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#### Smallpox Can Be Eliminated, Fitty Years Ago Says State Health Officer

Smallpox can be eliminated as a cause of illness and death if every person would be vaccinated against this disease at least every five years declared Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer. There were over 600 cases of smallpox reported to the State Health Department in 1938.

Smallpox occurs most frequently among young children under 14 years of age. The incubation period averages from 8 to 14 days, and the disease begins suddeniy with a severe headache and a high fever. The severe headache and the intense pain in the loins, back and extremities are more characteristic of smallpox than of any other disease occurring in temperate climates. At the end of 3 or 4 days of these preliminary symtoms, an eruption appears which, within a lew hours becomes distinctly raised above the general level of the skin. With the appearance of the eruption the fever subsides and the patient becomes more comfortable. In contradistinction to chickenpox, the eruption does not occur in crops, but goes through its development in a character.stic fashion nearly simultaneously all over the body. Every community is in a po-

The following item from the at he Alamo Th atle San Angelo Standard of January 12, 1889, will prove of interest to many in this section. "Married: At the oride's res-

idence, West Grape Creek, at 3:30 o'clock Wednesday the 9th inst., Mr. Pres Walling to Miss Ida Price, J. P. Hanson, J. P. precinct No. 5, officiating. The bride looked exquisitely beautiful in pink nun's veiling with lovely drapery of valencinnes lace. Directly after the ceremony, the party adjourned to the groom's ra ch on the Colorado river where a splendid supper awaited their arrival. The joy. ous affair was then terminated with a dance which continued until almost the brak of day when the merry throng deposted from whence they came. Among those who attended the Standard noticed: W. P. Walling and bride, J. D. Walling and family. Ars. Collins and family, J. O Hansen and daughter, Mr Chil ders and family, Mr. Youngplood and family, Mrs. Stewart and family, Mr and Mrs. F. D. ilass, Mr. and Mrs B. C. Mayes, vir. and Mrs Fred Wilder, Mr. and Mrs J. K. Barfield, Mr and Mrs. W L. Brown, Mrs Ridley, Misses Alice Walling, Mattie Norfleet, Mollie Simpson, Cort Mayes, Rosa Kirkpatr ck, Ellen and Nettie Suttin, Carrie -tuart, Ella Williams, Mattie and Gat tie Doran, Messrs. William and

## Don't Miss This Piogram

The pictures that are coming to the Alamo are of unusual interest. They represent the best in screen entertainment.

Friday and Saturday "Mother Carey's Chickens" will appear. This is the beloved story of a fatherless New England family which has enturalled American readers for the past twenty five Jackie Moran and little Donnie tween the older daughter and a season. school teacher, and between the younger daughter and their land-

lord doctor, lead to the various ations of the plot.

and a comedy.

Sunday and Monday comes The Texans," a picture of Re construction Days when the vicquered South after the War be-

tween the states was over The struggle of the Texans for freedom and a new life is mirrored in the thousand mile trek across Tex: s and Oklahoma into Kansas stands out as an unforgettable achievement of the screen. You will see the largest herd of cattle ever gathered for a moving picture You will see the old Chis ho m trail, and hundreds of other historical scenes. Texans! Kandolph Scott, Joan chors Aweigh, Love's Old Sweet Bennett, May Robson, Walter Song, Yellow Rose of Texas, Brennan, Robert Cummings, Boots and Saddles, Last Round **Robert Barratt** tic drama of the great Southwest. A Texas made picture -- filmed in Indianc'a, Texas. You'll learn plenty of Texas history. Popeye comedy and news. Wednesday only, Bing Crosby, Fred McMurray and others in "Sing You Sinners." A very entertaing picture. Plenty of music and other pleasing features. Good comedy.

Tax Payments Up

Up to Wednesday night 940 poll tax receipts had been issued and this number will be increased when the final check-up is in your front or back yard or on made. Being an off year, politically, this is a record

Deputy Good says ther tax collections are above an average.

