

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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T. Z. REED IS ELECTED MAYOR OF LOCKNEY

PATTERSON, WHITE & REEVES, ELECTED ALDERMEN, BAKER, SECRETARY; DAVIS, MARSHAL

In the election held here Tuesday T. Z. Reed was elected mayor over G. A. Thomas by a majority of nearly two to one.

R. E. Patterson, Ed Reeves and A. J. White were elected aldermen. Elmer Baker was elected city secretary over D. C. Lowe, Sr., by a majority of twenty-two votes.

In the race for city marshal, Conde Davis beat O. C. Bailey, his nearest opponent by two votes.

The result according to votes was as follows:

For mayor:	
T. Z. Reed	167
G. A. Thomas	84
For aldermen:	
(Three to be elected)	
R. E. Patterson	201
A. J. White	178
Ed Reeves	169
A. P. Barker	118
For city secretary:	
Elmer O. Baker	133
D. C. Lowe, Sr.	110
For city marshal:	
Conde Davis	77
O. C. Bailey	75
Ross Cope	51
R. E. Hadley	45

There was quite a lot of interest shown in the election throughout the day.

WAGON RUNS OVER FOOT BREAKING TWO BONES

Roy Smith is suffering from a broken foot, caused by a wagon running over it when his car collided with the wagon last Saturday afternoon. We are informed that he started to jump from the car when he saw it was going to collide with the wagon, and was thrown, the wagon wheel running over his foot breaking two bones between the toes and ankle.

Dr. Reed gave medical aid and he is getting along fairly well at this time.

GETS FOOT BROKE CRANKING CAR

Mr. Roy Love happened to the misfortune of getting two bones broke in his right foot, while cranking a car Saturday morning. He was forcing the crank over with his foot when the engine back-fired, kicking his foot so hard it broke two bones between the ankle and toes.

BAND CONCERT ON STREETS NEXT THURSDAY

Prof. Thos. Collum announces there will be an open air band concert on the streets of Lockney next Thursday, April 16th, at 8 o'clock.

A big crowd is expected to come out and enjoy this program.

FIFTY DROWN TRYING TO APPLY MIRACLE OF RED SEA

London, April 5.—Fifty Christian Zulus were drowned in a spring torrent when they attempted to apply the Hebraic miracle of the Red Sea to modern waters.

A dispatch to the Daily Express from Cape Town says that the converted natives were returning to their homes from a tribal gathering. Their way led across swampy country inundated by spring floods.

Coming to a nameless torrent the natives recalled the Biblical wonder of the parting of the waters of the Red Sea to permit the fleeing Jews led by Moses to escape from the Egyptians.

The native leader called his men to join him in prayer. There on the bank of the racing flood the Zulus prayed to God to stay the waters so that they could go home.

Then the leader advanced to the brink and struck the water with his walking staff, commanding the flood to recede.

The fifty walked boldly into the water behind their leader and were drowned.

Trustee Election Saturday

In the trustee election held in Lockney Saturday Messrs. L. A. Cooper, F. M. Kester, Tom Cope and Floyd Barber were elected without opposition. Only a light vote was cast during the day.

TEXAS UTILITIES CO. BUYS AT SILVERTON

Ultimate Plan is to Extend High Line From Plainview to Briscoe County

The Texas Utilities Company has obtained from Lindsay Nunn of Amarillo the light and power franchise at Silvertown, which Mr. Nunn secured a few days ago, following his purchase of the small light plant at Silvertown.

J. B. Scott of Plainview, general manager for the Texas Utilities Co., states that it is the ultimate plan of the company to build a high line from Plainview to Silvertown. This line will not be constructed this year, probably the company being committed to a program of building this year which will total 125 miles of high power line and several ice plants as well as extensions in existing power and light units.

TEXAS UTILITIES MEN HERE MONDAY

Judge I. R. Kelso, Chief Counsel of the Texas Utilities Co., Mr. J. B. Scott, Division Superintendent, and a party of St. Louis bankers were in Lockney Monday, and spent the afternoon visiting in the town, while making a tour of inspection over the companies' lines in this section of the country.

LOGAN IS NAMED BANK PRESIDENT AT LITTLEFIELD

Littlefield, April 6.—The stockholders of the Littlefield State Bank have just elected seven directors, as follows: E. A. Logan, A. C. Chesher, Pat Boone, J. M. Pope, J. M. Stokes, C. O. Stone and Arthur P. Duggan. The directors in turn elected the following officers: E. A. Logan, president; J. M. Pope, Active vice president; Pat Boone, vice president; C. O. Stone, Cashier.

The bank has recently doubled its capital stock and expects to get moved in its modern brick building, now being constructed, by June 1.

LUTHER WOFFORD BUILDS NEW BUNGALOW

Luther Wofford is just completing a nice bungalow in West Lockney, opposite the new home of Frank Ford. We understand he has built it to sell.

PANHANDLE PRESS TO MEET IN AMARILLO

Amarillo, April 6.—Two hundred newspapermen of the Panhandle and West Texas are expected to attend the annual convention here Friday and Saturday.

The program as announced by President J. C. Wells of Memphis, indicates extended business sessions on both days and sufficient entertainment features to make the event well balanced.

BOX SUPPER AT LONE STAR POSTPONED

The box supper at Lone Star for the 11th, has been put off one week on account of church services this week to continue over Sunday.

The box supper will be given on the night of the 18th. It is sponsored by the members of the Lone Star Home Demonstration Club, and the proceeds will be used by them for the school. Everybody is invited.

SAVING CAMPAIGN ON IN B-SIXTH GRADE

The B-Sixth Grade of the Lockney Grammar school has inaugurated a saving campaign, by which each student save 5c per week, that he or she has made in some way, and has not been given them by their parents, and are putting this amount into a fund with which they expect to buy a bust statue of President Abraham Lincoln, which they will have in their room.

PLAINVIEW DEFEATS LOCKNEY IN GOOD GAME TUESDAY

The Lockney high school base ball team was defeated by the Plainview high school team at Plainview Tuesday afternoon by a score of 3 to 2. The game was a good one and hotly contested by both teams the whole way through.

Plainview high school and Lockney high school teams will play another game on the Lockney diamond next Monday afternoon.

SWAT THE FLY IN LOCKNEY

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WILL GIVE 3 GRAND PRIZES AND PAY FOR FLIES

Boys and Girls, Men and Women Swat the Fly.

A proposal for the eradication of the fly was brought before the Chamber of Commerce at the Monday luncheon, through the suggestion of Prof. Ivy Hart, principal of the Lockney Grammar school, and it was decided by the organization to inaugurate a fly catching and killing contest. The contest will run from now until Sept. 1st, and three grand prizes will be given to the three champion fly catchers of the town and surrounding country.

First prize will be \$15.00 in cash, second \$10.00 in cash, third 5.00 in cash, and besides these prizes the fly catchers will be paid 5c per pint for all flies caught. Bring your flies to the City Drug Store, and Mr. R. F. A. Truett will pay your 5c cash for each pint of flies. He will also keep a record of the flies brought to his place of business, and will thereby make the awards at the close of the fly contest on Sept. 1st.

The Hygiene class of the 6th grade are making fly traps as a part of their school work, and these and other traps will be placed by boys and girls, men and women, if they desire, about the business and resident sections of the town.

This campaign has been decided on in order to rid Lockney and the Lockney country of the fly pest during 1925.

Everybody is asked to take a hand in exterminating the flies, and the contest is open to all, young and old, and the prizes will be awarded to the ones killing the most flies. 5c per pint of flies will be paid to all who bring the flies to the City Drug Store. Get in the contest and make life for the fly miserable in Lockney.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE THANKS SCHOOL

At the Monday luncheon of the Lockney Chamber of Commerce the members voted to extend their appreciation to the Lockney school student body for the efforts they had put forth in the Floyd County Interscholastic Meet and the trophies they had won, and pledged themselves to better support the student body in the future than they had in the past.

ARE YOU FREE FROM BLAME?

In seven years, from 1915 to 1923 inclusively, defective chimneys and flues caused a loss of \$104,189,206 in the United States. As an originator of fires, only matches and smoking have a greater record than chimneys and flues.

"Safeguarding America Against Fire" shows by photographs the type of chimney in the average dwelling place which has caused this terrible loss. There is apparently no excuse for their existence other than the carelessness of the people who live in the houses where this lurking fire menace is ever present.

Reflect for a moment that the greatest known fire starters are matches, smoking and effective chimneys, and that control over them rests almost entirely with the individual. Losses caused by these agencies are almost wholly chargeable to the individual. Such a record of fire loss from these controllable causes is a terrible arraignment of the average American for his negligence or indifference toward life and property.

In France the fire starter is liable for damage caused by his carelessness. The fire-loss record in United States has more than doubled in the last ten years. If it doubles in the next ten years, the annual destruction by fire will aggregate over a billion dollars in money and the death of 30,000 persons.

Unless we check our own carelessness the law may have to check it for us.

Col. N. H. Lewis left Tuesday morning for Durango, Colo., to be gone for some time.

Mrs. Will Montgomery has returned from a visit with relatives at Clovis, N. M.

RESULTS OF INTER-SCHOLASTIC MEET

LOCKNEY WINS LITERARY AND FLOYDADA ATHLETIC EVENTS—LOVING CUPS GIVEN

The Floyd County Interscholastic League held its annual meet in Floydada Friday and Saturday, April 3rd and 4th, 1925. According to all accounts, this was the most successful meet ever held in this county. Practically every school in the county was represented in one or more contests, and immense crowds cheered and encouraged the contestants as they fought for the school they represented.

The thirty-three loving cups offered by the towns of Lockney and Floydada increased the competition as never before, and the fact that these cups were distributed well all over the county, and not all won by some one school bears witness to the fact that the whole county was interested and rivalry was keen.

The all round championship cup for Class A schools was won by Floydada, that for Class B schools was won by Sand Hill and for rural schools by Fairview. Each winner got their cup by a very few points on account of the hard competition they had to face.

I wish to congratulate every school in the county on the splendid sportsmanship which was manifested throughout the meet. Every event was fought with all the strength, endurance and initiative which the contestant was capable of exerting, and yet wrangling was unknown, the winner was congratulated by his opponents, and the loser smiled at his defeat.

This is as it should be. The interscholastic league is fostered by the State of Texas for no other purpose than to improve the citizenship of our state and promote sportsmanship among our boys and girls. As long as it is functioning along these lines, it is doing a great work, but when it fails, it is time to quit.

The rivalry was especially keen between Lockney and Floydada. This rivalry was manifested in the strongest terms and yet friendliness was manifested along all lines. The final outcome showed very little difference in the relative strength of the two schools. Out of a total of 334 points, Lockney won 158 while Floydada won 176. Lockney excelled in literary events, while Floydada led in points in athletics.

We lost the championship cup by 18 points, but we are proud of the showing made by our boys and girls. They fought hard and well, and the display of cups and ribbons brought back show that they know how to fight. Special mention should be made of our "Pep Squad" who under the leadership of Miss Trapp and Miss Bigby simply would not let the Lockney spirit die.

The following is a list of contestants who brought back prizes for Lockney:

- Loving Cups
- Girls debate, Velma Still and Emma Sue Buchanan.
- Girls declamation, Sr., Louise McRee.
- Boys declamation, Sr., Gid Waller.
- Essay Writing, Sr., Lillian Collier.
- Sub-junior spelling, Virginia Collier.
- Boys tennis, singles, Doyle Greer.
- Boys tennis, doubles, Doyle Greer and Raymond Meriwether.
- Music Memory, Evon Griffith, June Guthrie, Roberta Broyles and Roy Jarnigan.
- Girls volley ball, Ruby Threet, Zelma Fowler, Dora Samms, Haz Shelton, Emma Hodel, Margaret Jarnigan and Grace Prickett.

