

Today Judge Kone and Prof. Wellburn spoke to the farmers was not an auspicious one. The farmers together, of the night before sent them to the fields, and holding in higher respect than the theory at that time. How fairly good and represented greeted them at the and two profitable spent listening and the talk of was more of a set,

Payne's

BIG SALE

Closes Sat. Night, May 29.

Now is the Time to Make Your Dollars buy More.

As a Special Inducement for the ladies, and to show them our appreciation of their liberal patronage we propose to inaugurate

Two Extra Special Bargain Sales!

Friday Afternoon Between the Hours of 4 and 7:

Our entire line of ladies \$6.00 Net Waists **\$3.48**
Go at

OUR ENTIRE STOCK RUCH **5c**
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LACE CURTAINS, Regular price \$1.50 **Half Price**
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Saturday Evening Between the Hours of 6 and 9

Sixteen Silk Waist Patterns, worth \$3 to \$5 **98c**
while they last, yours for

Ladies Belts, Newest Creations, Regular price 75c **42c**
to \$1.00, your choice

Ladies Hand Bags, Regular price \$3.50, **Half Price**
\$2.50 and \$1.25; your choice at

These prices are only good at the hours designated. But the Money Raising Sale Prices are on all over the house and will be until Saturday night at 10 o'clock.

Remember Coupons given with each and every purchase of 5 cents or more, which entitle you to one of the Cut Glass Water Sets, Salad Sets or Berry Sets, which we give away FREE of any charge. Come to our store. Make your selection now while the assortment is complete.



continuous address than professor Wellburn's. He devoted most of the time to the question of alfalfa raising in West Texas, being of the opinion that it could be made a successful and profitable crop in this section.

Prof. Wellburn gave attention to raising of feed stuffs, and a few hints on diversification. His method was to answer questions put by the audience. On the whole, we think much good was gotten from their talks. Of the talk of Prof. Wellburn, at Abilene, the Reporter says:

"Those land owners who heard the address of Mr. Wellburn at the meeting of farmers and business men Friday afternoon went away thoroughly convinced that their real estate is more valuable than the highest value they had previously placed upon it. The speaker was not backward in saying that the most fertile and desirable land in the state was to be found in this section, and he said instead of mouthing about and depreciating droughts we should thank God for them. He showed clearly that the extended dry spells we have here are a protection to our soil, and that the lands in some of the sections where it rains at all seasons are being ruined by too much moisture."

Wichita Falls mill gets first shipment of Argentine Republic oats.

UNION CHAPEL CHAT.

Weekly News From the Chapel Community.

Times have somewhat changed on account of partial showers of rain. Some can plant while many can not. The showers have greatly helped in the way of putting out stock water and starting the grass to growing.

Roy McCreeless happened to the misfortune of getting wounded by his horse running into a wire fence in what is known as the narrow lane, leading to the church. He was on his way home from church on last Saturday night. Dr. Gilliam of Westbrook was called in Sunday and I learn has treated the case nicely and when last heard from, Roy was getting along nicely. He is the third young man that has happened to the same accident since that fence has been built.

Jimmie Lee Hart has been seen in this community this week. Suppose from the wallet hung to his saddle he was on business.

Mr. Morgan Stell and family have been visiting in this community for the past few days. Morg has many good friends in this section who like to see him come.

The meeting at Union closed Sunday by leaving an appointment to organize a prayer meeting next Wednesday night.

There is not sufficient reason

why this should not be one of the liveliest communities in the country. We only lack to be well organized along all lines.

Our literary school will close Friday and the teacher expects to return to her home in Stonewall county and the pupils will in a great measure take up their abode in the cotton patch.

Mr. E. M. McCreeless and A. A. Dorn are arranging to go to the District meeting at Roscoe the latter part of the week.

"CITIZEN."

Commencement At Simmons.

Commencement at Simmons College comes this year on Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, May 29, to June 2. The outline program will be as follows:

Saturday, May 29, 4 to 6 p. m.—Art reception, 8 p. m.—Graduates' Recital.

