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## Here In HICO

In a single week three outstanding things have happened that give Hico schools a new prestige and a new incentive for the remainder of the year. In a broad sense of the word, these three things will effect surrounding schools to a decided extent, so farmers as well as townspeople would do well to examine closely the possible results of what has happened.

In the first place, Hico made more points at the county meet than she has ever made before. In both athletics and literary events she ranked second, and gave Hamilton a real scare in the total number of points in the two fields combined. However much athletics may be disliked by a few citizens, it cannot be denied that a school without a live spirit for athletics is usually without much pep in any other respect.

One of the first things here in Hico heard when he came to Hico was that there was no spirit, either in the school or in the town, for football, basketball, baseball or any other kind of sports. This year's eclipsing of all previous records in county meet competition may mean the building of a new boosting spirit for sports of all kinds. Let us hope so.

The taxpayer who disapproves of the stressing of athletics in the schools he helps support and to which he sends his children forgets that children have something besides brains. They have bodies that must be kept healthy in order that the brain may function properly. They have unbounded enthusiasm which, if not directed along lines offered by athletics, may be directed towards violation of law or parental authority.

If you want your boy or girl to be great, give him or her an opportunity to develop a well rounded life. A boy with spindly legs and all the knowledge of Socrates may sink to obscurity while the fellow with only a spoonful of brains and football built physique may be a business giant. Did you know that 1928 boasts the smallest number of deaths in proportion to the number of births of any year in the history? In other words, did you know that in spite of the rush and rumble of moderns, they live longer than their grandfathers because their grandfathers too often neglected some phase of their beings?

Yes, the Hico Schools' winning of 171 points this year means more than a second place in the Interscholastic League averages of the county. And then there is the item of a 10 per cent increase in scholastic enrollment for this district. That means, of course, that the town is growing. Not every town in the state this size can boast of a 10 per cent increase in scholastics for the past year.

Such an increase means, above all else, that new families are coming to Hico. It means that people are beginning to trust the resources and future of this town enough to want to bring their children here to be schooled. As new families and new enterprises are coming here, are you showing them that their dreams will come true, or are you letting Spring slip up behind you with sleeping salts in her hand?

Finally, the Lions Club gave the local schools a boost when they voted to go before the executive committee of the Interscholastic League to ask for the county meet next year. Not only do local business men want the meet, but they want to help pay for it, rather than charge attendants for the privilege of seeing their favorite sons and daughters perform. That is a great spirit, capable of generation and carrying out only through such an organization as the Lions Club. It is unfair to Hamilton, Hico, and the smaller schools for the county meet to be held in the county seat every year. The real reason, it seems, for holding the meet in Hamilton from year to year, is that Hico has not wanted it badly enough to ask for it and guarantee its support.

If the meet comes here next year, an opportunity will be given every school child and many parents in the county to look over the town when it is at its best. Probably the extra trade Hico gets and the expenses of the meet will just about balance, but the town will profit indirectly. That is where big profits come from ultimately—from the spirit of good will and fellowship sown in the hearts and minds of other people. That is why, from the standpoint of every person in the county, the Interscholastic League meet should be held in Hico next year.

Do you remember, folks, when the News Review changed hands the first of the year, that a glowing promise was made about having a grand opening? Here we have been in Hico for three months, and we still have not had that opening. The main reason has been the weather; that needs no explaining. The second reason is that we have been longer than we expected in getting some of the organization wrinkles of the business straightened.

That opening will be held some

## Hico Makes 171 Points in League Meet--Sets Record

Piling up a total of 171 points in the county Interscholastic League meet in Hamilton last week-end, Hico high school and grade school contestants followed closely on the heels of the county seat town for highest honors. Hico made the greatest number of points in the history of the school for a single year's competition, 1920 ranking next highest with 162 points.

George Evans won the high point honors with a total of 15 tallies, 10 in literary events and five in athletic events. Taft Holloway gained 11 points in both divisions. In the athletic events alone Weldon Leach was high man with 10 3-4 points, with Orien Graves runner-up with 10 points.

