

# Lockney Beacon

FLOYD COUNTY LEADS ALL WEST TEXAS IN VALUE OF CROPS PRODUCED. LOCKNEY IS IN THE HEART OF THE BEST FARMING SECTION OF THE PLAINS, AND IN THE GREAT SHALLOW WATER BELT

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## DENVER OFFICIALS HERE MONDAY

### MET LOCKNEY COMMITTEE AT FIRST NATIONAL BANK AND HAD CONFERENCE

A party of Denver officials, composed of: Mr. C. G. Burnham, vice president of the Burlington system; Judge J. H. Barwise, Jr., general counsel of the Ft. Worth & Denver; Mr. F. E. Clarity, vice president and general manager of the Fort Worth & Denver; General John A. Hulen, traffic manager; Judge McCoy, right-of-way and tax agent; R. C. Gowdy, chief engineer, were in Lockney Monday afternoon, going over the proposed line, and held a conference with the Lockney railroad committee in the directors room of the First National Bank, and talked over the building of the proposed line from Childress to Lubbock, through Lockney.

After the conference the railroad officials inspected the depot sites in Lockney, and left over the proposed route southwest of Petersburg and Lubbock.

The party spent about two hours with the committee in Lockney, and acquired information in general of the route from here to Lubbock, and was very favorable in their talk regarding the proposed line through this city.

### 'DUSTY' MILLER TO REOPEN LAW OFFICE

#### Says He Found Real Friends In Recent Trial On Charge of Murder

E. T. "Dusty" Miller has re-opened his law office in suite two of the new Fuqua building.

Mr. Miller was acquitted through an instructed verdict at Floydada Tuesday afternoon of a charge of murder in connection with the death of E. W. Hobart last July. The case was tried here last December and resulted in a hung jury.

"The only good thing about the whole affair was the fact that I discovered many friends that I did not know I had," said Mr. Miller yesterday on his return from Floydada.

"I want to thank the citizens of Floydada and Floyd county for the cordial manner in which they received me and I also wish to express my appreciation to all of my friends who have stood by me through this ordeal.

"I have no ill feelings against anyone over the matter and I intend to continue the practice of law in Amarillo as I have done in the past," Amarillo Globe.

### OKLAHOMA PASSES BILL FOR BIBLE READING IN SCHOOLS

Oklahoma City, March 28.—The Oklahoma legislature passed two reform measures during the rush to jam through bills in the final session before adjournment today.

A bill providing that the Bible shall be read every day in all common schools of the state was passed without comment.

A hasty marriage bill was enacted providing that all persons under 21 years of age shall post a notice of their intentions of applying for a marriage license ten days prior to making applications for license.

Persons under the influence of liquor or narcotics cannot be given marriage licenses, the statute provided.

### BEST MEETING RETAIL MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION

#### Will Hold Open Session and Discuss Business Ethics

The Retail Merchants Association of Lockney announce their first meeting since organization, will be held Tuesday night of next week, at which time "Business Ethics" will be discussed.

The public in general is invited to attend this meeting.

### COLEMAN FIRE LOSS ESTI- MATED AT NEAR \$45,000

COLEMAN, Texas, Mar. 27.—A fire originating in the Skidmore Blacksmith Shop here Friday morning destroyed several business houses causing an estimated loss of \$45,000.

### AMARILLO MAN SHOTS HIMSELF THROUGH HEART

#### Tom Hinson Found Dead In Room at 206 Grant Street By Wife On March 29

Amarillo, March 29.—With a bullet through his heart, Tom Hinson 32, was found dead in his room at 206 Grant Street, by his wife shortly after 12 o'clock last night. Mrs. Hinson notified the officers and an inquest was immediately held at the home by Coroner C. G. Landis. A verdict of "death by his own hands" was rendered by the coroner.

Hinson was undressed and lying on the bed, apparently having retired for the night. A 45-calibre Colt pistol was on the foot of the bed when his body was found. He had been dead only a short time, officers declared.

Two notes addressed to his wife were turned over to the officers. Both letters urged his wife to go see his mother, and expressed his devotion to them, admonishing them not to worry over his death. There was no indication as to why he would take his own life.

The body was prepared for burial by the Griggs Undertaking Company and funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Tom Hinson was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hinson, 1005 Adams St.

### 29 NEW STATE LAWS GO INTO EFFECT TODAY

#### Governor Ferguson Signs Bills Govern- ing Great Variety of Legislation

Austin, March 30.—Twenty-nine bills were signed today by Gov. Miriam A. Ferguson. They included:

Increasing the salary of county tax assessors.

Providing that lands may be admitted to water improvement districts upon agreement that they be taxed on the assessment benefit plan or on uniform acreage.

Prohibiting search and seizure with out a warrant describing the premises to be searched and the goods to be seized.

Continuing the district court of Stephens county until April 15, 1925.

Providing that chattel mortgages shall be void unless copy filed with county clerk.

Limiting water improvement district notes to four per cent of the cost of improvement.

Granting to cities titles in beds of rivers running through the cities.

Prohibiting use of muffler cutouts on automobiles and prescribing penalty of from \$1 to 100 fine, or ten days in jail.

Prohibiting use of the word "bank" by an association organized under the common law and not under the banking laws. Does not apply to banks now operating.

Including railroad gasoline motor cars in term "train" and placing them under control of the railroad commission.

Extending oil and gas leases on university lands five years.

Declaring a closed season for rainbow trout in fresh waters for 2 years.

Authorizing county commissioners' court to have old probate records recorded by the county clerk and allowing a fee for the work.

Providing that the advertising rate for public legal notices shall not exceed the lowest classified rate.

Extend for ten years permits to drill for oil and gas in river beds providing the holders have spent at least \$25,000 in development and actual work is being done.

Authorizing trustees of common or independent school districts to discharge any bonded indebtedness owed by the permanent school fund and permitting the state board of education to redeem the bonds.

Authorizing removal of historical relics from state library to custody of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas and the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Authorizing leasing charge of \$2 an acre for permits to drill on public islands, in public waters and river beds and permitting the leases to run ten years.

Authorizing juries to prescribe maximum and minimum penalties in felony cases making effective the indeterminate sentence law.

J. F. Ragland of Silvertown spent from Sunday to Tuesday here visiting his daughter, Mrs. G. S. Morris, and family.

## WILL ASK CHARTER OF I. C. C. SHORTLY

### NO CONTEST EXPECTED ON PERMIT PLEA BEFORE I. C. C.

There will be no fight before the Interstate Commerce Commission between the Fort Worth and Denver and the Santa Fe for permits to construct new lines into the South Plains section of West Texas, so far as the Denver is concerned. The Denver will not protest the application of the Santa Fe for the construction of two new lines, it announced Wednesday—one from Plainview to Silvertown, the other into Castro county. And likewise, the Denver does not anticipate the Santa Fe will protest its application for a line that will serve Hall, Briscoe, Swisher, Castro, Hale, Floyd, Lubbock and Crosby counties.

The Denver chartered the Denver South Plains Railroad on March 5 and the following day announced its intention of building into the territory without delay. Surveyors are now in the field and within a few weeks it is expected the definite routes will have been determined and announced.

**Denver's Attitude**  
The Denver's attitude, briefly, is that the South Plains section is large enough and growing rapidly enough to warrant the Interstate Commerce Commission's approval of both projects and neither should interfere with the other.

This attitude was outlined Thursday afternoon by C. G. Burnham, executive vice president of the Burlington, Colorado and Southern Ft. Worth and Denver roads, who arrived in Ft. Worth on one of his periodical tours of inspection. Burnham will be in the city for several days and while in Texas will make an inspection trip over the road with F. E. Clarity, vice president and general manager of the Denver, and also visit the South Plains section.

**Situation Discussed**  
In discussing the railroad situation as it affects the South Plains section, and particularly that section's relation with Fort Worth and Ft. Worth's relation with it, Burnham said:

"The announcement of the Santa Fe of its proposed construction in the South Plains territory does not change the program of the Ft. Worth and Denver. We believe the South Plains country has now and will have sufficient in and outbound traffic to warrant two roads serving it. A glance at the map will show that these new spurs of the Santa Fe do not change in any respect the relation of that system to Fort Worth. That railroad has its long main lines to Chicago, Kansas City and Pacific Coast, as well as to the Gulf. The Fort Worth and Denver on the other hand serves primarily Fort Worth.

We aim to draw the cotton, livestock, grain and natural products from the Plains country into Fort Worth and take merchandise and miscellaneous manufactured commodities from Fort Worth into the Plains country.

Our new line will afford the South Plains a more convenient access to Fort Worth and will give the merchants and manufacturers in Fort Worth a more direct route into that territory. Likewise passenger travel will be stimulated between Fort Worth and the Plains.

**Surveyors in Field**  
"We have a number of surveying gangs in the field to determine our exact route and enable us to prepare the final maps and other documents that must accompany the application to the Interstate Commerce Commission for a certificate of convenience and necessity. Of course, neither the Fort Worth and Denver nor the Santa Fe under the present law can start construction without this authority of the Interstate Commerce Commission. We do not anticipate the Santa Fe will oppose our application any more than we will protest the granting of a permit to it.

"It has been demonstrated time and time again in order to be successful and best serve the communities these spurs must have the support of strong main lines to and from large industrial centers. As independent lines, short agricultural railroads have been unable to serve properly the territory where they are located, or successful, from an investor's standpoint. The Fort Worth and Denver has the resources in funds for construction, locomotives, cars and other equipment, and an operating organi-

### SLATON WOMAN ATTACKED BY NEGRO MAN

#### Wife of Santa Fe Fireman Injured In Attack, Entire City "In Arms" Over Affair

Slaton, March 28.—Mrs. R. L. Henry, about 25, wife of a locomotive fireman in the employ of the Santa Fe in the local switch yards, was attacked in her home in the eastern part of the city about 9 o'clock Saturday night by an unknown negro man. Robbery is believed to be the motive for the attack.

The assailant entered the home through a back window, according to a statement made to officers by Mrs. Henry, and when she discovered the intruder and screamed, she was struck in the face with a blunt instrument. A severe bruise was inflicted on the woman's cheek, examining physicians stated, but will not prove fatal.

At least four suspects had been arrested at midnight in connection with the attack, all of whom have been taken before Mrs. Henry. None of them have been positively identified by the victim.

Mrs. Henry had retired for the night with her three young children, her husband being at work with the switch crew. Neighbors hearing her screams, rushed to the house and found her in a hysterical condition, according to T. H. Shilton, local operator at the Santa Fe dispatcher's office who was among the first to reach the home and called the officers.

Officers immediately telephoned to Sheriff Johnston of Lubbock for his bloodhounds, who rushed to Slaton in view of putting them on the chase. On account of the disturbance and gathering crowd following the intruder's escape all tracks were beaten out, and the hounds were unable to pick up any tangible trail.

At two a. m. practically every man in Slaton and immediate vicinity are scouring the country for suspects.

Mrs. Henry was reported to be resting well after being attended by physicians. She, however, is in a very nervous state, according to Dr. Miller, attending physician.

In the event that any of the suspects rounded up are connected directly with the crime, it is believed that they will be rushed from here to forestall possible mob violence, as feeling throughout the city is at a high pitch.

### NEGRO CONFESSES ATTACK ON SLATON WOMAN, CLAIM

Fort Worth, March 30.—Dan Henderson, 30-year-old negro, was arrested at Slaton last night and confessed officers say, to attacking Mrs. R. L. Henry there Saturday night. Several hundred men spent Sunday scouring Lubbock county for the negro. Mrs. Henry was attacked in her home during the absence of her husband.