Robert Lee and Bronte basketball teams will begin Monday the UCRA. We want you to years, now comes to the screen. night the first of three games Anne Shirley, Ruby Keeler, to determine the county championship. The first game will Dunagan comprise the four be played here Monday night. chickens" and Fay Bainter por- the second in Bronte Wednestrays Mrs. Carey. The five Ca- day night and the third will be reys bravely endeavor to make a determined then in case of a tie. were to solicit your voie that go of their lives. Their plans to Go to see your home town team o, erate a boarding house runs in- play! They have a good team to difficulties. Romances be- and have won many games this him what you thought about

The first quadruplet girls evcomplications and dramatic situ- er to be born in Texas were those born to Mr. and Mrs. Also the 14th episode of the W. E. Badgett at Galveston last pider's Web. March of Times Tuesday. The four little girls are said to be in perfect health, and have been named Joyce, Jeanette, Janice, and Geraldine. Mr. and Mrs. James Wallace torious North tried to rule a con- Clift are now making their home in Water Valley.

Sveryone is interested in the Robert Lee Colorado City Highway, for which bonds were recenare anxious to see some early can nire a Mexican for 75c or \$1

### IF THE SHOE FITS WEAR IT

"We do not care what kind of conditions you have to live in, we do not care if Mexicans squat either side of your property, all we care about is, we want you to pay your poll tax so you can vote in elections that will carry ssues

that will build new highways. new civic buildings and promote vote for us. If Mexicans move in among you that is your hard luck but don't bother us about it because as long as they are not crowding us we don't care."

If one of your city officials way you would slam the door in his face but not before you told him. They might as well tell you that as to speak in actions.

If you will notice every town that has any civic pride at all puts its respectable citizens first. I here is and is supposed to be a section in the city limits that is commonly called .Mexican town or 'Negro run' which ever the case may be, and Robert Lee needs that too rather than let them build their suacks right in the front doors of people who are trying to be good citizens and work for improving the town.

There are white boys in town willing to work but what do you tly voted for that purpose, and see. Just this. Mr. So & So action in the way of construct- per day, when he would have to

bring complete protection. Smallpox stands as one disease which sc ence has brought completely within human control. and the State Health Depart ment's advice is to be vaccinated immediately if you have not been vaccinated within the last five Brown' Gerome Shield, Joe Cof. years:

sition to determine the amount

of smallpox it wishes to have.

Vaccination against the disease

is economical, sale and sure ano

You should feel thankful that you live in a country where the extends congratulations to Mr. severe cold weather that other and Mrs. Walling with best wishstates experience at this time of es for their future happiness." year seldom ever invades this

this section. At present terrific blizzards are raging costing many lives and the destruction of property in many states.

Mrs. Daisy McCutchen is a patient in a San Angelo hospital where she is under treatment. She underwent an operation this tector and chauffeur, left Thursweek and is said to be doing day for the Pacific coast. The nicely.

P. L. Millican of Floydada was here last week and renewed his subscription to the Observer while here. He is keeping the Jimmy Saxton children, and says they are happy and growing fast.

Randal Gartman, a college student at San Marcos, is home tions.

For Sale or Trade --12 inch John Deer Gang Plow, see J. I. Williams.

Observer Office,

lect bad debts.

Dad egg.

lus, Tom Burks, Tom Simers, S. H. Ryan, Burt Sheptard, K. M. . aves, Lee Mayes, J. E. Hersey, Harry Patton, ob Patton, Bob Hinde, I. N. Webb, Albert Sith, Tom Warren, W. B. Williams, William Short, Cam felt, Hamp Cochran, Sam Me-Glothen. Tom and Aibert Barfield, J. E. and Van Warren and S. M. Conner. The Standard

Bud Price, E C. Page, J. B Col.

The small twins of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Pate have a slight touch of flu this week,

Mrs. Lizzie Davis and Mrs. Lee Upton of San Angelo, accompanied by 1 illie Ratliff, as pro-

two or three weeks.

R. E. McCutchen recently shipped three truck loads of cattle to Ft. Worth.

Corrigan showed us the ocean after taking mid-term examina- in good time, darkest Africa is now an automobile boul vard. the north pole is no secret --- but no one has disovered how to col-

Mrs. Jimmie Williams and trio will visit California, Oregon, Mrs. Dick Skipworth were vic-Washington, and various other tims of an auto wreck Wednesstates, including Wyoming, day morning between here and where they will visit Yellowstone Sanco. The car plunged into a Park. They will be gone some ditch causing the occupanis to receive severe bruises and lacerations about the face and body. The two children of the couple were also badly scratched.