Hamilton copped the county meet laurels with a total of 201 points, 30 more than Hico made. Indian Gap, with an unusually strong track team, piled up 111 points. Carlton was fourth with 98, Pottsville fifth with 96, and Liberty sixth with 27.

Hico winners will go to the district meet at Brownwood April 5 and 6, where they will compete against Brownwood, San Saba, and Hamilton, the other class A schools in this division. Coach John Freeman of the athletic department is confident of winning several places in the Brown county seat, and literary entrants will also probably make points for Hico.

Of the 171 points made by Hico high school, the seniors are credited with 87, the juniors with 68, the freshmen with nine, and the sophomores with seven. Weakness in junior literary events, in which Hamilton made virtually a clean sweep, accounted for the county seat's margin over Hico to a large extent.

Following is the list of Hico winners, with the events in which they placed:

- High School Athletics**  
First place, broad jump, Orien Graves.  
First place, low hurdles, Weldon Leach.  
Second place, high jump, Orien Graves.  
Third place, 440 yard dash, Weldon Leach.  
Second place, 880 yard dash, Weldon Leach.  
Third place, shot put, Orien Graves.  
Second place, shot put, Paul Holladay.

- First place, 100 yard dash (10.4 seconds), W. H. Gandy.  
Third place, 880 yard run, W. H. Gandy.  
Fourth place, 440 yard dash, Taft Holloway.  
Fourth place, 220 yard dash, Charles Shelton.  
Second place, boys' singles, tennis, George Evans.  
Second place, mile relay.

- Junior Athletics**  
Second place, 440 yard relay.  
First place, broad jump, Adolph Leach.  
Second place, broad jump, Jack Viekrey.  
Second place, girls' indoor baseball team.

- Literary Events**  
Third place, extemporaneous speaking.  
First place, senior boys' declamation, Paul Holladay.  
Second place, senior girls' declamation, Dorriece Pirtle.  
Second place, music memory contest, Ruth Pirtle and James Brown.  
First place, senior girls' debates, Evelyn Burden and Johnnie Cleveland.  
First place, senior boys' debate, George Evans and Taft Holloway.  
Third place, junior girls' spelling, Flossie Randalls and Adele Barnett.  
Fourth place, extemporaneous speaking, Jeannette Randalls.  
Second place, sub-junior spelling, Helen Hall and Martha Masterson.

## Junior B. Y. P. U. Has Hike to Leach Place

Last Saturday morning the junior B. Y. P. U. met at the leaders' home, from which they hiked to John Leach's, where they enjoyed an Easter egg hunt and several games. At 12:30 o'clock they spread their lunch under the shade of a spreading oak. The picnic ended with a hay ride back to town and the taking of a few pictures.

The following were present: Cecilia Ann Schwartz, Margaret Horton, Juanita Hardin, Hazel Shelton, Artell Portet, Nadine Tumlin, Katherine and Margaret Leach, Jewel Smith, Ruth Pirtle, Nell Pettv, Charline Malone, Mattie Lee Goad, Rhuev Bingham, Mary Helen Hall, Wander Turner, Dorine McMurray, Lavton Guvton, Fursie Hackett, B. F. Turner, James Turner, Lloyd Burleson, Glen Russell, Herman Leach, Alvin Deskin.

Accompanying the juniors were their leader, Miss Christine Fewell, and Misses Thelma Turner, Ferris Shelton, and Wood; Meses. Bingham, Fewell and Leach.

time in April, in spite of all things weatherish or otherwise. Next week we will have a definite announcement to make. In the meantime, we advise our friends, especially the ones living on farms, dairies, and poultry farms, to get their glad rags ready. There will be punch and souvenirs and speeches and music... but read about it next week.

## Good Roads Meeting Is To Be Held Tomorrow

A good roads committee, which has been investigating the possibility of improving all lateral roads in Hamilton county, has issued the following notice to everyone interested in good roads in this section:

"All taxpayers are urged to attend the good roads mass meeting to be held at Hamilton county court house Saturday, March 30, at 2:30 p. m. At this meeting there will be discussed the question of improving from 400 to 600 miles of rural and county roads to make them passable in all kinds of weather."