- Blue Ribbons
- Pole vault, Jim Spilman.
- Discus, Jim Spilman.
- Mile run, Jim Spilman.
- 220 yard dash, Kellie Tea.
- Junior girls relay, Mary Ott, Glenna Collins, M. D. and Ella Mae Lankford.
- Red Ribbons
- Senior boys relay, Earl Rives, Edwar Clifford Kester.
- Senior girls relay, Dora Samms, M. Ruby Threet.
- 880 yard dash, 440 yard dash, 100 yard dash.
- Shot put.
- Discus.
- Broad.

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL ASSAULTED; MAY DIE

Three Brothers Are Held In Connection With Beating of Novice High School Principal

Coleman, April 4.—Charlie, Willie and Norman Akin, brothers, 20, 22, and 25, respectively, are being held here on charges of assault to murder in connection with an attack on R. W. Caster, principal of the Novice High school, Friday morning, in which Caster was injured probably fatally. Bonds of \$1,000 each were fixed, with preliminary trial set for Thursday.

Caster is in a hospital at Winters where he has been unconscious since being taken there shortly before noon Friday. His skull is fractured in three places, one of which is believed to be concussion of the brain, according to attending physicians.

The three brothers were arrested by Sheriff Dick Pauley, who went to Novice from here. Two of the brothers were arrested while at work on a section gang, according to Sheriff Pauley. The third brother surrendered to a justice of the peace.

The trouble followed a whipping administered to a 13-year-old brother of the three Caster boys, Thursday, Sand Hill and for rural schools by Fairview. Each winner got their cup by a very few points on account of the hard competition they had to face.

While the school pupils and teachers were in one room Friday morning, Caster was called into an adjoining cloak room. Noises of a fight were heard and the teachers in the room started for the cloak room.

Two of the Akin brothers appeared at the doors of the room, however, and told everyone to remain seated and not to try to enter the cloak room. The fighting continued for a short while and the brothers withdrew. A pail of water had been poured over the principal as he lay on the floor.

CISCO MAN SURVIVES 13,000 VOLTS; BURNS FINGERS OFF

Cisco, April 4.—To receive 13,000 volts of electricity and live, to swing out over the border land of eternity and return, is the experience of few men, but this is what happened to J. C. Davenport, lineman in this city, who recently received this tremendous charge of "juice" while working on a high line of his company.

His body remained in contact with the live wire for three minutes, and except for several fingers charred off his right hand and large hole burned in his right shoulder, Davenport suffered no ill effects from his terrible experience.

Falls Fifteen Feet

Davenport shortened the live wire such a manner that the current ed through his right arm and only. His companions, in an effort to rescue him, turned the wire and then unknowingly turned it again. When finally released the effects of the "juice" fell 15 feet to the ground then did he lose consciousness.

In describing his experience Davenport says he felt a sharp pain in his right arm as he was conscious while his charred complexion in his paralyzed his drowsy and

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BURLINGTON SURVEYING AT LUBBOCK

SURVEY ACROSS CANYON OFFERS MAIN PROBLEM TO BE CONSIDERED

A crew of surveyors for the Burlington system arrived in Lubbock Saturday and if all arrangements can be made they will start early this morning seeking a location for a line of the company to approach the city from the east or northeast.

The surveyors realize that the great task for them is to find a practical place to cross the canyon, the difficulty of which is enhanced by the fact that the Santa Fe tracks must be crossed by the Burlington line, and will probably go under the Santa Fe tracks.

It is possible that they will spend some time making various preliminary surveys before a practical line is agreed upon.

O. L. Slaton, chairman of the railroad committee for the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce, expressed some encouragement over the possibilities of Lubbock getting a line of the Burlington system Saturday when making announcement that the surveyors plan starting running the survey in the near future.


The indications are that it will be built from the Fort Worth Denver, near Childress, to where it will probably branch running into Plainview and running into Lubbock, this city coming out of west Lubbock via Peter

It is known here that ton system will not, however, the right-of-way will be furnished along the route.

SLAYER OF V

Abilene, he loved a day before he married in the morning. Mrs. of

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H. B. ADAMS, Editor and Owner

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IN REFERENCE TO MR. RUTLEDGE'S LETTER

We are in receipt of a letter from Mr. O. P. Rutledge, secretary of the Floydada Chamber of Commerce, agent the editorial that appeared in the issue of the Beacon of March 26th, regarding the court house and jail proposition. Mr. Rutledge states that the Chamber of Commerce of Floydada occupies the room in the basement of the court house "under" an agreement with Mr. Lider, county surveyor. We did not state the commissioners' court had rented or given the Floydada C. of C. room in the court house, but said the Floydada C. or of C. occupied this space, and should

not be allowed to take up room in the court house, which structure is owned by Floyd county, and not owned by Floydada. We mentioned the fact that various organizations and officials were allowed room in the court house, yet one of the pleas put forth for the building of the jail was that there was not adequate room in the jail for the prisoners and a new jail was necessary to take care of the delinquents of the county, and stated that if the outside organizations and officials were moved out of the court house there would be ample room for a jail large enough to supply a much larger county than Floyd.

Here we wish to state in regard to an arrangement between the Floydada C. of C. and the county surveyor, that as we see it, the county surveyor is furnished an office by the tax payers of Floyd county and that he has no right to share it with any outside person or organization free of charge, and if he receives a rental for the office, this rental should be turned over to the commissioners' court, as the office space is the property of the county, is not intended to be given out free or rented to outsiders by any officials. If Mr. Lider does not need the office to carry on the surveyors work, he should turn the keys over to the commissioners' court, and refrain from giving or renting the space to some one else.

We will again state that there is a considerable space in the court house that is vacant or occupied by other than county officials, that can be utilized for a county jail, and such being the case, the money of the tax payers of Floyd county should not be wasted in building a jail, which will bring no revenue to the county. If there was no room in the court house for the jail and the building of a jail was an absolute necessity at this time we would favor the building of such a structure, but there is no reason why with an outlay of about \$5,000 the county can place a jail either in the basement or on the third floor of the court house that will be ample to care for the needs of Floyd county for many years to come.

And in regard to the letter from the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Floydada we will state that it is just as much to the tax payers of Floydada to provide office space for the other clubs and organizations of every community in Floyd county as it is to supply the Floydada C. of C. with office space, and that whether they receive permission from Mr. Lider, county surveyor, or the commissioners' court, or of C. occupied this space, and should

or receive it free, when the space can be used for the county's well fare they should be ousted out and the tax payers should be relieved of the burden of building other buildings to care for the county's business.

WHAT CHAMBER DOES

William Allen White, famous newspaper editor of Emporia, Kan., recently wrote in Collier's relative to the Chamber of Commerce.

"The Chamber of Commerce modifies the innate cussedness of the average selfish, hard-boiled picayunish, penny-pinching, narrow-gauged, human perker and lifts up his spout, makes him see further than his home, his business and his personal interest, and sets him rooting for the community."

"A man, no matter how greedy and how squint-eyed he may be, cannot work a year upon a committee of his town's Chamber of Commerce without being a better father, a better husband, a better citizen, a better brother."

WEEKLY NEWS SUMMARY FURNISHED BY WEST TEXAS C. OF C.

Rochester—This city is working for a creamery and same is likely to be obtained. Strong efforts are being made to secure it.

Ranger—More than 2,000 acres of Silica land have been found near here and as there is an abundance of cheap gas this section is very inviting to Glass factories in that both railroad and highway connection with cities in all directions are already made.

Roby—Roby is soon to have a new modern 14 room school building with a large gymnasium. Plans are now being drawn for this purpose. The new \$40,000 high school building here is nearing completion.

Amherst—A \$110,000 high school and grade school building will shortly be under construction here.

Plainview—The required bonus for the construction of the railroad from Plainview to Silvertown has been raised here and is being held in escrow until the road is in operation.

Stamford—The finishing touches to the new \$40,000 Presbyterian church here are underway. When finished this will be another beautiful structure for West Texas.

Littlefield—A \$75,000 water system plant will soon be installed here and in use.

The water bonds for the city of Littlefield were sold for a premium.

Littlefield is fast becoming a convention city and are planning to entertain 6,000 to 7,000 visitors at the Plains-Plateau Singing Association.

Strawn—According to L. E. Shaw, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce at Strawn the city will close its doors and the entire population will go to Mineral Wells May 4, 5, 6 for the seventh annual convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

Girard—A meeting of road enthusiasts from Kent and Dickens counties will be held here on April 13th for the purpose of perfecting plans to vote bonds for the purpose of paying State Highway No. 18 popularly styled the Central Texas-Plains Highway. This highway provides a short cut between Central, North and South Texas and the Panhandle, Central and North Plains and Colorado.

Spur—The Spur Poultry Ranch (old English spelling) is now receiving eggs for its incubators from all over the Mid Cap Rock and South Plains region. This plant was recently completed and was financed by Spur business men.

Baird—B. M. Whiteker, Exhibit Manager, West Texas Chamber of Commerce, was the principal speaker at the annual meeting and get-together of the Baird Chamber of Commerce, held here on the evening of April 2nd.

Stamford—The West Texas Chamber of Commerce Tour to Europe party will sail from New York City on July 1st on the Aquitania. The entire month of July will be spent in France, Belgium and England and the party will return to New York City on the Berengaria arriving back in the United States on July 1st. The entire cost of the trip has been placed at only \$330, covering all expenses of every kind. About 200 are expected to make the trip.

FIVE JUDGES IN CRIMINAL APPEAL BENCH, FIRST TIME IN THIS STATE

Austin, April 6.—There were five judges on the bench of the Court of Criminal Appeals Wednesday, the first time such a situation ever existed in Texas. The three regular judges were reinforced by the two newly appointed members of Commission of Appeals, J. K. Baker of Coleman, and Ed. A. Berry of Houston. Judge Baker arrived Wednesday and took the oath of office as an aid to the court. He and Judge Berry will now consider cases assigned them by the court. Their findings and conclusions must be approved by the court before becoming the judgment of that tribunal. The court may reject same at will.

THE PASSING DAY
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Newspapers and Community Gossip.

The newspaper is justified by the universal desire of the people for information as to what others are doing. Curiosity about one's fellow creatures is common to every one and intelligent people seek reliable means of satisfying that curiosity. This is nothing to be ashamed of, but is a laudable human trait. The newspaper tries to satisfy that curiosity in a dependable way. Rumor is exaggerated with every telling. The newspaper sometimes falls into error because its reports are too frequently based on rumor that is accepted as truth. Most papers make conscientious efforts to verify all rumors, but those persons who repeat oral gossip or rumors never or seldom take the trouble to substantiate the statements they pass on to others. Under the anonymity of "They Say," almost any kind of scandal grows worse with every telling. By publishing the truth and becoming known for its truthfulness, a newspaper becomes a community safeguard against many ill-founded rumors.

Community Correspondence Valuable.
 Every community owes it to itself to be represented in its local press both for community advancement and for community protection. If the community has no paper of its very own, it should be represented in a news way in the paper that circulates in its community. A good community correspondent is a valuable asset to any neighborhood in keeping that community accurately represented in the local press. People have more pride in their neighborhood and take a greater interest in community activities when they know that they will be properly represented in the press. Yet few neighborhoods are well represented by local press correspondents. Those that are not, should hold mass meetings and arrange to secure proper newspaper representation for their communities. This paper will always be glad to co-operate in publishing the news of any neighborhood in its territory. The difficulty is in getting correspondents who are able and willing to supply the news. The communities not represented could well afford to see to that.

Community Pride is Needed.

The best country newspaper is the paper that best satisfies the public desire for information as to what is going on in its territory. The best communities in city, town, or country are those that take the greatest pride in what is going on. The only available medium for showing pride in local affairs is the local newspaper. The place that fails to support the local press either in the matter of finances or news is a place that has no solidified local pride, a place that is indifferent as to how it appears to the rest of the world. Indifference as to what the public thinks of a place soon results in a general run-down appearance, just as personal indifference on the part of an individual as to his appearance results in slovenliness. The slovenly, indifferent town, neighborhood, or individual soon comes to be shunned. Apply the test to your community and see if you are really showing the world that you are proud of it.