Sunday, May 30, 11 a. m.—Baccalaureate Sermon, Rev. Holmes Nichols, pastor First Baptist Church, Colorado, Texas—8 p. m. Missionary Sermon, Rev. A. B. Ingram, pastor First Baptist Church, Snyder, Texas.

Monday, May 31, 10 a. m.—Oratorical Contest, for medal offered by Hon. W. R. Smith, M. C., Colorado, Texas. 3 p. m.—Piano Recital. 8 p. m.—Expression Recital.

Tuesday, June 1, 10 a. m.—In-

ter-Society Debate. 3 p. m.—Alumni and Old Students' Reunion. 4 p. m.—Annual Meeting Board of Directors. 8 p. m.—Grand Concert.

Wednesday, June 2, 10 a. m.—These, by Students. 11 a. m.—College Address, by C. A. Ridley, pastor First Baptist Church, Beaumont, Texas.

Presentation to Graduates of Certificates and Diplomas.

Let all the friends of Simmons who can attend come to the commencement. Let's make the occasion count for the college.

OSCAR H. COOPER, President.

Not Yet 25; Boy Makes \$100,000 Out of \$1,000.

St. Louis, May 14.—With his twenty-fifth birthday still to come N. Aubuchin Jr., is said to have made a little more than \$100,000 by following the lead of James A. Patten in wheat deals out of a working capital of less than \$1000.

Aubuchin traded exclusively in 3 cent margins. He declines to admit how much less than \$1,000 he invested, but he reinvested all his profits.

We will meet any prices. We only ask that you consider quality.

HOMER L. HUTCHINSON

Its so if you saw it in the Record

Programme For Decoration Day.

Will be held at the Tabernacle Sunday at 3 o'clock, May 30.

Song—America—Congregation.

Quartet—Selected—Misses Looney, Dupree, Messrs. Homan, and Harbison.

Invocation—Rev. Henson.

Violin Solo—Mr. C. C. Blanford.

Scripture Reading—Rev. Thomas.

Solo—Miss Nichols—Selected.

Address—Rev. Bond.

Quartet—Selected.

Reading—"The Blue and The Grey"—Miss Dry.

Song—Congregation—selected.

Awarding of Crosses of Honor—Miss Bernice Terrell.

Prayer.

The U. D. C. Chapter invite all to be present and to join them after the programme in repairing to the cemetery where they will decorate the graves of all veteran soldiers and other loved ones as they may like.

All ex-Confederate soldiers are asked to meet this camp, whether members or not at the court house at 2:30 Sunday and go from there to the Tabernacle.

Dress Making.

To the ladies of Colorado who wish Dressmaking, call at Mrs. S. J. Phillips' Second street near Lone Wolf bridge.

6-4-pd MISS OLIVE FOWLER.

Read Only the Best.

If you want your children to cultivate a correct and elevating literary taste they must have access to the best literature. They will read; if not the good, then the vicious. Give them a fair chance. The Ladies Home Journal and Saturday Evening Post stand at the head of all journals of their different classes. They cover the tastes of the entire family. Once a reader, always one. Mrs. A. L. Whipkey is the duly accredited agent in Colorado, and will be glad to call upon you and take your subscription for one or both. A phone to the Record office will reach her.

In spite of the rapid increase in the number of automobiles and trolley cars, the horse continues to more than hold his own. According to figures published in the last report of the Department of Agriculture, the number of horses in the United States increased from 13,537,000 in 1900 to 19,992,000 in 1908, the total value of the same having risen from \$603,000,000 to \$1,867,000. The fluctuations in the average price of horses have been remarkable. In 1893 it was \$61; in 1897, \$17; in 1900, and \$93, in 1908.



Your Wife and Baby

Should be your greatest care. It is your duty to protect them in every way. Your responsibility doesn't even end with death. The best and surest protection is

Life Insurance

A policy such as we offer will protect them when all else fails. Come in and talk it over. You will be glad to learn how reasonable you can get one.

UNION CENTRAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.

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AGENTS.

First

Before buying, investigate conditions—and you will find it is Money to you.

See

The quality of goods we are showing. The prices are lower than anyone else. No competition can equal this.