"Hamilton county is fortunately situated so that it has plenty of gravel easily available to gravel our county roads, and at this meeting ways and means will be discussed for graveling all black land stretches, removing the mud holes and in other respects improving our roads."

## HICO TO SEEK 1930 MEETING OF LEAGUE

The Hico Lions Club last Friday voted unanimously for the appointment of a committee empowered to advise the Interscholastic League executive committee, which meets next fall, that this town wishes to entertain the county meet next year. Instead of charging a 25-cent admission fee, as has been done heretofore, the club members voted to extend the invitation with the understanding that all expenses of the meet will be borne by the businesses of Hico.

This action in regard to the league invitation followed Superintendent C. G. Masterson's report of the first-day success of Hico entrants in the meet which started at Hamilton last Thursday evening. Mr. Masterson was enthusiastic concerning the change of the annual county meet, and said he believed practically all schools in the county would be in favor of the new arrangement should the executive committee act in Hico's favor.

An agricultural committee, appointed by President H. E. McCulloch to confer with County Agent William Mienscher, who was a guest of the day, met with the agent after the meeting. It was decided to give the active support of the club to the agricultural committee's bi-monthly visits to Hico. Mr. Mienscher will be at the city hall for all-day conferences with farmers on the second and the fourth Saturdays.

A. A. Brown, a new member, was present for the first time at last week's meeting. He spoke praisingly of the Lions Club as he had seen it from a spectator's point of view.

Visitors of the day included the county agent, of the Hamilton Lions Club; J. B. Pool, of Olin; and R. F. Higgins and E. S. Howell, of the Stephenville Lions Club. The two Stephenville visitors spoke enthusiastically of the fine spirit reflected in the organization of the local club. Mr. Higgins is one of the publishers of the News Review, and Mr. Howell is connected with the same concern.

Mr. Pool, a farmer living near Olin, spoke, at the invitation of the president, on why he came to the Hico country. He praised the hospitable spirit of the people as well as the possibilities for farmers to diversify and make a living from many angles. He also insisted that a farmer could enjoy many of the comforts of town if he were willing to pay the price demanded by up-to-date farming.

## R. L. PRATER DOUBLES CROP ON RED SANDHILL

Not more than two miles northeast of Hico there lay a red sand hill in the good year 1924. It was much like other hills in the community—fertilized with jagged ditches that had to be circled by a cultivator; topped by glaring red soil that had no more body than a skeleton.

Twenty-eight acres were in the patch. Every year the farmer who lived there had toiled mightily day in and day out, only to see the rich subsoil washed down into the ravines. He saw corn grow not much more than knee high in many places. Rotating crops could not strengthen old land that had no strength of its own—and that was being washed, ultimately, to the Gulf of Mexico, by way of those glaring gulches.

In 1921 R. L. Prater moved to the place. Like his forerunner, he worked industriously to raise a crop on the red hillside. Knee-high corn, spindly cotton: That was the result.

So Mr. Prater called on the county agent, William Mienscher, whose fame as a terracer had been spread abroad. Bill, as he is called, went out in the field with his level and a team and some other terracing equipment, and proceeded to raise little ridges around the side of the red hill. That was in 1925.

The next year more terraced lines were run, and Mr. Prater began in earnest to follow the course of the terraces with his crop rows. In 1926

## PRESIDING ELDER IS SPEAKER AT REVIVAL

Dr. C. R. Wright, presiding elder of this district, made his first visit to Hico Sunday evening and preached in the revival meeting to an overflow crowd. The new elder recently succeeded Rev. W. H. Matthews, who died in Gatesville a few weeks ago. Those who heard his message say he preached a powerful and appealing sermon, and made a most favorable impression.

Fine interest and an increasing attendance has featured the revival meeting at the Methodist church since its opening 12 days ago. The services close Sunday night.

Rev. Paul W. Evans, the pastor, preaches every morning at 10 o'clock and every evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The Sunday school and other services are conducted as usual during the revival meeting.