### I. F. Thomas Dead

Mr. I. F. Thomas, father of Mrs. R. W. Long of Lockney, died at his home in Upshur county, Wednesday, March 25th, 1925, after an illness of two months. He was past 85 years of age. He was born in Tennessee in 1839, and came to Texas in 1870.

He spent the fall of 1919 and spring of 1920 with Mrs. Long in Lockney.

Mr. Thomas leaves two daughters, Mrs. John Thomas of Ore City, Texas, and Mrs. R. W. Long of Lockney, and one son, Mr. Isam Thomas of Whitesboro, Texas. He is also survived by his wife, who will make her home with her son in Whitesboro.

### Likes Lockney Country

G. A. Jackson of Dallas, has been here this week visiting O. J. Huggins. Mr. Jackson has traveled all over this section of the country the past week, and says if he moves to the Plains he will move to Lockney, as he considers this the best part of the Plains.

zation already functioning that can take on this additional mileage and can handle the increased traffic on its present main lines at a minimum cost. We believe branches from off the Fort Worth and Denver furnish the logical route for entrance to this vast South Plains empire from Fort Worth. I think the communities at both ends want railroad competition and believe they will support our plan which gives them this, and also gives them the competition of the Fort Worth producing and consuming population for their sales and their purchases."

### O'DONNELL MAN SURRENDERS IN FATAL SHOOTING

#### Argument Over Court Suit Is Said to Be the Cause of Slaying O'Donnell Man

Lubbock, March 30.—Calvin Petty, of O'Donnell, was shot and killed at the Ed Roberts farm near O'Donnell Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock following a quarrel with Roberts, who surrendered to Lynn county officers and is being held in the county jail at Tahoka.

Sheriff H. L. Johnston and County Attorney Owen McWhorter, of Lubbock, were called to the scene of the killing to help take charge of the situation, officers in charge of the case fearing further trouble might ensue.

The quarrel, officers said, resulted from a complaint that was filed by Roberts against Petty's brother, charging adultery.

Petty, officers said, went to the Roberts home demanding that Roberts withdraw the complaint, his refusal precipitated the quarrel and Petty is said to have attempted to force Roberts to go with him to appear before officials to withdraw the complaint, whereupon Roberts, who was being held by Petty, loosed himself and fled into his house. Petty followed, and as he started to enter the house Roberts fired upon him with a shotgun, according to statements made by Roberts following the shooting.

Two charges took effect, one in the abdomen and one in the right arm, killing Petty almost instantly.

Funeral services for Petty will probably be conducted at O'Donnell.

It was not made known whether or not Roberts will attempt to make bond, according to County Attorney Owen McWhorter, who intimated that Roberts will be held in jail at Tahoka until the tense feeling that exists in the community subsides.

Both men are prominent in the community and the tragedy is regretted by friends of both families.

### BANDITS LOOT FORT WORTH BANK OF \$8,000 CASH

FORT WORTH, March 27.—The First State Bank at Polytechnic, a suburb of Fort Worth, was robbed of between \$8,000 and \$10,000 by two bandits, one masked, who entered the bank shortly after it opened.

They locked the cashier in the bank and escaped after scooping up all the money in sight.

No one saw the men enter or leave the bank.

The cashier aroused the attention of customers who entered the bank by his cries. A check of the bank's funds was being made later in the day.

### SOME USES OF A TERRACING LEVEL

Through some practical common sense observations the county agent and many farmers during these dry years decided that, if we can run the rows on a level or throw up little dams in the field which would not be in the way of cultivation, we could make a great deal more farm products per acre. Last spring there was a demand for some of this work but the county did not own a level and those in authority refused to buy one. The county agent bought one and the Floyd County Farm Bureau paid for it. The agent is able to buy them at wholesale price for public use and it cost \$21.35, including express.

The following are some uses for such an instrument: Finding proper level for rows, running terraces in series in whole fields or steep parts, establishing cross fences at an exact right angle with another line, finding level for foundation for buildings, getting the proper fall for irrigation for gardens, adjusting levels for filling gardens, determining depth and fall for ditching where drainage is needed, determining amount and distance for filling in a road, finding proper fall for carrying off water at roadside, and for setting stakes for leveling lawns to make water spread properly for growing lawn grass.

### Receives Message Mother Is Sick

Mrs. S. J. Livingston left Sunday for Ochiltree county in response to a message that her mother, Mrs. W. G. Butler was very sick and not expected to live.

Mrs. W. A. Brewster, and son, Leonard, and Mrs. Artie Baker spent Tuesday in Plainview on business.

## SANTA FE TO BUILD SILVERTOWN LINE

### WORK WILL START IN SHORT TIME ON SILVERTOWN ROAD

Plainview, March 31.—Bonuses have been raised, the right-of-way secured, contracts have been signed and actual construction of the Santa Fe line from Plainview to Silvertown will begin immediately upon receipt of permit from the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Such was the announcement made here tonight after an all-day conference, at the conclusion of which the Plainview Railroad Committee and F. A. Lehman, vice president and general manager of the Santa Fe, Western Lines, affixed their signatures to the contracts.

The new road, which will run from this city to Silvertown, county seat of Briscoe county, will connect with the Plainview-Floydada line at Lidaer Switch three miles east of Plainview proper. The line will be laid with 85-pound steel, providing virtually a main line quality of construction, according to J. F. Anton, superintendent of the Slaton Division.

The country to be served by the new road is one of the richest sections of the Plains, and Silvertown, said to be the largest and most substantial inland county seat town in Texas, is expected to assume greater proportions, both in dimension and business progress.

Citizens of Plainview and Silvertown, with those of the smaller towns to be served, are jubilant over the success of the new railroad project, and new life has been injected into practically all lines of business.

### CITY MEAT MARKET BUYS HUSMANN FREEZER

The City Meat Market, owned by Mr. T. L. Griffith, has just closed a contract for a Husmann Patented Freezer Display counter, which is to be installed in the next few weeks. Mr. Griffith states that when this freezer is installed he will have the most up-to-date meat market in all of West Texas.

### COUNTIES GIVEN CONDEMNATION PRIVILEGE

Austin, March 26.—Right of condemnation for public purposes was granted Texas counties Thursday when Gov. Miriam A. Ferguson signed the bill granting them eminent domain. She also signed five other bills.

This bill grants eminent domain for construction of jails, courthouses, hospitals, delinquent school, poor farms, libraries and other public purposes. The bill was introduced in the senate by Senator Murphy of Houston to expedite purchase of land for a new courthouse site, it was said.

Texas will be represented in a conference with commissioners from New Mexico and Colorado and a representative of the United States government over division of the waters of the Rio Grande river as the result of another bill approved by the governor. An appropriation of \$15,000 is made to defray expenses of the commission.

Other bills approved include: Permitting railroads the right to obtain preliminary injunctions on notice to all parties while making an appeal to the Travis County District Court from rate decisions.

Revising and reitemizing the appropriation for the State Department in departmental appropriation bill. A reduction of approximately \$2,500 yearly is made.

Making a supplementary appropriation of \$3,000 yearly to defray cost of experiment station for testing anti-glare devices for automobile headlights at the University of Texas.


Fixing salaries of county commissioners at \$1,000 in counties having not less than 1,000 nor more than 1,200 square miles, with not less than \$10,000,000 taxable valuations.

### Box Supper at Lone Star

There will be a box supper at Lone Star, Wednesday, April 11th, given by the Home Demonstration Club of that community. Everybody invited to attend.

E. L. Woodburn and family spent Wednesday at Dimmitt attending the big rabbit drive.

**"UNSIGHTLY DANDRUFF"**



Haven't you often noticed an otherwise neat appearing man with traces of dandruff on his coat? Doesn't that unsightly dandruff detract from his appearance?

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needs of the county for many years to come, and it is not right for a scheme to keep on the court house tax, to load the tax payers with a jail that will cost a large sum of money. The people should let the commissioners know that it does not meet with their approval.

**POSTAL RATES RAISED UNDER NEW SCHEDULE**

The new schedule of postal rates effective April 15, has been received by Postmaster Homer Howard. Several important changes, making for higher rates, are made from the present scale.

Postage on private mailing cards (the kind carrying Christmas greetings or scenes on Home Town main street) are doubled. Special delivery postage is higher. Money orders for smaller sums will be a little more. To obtain a return receipt for a registered letter or parcel post packages will be higher.

With the new schedule will come the 1-2c stamp—a new issue—which will be received at the local postoffice before the new rates go into effect.

Mailing cards—Present rate, 1 cent. New rate, 2 cents for private mailing cards. No change in postal cards printed by the government.

Money orders—Present rate for \$50 indemnity, 10 cents; for \$100 indemnity, 20 cents. New rate for \$50 indemnity, 15; for \$100 indemnity 20 cents. No fee for return receipt under the present schedule; a 3-cent fee for return receipt under the new schedule.

Insured packages—Present rate: Minimum 3 cents; maximum 30 cents; no fee for return receipt. New rate: Minimum 5 cents; maximum 25 cents; 3-cent fee for return receipt.

Special delivery—Present rate: No weight limit other than prescribed for various classes of mail, 10 cents; new rate: Two pounds and under, 10 cents more than two pounds to 10 pounds, 15 cents; over 10 pounds 20 cents.

Second-class mail—Old rate: A graduated scale for newspapers and magazines and "transient matter," newspapers and magazines mailed by individuals. New rate: "Transient matter," 2 cents for each 2 ounces for packages under 8 ounces over 8 ounces at parcel post rate.

Third-class mail—New rate: Merchandise up to 8 ounces, 11-2 cents for each 2 ounces; books, catalogs, seeds, bulbs, cuttings, roots and plants, 8 ounces or under, 1 cent for each 2 ounces; over 8 ounces go as fourthclass.

**PLANS FOR SPONSORS AT W. T. C. C. CONVENTION**

Mr. H. B. Adams, Lockney, Texas

Dear Mr. Adams: The plan for the sponsors this year for the Seventh Annual Convention at Mineral Wells is far better than the past one.

In the first place all costumes will be furnished without cost to the sponsors and upon arrival in Mineral Wells they will receive their costumes.

In the second place we are asking each town to have a Miss and a Madam representative. For instance there will be a Miss Lockney and a Madam Lockney. We will appreciate it therefore if you will select a young married woman to represent you as your Madam and a young unmarried woman to represent you as your Miss. Also kindly have the young ladies send us in each three photographs. We want these for the daily newspapers. You may select these young ladies any way you desire. A little later on we will send you complete instructions for these young ladies upon their arrival in Mineral Wells.

We want you to impress upon them that extraordinary pains are being taken to see that no expense to amount to anything be required in connection with their acceptance of such place. Also let them know that there will be no floats necessary for them. There will be no night decorated floats. There may be some towns that will have floats in delegation parades who will want their sponsors in them but in no sense is this necessary. I sincerely trust you will attend to this as promptly as you can as we are very anxious to get this matter moving.

With regard to entrance of bands, all bands in West Texas will be allowed to compete. For information kindly get in touch with G. C. Collum, Secretary West Texas Division of the Texas Band Teachers Association, Stamford, Texas. He will furnish you with full particulars.

I would appreciate it if you would write a letter giving me an idea about how many will attend the convention from your city. I appreciate the fact that it is pretty hard to get an estimate of the attendance at such an early date, but perhaps you can do so.