Hubbard

Wants the money, too, and has issued instructions that the goods must be sold, regardless of profit. You get them at practically your own price.

The Dry Weather Has Shrank the Prices

We've got the goods--desirable stuff. The dry weather has shrunk the prices. But we must raise the money, so we sacrifice the goods. Be sure and see the "Original Originator of Low Prices in West Texas." Something doing.



If the seasons of rain will keep up as they have begun and there is an open fall, west Texas will be in better shape than if the rains had come during the winter and spring and the crops planted early. This is too great a country to be the plaything of blind chance or arbitrary faith.

Price our goods before you buy.
HOMER L. HUTCHINSON

The County last week executed a lease to the Board of Directors of the United Brotherhood for the piece of ground on which the tabernacle stands for a term of twenty years, and the consideration of \$1 per year. The grounds will be improved, trees set out and otherwise made attractive.

Baker Perfect barb wire, \$2.75 Cash.
A. J. ROE.

There was an union meeting of all the congregations at the Methodist church Sunday night for a thanksgiving service. An appropriate talk was made by Rev. H. Nichols, pointing out the unmistakable providence of God in the recent refreshing and seasonable rains.

Buy a Gurney and save ice.
HOMER L. HUTCHINSON

On Sunday night about 12 o'clock, another gracious rain, between a half and three-quarters of an inch fell over this section, completing the season so opportunely begun last Wednesday night week. Those who planted at that time now have their stuff up and growing. The chances are that we will come to see in the light of later developments, that what we took as a calamity, was but the preparation for a greater blessing to this country.

600 Sheets of special music at Doss'.

On next Sunday a protracted meeting will be begun by the Methodists at the tabernacle, conducted by Rev. Barkus of Commerce, pastor of the church where Mr. Henson recently held a meeting. He is a forceful and fluent speaker, a consecrated man of God and the hearty co-operation of every church member of the town is urged. Let us have the greatest revival of genuine, old time religion the town of Colorado ever had. There is no reason why there can not be.

Baker Perfect barb wire, \$2.75 Cash.
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Don't forget the Methodist meeting begins Sunday at the tabernacle.

Notice.

The party who carried off that iron box about 3 1-2 inches square by 3 inches deep, from the Prude residence, will please return it, as it was needed to install electric switches. Parties whose children are in the habit of playing around Mr. Prude's house will please question their children about this box.
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HENRY KING, Electrician.

The Election is Ordered.

At a special meeting of the City Council Tuesday night, the full number, with Mayor Adams, were present. The object of the meeting was to consider a petition signed by more than 100 qualified electors of the city, for an election to determine whether the city should purchase the water works or not, based upon the issue of \$35,000, twenty-year, 4 1-2 per cent bonds, or for constructing a plant of its own.

A motion to this end was made by C. H. Earnest, seconded by T. J. Ratliff, and on vote carried. The order for said election will be issued this week by Mayor Adams.

A Sunday School picnic, participated in by all the schools of the town was held in Harry Landers' pasture, seven miles south of town, last Thursday. Promptly at 8 o'clock, wagons, hacks and buggies were at the different churches, and quickly loaded with teachers, pupils, baskets of grub, ice and other refreshments, ropes for swings, etc., with merry shouts and laughter, the happy crowd left town. The day was cool and cloudy, giving just the ideal conditions for an outing. The recent rains had refreshed everything and nature met them half way in making the day a perfect success and one long to be remembered by the little ones.

Tabernacle to be Dedicated.

On next Sunday the new tabernacle will be dedicated by the beginning of a revival by the Methodist church. Special attention will be paid the musical features, and every one in town who can sing is cordially invited to come forward and take part. The meeting, though, under the auspices of the Methodist church primarily is in the interest of the entire town and we want every one to feel at perfect liberty to take an active part. Plenty of room, comfortable seats and a hearty welcome to all. Come and help take the town for the Master.
J. R. HENSON, Pastor.

Meeting of the School Board

At a regular meeting of the School Board, held May 20, 1909, the following business was transacted:—

The report of the judges who held the election, May 20th, was presented by J. W. Bird, received and accepted.