## LEGIONAIRES ELECT OFFICERS FOR YEAR

H. N. Wolfe was elected as commander of the local American Legion post Tuesday night at the city hall to succeed A. T. McFadden, who has served during the past year. Fred Wolfe was chosen to succeed the new commander as vice commander. The Tuesday meeting was the annual reorganization get-together for the post.

Other officers elected were: H. L. Roddy, adjutant, succeeding W. L. Scott; Rev. C. A. Morton, chaplain; Charles G. Scott, sergeant-at-arms.

It was suggested that the new officers call a meeting at an early date to make plans for an enrollment drive and to arrange for definite meetings in the future. The new commander states that a meeting will be called soon.

It is believed that more than 25 men now living in Hico are eligible for membership, and the new officers urge that every veteran be ready to help when the next meeting is called.

## Grayville School Girls Win at Honey Grove

The Honey Grove school girls played basket ball against the Greyville school girls Friday, and lost by a score of 13 to 4.

The players for Honey Grove the first part were: Mary Etta and Pauline Jenkins, forwards; Lois Thompson and Bonnie Clepper, center; Ophelia Faircloth and Anna Lou Moss, guards.

The players for Honey Grove were: Iva Lee Walker and Thelma Tolliver, forwards; Alice Hicks and Alaska Little, center; Rosa Lee Lambert and Inez Thompson, guards.

There was no change in the Greyville team, but the change in the Honey Grove team was as follows: Mary Etta and Pauline Jenkins, forwards; Ophelia Faircloth and Bana Clepper, center players; Lois Thompson and Agnes Doyle, guards.

**WEATHER REPORT**  
By Observer John Eakins

Week ending March 26: Average high temperature, 68; average low temperature, 42; average precipitation, .32 inch.

Week ending March 26: Mar. 21, clear, south wind; Mar. 22, clear, south wind; Mar. 23, clear, south wind; Mar. 24, partly cloudy, south wind; Mar. 25, clear, south wind; Mar. 26, cloudy, north wind. Highest temperature, 90, on 25th; lowest temperature, 51, on 22nd; no precipitation during week.

## County Agent to Be Here Second - Fourth Saturdays

### Campaign Subscribers Are Urged to Renew

Practically all of the subscriptions for the News Review given during the campaign last year have already expired or will expire during the first half of April. Many have renewed during the past few weeks. To those whose subscriptions expire within the next two weeks we give this early appeal to send in their renewals in order that they may not miss a single issue.

Since it is our policy, alongside that of giving Hico and her trade territory the best newspaper possible, to discontinue papers upon expiration, those who fail to subscribe when their time is out will be dropped from the list. It is possible that you may not be sent an expiration notice, if not, and you are certain that you subscribed during the campaign, just send in your \$1 (or \$1.50 outside Hamilton and adjoining counties), and your time will be moved up a year.

## TEN PER CENT GAIN MADE BY STUDENTS

An increase of 10 per cent in the children of school age in the Hico district is shown for the past year according to figures gathered by Superintendent C. G. Masterson. The superintendent recently finished a scholastic census of the entire district, and can now lay his finger on the name of each child of school age in and near this city.

Last year's census showed that 358 children were in this district, while the most recent one shows 394 children, an increase of 36. The gain was made principally in the city limits, but the addition of several families near Hico accounted for several names.

The state apportionment per capita was \$15 last year, but this year it was increased a dollar, giving the school board a larger fund from which to draw. The increased enrollment, however, adds much to the expense of teaching, and the 75-cent property tax plus the state apportionment still leaves much to be desired to keep the grade and high school up to a high standard.

The increased tax renditions, which have come about because of the growth of Hico during the past year, go hand in hand with the growth of the scholastic population. New families and new businesses are continuing to come in, and it is believed by those who have their fingers on the city pulse that 1929 will witness an even greater increase in both population and property values.

The increase of Hico's scholastic population has meant the elevation this year of the school from class B to class A in the Interscholastic League.