> Ninety dollars was realized from the President's birthday ball at Bronte Monday night. A good attendance was reported.

The one thing that seems un-

For Sale or Trade -- Electric real smart, and she does give seems o have the biggest bills. Hot water beater, cheep, also a lot of trouble at times, but she It has a most of me to pass that under way. We understand that any se is when he meets another horse, moved before completion

ion, and the chances are good pay some local citizen \$1.50 and that we will see some early de- he couldn't afford that, no he velopment.

President Roosevelt's favorite songs are: Drink to Me Only And look what a cast in The with Thine Eyes, Juanita, An-Up, Old Kentucky Home, Home Don't miss this mighty roman- on the Range. Incidentally his it that volunteers to help dig a favorite dish is scrambled eggs.

> City manager Green is exhibiting quite a lot of dignity since becoming ensconced in his new office. He'll hardly speak to you

Mrs. Earl Harem of San Angelo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McDonald who recently underwent a serious operation, but I would say that the ones is reported to be recovering who sell them lots wouldn't want nicely.

Earl Evans and family of Big Spring were here Saturday and Sunday on a visit.

G. E. Davis, who has been confined to his room for several weeks, is convalescing.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Eubanks born at the San Angelo Clinic Hospital January 21, was named Emma Chloe, 'The infant weighed 7 pounds and 5 ounces. Mother and babe are doing nicely.

Work of clearing the right-ofway from the river bridge thru fair to us is that the fellow who the south and east section of You can't say that a hen is makes the smallest salary always town to where it intersects the

might see his own fellowmen going around in rags and hungry but he can't let anything happen to his swarthy friends. Yet when these same people need help they expect help from their own kind. who is it that visits your sick and stands by in trouble. who is grave when a loved one dies? Is t these foreigners? You know the answer to that as well as I do. If Robert Lee has any civic pride at all she will see that these Mexicans are put in a proper place instead of letting them build among the white people. Maybe you say if they buy a lot they can build on it. Maybe se, them parked in their iront coors. But I have heard of some people selling their birthright for a dollar.

Look at what happened at Miles, Texas. Do you want the same thing to happen here?

Contributed

"The Texans" is an unforgettable picture -- Texas made -- see it Sunday and Monday at the Alamo.

Tonight and Saturday "Mother Carey's Chickens" at the Alamo. See a fine picture.

Maybe the reason some par-Robert Lee-Bronte highway, is ents think their children haven's e they can small house, inquire at The is honest. No hen ever taid & she onth time a for e gets scared a few buildings with have to be remember when they were that mey dian't nave any either.



"The Spider's Web," the exciting serial now showing at the Alamo Fridays and Saturday ..

Don't miss it!

#### The Little Church Just Down the Street

There's an humble little church house

Just a few steps down the street Where I like to go and worship, Where God's children love to meet.

Just a simple little service Yet we know it pleases Him, For he told us how to serve Him. How to keep our souls from sin.

There the ties of love seem stronger

In a fellowship grown sweet, Through the years of work together

In the church just down the street.

Peace that passeth understanding Beems to huger with us there, When we feel the Lord is near us In that little house of prayer.

Reaching out to those around us. Helping those we find in need, From the storehouse of our biessings

With a kindly word or deed 'Till the Father calls us

homeward Where all christians we shall

meet. May we worship there together, In the cource just down the street.

Jessie Key.

**READ THE AD\$** Along With the News





At the top is a model of the New England Building for the New York World's Fair which opens on April 30, 1939. The scene is a typical New England waterfront with a 135-foot sailing vessel lying at dock. On one side is a merchant's warehouse; on the other, a two story structure indicating the Bulfinch contributions to New England architecture.

In the middle is the Florida exhibit which will occupy 214 acres of ground and will depict the citrus industry, phosphate mines, animal life and other alysis. resources and advantages of the state,

At the bottom is the building of the state of Missouri in which will be shown the industrial, agricultural and recreational life of the state.



#### **Broken Glass and Dented Fenders**

Here are some tid-bit items in Berlin; consequently drivers must gard to automobile accidents which keep a sharp lookout; the pedestrian death rate has been considerably egard to automobile accidents which I have picked up here and there.