I know you are going to like the Mineral Wells program. It is going to be all-around different and all-around unique. It is of course going to be very difficult to surpass the last convention in splendor and magnificence and yet we are going to say that you will be delighted with the Mineral Wells Convention.

Yours very truly,  
Porter A. Whaley, Manager.

**BODY OF NEGRO IS IDENTIFIED**

An investigation made by members of the sheriff's force Friday revealed that the negro who was found on the Bolex ranch late Thursday after he had been dead several months, was the one with which S. J. Buckner and T. M. Pierce, farmers of near Slaton, are charged with having shot on the morning of October 31st, last year. The shooting is said to have occurred in the canyon north of Slaton.

"Positive identification establishing the fact that the negro was killed by a charge from a shotgun, and that he was the one who fled after being fired upon has been made," a member of the sheriff's force stated though he refused to make known the source of the identification.

The negro was brought to Lubbock Thursday morning and will be buried by orders of county officials today.

Buckner and Pierce are out under bond, not having been indicted. Following the alleged shooting of the negro they were lodged in jail here while an investigation was being made, but upon inability to locate the negro, they were released under bond to await further developments.

What action officers will take in regard to their case was not made known Friday, however their re-arrest and making of new bonds is anticipated.

The negro's body was found five or six miles west from where the shooting occurred. He had attempted to walk to Lubbock, according to all indications, officers said.—Lubbock Alvanche.

**\$3 APPORTIONMENT**

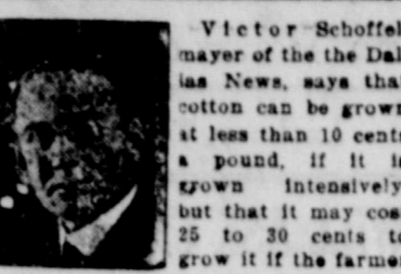
Last week another school apportionment was received by Superintendent Price Scott from the State Board of Education amounting to \$3 per capital. This is the largest amount received thus far and makes a total of \$9 received to date. There remains a balance of \$5 still to be received before the quota is reached.

Frank Barber and family are moving to Hereford this week, where they will make their future home.

Henry Staleup spent the week-end here from Dimmitt visiting.

**THE PASSING DAY**

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Victor Schoffel, mayor of the Dallas News, says that cotton can be grown at less than 10 cents a pound, if it is grown intensively, but that it may cost 25 to 30 cents to grow it if the farmer plants too large an acreage and then has to spend his cotton money buying feed for his stock and eatables for his family. Thrifty bankers and merchants, whose success depends upon the success of the farmers, are learning that a large part of the cost of cotton growing goes for the purchase of supplies that could as well be grown along with the cotton. They are also learning that, when the farmer spends more for food for himself and family than he gets in cash for his crops, he is soon without money to spend for other things. The one crop system of farming will in time impoverish any community in which it is practiced.

**Civic Responsibility for Health.**  
That cities and communities are in a way responsible for the health of their people is coming to be generally recognized, although until within recent years no such community responsibility was recognized. The health of any community is very largely measured by the health of that community. If men, women and children are kept free from sickness there is little danger that any one willing to work will ever become a public charge. Instead, all who will work will be producing something that will add to their own comfort and to that of others. Children will be in school preparing themselves for carrying on efficiently the work now done by their fathers and mothers. Considered purely as a business problem public health should be a matter of public concern. Cities and communities can not afford to be indifferent.

**Communities Should Guard Morals.**  
It is as important for a people to be morally sound as to be physically strong. The same concern should be felt in safeguarding community health and morals. No community should permit questionable practices to be flaunted in the face of the public. While every man is largely the author of his own moral conduct, no community or organization is justified in sponsoring a thing that tends to lower standards of morals. That is the justification for censorship of shows and for the prohibition of gambling. All the bad shows are not in the movie houses, nor all the gambling done in gambling dens. The average carnival, often sponsored by civic or fraternal organizations, is about as degrading in influence as the worst movie shows, and the gambling devices under the auspices of such organizations are often training schools for young gamblers. An organization that can't exist without encouraging questionable practices can not justify its existence.

**Home Ownership Basis of Prosperity.**  
It is not possible to find any really prosperous or happy people where there is not a desire for home ownership. The negroes may be an exception to this general statement, for the love of home does not seem to be as yet a negro characteristic, although it must be admitted that the negro is slowly developing a home owning tendency, and where this is true he is all the better for it. Every person is a better citizen for being a home owner. The ideal community is that in which every one owns a home or is working to acquire one. The towns that will prosper most in future will be those towns that make an organized effort to assist both town and surrounding country people to own their homes.

**Mail Order Houses Always Active.**  
A woman who is a community worker or among country people in a certain Texas county said recently that on one of her visitations to the country she saw fifteen young women wearing dresses from a certain large concern that sends out its catalogues to the people, and two wearing dresses made by themselves from goods bought in the nearby town. She thinks that fairly represents the business that the local merchant is getting as compared with the mail order houses. When asked why this condition exists, she said it is due to the constant and persistent activity of the mail order houses in sending out their printed matter and in quoting attractive prices. The mails are flooded with such matter inviting trade and trying to convince buyers that their business is wanted, while the local merchant too often sits supinely still and waits for buyers to look him up.

**Merchants Must Go After Business.**  
The local merchant has all the advantage if only he will use it. The local newspaper is his best ally in getting trade if only he will use it. The catalogue can't be mailed oftener than two or three times a year. The newspaper goes into the home every week. The merchant should use it to talk to the people about his business and their interests. It will cost money, but not so much as he is now losing to the mail order houses. The fact that cities are building up and growing rich at the expense of the country and country towns is due merely to the difference in the activity of the business concerns.

*U.B. Prifty*



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**GROWING LUMBER CO. ADDS SILVERTON YARD**

Announcement this week of the opening of a lumber yard at Silvertown by the Floyd County Lumber Company, makes the second new yard this firm has established within the month of March. The first new yard announced was Quitaque. This yard is nearing completion and is already serving a large territory.

Silvertown is enjoying an unprecedented building boom, according to W. I. Cannaday, general manager of the Floyd County Lumber Company, and the new yard of this company will aid in filling the needs of a big scope of country for building materials.

The Jeff Burson building now under construction at Silvertown will be used for offices and store room for the yard. Sheds are now under construction there under the general direction of M. L. Kizziar, until recently manager for Higginbotham-Bartlett Company at Floydada. Mr. Kizziar is giving all his time to the two new yards at Quitaque and Silvertown where he is assisting in getting them started off as links in the chain of which the Silvertown yard is the fifth.

—Hesperian

**PLAINVIEW RECLUSE VICTIM OF ACCIDENT**

PLAINVIEW, March 24.—Death from accidental causes was the verdict of Justice of the Peace J. P. Siler rendered Tuesday morning after an investigation of the mysterious death of W. A. Adams, pioneer eccentric recluse of near Plainview.

Adams was found dead late Monday afternoon, near his home, a mile north of Plainview, and at the foot of a windmill tower. Justice Siler decided that Adams met his death by falling from the windmill while attempting to repair it. Adams had lived a life of utmost simplicity and seclusion, in an old adobe house, and left it only to go to the postoffice about once a week. He owned considerable property.

**2 INDICTMENTS RETURNED IN DALTON SLAYING**

POST, March, 23.—Will Luman and E. Walker, Garza county farmers, were indicted by the Garza county grand jury Monday on charges of murder in connection with the fatal shooting of Roy Dalton, Lubbock and Garza county ranchmen at the Luman farm home four and a half miles east of Southland at nine o'clock on the morning of March 10th.

In connection with the murder charge, Luman was indicted on a charge of manufacturing liquor and Walker was indicted on three liquor charges.

The men voluntarily surrendered to officers and are now in the Garza county jail here.

Lawrence Wheeler, an eye witness to the fatal shooting of Dalton, was indicted on a liquor charge by the grand jury that indicted Luman and Walker. His brother, John Wheeler, will go on trial here Wednesday on a charge of theft.

The grand jury has been busy since going into session a week ago, and as a result of their activities coupled with the assistance rendered them by District Attorney Parke N. Dalton, twenty indictments have been returned by them.

**MILLINERY SCHOOL**

Mrs. Dora R. Barnes, clothing specialist from A. & M. College will be in Floyd county on the 13th and 14th of April to hold a two days millinery school. The meeting will be held in the basement of the Methodist church at Lockney, beginning promptly at 10 o'clock on each morning.

All the women over the county, whether a member or not of a Home Demonstration club are urged to attend the 2 days school if they are at all interested in millinery. It is very important that each woman attend both days as the second day's work will be based on what was done the first day. It would be unfair to Mrs. Barnes for her to have to go back over the first day's work.

Dinner will be served both days and each woman is asked to bring a dish of something to eat. Everyone is sure to enjoy the social hour together.

Each woman who attends the school will please note carefully the following things:

1. If you intend to come the two days, please let your agent know as quickly as possible, either by letter, (phone or call) so she will know how large a supply of millinery stuff will be needed.

2. There are no charges for the school. You pay for only the materials you use.

3. Each woman should bring the following: Your old hats, pins, tape measure, pencil, note book, old trimmings, flowers, scissors (mark them) needles, thread, some tissue paper pressed out (old patterns will do) and materials for making new hats as a buckram frame, silks, braid, etc., if you want a new hat. If for renovating, cleaning and dyeing, bring the old hats and if they are to be dyed any color except black, bring the dye—any commercial dye as Putman's Elkay's, Color-rite, etc., with which to dye them an if you want them dyed black, bring Gilt-Edge shoe polish.

4. Each woman must keep a record of cost of material; total cost of hat and appropriate selling price and hand in to the Home Demonstration agent at the close of the work.

5. Last, but not least, we want a picture of the finished hats and the group of women participating in the school.

For any further information concerning the school please talk to the president of your club or write or call the Home Demonstration agent and they will be glad to help you.

**1925 DRESS CONTEST IN THE WOMEN'S CLUBS**

Every woman wants to be well dressed in her home and in order to do so she must have a number of house dresses which are suitable for the work to be done in them and at the same time look well. Dress does not make the person, but it certainly does add to their appearance. There is no woman who does not wish to appear attractive and well dressed at all times.

In the contest this year there are two outstanding aims; first, to raise the standard of personal appearance around the home; second, to give to the women a thorough knowledge of the requirements of a house dress.

The requirements for the house dress this year are as follows:

1. It must be a neat one-piece dress with set in sleeves.  
2. Must be made of cotton material, as: gingham, percale or chambray  
3. Must be made of a wash material.

4. Made by machine with little or no hand work on it.

5. Made in a style suitable for the individual wearing it, also which can be easily laundered.

6. Must use some tailored finish, such as bias binding, bound button hole or set in pocket.

7. Trimmings used must be suitable for material used in house dress. All the dresses will be judged by the following points:

1. Suitability of article to purpose.  
2. Beauty and quality of design.  
3. Harmony of color and materials.  
4. Accuracy in cutting.  
5. Perfection of stitches.  
6. Neatness of finish.  
7. Laundering possibilities.  
8. Appearance of dress on woman.

There were fifty-three dresses made in the dress contest last fall, which was an excellent record considering what the women had to do at that time, and the time the work had been started. "We aim to excel" should be our motto in this year's contest work. I want at the very least to have ten women from each club in the dress contest this year. Each president can take the names of the women who will enter and then send them to the agent.

The contest will be held on May 23 in Floydada. At that time the dresses will be judged very much as they were last year. Let's make this the best contest of the year.—Mabel Faulkner, County Home Demonstration Agent.