Restricting Marriage Licenses.

Oklahoma has passed a law requiring persons under 21 years of age to post a notice of intention of applying for a marriage license ten days prior to making application for the license. The purpose is stated to be to prevent "hasty" marriages by young people. Are young people the only persons who marry hastily in Oklahoma? It has been said for ages with reference to marriage that "the old fool is the biggest fool." Another provision of the bill is that a marriage license may not be issued to a person under the influence of liquor or narcotics. This is well, not so much because a person in such condition is irresponsible, but because to get in such a condition one must either violate the law or consume with some one else in law violation, and a self-proven criminal should not be permitted to marry.

Prohibition a Safety Measure.

One of the best arguments I have heard in favor of prohibition is that under the old liquor laws, with the present crowded condition of automobile traffic, life would not be safe for any one. The automobile is dangerous when driven by a person entirely sober but is a menace with a drunken man or woman at the steering wheel. The country will hardly go back to "the old drinking days."

Laws Are Presumably Known.

The last congress passed 432 laws and 75 resolutions, and there are not that many people in the United States who know what those laws are. Since the country has had a congress, nearly 20,000 public laws and resolutions have been passed, and still the presumption of law is that every person knows the law. When to those are added the thousands of state laws, is there much wonder that we are a nation of law breakers?

W.B. Phrifty



Clouds have silver linings, but bubbles have not.

MONEY HAS A DISQUIETING HABIT OF "STAYING SPENT," ONCE YOU LET IT GO.

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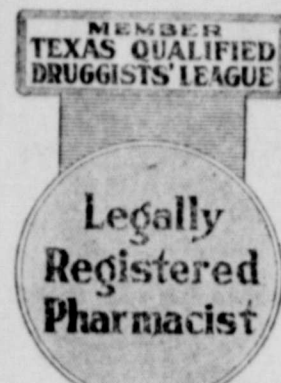
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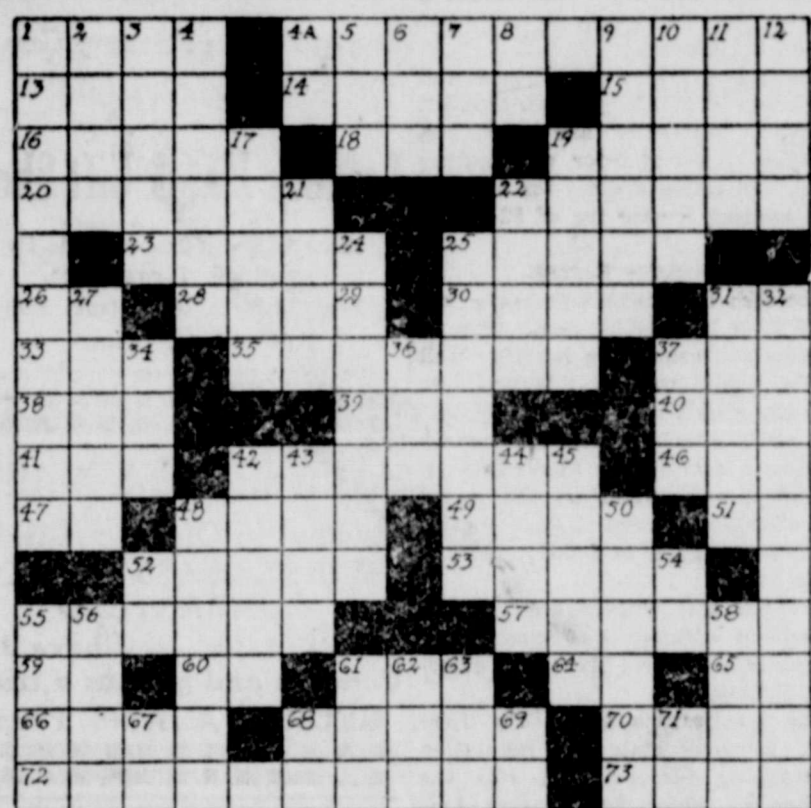
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HOW TO SOLVE A CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

When the correct letters are placed in the white spaces this puzzle will spell words both vertically and horizontally. The first letter in each word is indicated by a number, which refers to the definition listed below the puzzle.



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- Horizontal. 1—Encourage, 2—Seller of illicit liquor, 3—Coastly, 4—Ambassador, 5—Part of a roof, 6—Challenges, 7—Partake of food, 8—Volumes, 9—Inborn, 10—Fetched, 11—Part of metal, 12—Part of "to be", 13—Window ledge, 14—Hollow cylinder, 15—Commercial notice (abbr.), 16—Crowd, 17—Green vegetable, 18—Blackbird of cuckoo family, 19—The night before, 20—Cereal, 21—Kind of lace, 22—Attorneys, 23—Ancient Hebrew measure, 24—Initials of a United States President, 25—Turn toward, 26—To lease, 27—Point of compass, 28—Uncanny, 29—Have ambition for, 30—Sages, 31—Notes of musical scale, 32—Northwestern state (abbr.), 33—Consume, 34—Behold, 35—Three-toed sloth, 36—Conspirer, 37—Kind of tree or shrub, 38—Game played on horseback, 39—Emotions, 40—Observed, 41—Anything added, 42—A legume, 43—Deals with, 44—Single, 45—Small child, 46—Suffia meaning like, 47—Boy's name, 48—Level, 49—One indifferent to pain or pleasure, 50—A kind of airplane, 51—Girl's name, 52—How the fat lady got through the Christmas crowds, 53—Declarator, 54—A negative ion (chem.), 55—Deviation, 56—Wager, 57—Biblical houseboat, 58—Measure of land, 59—Samboclike grass, 60—Tangle, 61—Makes a mock attack, 62—Companies of soldiers, 63—Worthy patriarch (abbr.), 64—Thus, 65—Swiss mountains, 66—Selling, 67—Without color, 68—Boy's name, 69—Number under 12, 70—Preposition, 71—Preposition denoting location, 72—Rupes (abbr.), 73—Old English (abbr.).

Solution will appear in next issue.

RETAIL MERCHANTS ANNUAL CONVENTION MAY 25-26-27

The Retail Merchants Association of Texas will hold its 25th annual meeting in Austin, May 25, 26 and 27. An elaborate program is being arranged by the executive officers of both the State Association and the Austin local association.

- 1. Present Financial and Crop Outlook. 2. Credit Conditions and Methods. 3. Collection Methods That Bring Results. 4. Prompt Pay Educational Campaigns. 5. Trade Days, How to Make Them a Success. 6. Benefits of State and National Associations. 7. How I control my business through records that are simple, yet effective, for giving me all of the facts I should have for all purposes. 8. Store arrangement which increases sales and reduces labor and gives me more time for sales planning. 9. Management methods which give me more time for sales planning. 10. Buying methods which are helping to make a success of my business. 11. Window trimming simplified and made effective. 12. How show cards and price tickets have helped my sales. 13. Advertising a retail business. 14. Effective deliveries at the minimum cost. 15. Doing a credit business and keeping losses down to the minimum. 16. How I built up a specialty business. 17. Sales methods for getting new customers. 18. Following up the lost customers. 19. My most aggressive competition and how I meet it. 20. Beating the peddler at his own game. 21. Mail order competition and how I meet it. 22. Operating a cash and carry department. 23. How I pay my clerks an arrangement vacation. 24. Stopping the leaks and hidden losses. 25. Rural credits.

It is expected that every local Retail Merchants Association in Texas will be represented and as there are 176 associations, all of them in close touch with one another on account of the credit exchange service and many of them have already announced large delegations, this convention is expected to be the best ever held by the Retail Merchants Association of Texas.

WATCH for the Rexall 1c sale, 16th, 17th and 18th.—Lockney Drug Co.

WILL LAWRENCE TAKEN TO ARIZONA PRISON

Fort Worth, April 5.—Will Lawrence, condemned to die for killing Policeman Haze Burch at Phoenix, Ariz., and wanted in Fort Worth on a murder charge, late Saturday was rushed from Phoenix to the Arizona state penitentiary at Florence because of a plot for him to escape, according to dispatches to The Star-Telegram.

Earlier in the day Lawrence had heard the judge set the date for his execution for June 12.

Since Lawrence with his younger brother, Babe Lawrence, was arrested for killing Burch, the officers at Phoenix have feared that an attempt would be made by them to break jail. Their aged mother who was present when the death sentence was pronounced was not informed that Will was to be transferred to the penitentiary. She sobbed aloud when informed that he had been taken from the Phoenix jail.

The Lawrence brothers, according to Tarrant county indictments, shot and killed Joe Morgan 15 miles southwest of Fort Worth. Morgan was a deputy sheriff of Muskogee, Okla. After he was slain the Lawrence brothers fled in his car and were apprehended in Arizona after Burch was killed.

County Detective Harry Hamilton and Deputy Sheriff John Snow are now in Arizona to return Babe Lawrence to Fort Worth for trial. Will not be brought here inasmuch as he is already under death sentence.

Lawrence showed no emotion, when the judge asked him whether he had anything to say why the death sentence should not be pronounced.

"I have not," Lawrence answered in a clear voice.

After pronouncing the death sentence, the judge added "and may God have mercy on your soul."

Smiling, Lawrence walked back to his seat, sat down easily, patted his mother's hand and continuing to smile glanced steadily around the room.

Lawrence's mother came from Muskogee and was apparently as calm as her son.

Motion for a new trial made by Lawrence's attorney was denied by Judge Phelps before sentence was pronounced. The defense attorney set forth 30 points declared to be errors in the trial.

Lawrence arose in court before being returned to jail and without a tremor of the upraised right hand or shake in his voice, swore he was a pauper and had no money with which to pay his attorney.

Lawrence's attorney said he would appeal to the Supreme Court.

SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Floyd

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of a certain order of sale, issued out of the honorable district court of Floyd county, on the 6th day of April, 1925, by G. C. Tubbs, District Clerk of said court for sum twenty nine thousand five hundred sixteen and 00/100 dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of A. B. Brown in a certain cause in said court No. 1673 and styled A. B. Brown vs. Lockney Farmers Co-operative Society et al and, placed in my hands for service, I, J. R. Maddox, as sheriff of Floyd county, Texas, did, on the 6th day of April, 1925, levy on certain real estate, situated in Floyd County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

Located in Floyd County, Texas, being lots Nos. 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 in block No. 8 in the Nall addition to the town of Lockney, as shown by the plat of said addition, and also lots Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, in block No. 5, and also the west one-half of out lot No. 1, all in the town of Aiken, said Floyd county, as shown by the plat, and also nine and 39/100 acres of land out of survey No. 4, block S. C., said county, described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at a point in the east line of said survey No. 4, 220 yards south of its NE corner for the NE corner of this tract, thence west 79 feet for corner, thence south 128.3 feet for corner, thence in a northwesterly direction 96.3 feet for corner, thence south 214 feet for corner, thence in a southeasterly direction 942 feet, more or less to a point in the east line of said survey No. 4, for the SE corner of this tract, thence north 648 feet to the place of beginning, and for more particular description reference is made to deed of trust and levied upon as the property of A. R. Meriwether, Lockney Farmers Co-operative Society and

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McCORMICK-DEERING LINE

M. M. Egan and that on the first Tuesday in May, 1925, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the court house door, of Floyd County, in the town of Floydada, Texas, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M., by virtue of said levy and said order of sale, I will sell said above described real estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said A. R. Meriwether, Lockney Farmers Co-operative Society and M. M. Egan.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Lockney Beacon, a newspaper published in Floyd County.

Witness my hand, this 6th day of April, 1925.