## Program to Be Given at Fairy Friday Night

A program will be rendered by the Parent/Teacher Association of the Fairy school tonight (Friday), to which everyone is extended a cordial invitation by the officers of the organization. Following is the program:

- Devotional, Rev. H. H. Nance.
- Opening address, B. O. Bridges.
- Quartet, Meses. Bill Bridges, Betts, Heidguth and Richardson.
- Reading, Mildred Edwards.
- Acrostic, third and fourth grade boys.
- Song, junior quartet.
- Reading, Edith Pitts.
- Dialogue, Sammie Davis and Avie Parks.
- Song, high school quartet.
- Play, primaries.
- Reading, Charlie Richards.
- Quartet.
- Dialogue, Ruth Trantham and Aline Adams.
- Reading, Mrs. Gerald Licett.
- Song, Girls' Glee Club.
- Reading, Maxine Hevroth.
- Piano solo, Mrs. E. C. Allison.
- One-act play, high school.
- Discussion of the telephone system.
- Suggestion of subject for discussion for next meeting.

## Pastor Joins Ranks of War Vets by Letter

The following letter from Rev. Clarence Allen Morton, pastor of the First Baptist church, was read before members of Nash Post No. 291 of the American Legion at their meeting Tuesday night. It typifies the spirit of the local chapter in attempting to arouse a spirit of cooperation, according to new officers of the service boys' organization.

Rev. Morton was a chaplain during the world war.

"Dear Buddies:

"Since I cannot be present at your meeting this week I am taking this opportunity to express to you my appreciation of your courtesies in the past and to say to you to put me down as a member for another year. In any way that I may be of service, command me.

Sincerely yours,  
Clarence Allen Morton.

County Agent William Mienscher will be in Hico, at the city hall, each second and fourth Saturday, ready to confer with farmers on any subject. This decision was made by the agent in conference with a committee of three appointed at the Lions Club meeting last Friday.

Mr. Mienscher set aside two days each week for conferences with farmers some time ago, but found such a small response to his offer that he discontinued the service. He believes, however, that with the revival of interest in up-to-date farming, poultry raising and dairying, and with the local Lions Club to push the proposition, he will be able to offer many valuable suggestions to an increasing number of inquirers.

The agent will spend two Saturdays in Hico, two Saturdays in Hamilton, and the remainder of the time in doing field work throughout the county.

"Anything that concerns the farmer, poultry raiser or dairyman," is the phrase used by Mr. Mienscher to describe the kind of service he wishes to render. He extends a special invitation for farmers to see him during his first day here, Saturday, April 13.

## WHOLESALE GROCER HOUSE WILL BE HERE

Meadows & Company, Inc., will open a wholesale grocery house in Hico in the near future, according to word received this week by Earl Lynch from Claude Meadows, head of the concern. Mr. Meadows, who operated such a concern here last year, plans to put in a \$15,000 stock of groceries, for distribution in Hamilton and adjoining counties.

The concern was operated here successfully last year, but Mr. Meadows gave it up in order to accept a governmental position. He says that Hico is the best town in the state for such a house, and made his arrangements to come here in preference to several other towns in this section.

Mr. Lynch states the new house will be located in the large building fronting the depot, now being used as a storehouse by the creamery.

## American Art Studied by Review Club Here

The Hico Review Club met Saturday afternoon with Mrs. H. Smith. Mrs. A. C. Johnston conducted the program on American art.

It was brought out in the discussions of the evening that true American art had its beginning in the year 1876, and since that time great strides have taken place in painting, sculpture and architecture.

Mrs. Hugh McCulloch gave an interesting talk on "The Influence of the Far East." America's most famous artist, James McNeil Whistler, was the subject of Mrs. Earl Lynch's talk.

Mrs. H. Gleason told of America's contribution to architecture, stressing the fact that America is the only country where the skyscraper exists, stating that the skyscraper originated from a desire in large cities to economize in taxes. Mrs. Ridgway named some memorials by St. Gauden and showed pictures of a member of his statutory creations.

"Should Benjamin West Be Considered an American Artist?" was answered in the affirmative by Mrs. S. E. Blair, West being a pioneer of American art.

Mrs. Frank Mingus gave a delightful discussion of cartoonists and magazine illustrators.

Some of America's story telling pictures were named by Mrs. C. G. Masterson. "America's Need of a National Gallery of Art" was discussed by the club's president, Mrs. Lawrence Lane.