**Return from Fishing Trip**

U. S. Braswell, Walter Ayres and others returned Sunday from a fishing trip on the Conchos, Llano, Colorado and San Saba rivers. They report that they caught no fish on account of the water being too clear, but report a good time hunting squirrels and on the outing.

**SEED IRISH POTATOES HERE**

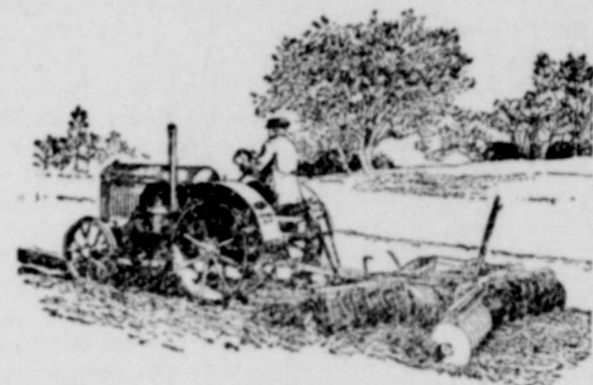
Our seed Irish Potatoes are now here, and if you contemplate raising some potatoes this year, come here and get your supply of Seed Potatoes.

It will soon be gardening time, and we desire to call your attention to the fact that we have already received a new stock of all kinds of gardening seeds for the people of the Lockney country.

We will have a supply of Onion Slips and Sets in time for early planting. Let us supply you with your garden seeds this year.

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BURTON THORNTON, Manager

25 YEARS AGO IN LOCKNEY COUNTY

The following items were taken from an issue of the Lockney Ledger, published on March 1, 1900, and brought to the Beacon by Mr. E. G. Foster, who had preserved the copy on account of it containing the write-up of his and Mrs. Foster's wedding. They celebrated their silver anniversary this year.

The item taken from the old paper are as follows:

J. M. Honea came up from his ranch near Quitaque an spent a day or so with his family the latter end of last week.

The future outlook for the Plains country is indeed good. Cattle at a good price, land in demand and good crops being raised make the country a very desirable place to live and it is fast settling up.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley were in the city one day this week.

Cooper Wimberly was in town yesterday having plow work done.

Having sold out, I desire to close up my books as soon as possible. Those whom I owe will please call on J. A. Baker, who will settle same. Those who owe me will find their accounts there also. Thanking all my patrons for past favors, I am, with respect, C. W. Smith.

S. L. Boone made a business trip to Plainview this week.

S. L. Boone received an immense lot of goods this week. We think he will hardly have room for them, but probably he expects to sell some.

TO THE PUBLIC.

I have bought the hardware, tinware, and queensware; harness, leather and saddlery belonging to C. W. Smith, D. Griffith & Bro., S. L. Boone and J. A. Baker. I expect to carry a full line at S. L. Boone's old stand, and hope to merit a share of your patronage. O. H. McGavock.

From our Whitfield correspondent we learn that Mr. Ed Foster was married to Miss Cecil Kitchen last Thursday night. They are both of the Whitfield neighborhood. The bride and groom and Mr. Oran Cloyd and Miss Huss were in town last Saturday.

May happiness and contentment crown the young married couple's life.

John Koger came to town Tuesday with two horses but while here the horses decided to go home and pulled out leaving John standing gazing in astonishment, and contemplating what a pleasant walk he would have through the snow. It was not very long until we saw John "singlefooting" down the road with a bundle on his shoulder.

One of the Rigdon boys got his wrist severely sprained while working in the brakes last week. It is improving.

Two of Floydada's wheelmen were up last Saturday on their bikes.

G. A. Merrick and family visited his cousin C. F. Merrick's family of the northern part of the county one day last week.

Mr. McMahan, a relative of T. J. Marshall's family is here visiting this week.

Last Tuesday was a very disagreeable day, the wind blowing all day and some snow falling, but Wednesday was as lovely as usual.

Mr. Dan Montague and brother have just finished a well for J. L. Francis. They dug 98 feet and got 10 feet of water.

MARRIED.—At the home of the bride's parents near Lakeview last Thursday night, Feb. 22, Mr. Ed Foster was married to Miss Cecil Kitchen. Both are well known in this part where they have a large circle of friends. Mr. Oran Cloyd and Miss Katie Huss were the waiters. Mr. Foster's folks gave the infare dinner Friday.

Many joys to the happy pair. Mr. and Mrs. Kitchen gave a singing Sunday night in honor of the bride and bridegroom. Among those present were Messrs. Dan Montague, George Cloyd, Simon Foster, Lee Montague, Sam Montague, Oran Cloyd, John Montague, Pearl Witherspoon, Byron Witherspoon, Williams. Misses Katie Huss, Maggie Huss, Addie Cloyd, Hallie South, Dora Stephens, Myrtle Thomas, Cora Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Corbet and Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Foster. The bride and groom looked very happy. Busy Bee.

25 PER CENT OF TEXAS SEED CORN WORTHLESS Only 65 per cent of the seed corn

in the cribs of the Texas farmers this year is fit for use. The figure is based on germination tests of seed corn from 99 farms in 15 counties in the state that were entered in the National Seed Corn held in Chicago last week.

Fully 35 per cent of the Texas seed corn tested showed poor germination, according to J. S. Naylor, the expert in charge of the testing. Presumably they are the best ears that these farmers could find, and yet this large percentage of them will not grow when planted. Unless farmers test their seed corn before planting time, there will be a prodigious amount of replanting necessary. Testing now will prevent an absolute shortage at harvest time, he says.

"The big lesson of the National Seed Corn Show can be learned by each Texas corn grower in his own crib", says Mr. Naylor. "Take the dozen best ears. Then take the poorest dozen ears. Each dozen ears will plant an acre of ground. The land is the same, the work is the same. Same weather. Same overhead. Same cost. At the end of the season the best dozen ears will yield perhaps 32 bushels of corn on the acre; the poorest dozen ears will yield 16 bushels of corn. The twelve good ears will yield twice the crop of the twelve poor ears. This is the lesson that every farmer should take to heart."

The Texas state sweepstakes of the National Seed Corn Show was won by A. L. Kendrick, of Yorktown, Dewitt county, but he was later defeated for the grand championship by Mrs. Elsie M. Paluska, of Waverly, Ill., whose entry was awarded the thousand dollar C. M. trophy, the big prize of the show.

BILL WOULD GIVE COUNTIES POWER TO CREATE DISTRICTS

AUSTIN.—West Texas came to the front in the House of Representatives with a proposed constitutional amendment to lighten legislative sessions by empowering counties to deal with the creation of special school districts at home. The House joint resolution by Smythe and Wester was adopted by the House almost unanimously, the proposed amendment gives the citizens of the district the right to ballot on the creation by local option powers and authorizes a tax not to exceed \$1.00 per \$100 valuation of district property. The special right is not applicable to incorporated towns, constituting separate and independent school districts. This bill will be submitted to the people in the general election of 1926, according to the provisions of the resolution.

Another proposed amendment to the Constitution by Veatch was engrossed 86 to 3, providing for a Constitutional amendment empowering the Legislature to extend clemency for impeachment. Sitting the punishment at five years on conviction. Another Constitution change would take the appointive power of notary publics away from the Legislature, and place it in the hands of the Governor.

MOUNTAIN PEAK IN COLORADO IS SHIFTING AGAIN.

Moves 100 Yards In Two Days Traffic Hindered.

MEEKER, Colo., March 24—Mother earth evidently is undergoing some painful disturbance in her innards and in her agony is causing a mountain peak, approximately 2,000 feet high, to move slowly but almost perceptibly across the Rio Grande valley between Rifle and this town.

With a wave-like roll, the western side of the mountain which because of past similar actions is called "moving mountain" is shifting from its original base still farther toward the west. Last night and this forenoon a further movement of 25 yards was registered over a length of approximately a quarter mile. Yesterday the movement had been over a distance of approximately 75 yards, making a total of 100 yards.

According to the reports of residents who have observed the "moving of the mountain" the slope of the peak which was originally at an angle of 45 degrees is "rolling down" to a less steep inclination. At times to close observers, it is reported, that tremors on the mountain side which are comparable to a slight ocean swell, are almost perceptible.

Traffic on the highway is blocked by the shifting of the mountain side and for a distance of 600 yards vehicular travel is forced to take a detour.

The present movement of the mountain is the second "perceptible shifting" according to residents, a previous change in the peak location of a similar nature having been recorded in 1909.

CONGRESS HAS PASSED 50,000 BILLS SINCE ITS FIRST SESSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Congress has passed 50,000 laws and resolu-

tions since its first session in 1789, according to a study made by Representative Ramseyer, Iowa. They cover about 48,000 pages in the statute books.

This is the number the record show. Actually far more have been enacted, for congress frequently passes legislation by attaching riders to appropriation bills. Also, decided reduction in the number of private acts has been brought about in the last score years by combining many pension bills, sometimes thousands, in one omnibus pension measure.

Of the 50,000 laws and resolutions enacted, Mr. Ramseyer found 30,310 were private measures and 19,750 public acts and resolutions. Of the public measures, 16,914 were laws and 2,836 resolutions.

Mr. Ramseyer's study revealed that Representative Longworth, floor leader and speaker-elect, was in error when he announced the other day that the recently adjourned Sixty-eighth Congress had surpassed all its predecessors in the number of laws enacted.

The real record holding Congress was the Fifty-ninth, which convened in 1905. That Congress enacted 692 laws, compared with 632 approved by the last Congress, in which Mr. Longworth had charge of the majority part of the floor of the lower house and the fifty ninth passed eighty-three resolutions against seventy-five in the last Congress.

The Sixty-eighth Congress did not establish a record, according to Mr. Ramseyer's tabulation, but it far surpassed the record of any other Congress, with the exception of the Fifty-ninth.

The figures show an almost steady increase in legislative output. The last Congress enacted 707 public laws and resolutions; the Sixty-seventh, 655; the Sixty-sixth, 470; and the Sixty-fifth, 404.

In about 30,000 Supreme Court decisions, Mr. Ramseyer found, the court has held forty-seven acts or parts of acts of Congress unconstitutional in the 136 years under the Constitution.

NOTES ABOUT WEST TEXAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

To all who are interested in the Seventh Annual Convention to be held May 4th, 5th, and 6th.

This bulletin is for your information and you are requested to file this and succeeding bulletins as it will save correspondence and requests. The headquarters, however, will promptly answer all requests and our friends are invited to call upon us at any time.

Pageant

The Pageant will be held May 5th in the evening at the Mineral Wells Country Club Lake. Registration badge will admit to Pageant. Those without badges will be charged \$1.00. Each city is requested to elect two ladies, one of the young married set and one of the debutante set. These ladies are to be known as "Madame" (name of city) and Miss (name of city). Each should have an escort. NO COSTUMES WILL BE REQUIRED. All costumes to be used in the Pageant will be furnished by us. One rehearsal will be necessary. This rehearsal will probably be held the day prior to the Pageant. Further information regarding this rehearsal will be furnished you. Send us the names of your two ladies at the earliest possible moment; also names of escorts.

Miss West Texas' Ball

Miss West Texas' Ball, will be held immediately after the Pageant at the Convention Hall. Admission will be \$5.00 per couple. Tickets will be apportioned to cities and sent to Chamber of Commerce secretaries or their committee. Advise us as early as possible how many tickets you will require to this ball. Formal dress not obligatory to this ball. General admission to ball \$1.00. (This admission is for spectators only).