J. R. MADDOX, Sheriff, Floyd County, Texas.



For sale by Stewart Drug Co. Lockney, Texas.

PETE WELK GOES TO HIS DEATH IN ELECTRIC CHAIR

HUNTSVILLE, April 3.—Sidney J. (Pete) Welk, 31, convicted of the murder of Willis Champion, Dallas county associate jailer went to his death in the electric chair here at 12:15 o'clock this morning. The first shock was administered at 12:15 and at 12:29 Dr. L. H. Bush of Huntsville, pronounced Welk dead.

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M. D. ROEK, Auctioneer

SALE STARTS AT 1 O'CLOCK

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.

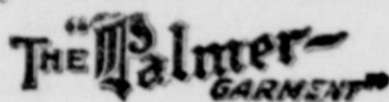
RILEY & BREWSTER

MRS. MEHARG CONVALESCING FOLLOWING AN OPERATION Plainview, April 4.—Mrs. S. W. Meharg, secretary of state, was reported to be convalescing satisfactorily from an appendicitis operation performed here Friday night.



**A COAT—A COSTUME
GARMENTS WORTH WHILE**

It is a pleasure to buy such a garment as we illustrate above. A coat—magnificent—an ensemble costume very much to be desired. You can see from the little pen and ink illustrations, that the styles are quite lovely. The descriptions will give further aid. But after all, the best way to decide is to see the garments—illustrations, true to life as they may be, cannot show the shadings, nor the quality. However, even if you are unversed as to quality, this trademark tells the story as it has for over half a century.



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10 Per Cent Off on Dresses.

E. L. AYRES

Aiken Home Demonstration Club
The Aiken Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. Guy Ramsey, March 25th.

We had a very interesting meeting. There were twenty-two ladies present, and expressed themselves as highly pleased and benefitted by the instructive talk and demonstration given by Miss Faulkner on "Color Tests for different types."

There will be no club meeting on our regular meeting date, Wednesday, April 8, except the biscuit contestants and judges who will meet with Mrs. Rueben Parish.

We are cordially invited to attend the Millinery School to be given at Lockney, in the basement of the Methodist church, conducted by Miss Barnes, on April 13-14.

Anyone at all interested in millinery should attend this school both days. Each woman is asked to take one dish of something, and dinner will be served in the basement—I am sure we'd all enjoy that social hour.

Several of the Aiken club women attended the lecture on "Home Improvement," given by Mrs. Clayton, Home Economics specialist from A. & M. College. Her theme was "Kitchen Improvement" and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. We are sure every woman went home determined to improve her "workshop" in some way.—Reporter.

Sand Hill Demonstration Club

The Sand Hill Home Demonstration Club met Wednesday afternoon, April 1st, in the home of Mrs. J. S. McLain, to give the try out in the biscuit contest. There were only a few of the contestants present. We were sorry indeed that all who signed up in this contest were not there.

We feel that we learned all it cost us to enter into this kind of work, and we hope in the next contest that there will not be a one to fall down on the job.

The winners in the Biscuit Contest were as follows: 1st, Mrs. A. R.

Hanna; 2nd, Miss Alice Holmes; 3rd, Mrs. Alice Knight.
On account of the Millinery School at Lockney, the 13th and 14th, we will not meet on our next regular club day. But, we insist that every member who possibly can attend, go to this school.

Our next meeting day, place, and program will be announced later.—Reporter.

Sand Hill Parent-Teachers Association to Present Play

The P. T. C. Society of Sand Hill, who recently presented "Home Acres" at the Lockney high school auditorium, will present "Safety First", a two and one-fourth hour comedy play in their home auditorium Friday night, April 17. A list of the characters will appear next week in this issue. This play will be presented at Lockney in the near future, but the exact date has not been set yet.

New base ball uniforms have been ordered for the Sand Hill Club to be paid for by this society. This summer we expect to take our base ball team, and one of our plays together and furnish a full evening of entertainment for any community who want us.

Any community that want "Home Acres" or "Safety First" presented in their auditorium write Ed Holmes, President P. T. C. for dates. Our liberal terms for showing these plays always gets good crowds and so far has certainly been appreciated.

All Fools Night

Hula and Jozac entertained at the Riley home, on April 1st, with an All Fool's Party.

Everything was in keeping with the occasion. Rugs were reversed, chairs were upturned and decorations were placed in the most ridiculous places imaginable.

The games were of such a nature as to keep the guests in a constant uproar of laughter.

Refreshments were served in two courses. The first course was:

Water a la Glass and Tooth Picks. A delicious plate lunch was served later.

Lockney Couple Wed Wednesday

Mr. Lonnie Byars of Lockney and Miss Wynell Masterson of the Sand Hill community were married in Plainview Wednesday, April 1st, by Rev. J. Pat Horton. The bride is a graduate of the Floydada high school. They were accompanied to Plainview by Miss Davis and Mr. Webster of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Byars will make their home in Lockney.

Mothers Club Elects

Delegate to District Convention
At the meeting of the Mothers Club last Thursday afternoon, Mrs. T. H. Stewart was elected as delegate to the District convention of the Federated Clubs of the 7th District, which is to meet at Canyon, May 4th, 5th and 6th. Mrs. H. B. Adams was elected alternate.

Will Have Easter Program at Methodist Church

There will be an Easter program rendered at the Methodist church next Sunday morning.
Everybody is invited to attend.

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Velma, Fay and Geane McClure attended the birthday party of Marian Lucas in Plainview Saturday afternoon.

PERRY GILL, LOCKNEY PIONEER DIED IN CANYON TUESDAY

Perry Gill, 65 years old, a pioneer of Lockney, died at 6:15 o'clock Tuesday evening at Canyon.

Mr. Gill had for the past seven years made his home with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Watson, Canyon.

The funeral was held at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon from the First Baptist church, Canyon, the Rev. Lynn Claybrook, officiating.

Burial was in Dreamland cemetery, Canyon, in charge of the Griggs Undertaking Company of Canyon.

HUNTING AND FISHING RIGHTS REGULATED

Austin—Wild game, fish and fur bearing animals Wednesday were declared the property of Texas, and hunting and fishing privileges were completely revised when Governor Miriam A. Ferguson approved the three principal measures passed by the Thirty-ninth Legislature at request of the game, fish and oyster department.

The bills approved are commonly known as the "fur bearing bill, fish bill and game bill," and their passage through the Legislature caused more political fireworks than any other bills, with the exception of the Ferguson amnesty.

The bill divides the state into two hunting zones, divided by the lines of the Missouri Pacific system, from Laredo to Texarkana. It shortens

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF THE CITY OF LOCKNEY, TEXAS, FROM JANUARY 1st, 1923 TO MARCH 1st, 1925.

Balance on hand Jan. 1st, 1923	O. D. \$33.73
Total receipts from tax collected	\$18,020.50
Total receipts from all other sources including water and sanitary	6,081.88
Total receipts	\$24,102.38

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries and labor	\$6,916.40
Oil and fuel	683.03
Lights	1,228.79
Commission paid collector	1,006.77
Notes and interest	2,193.09
Transferred to sinking fund	3,750.00
Transferred to street improvement sinking fund	1,265.48
Jail account	110.09
Miscellaneous	2,478.78
	\$19,666.16
Balance in general fund March 1st, 1925	\$4,436.22
Total	\$24,102.38

As per city secretary books

STATEMENT OF WATER WORKS SINKING FUND FOR 1923-24

Liberty bonds on hand	\$1,750.00
Cash on hand Jan. 1st, 1923	1,250.05
Transferred from general fund	3,750.00
	\$6,750.05
Interest paid on bond issue of \$25,000.00 for the years 1923 and 1924	\$2,500.00
Cash on hand March 1st, 1925	\$2,500.05
Liberty bonds on hand	1,750.00
	\$4,250.05
Total reserve for bond issue	\$4,250.05
Interest accrued on Liberty bonds	251.00
Grand total reserve	\$4,501.05

STATEMENT OF STREET IMPROVEMENT SINKING FUND

Transferred from general fund	\$1,265.48
Interest paid on bond issue for paving of \$15,000.00	825.00
Total reserve for bond issue	\$ 440.48

STATEMENT OF THE GENERAL PAVING FUND RECEIPTS

Proceeds from sale of bonds	\$15,000.00
Refund from J. N. Jordan	481.48
Total	\$15,481.48

DISBURSEMENTS

Cost of paving	\$14,000.00
Paid to interest coupons on bonds	412.50
Paid to general funds for money spent	587.50
Other street improvement	422.43
Balance in bank	59.05
Total	\$15,481.48

ESTIMATED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE CITY OF LOCKNEY TEXAS FROM SECRETARY BOOKS AS OF MARCH 1st, 1925

RESOURCES	
City Water works	\$30,000.00
Street paving and light fixtures	15,000.00
Dumping grounds	1,000.00
Cemetery grounds	1,200.00
City hall and jail	1,200.00
Engine and fire hose	1,500.00
Grader	500.00
Liberty bonds	1,750.00
Interest accrued on liberty bonds	251.00
Cash in all funds in bank	7,443.74
Total	\$59,844.74

LIABILITIES

Water work bond	\$25,000.00
Paving bond	15,000.00
V. L. Note on dumping ground	200.00
V. L. Note on cemetery	800.00
Russell Grader Co.	150.00
Water meters	175.00
Net worth	18,705.74
Total	\$59,844.74

W. W. ANGEL, Auditor

MIDNIGHT, No. 13693

BLACK JACK, WITH WHITE POINTS, 15 HANDS HIGH, WT. 1070 WHEN FAT.

CLAIRON II, No. 9322

BAY BELGIAN DRAFT STALLION, WT. 2,000 WHEN FAT.

The above Jack and Horse will stand at my place, 6 miles north and 1 mile west of Aiken, Texas.

TERMS—\$12.50 to insure colt, for either Jack or Stallion. Breeding hours 9 to 10 a. m., and 4 to 5 p. m.

I will use all precautions to prevent accidents, but will not be responsible for any accidents that might occur.

Settlement for services will be expected when mare is sold, traded or removed from county.

TAYLOR GOLDEN, Owner

the seasonal bag limits on all wild game and fowls.

Two Deer A Season.

Bag limit on deer is reduced to two for a season and the open season for turkey is set from Nov. 16 to Dec. 31.

In the north zone open season on quail is Nov. 13 to Jan. 1; doves, Sept. and October, ducks and geese, Oct. 16 to Jan. 31.

Bag limits: Quail, 12 daily, 36 weekly; doves, 15 and 45; ducks, 25 and 50; geese, 4 and 12; prairie chickens, open season all over Texas from Sept. 1 to 10, 5 daily and 10 during open season. Open season on bear Nov. 16 to Dec. 31, bag limit one during season.

The act provides for license and regulation of shooting clubs, creation of game sanctuaries and preserves, issuance of permits for propagating game, and raises the fee for nonresident hunting license fee of \$2 is unchanged.

Fish Sales Barred.

The fish bill makes the fresh water fishing laws apply to all running streams and connecting lakes as well as the public waters. It prohibits the sale or barter of fresh water bass and white perch and closes certain back bays and bayous against seines and nets, and authorizes the game, fish and oyster commissioner to close other bays when necessary to conserve fish.

The bill was worked out through commission officials and commercial fishing interests and provides a statewide fishing code.

The trappers' bill, for the first time, provides statewide regulation of trapping seasons. It sets the seasons in which fur bearing animals may be killed for their pelts, but does not prohibit killing of predatory animals for their meat.

Personal Mention

Mrs. W. K. Early has returned from a visit of several weeks in Trinidad, Colo.

C. E. Wilkinson and Oscar Shurbet left today for Sweetwater, for the benefit of their health. Mr. Wilkinson has been sick for some time with a stubborn case of the flu.

L. A. Cooper is in San Antonio this week attending the state convention of the Woodmen of the World, as a delegate from the Lockney lodge.