The club voted to send congratulations to the winners in the county meet at Hamilton the past week.

## PETTY BROTHERS STYLE SHOWING SUCCESSFUL TO BE GIVEN TOMORROW

The balcony of the Petty Brothers store was a thing of beauty Saturday afternoon, when the portrayal of the season's new offerings in evening, afternoon and street dresses, ensembles, flannel and silk suits, garden frocks, coats and hats were modeled by a group of charming misses, including Ardus Cole, Frances Hancock, Willis Gamble, Katherine Smith, Katherine Randalls, Rowena Burris and Marie Ayeock.

The music, which continued through the entire showing, was furnished by the Gandy orchestra. The color scheme was green and white, with the green background, white draperies and ferns and cut flowers also used.

The house was filled to capacity, and each visitor was well pleased with the splendid showing arranged by the local store. Another such showing will be tomorrow (Saturday) afternoon in the store from 2:30 to 4 o'clock, with entirely different costumes on display.

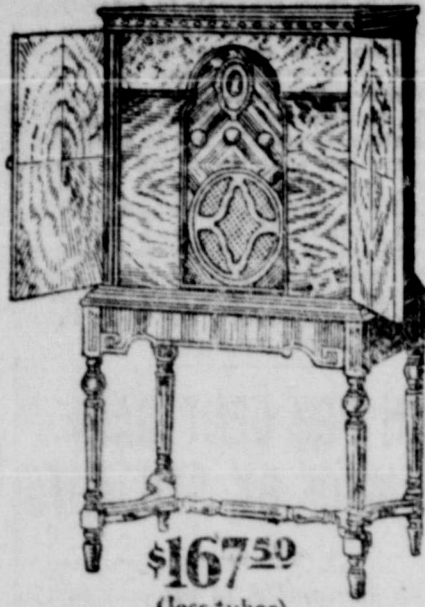
Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Diltz were in Dublin Sunday visiting relatives and friends.

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### Mission Pageant Will Be Given at Hamilton

A mission study pageant will be presented in the Hamilton high school auditorium Sunday evening at 7:30, according to an announcement by Mrs. E. M. Francis, vice-president of the county B. Y. P. U. federation. The Hamilton county federation of Baptist young people will sponsor the presentation.

Fifteen or more returned missionaries from the Fort Worth seminary and training school will present the pageant. They will appear in the native costumes of the countries represented.

Everyone in Hamilton county is invited to see the pageant. Church workers of every church are urged to attend by Mrs. Francis. No charges will be made, but there will be a free will offering to defray the necessary expenses of the presentation.

A number of Hico families will see the pageant.

Marshall—Nine-story, modern, fire resistant hotel will be erected here, costing \$300,000.

New oil well brought in for Houston Gulf Gas Company in Woodsboro-Refugio field.

Moulton—Issuance of \$31,000 worth bonds authorized construction of new sewer system.

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### County Agent Proves Worth to Community

In Llano county, Texas, where the turkey crop is of considerable importance, enormous losses have been sustained by growers because of intestinal worms. The county agent, H. C. Robinson, was called and he demonstrated the use of liquid iodine solution introduced directly into the gizzards of the birds, completely eliminating the worms within an hour with no bad effects. A demonstrator, J. W. Benskins, treated 115 birds in like manner, and these birds gained four pounds in three weeks. Treatment is given and birds confined until the worms have been expelled. They can be destroyed without reinfesting the range.

We do not know what Mr. Robinson specialized in while at college, but we venture to say that it was not turkeys. Yet, with a source of information available he was able to show Llano county turkey growers how to get rid of this pest. He probably saved the farmers of Llano county more than the county appropriation for his salary by this one demonstration, and he has done 100 other things of equal value and importance. No doubt that there are yet some people living Llano county who believe that hiring county agents is a waste of money, but their numbers are growing less.—Farm and Ranch.

### Woman 101 Years Old Goes to County Farm

(Gorman Progress)  
After 101 years on this spinning sphere, Eastland county's oldest inhabitant, has taken up her abode at the county home.