Parades

The Delegations Parade will be held the afternoon of May 5th. All delegations are urged to participate. Advise us as soon as possible who and what you wish to participate in this parade. Floats may be used, and we suggest that these floats, typify any special resource or idea you may care to emphasize. There will be no official decorator, but provisions will be made to decorate such cars and floats as you may wish decorated here. We must be advised as least two weeks in advance of convention if you wish floats decorated. Proper recognition will be given the most typical and original float.

The Shrine Parade under the auspices of Moslah Temple, Fort Worth, will be held the afternoon of the first day, May 4th. The College Parade will be held the afternoon of the third day, May 6th. Advise if you desire to enter any features in this parade and what they are.

HEADQUARTERS: At your request your delegation will be assigned headquarters. Send in your request for headquarters assignment immediately.

REGISTRATION: Registration fee will be \$2.50. If you desire to register your delegation, any part of

it, or any individual before leaving home advise us, and we will forward badges upon receipt of your check for the amount due. It is suggested that congestion will be avoided by registering as many as possible of your delegates in advance.

SCHEDULE: The slogan of this year's meeting is "Work in the Morning, Play in the Afternoon." We are sure that every city will co-operate with the West Texas Chamber of Commerce officials in this policy.

CAMP SITES: Ample camping facilities will be provided for those delegations or individuals who desire to camp. Application for camp sites should be sent in immediately.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS: Send in your reservation NOW. Reservations will be handled in the order received. We have ample hotel and rooming accommodations, but it is very difficult to handle reservations at the last minute.

RODEO: The Rodeo will be held each afternoon and evening. It is open to the world and is expected to be one of the biggest and best shows of its kind ever staged in Texas. Entrance to Rodeo not included in registration fee.

CARNIVAL: The John Francis Carnival Shows have been engaged for the entire week and will show continuously in the afternoon and evenings.

SPECIAL TRAIN AND CAR TRACKAGE: We expect to have ample trackage for the parking of special trains and cars. IT IS HIGHLY IMPORTANT AND URGENT THAT YOU ADVISE US QUICKLY WHAT YOU WILL REQUIRE FOR YOUR TRAIN OR CARS. Specify number of Pullmans you will wish parked during convention.

MISCELLANEOUS: Please let us have at least four pictures of your Matron and Maid, who will take part in the pageant. The pictures should be titled. They do not need to be mounted on cardboard. Also if you will have a band in attendance, let us have at least six pictures of your band and its leader. We should also like to have two pictures of each Commercial Secretary, properly titled.

BANQUET: A subsequent bulletin will give information regarding the banquet.

GOLF: Arrangements are being made for a golf tournament during the convention. Further details will be outlined in a later bulletin. Other sport events are being arranged.

ROTARY AND KIWANIS: The Mineral Wells Kiwanis Club will give a luncheon to visiting Kiwanians on Tuesday, May 5th, at noon. Place of luncheon to be announced later. The Mineral Wells Rotary Club will give a luncheon to visiting Rotarians May 6th, at noon. Place of luncheon to be announced later.

BANDS: We are giving the largest amount of prize money ever given in a band contest in Texas. Your band should be in on it. Write G. C. Collum, Secretary, Texas Band Teachers Association, Stamford, Texas, for rules and other information.

NAMES: Please send us immediately the names of the wife of the President of your Chamber of Commerce.

SPRING IS HERE

By Phebe K. Warner

Unfailing Signs.

You don't have to look at the calendar to know that Spring is here. We were out on the canyon today and saw the first wild flowers peeping out from under the rocks. The birds were calling across from one tree top and hill top to another and they seemed to say: "Here's a good place to build a nest. Fly over here, quick! Hurry, hurry, hurry, before some other bird gets this tree!" They were just as busy as they could be picking out locations for their future homes. And shining through the dead, grey grass was a new carpet of greenest green coming on. The plum bushes were white with bloom. And all nature seemed springing back to life. It's glorious to be out in the canyons when every bush and tree and blade of grass speaks new life and hope and cheer and beauty. It kind of makes a fellow want to come to life himself and get busy and DO SOMETHING.

Other Signs.

But we have notice other signs of Spring. Last Sunday nearly all the girls had on a new kind of little hat. We are glad the hats are to be small enough another year so you can see around them without walking out of your way. And another sign of Spring is the sight of some of the men folks cleaning up around the back yard and the perfume of burning trash. But perhaps the surest sign is the talk we hear over the phone.

"Have you cleaned house yet?" "No, I'm waiting till it rains." Or "I'm waiting till the dust storms are over," or "I'm waiting till we can take down the heater and get a new rug for the living room."

What would LIFE be without Spring? Do you suppose some of us ever would get a new hat or a new dress or a new rug or clean up the whole house if it were not for this

world wide habit of nature cleaning up and dressing up every Spring in brand new togs? There is so much inspiration in seeing and having something NEW in our lives once in a while. Nature sets the example. Let's every one try to follow her example this Spring.

ONENEW THING.

Let's every one resolve to have something NEW about our home this Spring. It may not be much but anything will be better than nothing. Let's DO something NEW if we can afford to have anything new. We might plant a tree, or make a new flower bed, or have a flower and plant exchange like the home demonstration clubs did in our county last week and TRADE things that we did have for something we did not have. One of our neighbors brought an automobile load of everbearing strawberry plants to that exchange and one of the plans in our county this year is for EVERY HOME to have a strawberry patch. That's something new for a lot of us and it is also something beautiful and useful and good and something that can be preserved for the cold. Winter days. Now, what can YOU do in your county that will help to build the whole county and make life a little happier for everybody? Wouldn't it be fine if every COUNTY in Texas would decide on some county project and put it over all over the county this year? Where would we all be ten years from now if we were to do such a thing every year? And why not? The years will come and the years will go. There is not a doubt about that. Why not have something new growing around your home all those ten years? What if your are dead and gone? There will be others to live after us. And look what we inherited when we discovered America that others had done for us to enjoy. And look how long God worked on this old world before anybody came to enjoy it!

THE BEST SIGN.

But the best sign of all is another kind of growth. It is the growth in our own lives especially our women folks. And that new life is assured once every year when the clubs hold their district meetings. This is going to be one of the greatest Springs for women's meetings in the history of the country. Clip this list out and paste it in your club yearbook. It may help you to keep up with what the women of Texas are doing:

P. T. A. DISTRICT MEETINGS.

First District, April 7-8, Denton. Second District, April 15-16, Greenville.

Third District, April 1-3, Paris. Fourth District, March, 25-26, Nacogoches.

Fifth District, April 13-15, Seguin. Sixth District, April 24-25, Alpine. Seventh District, March 31-April 1, Brownwood.

Eighth District, April 8-10, Canadian. Ninth District, April 7-9, Caldwell, not announced.

District Meetings, Texas Federation.

First District, April 6, 7, 8, Fort Worth. Second District, April 23, 24, 25, Waxahachie.

Third District, April 27, 28, 29, Paris. Fourth District, April 13, 14, 15, Brenham.

Fifth District, April 15, 16, 17, Lockhart. Sixth District, April 20, 21, 22, Alpine. Seventh District, May 4, 5, 6, Canyon.

National and International Meetings.

The National Convention of the Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teacher Associations will be held in Austin, Texas, April 27 to May 2.

The Biennial of the National Federation of Music Clubs will convene in Portland Oregon, June 6-12.

The Quinquennial, a world-wide meeting of women, including representatives from thirty-four different nations, will be held in Washington, D. C., May 4-14. Every club woman in Texas in invit to pay 10 cents for the entertainment of foreign delegates to this meet. Send your dime to Mrs. L. A. Wells, Amarillo, Texas, chairman of Quinquennial quota for Texas. Don't forget it.

June 4, U. S. delegates to the World Convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union will sail from New York harbor aboard the "Zealand" for Edinburg, Scotland, where the world's convention of the W. C. T. U. will take place from June 19 to 25, 1925.

This looks like some meetings for just women to hold. But remember there are 11,000,000 organized women in the United States at this time all working for better, happier, healthier U. S. A.

TOO MUCH MOTHER WORSE THAN NONE

By DOROTHY DIX

There is nothing the matter with the children, who are a fine, sturdy, husky lot, that calls for any particular sacrifice, but the mother has considered it her duty to be a special providence to them and watch over

and direct their every movement. And that takes time, and work, and worry.

From the time they were born mother has breathed, and eaten, and slept, and played for these youngsters, as far as it was possible for one human being to substitute for another. She has never let them do one thing for their own volition, or exercise a particle of individual initiative, or judgment, or taste. She has picked out their friends for them, their schools, their amusements and their beaux. She has decided on their careers and when they should marry, and looks with pride upon the automatons she has produced who cannot move unless mother pulls the strings.

Now if this woman considers herself a wonderful mother, and it would shock her to death if she could be made to see that children can be overmothered, and that it is worse for them to have too much mother than not to have any mother at all.

For mothers cannot always keep her brood under her wing. Pretty soon life forces them out on their own where they must use their own brains and fight their own battles, and how can they do this if their mother has always done their thinking for them and stood between them and all danger?

You cannot teach a child to walk unless you let it stand on its own feet. You cannot teach it to be free and independent if you always lead it around by the hand. You cannot develop muscle in it by keeping it sitting on a silk cushion. You cannot give it courage and endurance if you keep it from ever getting any bumps.

The successful men and women are not those who have been molly-coddled through their infancy and youth by over-tender, over-anxious mothers who kept them tied to their apron strings and forced a sort of perpetual babyhood upon them. It is a significant fact that more foundlings than mother's pets are sitting in the high places in the world.

Of course, the mother's plea is that they want to protect their children from hardships as long as they can and save them from making mistakes. But they fail to realize that the time is bound to come when mothers can no longer be a bumper between their precious darling and fate, and then if their children have not learned how to protect themselves, they are bound to be beaten by life.

You can atrophy a child's brain by not letting it think for itself just as you could the muscles of its arms if you never permitted it to use them. And you can develop self-reliance and quickness of perception by throwing the child on its own resources. You can see a vivid illustration of this in the difference there is between the nimble witted newsboys who dodge safely in and out between the traffic of the street and the pan-stricken little rich boys who cling to their parents' hands.

One of the tragedies of recent times is the story of the little son of a multi-millionaire who had been watched over from birth by an army of nurses, and governesses, and tutors, and servants, and who escaped from them one day and was killed by a speeding car in the first five minutes he was ever alone in his life, because he didn't know how to take care of himself.

It is a great thing to be a good mother, but don't overdo the mother business. Have at least as much intelligence as a sparrow that pushes her young out of the nest and forces them to use their own wings.

W. E. Ellis and family are moving to the Ben Whitfield place, near Aiken where they will make their home the coming year.

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### PROVIDENCE

March 30.—Mr. Day, the new Waterman man with us Friday of last week with his line of goods.

Mrs. Karl Sammann is on the sick list.

A fine shower fell here Sunday night.

A few people met Sunday at the school house to re-organize Sunday school, but owing to the small crowd they decided to wait until next Sunday, and meet at 2 o'clock to organize.

K. Sammann was around Friday evening taking the school census.

Misses Hazel and Icie Crouch of Petersburg, visited home folk over Sunday.

Bert Smith and Clarence Vaughn left Saturday for Baska county on business.

Max Brandes left last Tuesday for the coast for the benefit of his health. He will be gone some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Kennedy were at Floydada Tuesday on business.

Misses Eula Mae and Rayona Gilbert spent Sunday evening with Dorothy Pullen.

Clarence Brandes and his mother spent Sunday at the Smith home.