. . . The Soviet Government recently executed a hit-and-run driver by the fring squad method. Well, why not? Murder is murder

whether you commit it with a sizooter revolver or a six-cylinder notor car.

Not long ago, in a Midwestern traffic court, a driver who had been involved in an automobile accident was brought before a judge. It developed that he had been drinking, that he had a glass eye and that his car had little or no braking power. And I suppose he had one arm around a cirl

round a girl. Warning horns are forbidden in

reduced.

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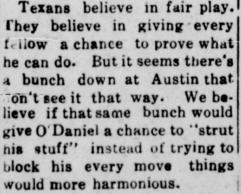
The horn-driver is still a menace in America.

A coupe going 60 miles an hour cas turn over a 10-ton truck. The steering wheel probably goes tbrough your chest. Want to try it?

More than 100,000 accidents a year are directly charged to drivers asleep.

About 60 per cent of the "autocides" occur at night according to The Travelers Insurance Company, when there is only 25 per cent of the traffic on the

roads. When it's dark, crawl, brother, crawll



Twenty-seven dollars in dimes arrived at the White House one day this week from "the bunch around the John A. Weeks drug store" in Ballinger as a contribution to the president's birthday fund to fight infantile par-

H: B. Wallace returned Tuesy from a trip to brady.



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ROBERT LEE, TEXAS

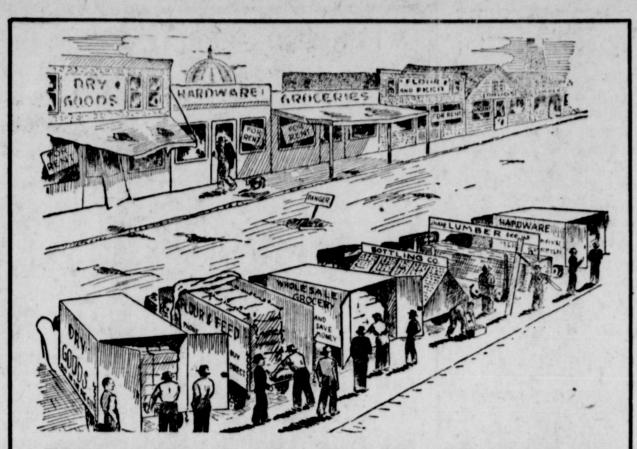
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## What Does the Future Hold for **The Smaller Towns in Texas?**

What must inevitably be the fate of the small towns and communities in Texas?

This question is being asked in literally hundreds of interior places over the state where today "For Rent" signs clutter the windows of numbers of empty business buildings! It is a question of in-creasingly serious importance, not only to these small towns and communities, but to the state as whole.

a whole. These once busy places of community life, around which has largely grown the progressive development of Texas, are being dried up by the operation of heavy trucks over our highways. Their local business firms and enterprises, the dry goods, hardware, drug and fruit and vegetable stores, retail lumber yards, wholesale grocery houses, bottling plants, feed mills, oil mills, grain elevators and cotton compresses are unable to meet the competition of the larger business centers be-cause of the almost unrestricted and promiscuous use of Texas highways in the delivery of goods by trucks from the larger eities holding the quantity-purchase advantage.

The absorption and manipulation, in varying degree, of the cost of transportation by highway for competitive purposes, if not restricted, will inevitably drive dealers and wholesalers in the smaller towns and communities out of business. They must succumb to the inequality of oppor-tunity with which they are burdened and thus contribute further to our growing economic chaos. The lea new being made by certain in treats to

The plea now being made by certain interests to increase the load limit on tracks operating over

The thousands of families, for so many years dependent upon employment by these business en-terprises as a means of livelihood, must be forced to the citles in quest of work, and failing in that add further to our burden of relief and unem-ployment! ployment!

smaller towns!

Inroads by long distance truck operations on the traffic of the religonds must necessarily result in the abandonment of more and more raligond mileage, with consequent loss of payrolls and taxes to these communities and an increase of tax burto these communities dens to their citizens.

Texas highways will hasten the end of local enter-prises in smaller Texas communities. If under the present statutes harm already has been done the small town merchant and property owner, what then must be the effect of any increase in the allowable truck load limit? Certainly the larger the load limit the greater will be the distance over which goods can be hauled from the larger dis-tributing centers, and the greater will be the harmful effects on dealers and enterprises in the smaller towns!