Joe Gifford of Roswell, N. M., was here Sunday visiting friends, while en route home from a trip to Houston.

Miss Anna Crosswhite has returned from Greenville and Abilene, where she has been for some time visiting and attending a business college.

Dr. and Mrs. S. M. Henry and son, Charles Morgan, are out in New Mexico, visiting relatives. They will visit the big cave at Carlsbad before returning home.

Mrs. Frank Morris and Mrs. R. F. A. Truett spent Monday visiting in Plainview.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Morris and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morris spent Sunday in the Turkey community, below the caprock.

A. B. Brown and Artie Baker spent the latter part of last week in Fort Worth, conferring with Denver officials in regard to building the new line of railroad through Lockney. Mr. Brown went on to Chicago to confer with Burlington officials about the proposed line. Mr. Baker returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Gass and Mr. and Mrs. Arch Crager spent Sunday on an outing to Tule canyon.

Mrs. Gay Morgan has returned from a visit of several weeks, spent with relatives in Philadelphia, Penn.

CATARRHAL DEAFNESS

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

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LEADERS IN LOW CASH PRICES

er railroads, perhaps, competitors of the same line, and the other half impounded, still owned by the railroad, but impounded under such conditions that the likelihood of its being used by the railroad is more or less remote. So, there is a theory of government under which we are presumed to do business on a maximum of six per cent upon our investment and with no guarantee of any kind. It is proper to say that so far the railroads have not been able to reach that six per cent in very many individual cases, and have not been able to reach the 5 3-4 per cent mark as a whole. I suppose that 1924, which has been more prosperous with the railroads, probably, than many preceding years, may show a return of a little less than five per cent. It has been ranging all the way from nothing, beginning with the period of federal control, and nothing for the period immediately afterwards, up to the last year where something less than five per cent was earned. So, when it takes one, two or three million dollars to build an extension of a railroad, we have to figure upon this situation. In order to make this a financial possibility, we must be able to secure money at less than six per cent as a maximum. Until recently, at least, this has been a very difficult task with the railroads."

The average American is a builder. He loves to overcome difficulties. If it were not for this characteristic, the United States, in the face of all the handicaps with which its railroad development has been surrounded, would not have the greatest transportation system nor the finest service for the least money of any country in the world.

FEEDING THE BABY CHICK PROPERLY

Columbia, Mo.—Records from farm flocks show that out of one hundred chicks hatched only sixty-three reached marketable age or are housed in the fall as laying pullets. That means that the annual loss in Missouri alone is nearly 20 million chicks. Stated in terms of money it amounts to at least 2 million dollars each season.

Early Layers Are Best Layers The way a chick grows has an important bearing on its future performance. At the University of Missouri it has been found that the shorter the time between hatching and laying the better will be the record of the hen. Early maturity is desirable. It is obtained, of course, by breeding, but unless the chicks are well raised they will not mature as rapidly as desired. Experiments also have shown that inadequate rations, even the first six weeks, greatly influence future production, and that a good start is indeed important.

Chicks to be grown successfully must be fed some food from animal source. That is necessary to furnish the muscle-making material. The common method of supplying chicks with that food is to use sour skim milk as a drink at the first feeding and continue that practice as long as possible.

Substitutes for skim milk are semi-solid buttermilk diluted, or dried buttermilk. No other form of protein is as satisfactory for baby chicks as milk. For the first few weeks it is almost indispensable. Some people give milk as a drink and provide no water. This insures the chicks getting the right kind of protein and in the right quantity. Eggs are also a valuable type of food for chicks. They may be

fed raw or boiled. If fed raw, the entire egg may be mixed with a mixture of bran, shorts and cornmeal until a crumbly mass is obtained, or if boiled they may be grated fine and mixed with bread crumbs, corn bread or the mash mixture just mentioned. Three eggs a day is the allowance for one hundred chicks the first week, six eggs daily the second week, and 12 eggs daily the third. Experiments at the University of Missouri indicate that milk and eggs are almost indispensable in feeding baby chicks.

Grass, Too, For the Chicks After the chicks are three or four weeks old, meat scrap or tankage sifted fine may be used as a substitute for milk and eggs, provided the chicks are allowed access to runs abundant in tender, succulent green food. Bugs and worms, eaten by the chicks also furnish muscle building food, but that source is unreliable and the regular supply should always be provided.

It is important to supply the chick with bone-making material. Fortunately the food rich in animal protein also contains bone-making material. That again emphasizes the value of milk, eggs and commercial meat products in the ration. Another suitable for feeding chicks, and bone meal which may be mixed in the chick mash.

A Chicken Needs Salt Mixtures of ground grains and grain by-products are advisable in chick rations. They simplify the routine and enable the chick to digest more food than it otherwise would. The mash also enables one to incorporate commercial meat foods, dried buttermilk, and bone meal in the ration. After the chicks are given free range one should keep a dry mash before them all the time. When they are confined it is advisable to feed the mash at regular intervals, but the mash should not be kept before the chicks more than one-third of the time. A mash should contain not less than one-fourth, nor more than one-third bran, and to satisfy the chick's requirements for mineral the mash which constitutes one-half the chick's ration should also contain 5 per cent bone meal and 1 per cent salt.

Cracked grains also are used for chick feeding. Commercial chick foods are frequently used, the only advantage being that they are easily obtained. A good homemade chick food is a mixture of sixty parts cracked corn, forty parts cracked wheat, chick food containing weed seed should not be used. A portion always remains uneaten and besides, obnoxious weeds are introduced on the farm. There is no better chick food than cracked yellow corn. No chick food provides the necessary nutrients, and must be supplemented with additional feeds. Clean, wholesome feeds are absolutely necessary if digestive disorders are to be avoided.

Chopped onions, beets, etc., may be substituted when the supply of green food is limited. Growing stock will thrive better if given a range which supplies green food. The laxative effect of green food insures efficient digestion and digestive disorders will be avoided. Chicks require a certain amount of roughage, and the simplest method of supplying that is to feed green food and to include bran in the mash.

At hatching, one-fourth the chick's weight is unabsorbed egg yolk which is reserve food and material. That gradually is absorbed and for that reason the chicks require no food until 50 hours old. In fact, earlier feeding is not advisable. Then a few grains of sand should be spread out in a pan or

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The Honorable Martin W. Littleton, in a recent address in New York City took no middle ground in his arraignment of radicalism which seeks to undermine the stability of our government and the freedom of the American people through political control and operation of industry and business. He pointed out that the name given to revolutionary leaders or doctrines is immaterial, and said in part:

"It doesn't make any difference, my friends, whoever these people were and are, whether they be Socialists, sons of expediency, the doctrine of revolution inheres in and clings to all civilization. It may be on one occasion the Socialist preaching his

doctrine of solidarity of human activity into a static society; it may be the Communist, wanting his ruthless dynasty of power to go unchecked; it may be the sanguinary Soviet in his true name, compounded of these elements, if you please, who by profession is a Socialist, by practice a Communist, and by occupation a gunman.

"Scientific government was created as an agency to secure liberty for the man himself and woman. We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal and endowed by their creator with certain inalienable rights, amongst which are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; that to secure these rights, men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed."

"The only reason for the existence of a government is to furnish sufficient authority to preserve order and an amount of liberty which falls short of license.

"Government, with its agencies and its minions, an its authorities, treading on your heels wherever you go, crossing your threshold, invading your home, reaching into the nurseries of your children—government! And what is this thing called government?"

"Government is mine and yours to do with as our judgment and our intelligence we think it should do, always mindful of the individual. Any government that invades the secret domain of individualism is a government which does not belong to a period of American liberty. This government was erected to protect life, liberty and property and when it ceases to do that, it ceases to be a government of the civilization of the age and era and belongs to another age and another era."

A QUESTIONABLE RAILROAD POLICY

In commenting on the problems relating to railroad expansion to meet the growing needs of industry, Paul Shoup, Vice-President of the Southern Pacific Company, made the following: "The Inter-state Commerce Commission tells us that upon the 19 billions of dollars worth of railroad investments in this country, based on the theory of original cost, we can expect, and ought to be satisfied with a return of 5 3-4 per cent. And if, perchance, any single railroad in any locality earns more than 6 per cent on the value given to it by the Interstate Commerce Commission, then one-half of that goes to the government, the purpose being to aid weak-



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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. At Little Falls 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 half-breed whom Anderson hears called Pierre, and a companion, "Shorty," among the girl Anderson interferes, earning the animosity of the two men.

CHAPTER III.—The girl sets out for Stony Lake, which is also Anderson's objective. He overtakes her and finds the 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 buried down the mountain side, senseless.

CHAPTER V.—Recovering consciousness, Anderson finds the girl has disappeared, but the finding of her hair, evidently buried out 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 Stony 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 Mexican 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 struggles 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. Escaping, he returns to the cabin, to find Joyce gone. He follows her trail to the mission of Father McGrath.

CHAPTER XI.—McGrath repulses him, but Joyce feels her love return and welcomes him. Her memory has been in a measure restored. Lee visits the mine again, finding there the grave of a woman, marked "Helene Pelly," and the skeleton of a man clutching a revolver on which are the letters "C. P.," without doubt Joyce's father's.

"After that, Rathway stayed on and on, and they were always talking together, and Rathway threatened my father, but still my father refused to show him the mine, in spite of his threats. My father wanted all of the gold for me—it was his mania.

"Once Lehoucq came to my father and offered to kill Rathway, but my father refused, and Lehoucq, who was devoted to him, never thought of disobeying his strict command.

"That happened before the Free Traders were organized in Montreal, but already the hooch sellers were getting together. They had established a number of posts, one of them at Lake Misquash, miles away, a week's journey north of here. Rathway went to Lake Misquash to confer with them. As soon as he was gone, my father seized the opportunity to send me away south to a convent, to be educated.

"He would not touch the hoard of gold which he claimed to possess—we had never believed in it—but he had made money by his furs. I was to be well educated. I spent three years at the convent, and then I went to a missionary training school, to study medicine, because it had always been my dream to teach the Indian and half-breed children in this district. And then—"

She stopped and looked at him doubtfully. Father McGrath strode toward them.

"He's gettin' round ye!" he cried. "I can see the softenin' in your face, Meez Pelly!"

"No, no, Father!" cried Joyce sharply. "Leave us a few minutes more!"

Father McGrath withdrew, muttering, after a doubtful glance at her. "And then—and then—I can't remember, Lee," Joyce continued. "There's a blank, a terrible blank in my mind still. The next thing I remember I was riding north alone, to save my father, because that devil Rathway had betrayed him. But how was I to save him? That I don't know. I remember that I was half-crazed with anxiety. I remember seeing you at a hotel, and those two dreadful men.

"And—they had some power over me, and I wanted you to help me, and dared not ask you—I didn't know what

convicted now that it would be for the best—well, then, I—I'll marry you if you want me, Lee."

And this time there was no Father McGrath to interfere with them, for the good priest was patting the head of an Indian baby at the door of one of the huts.

And, late though the hour was, Lee declining the father's offer of hospitality for the night, set off for the log house again. He wanted to be alone with his singing heart in the silence.

He reached his destination some time in the small hours, and, careless of possible attack by the mysterious wanderer, flung himself down in one of the rooms, and lay like a log until awakened by the sunlight streaming in.

Jumping up, completely rested and restored, he ran down to the river, plunged into the ice-cold waters, raced back over the frozen snow, and dressed.

Joyce was to remain at the mission until Lee knew definitely whether or not her father was in the district. Before leaving the night before, Lee had drawn the father into a talk, and had learned from him that she would not be in danger from the Free Traders. The father had been compelled, he said, much against his will, to come to an understanding with them, by which he undertook not to attempt to interfere with their operations provided his women and babies were left alone. The board of missions was a power that the Free Traders were not anxious to tackle. Father McGrath, hating the necessity of making terms with Rathway, had felt nevertheless that he was doing the only thing possible under the circumstances, until the government made a move to wipe out the organization. He assured Lee that Rathway and his men would not dare to molest Joyce, and, furthermore, that he would protect her with his life if necessary.