### A DAY AT SCHOOL

Through the courtesy of the Sixth and Seventh grade teachers, which consist of Mr. Hart, Miss Sue Braswell, Miss Alma Livingston and Mrs.

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Jozac Harris, the patrons of that department were invited to bring lunch and spend the day at school, Friday, March 27th.

Quite a number of mothers responded to this invitation and a few fathers. Lunch was spread in the hall upstairs, and I could tell by observation that it was really enjoyed.

After lunch we were invited to inspect the exhibits contributed by the children of all the grammar grades, including the kindergarten. These exhibits were excellent, especially the maps. They showed ability in the pupils, and ever so much patience on the part of the teachers, and would do credit to any school.

Next came chapel where we heard such an interesting talk by our superintendent. We were entertained by the Sixth and Seventh grades and also heard the declaimers. And by the way, three out of four declaimers came from the 7th grade. Junior speller contestants came from the 7th grade. Music memory contestants came from 6th and 7th grades. Arithmetic contestants came from the 6th grade. As a rule people say the 6th and 7th grades are the hardest and dullest years of a boy or girl school life, but not so in our school, neither would it be in any school if it had the "Peppy" teachers Lockney has.

After chapel the athletic tryouts were held to determine who would represent the school at the county meet April 3rd and 4th. We have some dandy good runners, both girls and boys, and Floydada will surely have to "step on it" if she beats us in either literary or athletic events.—A patron.

### Lockney Has Largest Delegation at League Conference

The Lockney delegation at the District League Conference at Floydada Sunday afternoon, was the largest outside delegation present, having 36 members present at the meeting.

**Gave Program At Methodist Church Sunday**  
Quite a crowd of people from Aiken came to Lockney Sunday afternoon and gave a program of music at the Methodist church.

**Home Demonstration Club**  
The Lockney Home Demonstration Club held quite an interesting meeting on last Thursday. The subject was "Study of Clothing and Textiles". Roll call was answered with the finishing stitch I use most.  
Mrs. Barnes will be with us April

13 and 14, to give us lessons on millinery. All clubs in the county are expected to come and get the benefit of this Millinery school. Every one bring lunch and spend the days in study of that subject if possible. Tuesday afternoon pictures will be made of each lady with the hat she has just completed.

On April 9th we have our biscuit try out. No one but contestants and judges to be present.

Rules governing the dress contest were given by Miss Faulkner, also a lesson on set in pockets and bound buttonholes.—Reporter

### Rev. Carter Will Preach at West Side Church of Christ.

Rev. J. T. Carter of Tulsa will preach at the West Side Church of Christ Sunday, April 5th, at 11 o'clock a. m. and 3 p. m. Everybody invited.

About eleven o'clock March 21, the grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Williams gave Mr. Williams a birthday surprise. They all went in a group to Mr. Williams' store at Aiken. They told him they had just come to see him and Mrs. Williams began cooking dinner for them.

They told her they had brought some hamburgers so she need not cook dinner. About one o'clock they went to a clear grassy spot about two hundred yards from his store "to take pictures" and to Mr. Williams' surprise there was a splendid picnic dinner spread before them. They had a good time eating dinner and then taking pictures. After the children had given their grandfather 69 "licks" they returned to Lockney feeling that they had certainly surprised Mr. J. S. Williams.

### Meeting at Lone Star

Elder Stubblefield and Prof. R. M. Morgan will begin a series of meetings at Lone Star on Friday night, April 3rd. Everybody invited to come and hear these men preach and sing.

### STATE BANKERS RUSH FOR U. S. CHARTERS

Washington, March 28.—The rush of Texas state banks to get national charters continues unabated. Some of these state banks merely seek to be converted, while others effect complete reorganization as national banks. Application was received today from D. E. Box of Grapevine to organize the Tarrant County National Bank, with \$50,000 capital, succeeding

ing the Tarrant County State Bank. Applications to convert were received from the following: Evant State Bank, First State Bank of Hale Center, First State Bank of Lamesa, First Guaranty State Bank of Valley View, and the Guaranty State Bank of Windom.

A charter was issued to the First National of Alvord, succeeding the Security State Bank of Alvord; while the application to convert the Lubbock State Bank into the First National of Lubbock, capital \$200,000, was approved.

The application to organize the Harrisburg National Bank, a new institution with \$50,000 capital, also was approved.

### BILL LAWRENCE GETS DEATH PENALTY

Arizona Jury Out Fifty-Five Minute Trial of 'Babe' Being Pushed

Fort Worth, March 29.—Sentence of death assessed against Bill Lawrence, 25, by a jury at Phoenix, Ariz., after 55 minutes' deliberation Saturday for the alleged murder of Policeman Haze Burch last February, and prospects of a trial of his brother, Babe, 19, for the same killing, early this week, mean that the two brothers may never be tried here for the alleged killing last July of Deputy Sheriff Joe Morgan of Muskogee.

Telegraphic news of the death sentence given Bill was received Saturday afternoon from Phoenix. Fifteen ballots were taken by the jury.

Burch was shot down at Phoenix when he attempted to arrest two men for stealing gasoline from an automobile. Arrest of the Lawrence boys followed at a small town 10 miles from Phoenix.

The two brothers are under indictment issued here for the killing of the Oklahoma deputy last July while he was bringing the brothers from Sanderson, where they had been arrested for automobile theft in Oklahoma. They were being carried in the alleged stolen automobile through this county en route to Muskogee when they killed Morgan, 15 miles from Ft. Worth on the Granbury road. John S. Barger, Muskogee, was in the automobile at that time of the killing.

### Nearly Caught Once

A search throughout the Southwest immediately started for the brothers and several times officers were hot on their trail, only to miss by a bare margin. They were nearly caught at one time at the home of a relative in Camp county.

Morgan was shot with his own gun and died instantly. He was shot with out warning, according to Barger. One of the brothers slipped the trigger from the holster and pulled the gun, sending the bullet into Morgan's body, Barger said.

Morgan's body was taken to a clump of trees near the road and Barger was handcuffed to a tree. Barger succeeded in attracting attention of two farmers and was released.

Barger was driving the car at the time Bill is said to have sent a bullet into Morgan's brain. The auto crashed into a fence when the driver let his hand slip momentarily from the wheel.

### Victim Knew Boys

The brothers then made Barger aid in putting Morgan's dead body on the rear seat and later to place it in the thicket on the L. P. Grimes farm, he told the grand jury here.

Suspects have been arrested at several places in Texas and in other states until the arrest of the brothers in Arizona. Their arrest closed a search throughout the Southwest in which peace officers sought to avenge the death of Deputy Sheriff Morgan and the handcuffing of Deputy Barger to a tree.

Morgan is said to have known the brothers since they were babies and neither he nor Barger thought of their doing any shooting, Barger said here.

### \$13,107,401 IN STATE FUNDS ON DEPOSIT

AUSTIN, March, 23.—There was exactly \$13,107,401 current funds of the State on deposit in various reserve banks of the state drawing 2 per cent interest, announced State Treasurer Gregory Hatcher Saturday. This call money and subject to withdrawal at any time. The treasurer added that there are additional such State to be deposited in these reserve banks.

This money is distributed as follows: Texas Bank and Trust Company, \$1,075,329; American National Bank, \$4,107,419; Austin National Bank \$3,777,772; Citizens State Bank \$709,356; State National Bank, \$742,875; all of these banks being of Austin; First National of San Antonio, \$270,000; First National of Dallas, \$1,000,000; Citizens National of Waco \$175,000; Republic National of Dallas \$500,000.

Treasurer Gregory announced that Fort Worth banks will get \$1,000,000; San Antonio banks in all will get \$1,000,000; Waco, \$500,000 in all, and

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### SOON WILL REMOVE INSANE FROM JAILS

Change Will Be Made When Governor Signs Bill, Walthall Says.

AUSTIN, Texas, March 22.—R. B. Walthall, member of the State Board of Control, said Saturday that when Mrs. Ferguson signs the bill for the opening of the Senile Insane Asylum annex in Austin, every insane person in the jails of Texas would be removed to the asylums where they can receive treatment and proper attention.

All of the buildings have been renovated and made ready for 400 patients. Dr. W. J. Johnson, former superintendent of the East Texas Hospital for the Insane at Rusk, has been appointed superintendent of the annex and is in Austin ready to assume his duties.

A sufficient appropriation was made to carry the 400 patients from now until Aug. 31, 1926, when they must be removed. This last is specifically provided in the bill awaiting action and was inserted as a compromise with the citizens of Austin who had obtained an injunction preventing the annex from being opened.

It is to be in the buildings of the former State Blind School in the eastern part of the city surrounded by dwellings and business houses.

"It was a shame to have placed that provision in the bill," commented Mr. Walthall, "as it means the expenditure of \$400,000 or \$500,000 for additions to regular asylums two years from now. We are going to build an addition to the Wichita Falls Asylum and it will be completely filled when the removal is made in 1926. It will not mean the caring for the unfortunate who become insane just prior to that time, for the annex population will fill the new buildings."

Only senile insane now in the asylums will be placed in the Austin annex, Mr. Walthall said, and when they are transferred to their temporary quarters the insane now in jails will be taken into the asylums. That is only temporary relief, which Mr. Walthall wanted made permanent.

Roy Barber of Raton, N. M., was here last week visiting with relatives.

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**The Free Traders**

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**SYNOPSIS**

**CHAPTER I.**—Lee Anderson, Royal Canadian Mounted Police sergeant, is sent to Stony range to arrest a man named Pelly for murder. He is also instructed to look after Jim Rathway, reputed head of the "Free Traders," illicit liquor runners. As Little Pelly he finds Pelly is credited with having found a gold mine, and is missing.

**CHAPTER II.**—At the hotel where Anderson stops, a girl, obviously out of place in the rough surroundings, appears. A halfbreed whom Anderson hears called Pierre, and a companion, "Shorty," annoy the girl. Anderson interposes, warning the sanity of the two men.

**CHAPTER III.**—The girl sets out for Hazon Lake, which is also Anderson's objective. He overhears her and it is two men with whom he had trouble the night before.

**CHAPTER IV.**—Pierre and "Shorty" ride on, Anderson and the girl following. In the hills the road is blown up before and behind the two. Anderson, with his horse, is hurled down the mountain side, senseless.

**CHAPTER V.**—Recovering consciousness, Anderson finds the girl has disappeared, but the finding of her hair, evidently hurriedly cut from her head where it had been caught by her falling horse, assures him she is alive and probably in the power of Pierre and "Shorty." On foot he makes his way to Siston Lake. There he finds his companion of the day before, and Rathway, with a girl, Estelle, a former sweetheart of Anderson's, who had abused his confidence and practically wrecked his life. Rathway strikes Estelle, and after a fight Anderson, with Estelle's help, escapes with the girl.

**CHAPTER VI.**—Anderson's companion's mind is clouded and she is suffering with a dislocated knee. Anderson sets the knee.

**CHAPTER VII.**—Memory of her past life practically gone, even to the extent of remembering her name, Anderson and his companion go on.

**CHAPTER VIII.**—The two plan to make their way to a Moravian mission, of which Father McGrath has charge. Their experiences and their mutual danger have naturally drawn them together, and their acquaintance ripens into mutual love.

**CHAPTER IX.**—The girl remembers that her name is Joyce Pelly and that she is the daughter of the man Anderson has been sent to arrest. Torn between her love for her father and her regard for Anderson, the girl practically drives him from her.