The centenarian was born in England and she remembers "the year the stars fell." She was five years old then.

When the woman appeared before the commissioners' court Friday, she sang a song of her own composition concerning Al Smith and Herbert Hoover. She was disappointed because Smith was defeated in the presidential race.

Despite her age, the venerable woman gets around spryly with the aid of a cane, and her face, though wrinkled, indicate an age 20 years less than her actual age. Her mind is alert and she smiles easily and often. Smiling may have helped her to attain her exceptional age.

Mrs. Alice Robinson for the past few years, has been living with friends in Gorman and Cisco. She has no relatives. With the aid of glasses, she has no difficulty in reading her favorite volume being the Bible, from which she quoted readily when asked a question by County Judge Clyde L. Garrett. She has one wish that has never been realized. She wants to take a ride in an airplane.

In going to the Eppler Memorial farm, the woman stipulated that she was to come to town each Sunday to attend church. She is a Baptist.

Her first act, upon arriving at the memorial farm, was to ask for tobacco. Filling her pipe, she enjoyed a smoke.

McAllen—\$50,000 branch factory of Mercedes Concrete Pipe Company opened.

Petition prepared for paving of 6 3-4 mile stretch on Electra-Burkburnett highway by way of Clara. Electra—Wabash Avenue between Main and Waggoner will be paved.

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### Plants Cotton Rows to Fit Contour of Land

Albany, Mar. 13.—By running his cotton rows to the level according to the contour of the land, E. W. Carlson of the Berryhill community made what is described as "the only decent yield of cotton in the community" last year. His field was not very rolling but the contour rows were a great help in holding the few showers that fell, and this meant the difference between a good crop and a poor one. His yield doubled and trebled those of his neighbors. One of them went to the county agent, A. A. Magee, during the cotton picking season with a request for a terracing school, explaining that, "Mr. Carlson is no better farmer than I am, he didn't plant any better seed than I did, and he doesn't have a better farm than I have, but he made twice as much cotton per acre as I did. The only difference that I can figure out is that he had his rows on a level."

Jefferson—New fire truck purchased by city commissioners.

Dew—Large crew constructing high power line for Texas Power & Light Company near Dew-Fairfield highway.

Teague—Establishment of canning factory here discussed at Freestone County farmer's meeting.

Marlin—Construction started on new milk plant for Borden Company. Mexia—New machinery installed at Munger Oil and Cotton Company. Corpus Christi—Montgomery, Ward & Company will open retail store here May 1.

Benavides—500 cars sulphur shipped from Duval Texas Sulphur Company.

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The longest railroad tunnel in America, eight miles through the Cascade range, 100 miles east of Seattle, was opened for train operation in January by the Great Northern railway. The tunnel cost \$14,000,000 and electrification and other improvements involve total expenditure of \$25,000,000.

### NOTICE



**Dr. F. C. Cathey**  
The EYESIGHT SPECIALIST of Hamilton will be at Hico every Friday at Dr. Russell's office at the Corner Drug Store for the purpose of testing eyes and fitting glasses.

## Mental pictures every car buyer should have

SOME DAY you will consider buying a new car.

Keep in mind these pictures made from photographs of scenes at General Motors' 1268-acre Proving Ground. A car wallowing in a sunken road with water over the hubs . . . a car bucking a long stretch of cruel bumps and potholes . . . a car straining to reach the top of a heart-breaking hill . . . a car doing twists and turns and other acrobatics that few cars are ever called upon to do.

Such are the tests given *advance models* of a General Motors car at the Proving Ground. The tests involve speed, power, endurance, braking, riding comfort, handling ease; fuel, oil and tire economy, body strength—every phase of car construction and performance. When every test has been met, the factory goes ahead and builds *your car* like these proved models.

Keep these pictures in your mind. They will come in handy next time you are buying a car.

On this four-mile test track the engineers can run a car night and day, at any speed, to learn just how it stands the pace.



Rough going on a Proving Ground road, made had to test various parts of General Motors cars under hardest possible conditions.



A scientific "bath tub"—not to wash cars, but to show the Proving Ground engineers exactly what happens when a car is driven through water.