Lee had thought best to say nothing to Joyce about his discovery of the mine, but he meant to make a thorough search of the gorge for Pelly. Failing him, he meant to discover his

by no natural force such as gravity. And then he came upon something that confirmed the obvious deduction. It was a rotting wooden cradle.

Beside it lay a rusty pick. Not far away were two huge iron pans, their bottoms eaten out with rust, so that they resembled fretwork in steel. Under them were still the ashes and charred residue of the wood that had been used to thaw out the frozen earth.

All about among the fallen rocks were mounds, the residue from the pans after the extraction of the gold, now covered with tangles of dead vegetation.

There was no longer any doubt that this was Pelly's gold mine.

Before making further investigations here, Lee decided to explore the remainder of the chasm. It ran on beyond the bend for a quarter of a mile, and then came to an abrupt termination. Without any gradual lessening of the depth it simply ceased, the two cliff walls coming together, in the same way as they did near the rocking stone at the other end. The chasm was, in fact, simply an elongated crater.

Returning, Lee made his way to the cave formed by the explosion. If Pelly was in the district, there was hardly any doubt but that he would be hiding in that inaccessible spot, where he would be safe against discovery. It was not unlikely that he was in the cave itself at that moment.

Lee first examined the snow about the mouth of the cave for footprints, but he found no tracks except his own. Drawing his automatic, he advanced into the opening. The sand in the interior bore the marks of continued tramping, but there were no imprints with clear edges, and it was certain that no one had been there for a long time.

Unfortunately, Lee had brought no candle, but he advanced some distance within the cave, lighting his way with matches. However, it was a foregone conclusion that Pelly was not in there, for the sandy interior bore no fresh footprints so far as he went.

A faint, distant roar, as of a waterfall, came to Lee's ears, and the air was fresh, as if the cave were connected with some opening in the mountain side. Lee resolved to explore it another day. But it was clear enough that Pelly was not in the chasm after all. Another thing that led Lee to that conclusion was the fact that no mining operations had been carried on here for a considerable time—long enough for the pans to have rusted through.

If Pelly had taken refuge within the gorge, it was incredible that he would not have resumed operations.

And these seemed to have been interrupted unexpectedly, to judge from the exposure of the pans to wind and weather.

Perplexed and disappointed, Lee turned his thoughts toward the capture of the man who had attacked him in the tunnel. He could no doubt throw light on Pelly's whereabouts. Perhaps he was the assistant of whom Joyce had spoken.

Lee expected that he would be lurking in the tunnel, ready to renew his attack, but this time there should be no such luck as before.

Lee made his way back on the opposite side of the gorge. Here there was a thick growth of dwarfed scrub laurel, which had taken root in the soil brought down by the little stream, and bordered it, extending back from it toward the cliff in a sort of miniature jungle. Something protruding out of this growth arrested Lee's attention.

It was a wooden cross carved with the name HELENE PELLY, standing up above a low cairn of boulders.

Lee stood and looked, and vaguely unprofitable thoughts coursed through

mysterious assailant, in the belief that he could provide him with the clue he needed.

He had no doubt that Pelly's gold mine lay in the chasm.

After having breakfasted he made his way to the rocking stone, and slipped quietly into the tunnel. Striking a match or two, and assuring himself that it was empty, he descended, and within a minute or two had reached the lower orifice, and found himself again clinging to the interior wall of the chasm.

Here the artificial excavation of the rungs ended, but there was a fairly easy descent down the lower portion of the cliffs, which afforded plenty of hold for the hands and feet. Lee quickly scrambled down, and swinging free of the wall, found himself standing at the bottom of the gorge, whose inclining walls shut him off completely from the sight of any one above. Only by standing in the very center of the dell could he see the summit of the cliffs, with their dense covering of scrub.

The base of the chasm was a little wider than he had supposed, perhaps fifty paces across between wall and wall. Along the center a thin stream trickled over a sandy bed, issuing from one end of the chasm, where it burst out through the granite, carrying with it the debris of the alluvial land above—mud, gravel, and sand.

This sandy deposit, carried along by the stream, had been heaped up, probably in times of overflow, against the granite walls, and within the little limestone caves that studded their lower surfaces.

Looking about him, Lee saw that some two or three hundred yards from the place where he had emerged out of the face of the cliff, the gorge made a sharp bend, almost at right angle, and here the ground was strewn with a mass of fallen boulders, ranging from huge rocks to small debris. Above it was a gap in the lower section of the cliff, from which it had been detached.

Lee made his way in this direction. At once he came to the conclusion that dynamite had been the cause of this collapse of part of the surface of the granite wall, which, smooth as a steel lining, could have been disrupted

ribs. The bones were bleached white, the flesh had long since disappeared.

One bony hand still tightly clutched the handle of a large, old-fashioned revolver. The muzzle was choked with rust; there were rusted cartridges inside.

Disengaging it with difficulty from the fingers, Lee saw, on the less rusted portion of the handle which they had protected, the initials, C. P.

But he hardly needed that to know that his mission was at an end, and the last barrier between himself and Joyce overthrown.

The problem so inscrutable an hour before had been solved. All cause for antagonism between them had come to an end.

And Lee was conscious of a quiet satisfaction. It was the happiest solution, and though Joyce would grieve, she would come to see that it was the best. She would be glad, after the first shock, that her father would not have to face the ordeal which he had dreaded for so many years.

But as Lee looked down at the remains of the dead man, he became aware of a single fact. Nearly every bone on one side of the skeleton was broken—the skull, ribs, arm and leg bones, and pelvis.

Then Pelly had not died of a stroke or from a sudden attack of heart failure. He had fallen from the summit of the cliff above—perhaps he had been flung down, for the revolver which he had been clutching showed that he had either encountered or anticipated an enemy.

And, filled with a mixture of emotions—happiness for their future, grief for the news that he must break to Joyce, Lee made his way toward the tunnel.

But all at once he made the singular and unexpected discovery that he did not know where the entrance was.

the chasm, in which Lee struggled like a madman, dust-white, disheveled, haggard, half-delirious from want of sleep and exhaustion.

He stopped, tried to collect himself. But to cease meant to yield to despair. Only by incessant labor could he keep up the pretense that he was about to find the tunnel. He felt at the end of his resources. One conclusion was being borne in upon him; he had worked his way far beyond the saplings on either side; he must have passed the tunnel during the night.

One little orifice unexplored in the obscurity, and all his work had gone for nothing.

He would have to go back to the beginning and start over again.

But no human being could go through the test again.

There occurred to him an alternative, but so fantastic that he only played with it as a madman plays with a straw. The tunnel might be no longer there. It might have disappeared through a rock slide.

That seemed incredible—Lee put the thought from him; its very occurrence made him realize that his mind was beginning to wander.

And, lapping up some water from the stream, and sprinkling himself with it, he began again—at the farther sapling.

The sun rose high. It was beginning to descend. It ceased to illuminate the gorge. Lee was nearing the second sapling. He would work on till that was passed, and then—what?

And now each step of each ascent was an incredible labor. His hands were lumps of bruised flesh. He was hardly conscious what he was doing. Still, he must reach the second sapling.

He passed it. A sort of film descended over his consciousness. In the dwelling day he saw himself staggering round the gorge, seeking for some other egress. Impossible! For forty feet there were footholds innumerable in the lower part of the cliff; above them the hard granite surface bulged inward. There was no handhold for an ape. And he staggered from one end of the gorge to the other, 'round and 'round and 'round—an ape in a cage—

He dropped upon the ground utterly worn out, utterly hopeless. A little respite, and then he would arise, to struggle again, a short sleep—

Respite? He had slept, and that lynx sense of his had just awakened him in time—just in time to anticipate that shadow stealing down the gorge toward him. A misshapen, gross thing that leaped forward, snarling, and then leaped back as Lee struck at it.

Lee was alert on the instant. In that thin angle lay his chance of escape. And, as it vanished into the shadows, Lee went blundering after it in the darkness, finding it, losing it. He saw it in every moon-shadow among the rocks. He heard it leaping at him. Then stones began to fly. One grazed his cheek, one struck him in the chest. Now the thing was in front of him, and when he rushed, it was not there, and a shower of stones from an unexpected quarter cut his lip and chin.

Thus tortured, maddened, Lee was baited till the second dawn filtered into the gorge. There was no respite. All the while Lee struggled against the bonds of sleep. He would rest, his eyes closing for an instant—it was upon him again, a stone would hurtle past him; another rush would follow, and again the thing was gone in the dark.

Dawn—daylight—sunlight. Crouched behind a ridge or rock above him, Lee saw the misshapen figure with the massive shoulders and the long, furred arms.

And, yielding to the elemental rage that was in him, Lee whipped out his automatic and fired two bullets. They chipped fragments of stone from beside the face, which continued to watch him unmoved. That face, illumined by the sunlight in the gorge, appeared so human, so intelligent, so much at variance with the misshapen body, that Lee was shocked at the sight of it.

It was only a man—but such a man! A gorilla, all but the human face.

Lee had already pulled the trigger a third time, but there was no third shot. Then he remembered that he had had only two cartridges remaining. He was unarmed.

He sprang, and a stone struck him in the chest and hurled him backward.

Like two baboons they bombarded each other with stones; but at last, as a fortunate shot sent the other staggering, Lee managed to close with him.

The face, bruised and battered from the encounter in the tunnel, looked impassively into his. Lee struck, and quickly discovered that he had not strength enough left to administer a knockout blow; while at close quarters he was decidedly at a disadvantage.

On the other hand his opponent was equally unable to overcome him, for he could not stand up against Lee's fists at short range long enough to allow him time to get the gripping power of those shoulders into action.

At last, bleeding and bruised, they broke off the fight simultaneously, and lay side by side, panting, upon the bottom of the gorge.

Lee took stock of the other. The man looked like an Indian, but there was a touch of the Caucasian in him. Lee addressed him for the first time.

"What is it that you want? Why have you attacked me?"

The answer—Lee had hardly expected that there would be an answer—was in a tone singularly soft, incredibly at variance with the appearance of that gross body.

"You find the way in. But you

(Continued Next Week)



He Had No Doubt That Pelly's Gold Mine Lay in the Chasm.



One Bony Hand Still Tightly Clutched the Handle of a Large, Old-fashioned Revolver.

his mind. It was a sad and lonely burying place for Joyce's mother. Its existence there was in itself a testimony to the old man's mental condition—that he should have carried his wife's body through the tunnel to that place of his dreams. And yet it was certain that no prowling thing would ever violate that grave.

Lee went on, and a few steps further, stumbled against something else. It was the skeleton of a man, the bones protruding through the rents and tatters of the scarecrow clothes. The laurel tangles sprouted between the

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G. W. TUBBS MISSIONARY

Rev. G. W. Tubbs, who has been moderator of the Floyd County Baptist Association for seven years and chairman of the board, Saturday afternoon was elected missionary for the association at a board meeting, when Rev. Y. F. Walker, formerly pastor at Lockney, declined to accept the work, to which he was elected at the last workers' meeting of the association. Rev. Tubbs resigned as moderator and chairman of the board to accept the work. He is succeeded by R. E. L. Muncy, of Muncy.

The Fifth Sunday Meeting was held beginning Friday morning with the Lone Star Church as host. The meeting continued over Saturday and Sunday. Good attendance marked all the sessions.

The next Workers' Meeting and session of the board will be held at Cone on Tuesday afternoon the first Sunday in May.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Guy Allen and Miss Jewell Johnson, March 28.
Bernice Dalton and Miss Clarice Harlin, March 28.
L. L. Yauger and Miss Rosa Belle Smith, March 29.