**CHAPTER X.**—In the forest Anderson stumbles upon the entrance to a gorge. He investigates and is convinced he has located Pelly's mine. In a rude tunnel he is attacked by an unseen adversary, whom he takes to be Pelly. A knife thrust which would have been fatal is turned aside by the girl's hair in his blouse. Recognizing her return to the cabin, to find Joyce gone. He follows her trail to the mission of Father McGrath.

gnashed his teeth at the thought of it. Fortune had played into his hands.

Lee saw that from the point where he was clinging, there appeared to be a fairly easy descent to the bottom. It was only the upper parts of the cliff's in the gorge that were unscalable. But he could go no further now. Anxiety for Joyce was rising in him. He was half afraid she might do something rash.

In some way Rathway seemed to be associated with Pelly; perhaps he was protecting him. Suppose, then, that the girl had gone back to the Free Traders' headquarters on Siston lake? Or fled into the storm in her frenzy? What would they have done following? Lee remembered his fancy that he had seen an Indian watching them. The Free Traders would surely have been

across his vision and went out.

"Pelly, listen to me!" Lee tried again. "You know what I've come for. You've got no chance. Surrender, and you'll get fair treatment."

Still no answer; and yet Lee could feel that other human personality close to him. He waited, baffled. There was no way to move, save vertically; and there was no possible retreat for him. The ice-smooth granite walls were all about him. The tunnel was a straight, narrow shaft, up and down, from the rocking stone above to that deadly drop below.

It was impossible to rush the other, impossible to do anything except to clamber stiffly up those slippery rungs of rock, expecting every instant to hear the roar of Pelly's pistol and to receive the bullet in his breast. It was absurdity. And once again Lee tried:

"Pelly, you'd better give up. I can shoot you from here. Surrender, and—"

He did not end that sentence. For, as he clung there, in a moment the thing above him had materialized into life, action, fury. A bellows burst from his throat, and the sound, compressed within the shaft, and deflected from wall to wall, sounded like the roar of some prehistoric monster.

And a heavy body was precipitated against him with a force that all but dislodged him. For an instant Lee struggled wildly to retain his balance—and then there came a blow over the heart that knocked the wind out of him.

Lee's hand encountered an enormous hand at his chest. Within that hand he felt the hilt of a knife. Reaching back, Lee's fingers closed upon the last inch or two of a wide blade.

The steel appeared to be buried almost to the extremity within his body.

There was no sense of a stab, but for an instant Lee felt a deadly faintness overcome him, and again he reeled and clutched for foothold. Then he had torn the hand away, plucked out the knife, and hurled it down through the darkness of the tunnel into the gorge below.

The next instant he was fighting the most desperate battle of his life to win through the tunnel before he bled into unconsciousness.

He caught at two long, sinewy arms that clutched his body in the endeavor to fling him down; and, holding on by their knees and feet, the two wrestled in complete silence.

It was a man—the thing that held Lee, but it seemed more like a monster, for the naked arms were covered with thick hair, underneath which the sinews moved over each other like steel bands. Lee was no match in wrestling; he could only cling on like grim death, feeling his lungs constrict under that pressure, and expecting every moment to feel his injured rib crack in his side.

His left hand encountered a groove in the rocky rung above him, and, gripping it, determined that nothing should tear his hold away, with his right fist he began hammering his assailant's face and body incessantly.

His blows rebounded from the great chest as if it were of rubber, and each blow sent the breath issuing hoarsely from the lungs with raucous wheezing that filled the tunnel.

If the other could have got Lee's left hand, he might have torn him from his hold, but as it snarled at his hold, his assailant put all his strength into his endeavor to force breath from his body and twist him backward; while Lee, clinging on desperately, continued to batter the face and body.

Although it was impossible to draw back his arm far enough to deliver a blow with full force, Lee's lover position gave him the advantage of equipoise over his strange assailant, and enabled him to administer fearful punishment.

For a minute or two it was problematic whether Lee could withstand the strain long enough to conquer. The great shoulders swung Lee from side to side in the shaft like a child, and all the while Lee, believing himself seriously, if not fatally wounded, fought on with the mechanical action of a piston, dashing his fists into his opponent's face until at last groans began to burst from the other.

Then, feeling the clutch relaxing, Lee let go his hold, and, standing straight up on the rung, brought both fists into play. No human being could have stood up against that fearful punishment. Lee's fists were wet with blood. The grasp about him relaxed. He redoubled the fury of his blows—and suddenly found that he was hammering at the bare face of the rock.

His assailant was gone. Faintly Lee heard the scraping of his feet on the upper ledges of the rock ladder.

Then, feeling cautiously above him, Lee continued his ascent, until at length there came a tiny glimmer of light from above, changing into a sudden glare as of high noon.

The tunnel was empty.

The glare decreased to a glimmer. Lee understood what it meant. His assailant had tilted back the rocking stone and fled.

In another moment or two Lee was beneath the stone. He flattened him-



He Flattened Himself on the Ground and Drew His Automatic.

self upon the ground and drew his automatic. He fired one shot, and, before the echoes had died away, had pushed the stone back and emerged, pistol in hand.

The glare had been only in contrast to the dark of the tunnel. Outside it was melancholy twilight. Lee emerged into a solitary, snowbound world. There was no sign of his antagonist, who had evidently had enough for the present.

Lee looked down at the fragments of shirt that remained to him, expecting to find himself soaked in blood. He was astonished to see only a thin thread on his chest. He tore the rag open.

There was only a scratch on the skin from the knife-point, but there was a spreading bruise—under the thick coils of Joyce's hair, in which the knife blade had become entangled.

The blow, struck immediately over the heart, would have killed him instantly but for that. Lee raised the tresses reverently to his lips. And with a deep feeling of tenderness toward the girl, he began to make his way through the twilight toward the log house.

He was torn between apprehension for her and speculation as to his assailant. His first thought had been that the man was Pelly. But now he began to doubt this. An old man might have had his assailant's strength—he would not have had the endurance. But stronger still was the conviction that that monstrous form which had attacked him in the shaft could never have been the father of Joyce.

Yet who but Pelly knew the secret of the mine?

The problem was at present insoluble, but its consideration brought with it the fear that Joyce might have been attacked as well. Lee quickened his footsteps toward the storm, which was now subsiding, though the snow still fell steadily. He blamed himself bitterly for having left the girl. Surely the strength of that love and tenderness he felt toward her would reach her, and she would respond!

And he planned what he would say to her. He could advise her that it was improbable that her father would receive anything but a nominal sentence, that he might even go free, that in the absence of witnesses a conviction might prove impossible. His best course would be to surrender. Lee began to grow more hopeful.

The log house came into sight standing bare and bleak in the snowy wilderness. There was no light within.

Lee's alarm increased. He hurried to the door. He called, but no answer came. He struck a match. By the tiny light he saw that the kitchen and the adjacent room were empty.

And he began going from room to room, striking matches and calling her, and knowing all the while the futility of it. Joyce was not in the house.

She had fled into the snow, and desperately weary as he was after his encounter, Lee had no alternative but to take up the quest. She could not have gone far, but she must have been in a state of desperation to have gone out into that storm. Which way? The falling snow had surely long since obliterated her footprints.

He made his way down toward the trail beside the river. Only two ways were possible: one ran toward the mission, nine or ten miles away, the other in the opposite direction to the Free Traders' headquarters.

But suddenly Lee's hopes and spirits leaped up confidently. Stooping, he traced the tracks of a sleigh along the trail. It had been drawn by a single horse, and it was going in the direction of the mission.

There was only one reasonable inference. Father McGrath must have been passing, perhaps he had met Joyce, and he had taken her with him. Lee took up the long walk immediately. The snow was deep, progress was difficult without snowshoes, and the frost had already crusted the surface, so that his feet sank in considerably at every step. But a great load was removed from his mind; the future now looked rosy.

At last the mission came into sight—a group of log huts clustered about a larger one on a low elevation, surrounded by the forest. Lights glowed pleasantly inside them. A horse was neighing in some stables. Over the largest hut a wooden cross stood out

against the background of the sea-gray sky.

Lee strode up the ascent, hesitated as to which hut to approach, stood irresolute for a moment in the open space at the crest of the little hill. Then, as he waited, the door of one of them was flung open, and a man in a mackinaw and lumberman's boots stepped out toward him. Under his arm he held a rifle. He presented it at Lee's breast.

He looked to be about fifty years of age, or a little older. He had a round, smooth face as soft as a babe's, an incipient paunch. A silver cross hung from his mackinaw. A jolly-looking priest; but the eyes within the face were steel gray and ice cold. He stopped two paces distant.

"Take yersel' off, ye damned Free Trader," he said softly, "or I'll blow ye into Kingdom Come!"

**CHAPTER XI**

**"If You Find My Father"**

Lee spoke quietly. "I want to see Miss Pelly."

"Aye, ye want to see Mees Pelly! But ye canna see her and ye willna see her."

"Will ye give Miss Pelly my message?"

"Will ye tak' yersel' awa'?"

"No."

McGrath flung down the rifle. "Come on, then; come on, ye swine of a hooch peddler!" he shouted, brandishing his fists.

Lee flung up his arm just in time to protect himself against a straight right that would have knocked him senseless. Next moment Father McGrath's arms were locked around him, holding him as if in a vise.

"Will ye tak' yersel' awa' before I'm emptied to forget my calling?" the father panted.

"Father McGrath—"

"I'll be no dealing wi' ye and your nest of inequity. I'm no afraid of all the Free Traders that ever come out of h—l. I'll send ye back to the de'il before your time, if you come meddling wi' my mission."

"I've made my compact wi' your maister, as I'd mak' a compact wi' the evil one himself, to protect my patrns. Mobbe ye're a new hand—I don't remember your face—so I'll remind ye of it. Ye're to be free to peddle your filthy liquors whaur ye wael—aye, an' I dinna doot the guld Lord will score it again ye too, for abein' His good corn whiskey by shamin' in your feethy wood alcohol the way ye do—ye can peddle them whur ye please, but ye'll leave my lassies and weans alone, or I'll mak' Siston lake too hot to hold ye."

"Father McGrath—" Lee tried again.

"Will ye fight, mon to mon, ye damned Free Trader? Will ye fight or wrestle wi' me?"

"I'd be glad to, Father, but just now one of my ribs is broken. When I get better, perhaps—"

Father McGrath released him. "Ye're speakin' the truth? Well, then, tak' yersel' off. Ye canna see Mees Pelly—"

A light footstep sounded beside him. Joyce stood there. Lee swung toward her.

"I came to make sure you were safe, Joyce—" Lee held out his arms.

"Dinna speak to him, Mees Pelly. I understand he's helped ye—aye, there's good in the worst of us—but he'll get around ye, Mees Pelly. Go back!"

"Father, there's something I want to say to him," Joyce answered in a low voice.

"Aye, but he's got a smooth tongue, and the stomp of inequity hasn't come upon his face yet. Ye wouldna thenk he'd sold himself to his maister. If ye must speak to him, I'll just stand by, and if I see he's getting 'round ye I'll send him about his business."

With which the doctory father took up his post just out of hearing, glaring at Lee and prepared for instantaneous intervention. Joyce stepped forward.

"Lee, I—I'm sorry for what I said to you this afternoon. It was partly the shock of awakening, I think. I was unjust to you, and unjust, too, in coming here without trying to get word to you. I owe you a great deal. I accept your word that when you meet me in the range you did not know who I was, that you did not pursue my acquaintance because I was the daughter of the man whom it was your duty to apprehend. I—I bear you no ill-will for having to do your duty."