The bill presented by J. W. Bird for holding the election was presented and a warrant ordered drawn for its payment.

The following officers of the Board were elected for the ensuing year: N. J. Phenix, President; W. C. Neal, Vice-President; A. J. Payne, Secretary.

C. L. McDonald was re-elected as Superintendent for the ensuing year at a salary of \$1,400.00. Prof. Frank F. Newle was re-elected as Principal at a salary of \$100 per month. Miss Ellis was re-elected as teacher in the High School at a salary of \$75 per month. Misses Fox, Porter, McLure, Riordan, Carruthers, Best and Dry, were all re-elected, and Misses Wilson and Higginbotham offered their former positions.

A committee consisting of J. C. Prude, A. J. Payne and S. D. Vaughan were appointed to examine all applications before the Board and report at the next meeting on the application of all worthy of consideration.

Doss' big new soda fount is a beauty and is the talk of the town. See the new drink specials this week.

Saturday Market.
The Baptist ladies will NOT have a market this Saturday evening, but the east Circle will have the Market next Saturday, June 5th, at 4 o'clock, at Burns & Bell's grocery store.
Mrs. W. C. Neil, Chairman.

Wanted at Once.

1000 Young chickens and all the hens and eggs you bring me.
J. W. SHEPPERD,
The Grocerman.

School Notice.

All parents and guardians failing to give in the names of their children in the Independent school District census, will please do so by Saturday the 28th., that being the last day.

R. D. INGRAM,
Enumerator.

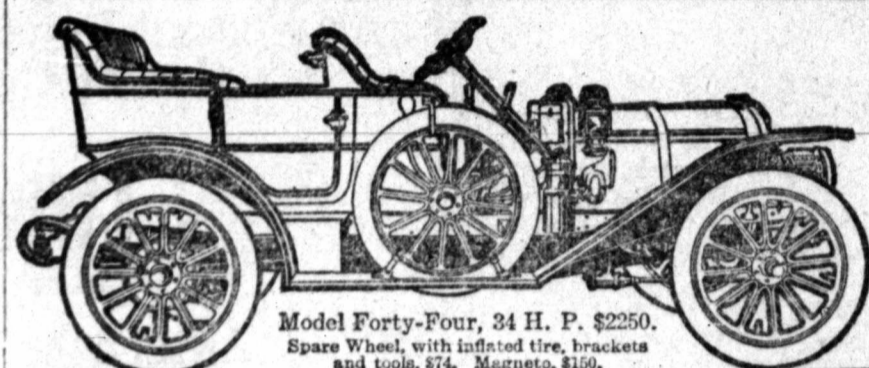
Notice to My Patients

I am leaving this morning for Louisville, Ky., and will be absent for about three weeks, and take this method of notifying my patrons that I will be out of my office for that length of time. I hope to be home by June 1st, or but a few days later at furthest.
Respectfully,
W. C. NEAL, Dentist

Read This.

Roscoe, Tex.:—This certifies I have used Hall's Texas Wonder for Kidney, bladder and rheumatic trouble, and I fully recommend it, for it is the best I ever knew of. Try it.—E. A. Street. Sold by all druggists.

Rubber Stamps—All kinds and styles at the Record office.



Model Forty-Four, 34 H. P. \$2250.
Spare Wheel, with inflated tire, brackets and tools, \$74. Magneto, \$150.

The Rambler Spare Wheel

All the new four-cylinder Ramblers are fitted for the Rambler Spare Wheel—a wheel complete—excepting the hub center, on which is carried a complete tire inflated. The regular wheel is secured to the hub center by six bolts. Removing the six nuts for these bolts this wheel can be detached in two minutes with the special tools provided, and the Spare Wheel put on and secured in three minutes.

Wheel fits either front or rear. Solves the tire problem. Extra wheel available in case of need. Spare Wheel with inflated tire, brackets and tools for Model Forty-Four, \$74, for Model Forty-Five, \$85.00.