WEST TEXAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CONVENTION NEWS

Maids and Matrons are being named for the various towns in West Texas for the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention to be held in Mineral Wells, May 4-5-6. The chair-

man of the committee in charge of this feature announced a number of social functions had been arranged in addition to the historic pageant to be given on the second evening. The Mineral Wells committee wishes it distinctly understood that the visitors participating in the pageant will have costumes furnished and that every effort will be put forth to make the visit of the honorees from the various West Texas towns pleasant and agreeable. Towns that have not made appointments are requested to do so without delay.

Rooms and to spare—that is the statement of Raymond Cohn, Chairman of the Housing Committee for the 7th annual convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce to be held in Mineral Wells May 4-5-6. The prices will be reasonable and visitors will favor the committee and themselves by making reservations as early as possible. Last minute arrivals will cause confusion unless advance information can be given.

Organized delegations to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention to be held in Mineral Wells, May 4-5-6 and are strongly recommended by convention headquarters and the organization. Such delegations will be quartered as near together as possible or if they desire camping arrangements, these will be secured. The delegation parade staged for the second day will eclipse anything in the history of the organization and prizes for the best float is intensifying the interest in the floats. Original floats that typify some industry or resource of the community entering them will make a wonderful showing to the thousands who attend the

convention.
COLLEGE DAY—The last day of the convention has been designated College Day. All colleges of West Texas have been invited to participate in the program at the convention hall and especially in the colorful college parade in the afternoon. The object in view is to bring students in touch with the business men of West Texas, also demonstrate to the people the splendid work and enthusiasm manifested by these educational institutions. The public schools of Mineral Wells will be dismissed for three days and every man, woman and child will lend a hand in making the visitors welcome.

SWEETWATER—The first annual meeting of the West Texas Historical Association will be held in Cisco, April 18. R. C. Crane of Sweetwater is president of the association and Rupert N. Richardson, Abilene, is secretary. Mr. Crane is undoubtedly one of the leading historiographers in the Southwest. He has collected valuable information on the history of West Texas and is an enthusiast in this very important work. As has been well said, "all too little is now known about the romanite history of West Texas."

All West Texans interested in its history are cordially invited to attend the meeting at Cisco.

HURLED FORTY FEET, MAN IS UNDERESSED BY EXPLOSION

STAMFORD, Conn., April 2.—Explosion of aerial fireworks bombs Thursday caused Michael Laturra, a partner in the bomb-making concern, to be blown from a shed. When picked up forty feet away he was without clothing except for a single shoe, having been singed by flame from head to foot.

No one was hurt except Laturra. The material damage was slight.

O'DONNELL VISITED BY \$40,000 FIRE

O'DONNELL, Lynn Co., Texas, April 2.—The Ford Motor Company's big garage here, together with forty automobiles, was destroyed by fire of undetermined origin Wednesday night. The garage was valued at \$10,000 and the forty cars caused a loss of \$30,000. Insurance carried amounts to \$20,000.

Sorrells' lumber yard caught fire and the whole town probably would have been destroyed if the Tahoka fire department had not come to its aid. The lumber yard fire was extinguished and the fire confined to the Ford plant.

C. I. Kuykendall, manager of the garage, said that the company would rebuild at once.

PLAINVIEW GRAVEL PIT YIELDS ANCIENT RELICS

Bones of Prehistoric Animals Found Under Ground; to Be in Museum

Added to the list of pre-historic animal remains found in the Panhandle, strongly supporting the theory that this vast plains territory was at one time an immense marsh, are several bones unearthed in Plainview recently.

W. O. Temple, who has a large sand and gravel pit leased in Plainview, gave several of the prehistoric bones to a Globe representative last week.

A remarkably well preserved tusk, which those who examined it say appears to be the tip end of the tooth of a giant elephant, water buffalo or some other form of ancient animal, is one of the specimens. Another is a large leg bone, supposedly that of a mastodon or mammoth. Although the leg bone is not so well preserved, under proper care it will form a permanent part of a museum collection.

A giant tooth and two large fin-like toe bones complete the collection. The relics will be given the Panhandle-Plains Historical society, Canyon, for its museum.

PLAINVIEW BOYS' BAND TO ATTEMPT GOLD MEDAL CLASS

Plainview, April 6.—With an enviable record already behind it of notable achievements in previous state band contests, the Plainview Chamber of Commerce boy's band will enter the five-year class of the state contest at the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention at Mineral Wells in May to try for even greater honors, in that it hopes to win the distinction of being the Gold Medal band for the next year.

Director Frank Ihlefeldt, who has been with the Plainview organization for the past three years is putting the band through strenuous practice for the contest. Under his leadership, the band won first in the contest at the Plainview convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce in the second-year class, but the obvious reasons, the honor was passed on to another organization.

At San Angelo in 1923, the Plainview band won second place in the first class, having been defeated by the Weatherford Gold Medal band.

At Brownwood, last year, the band won the first prize in the four-year class having defeated the famous Colorado City Municipal band, which came out in second place.

Haskell—Plans are under way for a new \$60,000 hotel for Haskell. An expert hotel man is expected to take charge as soon as the building is completed.

Lamesa—The James Key Gin, one of the largest gins on the South Plains that burned a few nights ago will be rebuilt and ready to take care of the coming crop.

Colorado—This city will soon have installed a new modern telephone exchange. The Chamber of Commerce through the Secretary, W. S. Cooper has been after this exchange for more than two years.

Slaton—This city claims 250 new homes were built in 1924 and forty one homes during January, 1925. The \$135,000 high school building has just been completed.

Midland—A new six or eight stand gin will be built for the fall cotton crop, which will be by far the largest acreage in the history of this section of the South Plains.

Paducah—Much interest is being developed here owing to the discovery of potash. It is now hoped that the mineral will be found in paying quantities as further development shows the area to be large and the quantity increasing from recent developments.

Amburst—A new town on the Santa Fe railroad in Lamb County wants a water system, modern fire fighting apparatus and a city marshal. This town not yet two years old is rapidly putting in city conveniences.

Portales, N. M.—Land planted to cotton irrigated 6 times produced an average of 41 lbs. per acre for cost of irrigation, leaving 778 lbs. lint per acre. Many thousands of acres can be irrigated in this section from shallow wells and centrifugal pumps at small cost.

Crosbyton—The City Commission here will soon call an election to vote a \$40,000 bond issue for the construction of a city hall.

Spur—A contract has been let for the installation of a new sewer system. When completed the cost of the improvement will amount to \$50,000.

WATCH for the Rexall sale, 16th, 17th and 18th.—Lockney Drug Co.

SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Floyd

BY VIRTUE of an order of sale issued out of the honorable district court of Floyd county, on the 6th day of April, A. D. 1925, by the clerk thereof, in the case of John Dodson, versus A. J. White, Geo. T. Sheriweh and S. A. Henry, No. 1872, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for sheriff's sale, on the FIRST MONDAY in May, A. D. 1925, being the 5th day of said month, before the court house door of said Floyd county, in the city of Floydada, Texas, the following described property, to-wit:

All of lots sixteen (16), seventeen (17), eighteen (18) and nineteen (19), in block one (1), in the Moore's addition No. 2, to the town of Lockney, Floyd County, Texas.

Levied on this 6th day of April, A. D. 1925, as the property of A. J. White, to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$3320.67, in favor of John Dodson, and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 6th day of April, A. D. 1925.

J. R. MADDOX, Sheriff, Floyd County, Texas.

I. C. C. ALLOWS I PLAINS ROAD; OTHER APPLIES

Santa Fe Line Authorized; Silverton Branch Asks Permission to Build

Washington, April 4.—The South Plains and Santa Fe railway was authorized today by the interstate commerce commission to construct a new line of road in Lubbock, Hockley and Cochran counties, Texas. The line will extend from a connection with an existing line at Doud in a westerly direction to a point near the west line of Cochran county, a distance of 65 miles.

Washington, April 4.—The Pecons and North Texas railway company today applied to the interstate commerce commission for authority to construct an extension of its line from Lider to Silverton, Texas, a distance of thirty miles.

The new line is designed to furnish transportation facilities through a rich agricultural territory in Hale, Floyd and Briscoe counties, Texas, which is now without railroad service. Funds for the proposed construction will be borrowed from time to time from the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railway.

SANTA FE PUTS OUT PANHANDLE PLAINS FOLDER

The Santa Fe Railroad Company

WE WANT TO BE YOUR GROCER

We can supply you with anything you need in the Grocery line, and it is a pleasure for us to serve you.

Call on us for your table supplies, and you will always get the very freshest and best groceries the market affords. We make a special effort to have just what you want at all times, and if we haven't got any article you call for, it is no trouble for us to get it if it is to be had in the town.

Let us have you next months grocery business and see if you are not satisfied with our service.

LOCKNEY GROCERY

IF IT'S NOT GOOD, WE MAKE IT GOOD

BENNETT & PACE DRAY LINE

WE HAUL ANYTHING YOU DESIRE.

We will appreciate your business and give you in return prompt and efficient service. Give us a trial.

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Phone 155

JEWELER AND OPTOMETRIST

F. M. KESTER

A SHARE OF YOUR TRADE IS APPRECIATED at Lockney Drug Company.

has just issued an elaborate folder, portraying development features of the Panhandle and South Plains sections of Texas, and carrying illustrations of agricultural and livestock industries. Scenes from many of the Panhandle-Plains cities are shown to advantage and it is believed the information given will be of untold value to this section of the state as well as to the railway company.

More than a hundred thousand copies of the folder will be distributed to passengers, tourists and prospectors from all sections of America. The Santa Fe had over 3,000 inquiries for its folders during the past year and thousands of inquiries will follow.

The historical feature of the Panhandle-Plains is given in detail, including the kinds of soil, amount of rainfall, and the healthfulness of the country's conditions.

Laying particular stress upon its industries the Santa Fe has the following to say:

Cotton growers make money fast in the Texas Panhandle and South Plains where virgin soil produces abundantly and crops often pay for the farm in a single season. Cotton is a sure crop and boll weevil is unknown. Many farmers make from onehalf up to abale per acre. This rich new country wants more settlers. It welcomes and aids the newcomer. Land prices reasonable and terms liberal. The Texas Panhandle and South Plains farmers are prosperous. The land is level prairie—deep, rich and fertile soil. A country of beef, pork, mutton, poultry and dairying. All cereals are successfully grown including milo maize, kafir and broom-corn. Alfalfa and other grasses, apples and other fruits, also all garden vegetables do exceptionally well. There are good towns, good roads and excellent schools. Average annual rainfall is about 14 inches, mostly in the growing season. There is plenty of good water at a moderate depth.

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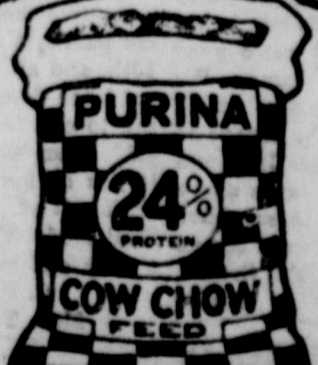
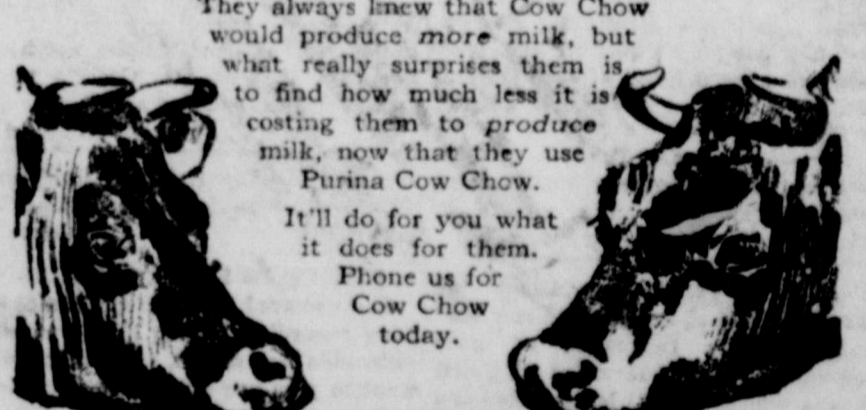
Reduce Your Milk Cost!