"Then, Joyce—"

"But," she said solemnly, "you will see how my father's safety, perhaps his life, stands between us. We can only be enemies—at least, until—"

"That's what I wanted to speak about," said Lee. "As I understand it, this killing was committed years ago, a whole generation ago. It was more or less justified. If your father is brought to trial and convicted, it will amount certainly to be for manslaughter. His sentence will be a nominal one. Quite probably it will be impossible to produce the witnesses required to convict at all. In such case he will go free."

"He has acted ill-advisedly. He should never have fled. His best course will be to surrender. He will find himself a free man in a little while, instead of a hunted outlaw. Will you unite with me in persuading him to surrender?"

She shook her head. "We always told him that—my mother and I," she answered. "But the thing had crazed him, he hated civilization after it happened. He was insane upon that subject. He will never surrender."

"Let me try to picture to you what happened, and the treachery and faithlessness that have always pursued him. When my father fled from the

law he came here and settled with my mother. I was born here. For a long time we were very happy. My father trapped, and in those days this was one of the richest fur districts in Canada.

"But my father was an educated man, and in his heart he was always chafing against his exile. He always cherished the hope some day to take us south where I could be educated properly. Then in an evil day he fancied he had discovered a gold mine.

"It became a mania with him. He would tell no one where it was, except Jacques Leboeuf, an old servant, whom he trusted. They used to go off by night and work it together. My father was always talking about the gold he had collected. He wanted to develop the mine, to sell it for a fortune, but he was always afraid of being discovered, and he put it off and put it off; and neither my mother nor I ever believed in the mine.

"Then in an evil day a man called Rathway came up. He was a small whisky peddler. He had committed some crime against the Indians. He had been beaten, pursued, and was half dead when my father saved him from their vengeance. He took him in and fed and protected him. Rathway learned of the mine, and was always searching for it, but neither my father nor Leboeuf would tell him where it was. Once he tried to spy on them, and Leboeuf had him by the throat and would have killed him if my father had not intervened in time.

"My mother died. Rathway grew fat and consequential, lived here, helped my father with his traps, and, though for a long time my father did not know it, continued debauching the Indians with his whisky. When I was a girl of seventeen he began to take notice of me. He said he loved me, I didn't know such about love, but I knew I hated him. Then one day my father came in from the woods just in time to protect me from him, and he shot Rathway through the arm.

"He was aiming again to shoot him through the heart, for he was terrible when his anger was roused, when Rathway, standing facing him, with his arm dripping blood, coolly told him he knew that my father had committed one murder already, and that the facts were in his possession, written down and left for safety with a friend in the south. The change in my father was dreadful. He dropped his rifle, he seemed almost demented. His fears for my future, conflicting with his fears for the present and his fears of Rathway, broke his will

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### SOME DUTIES OF A COUNTY AGENT

The A. & M. Colleges of the United States were created by an act of congress and have been known as "Land Grant Colleges." At this time there was provision made for these colleges to have their regular teaching forces and also experimental stations in connection with these colleges. These colleges were established on a co-operative basis, the states providing appropriations to augment the money appropriated by the Federal government.

About 15 years ago there was need for another department added to these colleges. There was a demand for the scientific technical information which was being obtained in these institutions, to be put out to the farmers in a practical way. This department is now known as the Extension Service. The Smith-Lever act was also passed by the Federal congress, carrying an appropriation for this purpose, and with the understanding that the state and counties make similar appropriations for the work. This work has now grown until more than 2500 agents are employed in a majority of the 3500 counties of the United States. The counties which do not have an agent are helping, through State and Federal taxes, pay for the agents in counties where agents are employed. The most progressive counties have county agents. This is the reason why the majority of the county agents of Texas are in West Texas.

Dr. Seaman Knapp, a Texan, was the founder of the Extension Service and was at one time head of the Federal Extension Service. Texas now has a fine building at A. & M. College, built especially for Extension purposes. This is the only state that has a building built for Extension work. This building is named Knapp Hall.

The county agents are employed through this co-operative arrangements with the authority vested in the colleges to furnish these men. Formerly the agents were not college men, but now nearly all the county agents are graduates of the A. & M. College, coming from the farms before specializing in agriculture. This arrangement requires the commis-

sioners' court to make a like appropriation to meet the State and Federal governments in this work. The first county agent in the United States was employed in Texas for the purpose of helping put out information on the control of the boll weevil.

The county agent work was started expressly for the farmers benefit and therefore is a farm agent. This appropriation was made with that purpose in view just as at present time there is a strong demand for emergency agricultural appropriation. The reason for this sentiment being moulded into form for such service is because this is an agricultural country and the fabric of all industry depends upon agriculture.

The duty of the county agent are innumerable and the sky is the limit just so long as he keeps within the bounds of the direction of the service and all equitable and righteous causes. Since he is placed in a county especially for the farmers benefit his duties may demand him to do some things which will conflict with some other peoples desires. That is the case in a large per cent of our legislation. For example, when a high tariff is placed upon some manufacturer of goods it may not meet with the approval of the sellers of raw material and with that of the consumers.

The county agent who is trying to do his full duty and who is not simply trying to please a small per cent of his people, will try to work for the best interests of the majority of the people for whom he is employed. If possible for him to consistently work for the best interests of the majority, and at the same time co-operate with other individuals or organizations, it is desirable and he should do so. The town people are naturally in a better position to look after their own commercial interests and they naturally have advantages in the way of leadership and their easy way of communication with each other. This fact enables them to take advantage of their opportunities in the way of organization. Since every other line of activity is organized it is proper for the town people to organize, but in our great agricultural country where the towns and villages depend solely upon agriculture for their business, it is a mistake for such organizations to fail

to reach outside of the city limits for their activities. The farmers interests should be theirs. There is more need for organization work among the farmers than in the towns because of their naturally being widely separated and lack of adequate communication and lack of leadership. The county agent is the rural leader and it is his business to organize the farmers to promote their interests and train leaders for the purpose of keeping this work going. It is the desire of the good efficient county agent to court the co-operation of the town organizations and have them and the farmers organization to work together, bringing about a very close friendly relationship between the town and rural people. However all the co-operation can not come from one side and the other side refuse to play because of selfish interests.

A county agent in New York established the first Farm Bureau to promote his work and it spread to other counties and then to other states and now it is the strongest rural organization in the United States. In many states the Farm Bureau sponsors the extension work and an agent is placed in a county only where such a local Farm Bureau is organized. The Farm Bureau then is simply an educational institution which promotes extension work and sets up any commercial organization that there is demand for. The Farm Bureau is not a commercial organization. Then there is naturally and should be a very close relationship between the county agent and the Farm Bureau.

As stated above the county agent's duties can not be placed in any certain category and are not outlined by law. The following are some of the things the agent is usually called upon to devote his attention to: Conservation of soil fertility, best known methods of soil preparation, cultivation, conservation of moisture by terracing and cultivation, prevention of erosion of soils, improvement of planting seeds by selection and breeding up the seed, crop rotation and use of certain crops for improvement of soil, improvement of livestock, improvement of dairy cattle, improvement of poultry, improvement of rural living conditions, control of pest and diseases of livestock and plants, importation of livestock, seeds and plants, organization work for betterment of rural people, helping farmers in organizing for buying and selling of products, and giving out information on innumerable subjects which are of interest to the rural people.

The United States Department of Agriculture puts out information on the various subjects, upon which the specialists have been studying, thru the county agent. This technical scientific research work is made practical by the county agent who must apply this knowledge to the conditions in which he is working. Some localities do not demand of the agent the same kind of work or information as others do and it is left to him to use discretion as what kind of policy to follow. The policy is formed in accordance with the desires of the ma-

ajority of the people concerned. Of course, some individual work necessarily must be done but organization and group work is desired and most good can be accomplished by this means. It is very important for the people to be urged to conserve their soil fertility by means of putting back into the ground all the vegetable matter possible and crop rotation. It has been found that the use of better seed for planting and the use of better sires and better grade of animals not only is a thing to be proud of but there is more profit in it. But in our own country the conservation of moisture in early plowing and terracing is one of the most important phases of crop growing. Also it has been found that there is no trouble in producing more farm crops than the farmers can sell to the best advantage individually, and there has come a demand for the farmers to organize and sell in an orderly way, eliminating all the middlemen possible. The Federal and State government recognizes this fact and sponsors such a move and now have specialists in marketing organization work. Therefore, the county agent is called upon to help the farmers in getting information along these lines and assist in organizing. The whole sinue of the commercial world depends upon the products of the tillers of the soil and why should anyone be so selfish as to object to the farmer being placed in the category as a business man just the same as other recognized legitimate capitalists of industry. The county agent believes that every farmer should be helped and encouraged to assume such a place in the world. This is the only way in the world to improve living conditions for the rural people.

### MEN REFUSE TO SERVE WITH WOMEN ON SCHOOL BOARD

Amarillo, March 28.—The question is "women vs. men" in Amarillo's school board election, April 4. Women are incapable, inefficient and out of place on a board governing the expenditure annually of \$400,000, say three holdover men on the board, who openly have called upon the public to elect members of their own sex to fill arising vacancies, or they will resign. By way of reply the women of the

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city, principally through parent-teacher clubs and other organizations, hurled a denial in the face of the men by naming their own ticket.

Three members are to be elected. Two women and one man retire on April 4. Three men remain on the board, along with one woman.

In a public statement President T. W. Cotton, J. Ray and C. W. Rogers, request that three "hard-headed business men" be chosen to serve with them. If three women are elected, giving that sex a majority, the president and the other men serve notice they will resign.

The women are up in arms, so to speak. The attitude of the board

members is an insult to womanhood; a gross injustice, to be vindicated at the polls, say the leaders, who have rallied to the defense of their sex by naming their own ticket.

### Service at Methodist Church Last Sunday

Rev. Baughman of Kress filled the pulpit at the morning service, and Rev. Preston Florence of Petersburg preached at the night service. They were here in attendance at the district conference being held at Floydada.

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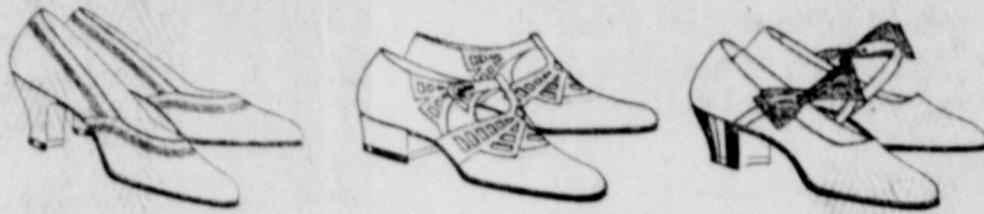
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The friends of Evard Leeroy Pullen were saddened by the news of his

death. He was born in Wakefield, Neb., Sept. 22, 1907. He moved to Texas when a small child and has lived in the Providence community most of the time since then. Ten years ago his father died. Evard proved himself a faithful son and brother. He died in the Plainview sanitarium at 8:30 o'clock a. m. Thursday, March 19th, after an appendicitis operation and a week's illness.

The funeral services were conducted in the First Methodist church and the body laid to rest by that of his father in the Plainview cemetery. Reverends Lipscomb and Brittain officiated. The pall bearers were Clarence Brandes, Ira and Ray Smith, Amos and Herman Ratjen and Richard Gilbreath, his school mates.

The pupils of Providence presented a beautiful wreath in token of their love and appreciation of one who was always cheerful, and ready to serve his schoolmates, friends, and community.

His immediate family, an uncle, Mr. S. S. Pullen, of Panhandle, and a host of friends were present.

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