The burden of taxation borne by the business interests of the smaller towns and communities throughout Texas will, as a natural result, be shifted more and more to the shoulders of the remaining property owners. Those who have in-vested in homes and business buildings must sacri-fice their investments to what some might mistak-ingly call "the march of progress."

Texas Railroads, who seek no favors and advantages, but who willingly pay their own way to render efficient, dependable and economical transportation service to Texas communities, have fit the ill effects of unfair and subsidized competition in the same way and measure as the small trans-business men and, in the interest of our mutual preservation, join with them in urging that exiting legal truck load limits be not increased!



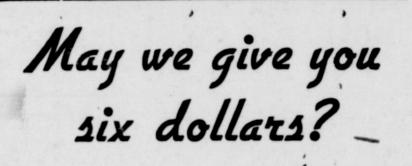
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### GROCERY

Specials for Friday & Saturday, February 3 & 4

PRUNES, Gallou Western Trade	25e
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Sour Pitted CHERRIES, can	13e
DelMonte SPINACH, no 2 cans 2 for	27c
Libbys SPINACH, no 300 can 2 for	25c
Campbells TOMATO JUICE, 1 pt & 4 oz 2 can	2lc
BOMINY, ' no 2 cans 2 for	14e
DelMonte CORN, no 1 cans 3 for	25e
Phillips PORK & BEANS, 3 for	14.
SARDINES, large size 3 for	25e
No 2 TOMATOES, 3 cans	21e
Dreft Washing Powder Soap,	23e
KB Rolled OATS, 5 lbs	25e
Hersheys COCOA, 1 lb	15c
Rex JELLY. 5 lbs	45e
Uncle Ben's RICE, 2 lbs	15e
APPLES, size 163 Delicious doz	18c
ORANGES, size 250 doz	240
ORANGES and APPLES, doz	12c
MARSHMALLOWS, 11b	160
NAPKINS, pkg	80

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#### The Washday Parade

1 like to hang clean garments Upon my long clothes line, And watch them wave and flutter There in the bright sunshine.

Firt I hang the snow white sheets To dry there in the breeze, They look like some big white sails On ships that sails the sea.

I ten there is the dresser scarf In four lesf clover design. And Grandma's big white night gown

Hanging right next to mine.

Next comes baby's little dress So clean and white and small Hanging with the great big things 'T'is scarcely seen at all.

Then pillow slips and cup towels And lots of underwear With legs and arms a flying Way high up in the air.

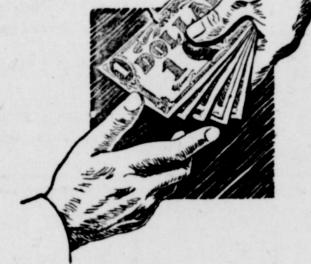
Next comes two hand made collars Made out of thread so fine. They look so soft and dainty A'drying on the line.

Then stockings, sh irts, pajamas And four big pairs of pants, All joining hands together, lo do a washday dance.

Some bath towels, slips & dresses, Then Jimmy's undershirts, And Gran ma's warm red flannels And my big heavy skirt.

All the sox and colored things Are hanging in the shade. Its fun to see my clo bes line, During Washday Parade.

- Hattie Pope,



NOT in cash, of course. We're speaking of its equivalent. But here is something for you to consider:

Every year this newspaper brings you at least three outstanding novels in serial form. Purchased as books each would cost not less than \$2, making a total expenditure of at least \$6 per year.

Like yourself, we could find plenty of uses for that \$6. Some member of the family is always in need of a new pair of shoes or some other necessity. But at the same time your requirements for good reading material must be met. By accepting these three novels each year we feel you are treating yourself to real enjoyment, at the same time giving your purse a substantial boost.

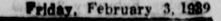
These novels are a source of constant pride to us. Every year we select them from the season's most outstanding best sellers, offered in serial form by a large newspaper syndicate organization. We'd like to feel that you-as a subscriber-always look forward to reading the coming installment in the next issue. It gives us a great satisfaction to know that here is another reason why our paper is popular in the home.

You are invited to begin reading our novels now. These regular brief visits to fictionland will prove a delightful interlude from your worka-day activities. And it will make us happy to know that you are getting enjoyment from them.





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