Purina Cow Chow is proving some mighty interesting things to dairymen in this part of the country.

They are keeping records of the extra milk they get each day from balancing their home-grown feeds with Purina Cow Chow.

They always knew that Cow Chow would produce more milk, but what really surprises them is to find how much less it is costing them to produce milk, now that they use Purina Cow Chow.

It'll do for you what it does for them. Phone us for Cow Chow today.



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A SAFE INVESTMENT

What good is a mortgage, if the house burns up and there is no insurance?

Surety for your investment, with

GRUVER INSURANCE AGENCY

Phone 148 "Trade In Lockney"

WHY COOK WHEN YOU CAN BUY HOT

BARBECUE EVERY DAY

Our Pimiento Cheese are Fine—Ask Your Neighbor.

We appreciate your trade and are going to install soon the Best Freezer Display Counter that money will buy.

SPECIAL SALE ON EASTER HAMS ALL NEXT WEEK
Sizes 4 to 6 lbs. Saturday and Monday, per lb 42c

WANTED—To trade some Pure Lard for Country Side Bacon.

CITY MEAT MARKET

BUILDING SERVICE

DEVOE PAINTS AND KYANIZE VARNISHES

DEMPSTER SELF-OILING WINDMILLS

2 gallons of Oil furnished with each mill to start off on.

PLENTY OF WELL CASING, PUMP PIPE, PUMP ROD, ALL SIZES.

FLOYD COUNTY LUMBER CO.

PHONE 9

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OUR SPECIALS ARE BARGAINS

7 spools, 200 yards, Thread 25c

Khaki Pants, Overall, Blue and Gray Shirts, we have plenty of them.

New shipment of Caps. Also Measure Suits to order from The International Tailoring Co.

STILL DRY

—But our prices are in line, wet or dry, for your wants, and also for your chickens, from eggs to the crowing rooster.

We Sell for Less

FLOYD HUFF-&-CASH GROCERY

WANT COLUMN

WINDMILL & PLUMBING WORK

J. A. Guinn is now located at the Higginbotham-Bartlett Lumber Co., where he will be glad to receive your orders for all kinds of Windmill and Plumbing work. Phone 55. 48-tf

Electrical Supplies of all kinds and Electric irons at Crager Furniture Co. 20-tf-c

Let us do your cleaning and pressing.—Hugh Counts.

Have your Abstracts made by ARTHUR B. DUNCAN The Old Reliable Abstract Man. Floydada, Texas

I have mules to sell or trade, will sell on time, with good notes, or trade for good coming two year old mules. If you need work stock see—A. R. Meriwether.

Cotton Seed For Sale—Mebane 2nd year growth in West Texas. See Floyd County Lumber Co. 27-tf-e.

FOR SALE—1 brooder and 1 brooder house. See Ira Broyles, phone 9.

WATCH for the Rexall 1c sale, 16th, 17th and 18th.—Lockney Drug Co.

Special Request—The person who took the watch from home of Mrs. F. M. Kennedy near Providence, belonging to Everett Pullen, at the dance on New Year's will please return same. Everett Pullen is now dead and his mother wants the watch for a keepsake. Mrs. F. M. Kennedy, Rt. B. box 46 Plainview.

SEED IRISH POTATOES We now have Cobbler and Triumph Seed Irish Potatoes. Also Bermuda Onions and Onion Sets for planting. A complete stock of all kinds of garden seeds. Come here for your needs along the gardening line.—Theo Griffith's Grocery. 22-tf-c

Did You Know—Holmes Bros. now owns an 8-months-old Duroc Jersey boar that was Grand Champion boar at the 1924 Panhandle-South Plains fair at Lubbock? Breeding charges are now one pig at weaning age. Why not get a good litter of pigs? Write Rt. 4 Floydada or Mickey. 26-tf-c

Notice to Public I am still in the dray business and will haul anything anywhere.—O. T. Prickett, the Old Reliable, phone 90.

Farm Lands for Rent or Lease—We have one-half of a section of raw land located within two miles of good schools and about 18 miles of Tulia, Texas, which we will lease under an absolute five year lease to some party who will go on this land, break out as much as 260 acres and put a good set of improvements on same. We will furnish all outside fences and a well, windmill, and tub, the tenant to get all crops raised on said land and to pay no rent except the taxes and a small handling charge. Also have other lands to rent on different terms.—See or write Meade F. Griffin, Plainview, Texas. 20-tf-c

CASH for DENTAL GOLD, Platinum, Silver, Diamonds, magneto points, false teeth, jewelry, any valuables. Mail today. Cash by return mail. Hoke S. & R. Co., Otsego, Mich.

To our Friends and Customers of the Lockney community: Come to the Nursery or send us your order direct and save a big commission on your trees. We have a complete stock and will guarantee satisfaction. Our plums, peaches, grapes, cherries are sure bearing kind and after 15 years of careful selection we know the best varieties. Catalogue sent on request.—Plainview Nursery, 2 1-2 miles north Plainview, Plainview, Texas.

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FOR SALE—Good Jersey milk cow; Bois D'Arc wagon and 2 sets of leather harness.—O. J. Huggins. 29-tf-c

FOR SALE—Pigs and Single Comb White Leghorn cocks.—Albert King, 10 miles north of Lockney. 11-pd

FOR SALE—Rhode Island Red eggs, 50c setting.—Edna Whitaker. 29-2t-c

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WALL PAPER—We have a big stock of wall paper, most all kinds of patterns to select from.—Crager Furniture Co. 29-tf-c

LOST—Between Floydada and Plainview one Firestone balloon tire on rim, Ford size.—Finder please notify Beacon.

LIBERAL reward for the return of Siphon hose with check valve in one end, lost in southwest part of town Saturday, March 14th.—Floyd Barber

WATCH for the Rexall 1c sale, 16th, 17th and 18th.—Lockney Drug Co.

BARBECUE AND OYSTERS every day at Riley & Brewster's Market.

FOR SALE—S. C. American White Leghorn Eggs, M. Johnson strain, \$5.00 per 100, \$1.00 per 15.—Ira H. Chambers, 4 1-2 miles west of Lockney, on S. T. Cooper place. 25-tf-c

FOR SALE—Extra good bundle kaf-fir.—See Robert Smith, Jr., 7 miles north and 2 east of Lockney. 28-3t-p

FOR SALE—One kitchen cabinet and one kitchen safe.—See L. H. Gruver.

FOR SALE—Rhode Island Red eggs, Airhart Strain, 75c and \$1.25 setting of 15.—Glenn Watson, at Cash Grocery. 28-4t-pd

FOR RENT—Farm 12 miles north of Lockney. Call at Dr. Greer's residence for further information.— 29 2t. pd.

We have Mebane, Half and Half, and Truett cotton seed for sale.—Geo. T. Meriwether. 28-tf-c

NOTICE TO ICE CUSTOMERS Just received a letter from the company regarding the big list of unpaid light bills last month. Customers we want to give you 100 per cent service and must make 100 per cent collections this month. All bills that was not paid last month MUST be paid by 10th, and all other bills must be paid not later than 20th, as it is embarrassing to us to have to cut your lights off. Your light bills are in now, and if you do not have the money in the bank call at our office in front of Waller Motor Co., between 9 and 5 o'clock and pay your bills. C. R. WILKINSON Mgr. Texas Utilities Co.

Cleaning and pressing called for and delivered.—Hugh Counts.

MAGNOLIA AND GULF GASOLINE—We handle Magnolia and Gulf Gasoline.—Pennington Motor Co.

YES MA'AM!

We have Whipping Cream.

Let us know about twenty-four hours before hand and we will have it ready.

GROVES DAIRY

NOTICE

THE PECOS & NORTHERN TEXAS RAILWAY COMPANY hereby gives notice that on the first day of April, 1925, it filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission at Washington, D. C., its application for a certificate that the present and future public convenience and necessity require the construction by it of an extension of its line of railroad from Lida, Hale County, in a general northeasterly direction through Hale, Floyd, and Briscoe Counties, to Silverton, Briscoe County, a distance of approximately 30 miles, all in the State of Texas. THE PECOS & NORTHERN TEXAS RAILWAY COMPANY 29-3t

Notice to Depositors and Creditors

Notice is hereby given that the Lockney State Bank, Lockney, Texas is in my hands for the purpose of liquidation.

All persons having claims against the Lockney State Bank, Lockney, Texas, must present such claims and make legal proof thereof on or before July 9th, 1925.

ALL CLAIMS OF GUARANTEED DEPOSITORS MUST BE PRESENTED AND LEGAL PROOF THEREOF MADE NO LATER THAN JULY 9th, 1925.

ALL CLAIMS OF GUARANTEED DEPOSITORS PRESENTED AFTER JULY 9th, 1925, SHALL NOT BE ENTITLED TO PAYMENT OF ANY PORTION THEREOF OUT OF THE DEPOSITORS GUARANTY FUND.

All claims and proof of claims must be presented to the special agent in charge at the banking house of the Lockney State Bank, Lockney, Texas. CHAS. O. AUSTIN, Banking Commissioner of Texas.

BILL FOR STATE ROAD CONTROL IS SIGNED

AUSTIN, April 2.—Legislative and executive approval of state control of connected highways was assured Thursday when Governor Miriam A. Ferguson signed the new highway law. This bill was introduced at the behest of the Federal Government so as to make the state regulations conform with the federal highway aid rules, and will assure continued aid of approximately \$4,000,000 yearly from the Federal Government, it was said.

Under this bill the State Highway Department is given the exclusive power to contract for construction of the designated highways and also for their maintenance. The bill permits the department to make contracts with counties to maintain the highways when it is not feasible for the state department to take charge.

The counties in the future will have charge of construction of the lateral roads only. This plan has been followed by the department for more than a year, and it was attacked in the court by several counties, but the department was upheld by the rulings of the court, it was said.

LUBBOCK LOSSES BY FIRE \$14,585.50 MONTH OF MARCH

Lubbock, April.—Fire losses, growing out of ten calls during the month of March, reached \$14,585.50 in Lubbock, Fire Chief W. E. Twitty stated yesterday. March's fire bill brought the 1923 total up to \$31,362.12, the chief said, and in accordance with the state fire laws that figure has been turned into Austin for the first quarter of the year 1925.

A total of 36 calls has been made during 1925 thus far but the chief believes that the heavy fire season is over with the passing of cold weather. He has recently written for a delivery date on the new \$11,000 quadruple service truck which was recently ordered by the city.

EASTER-TIME

When the month of green has clothed all nature, and made the countryside a thing of beauty to behold, man, gets the spirit of Spring, and all the people desire to be clothed in keeping with the Season.



We were never prepared to supply the needs of the Lockney trade territory than the present Season.

Every Little Tot Will Have a New Pair of Shoes FOR EASTER



Happy children and Easter Morn—up and off to Sunday school dressed within an inch of their lives—everything sparkling new from hat to shoes. This week, busy mothers will come to Baker's for their children's shoes—where great stocks make for quick and easy selection, where proper fitting of little feet is understood and practiced, where the whole process of buying children's shoes is a real pleasure.



HARDWARE & GROCERY DEPARTMENT

The season for Cotton Seed is here. We offer you good gin run seed at \$1.00 per bushel.

Buy a few sacks of Salsbury and enter the Dallas News Contest on 1-inch staple cotton.

Save your AER-O-PLANE BONDS. Next drawing will be Trades Day, Fourth Monday, April 27th.

WE PAY MORE IN TRADE FOR YOUR EGGS AND PRODUCE

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