Seven passenger model, forty-five horse power with offset crank shaft, \$2500. Other models, \$1150 to \$2350. Let us explain the many exclusive Rambler features in detail, such as the Rambler Offset Crank Shaft, Straight-line-drive, Safety Spark Retarder, etc. We will gladly call at your home and take you to your place of business in a Rambler. No obligation on your part whatever.

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Colorado, Texas

The Best Goods For Your Money

OUR store is full of new goods, comprising the best---the very best---in all lines. A new invoice of "Tuffnut" Gloves and Carhart Overalls, and you will find a nice line of Dress Shirts, Underwear, plain and fancy Gents' Hose, Ties, Collars, Shoe-strings, etc., at our store.

The Dittman Shoe

which we handle, is warranted to give you satisfaction. If you pay as much as \$3 for a pair of these shoes and they go wrong, bring them back and get a new pair.

GROCERIES

Purity, extra high patent Flour.
White Wing, high patent Flour, and good Corn Meal.
Can Goods that are sure to please because they are the famous Wapco Brand.
Good Bacon and Lard.
Cottolene, 10-pound pail for \$1.25.
Evaporated Apples, Grapes, Heinz Pickles in bottle, keg, barrel.

We only ask that you call, examine and price our goods before making your next bill.

B. F. PERSON

LOCALS

The compress will close down this week until next season.

Baker Perfect barb wire, \$2.75 Cash.
A. J. ROE.

Since the rains fruit tree men and insurance agents are thick in this section.

Hughes delicious candies, 75 cents a pound at The Racket store.

O. M. Mitchell and son, Kelly went to Coahoma Friday.

If its a cold drink, the Colorado Drug Co's., fountain knows how to fix it.

How are you on the road tax proposition— anent it or forment it?

Willie Doss went over to Roscoe last Saturday—by himself. He is getting quite a big boy.

Try the Palace Market for a juicy steak or a prime roast. It is fattened specially for this market.

S. S. Snowden will move his feed store from the Debusk building to the old brick livery barn on the corner. Work began on remodeling the building this week.

Since Mr. H. Cook shaved his whiskers, there isn't a sheriff in Texas who could identify him as the same man of two weeks ago.

If you are not satisfied with the steak you have been getting, try the specially fed at the Palace Market and you will remain its patron.

Howard Knott and wife spent a few days on the ranch this week with M. C. Knott and wife.

Mrs. N. S. Davis and Mrs. T. Q. Mullins spent the day with Mrs. Robt. Terrell at Westbrook, Sunday.

There has been a decided falling off in the amount of travel to the east since the rains.

If you know an item of news, tell it to us; it will help us to give a better paper.

There was a three foot head rise in the river last week, from the rains that fell to the north of us.

We are selling our goods in keeping with the times.
HOMER L. HUTCHINSON

Mesdames C. C. Blandford and W. B. Crockett went to Vernon Saturday to attend the Convention of the Methodist Foreign Missionary Society.

Harvey Henderson left this week for Big Springs, where he will remain for some time.

Rev. Simeon Shaw returned home from Stamford Tuesday morning and reported that we had more rain here than fell in that section.

Don't fail to inspect the Gurney. They save ice.
HOMER L. HUTCHINSON

With every shower we have from this time till harvest, the smile of the farmer, the merchant, the doctor, the lawyer, and the neglected editor even, will grow broader, longer and sunnier.

In the rush to get the staple crops of cotton, corn and feed in the ground, don't forget to save a goodly place of your best land for the delectable watermelon.

The Record is in receipt of an invitation to the graduating exercises of the Department of Pharmacy of the University of Texas. Among the list of graduates is the name of William Dudley Arnett of Colorado.

Go to Homer L. Hutchinson's for furniture, undertaking and embalming.

Fletcher Chittum leaves this week for El Paso, where he will try his fortune for a time. Take it from one who knows; don't get broke in El Paso, whatever you do. It used to be 225 miles to the nearest drink of water coming this way and fully that far going the other. Better keep a ticket at home.

W. H. Moeser, J. E. Billingslee, H. Cook and R. H. Looney went over to Big Springs Friday night to attend a conclave of the "horse Masons."