Very seldom are hills as steep as this. The average grade of highway hills is seven per cent. This hill is 25 per cent and a car must be good to make it.

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It's a hit—better than 'The Quarterback.'

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WATCH FOR THE DATE

Jacksonville—Building of new bridge across Neches river contemplated by Cherokee and Anderson Counties.

FAIRY NEWS

(Delayed one week)

We are having some more threatening weather at this writing. Farmers are very busy cutting stalks and planting corn.

Rev. Allison preached at the Baptist church Sunday. We did not learn where he resides. Dr. King and wife of Gatesville were visitors in the home of W. L. Jones and family Sunday. Miss Pauline accompanied them home for a visit with them and other relatives.

Mrs. L. P. Richardson is at present visiting in the home of her brother, J. S. Patterson, and other relatives near Hico.

Mrs. Ben Wright was the guest of Mrs. E. C. Allison Sunday afternoon. Professor Hedgpeth and family, and Misses Rilla and Lena Loden were dinner guests of Hub Pitts and family Sunday.

B. O. Bridges has been on the sick list the past week. We hope he will soon be able to resume his work.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jones of San Angelo were visiting Sunday in the home of his parents, W. L. Jones and family. Mr. Jones returned home on Monday while Mrs. Jones will remain for a longer visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Blacklock.

Guests of Mrs. W. T. Newman Sunday were her daughter, Mmes. P. L. Cox, E. M. Hoover, J. O. Richardson.

The school put on a program last Friday night which was enjoyed by all present. After the program was rendered, the Parent-Teacher Association was re-organized and new officers elected.

Mrs. Ernest McCoy and little son, Billie, visited Mrs. Gerald Licett Monday.

Last Tuesday night a group of youngsters and a few middle aged couples met at the W. L. Jones filling station, gathered old buckets and other such instruments for noise making, and went to Mr. Jones' residence, nearby, to make a little tin-can music. They didn't stop at the tin-cans, but also had a large oil barrel and iron bars to beat it with, so they were not long in bringing Mr. Jones to the door. All were invited in, and to the surprise of all were served cold drinks and cakes. The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. Otto Jordan and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Coy Parks, Mr. and Mrs. Aulgie Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Richardson and family, Mrs. W. T. Newman, Mrs. Dunward Allison, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Licett, Vernon Hedgpeth, Hensal Richardson, and Misses Oro May, Cleone and Ruby Parks, Leora Garren, Mildred and Dorris Edwards, Josephine Thomas. All enjoyed the occasion.

Miss Pauline Jones is visiting in Gatesville this week. Mr. and Mrs. Dellis Seago made a business trip to Stephenville Saturday.

Miss Gladys Washam entertained a few of her friends Saturday night in honor of Miss Hazel Allen of Sherman.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Trimmier and Miss Sallie Morgan of Amarillo were visiting friends here Saturday.

Melvin Cruce of Clifton was here Sunday afternoon.

Esteene Calhoun from Gatesville visited Miss Gladys Hedgpeth Sunday afternoon.

Joe and Finis Hutton have purchased a new sport model Victory six Dodge.

Miss Elsie Lee Rowe spent the week-end in Stephenville.

Among those who attended the Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth were: Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Tinkle, Mr. and Mrs. Mont Young, Roswell Wright, Joe and Finis Hutton, Garfield and Woodard Brummett.

B. O. Bridges has been on the sick list the past few days, but we are glad to know that he is much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Wright spent Sunday in Carlton visiting relatives.

Church News

Services were conducted at the Baptist church Sunday morning by Rev. Allison of Brownwood.

Rev. Nance will fill his regular appointment here Sunday. Everyone is cordially invited.

School News

The following officers were elected by the P. T. A. at its re-organization meeting Friday night: Armo T. Hedgpeth, president; Dellis Seago, vice president; Rillie Loden, secretary; Gladys Hedgpeth, assistant secretary; W. E. Goyno, treasurer; Bill Bridges, assistant treasurer; Wymer Allison, reporter.

Last Friday afternoon, March 15, the high school girls, with the help of the teachers, organized a hiking club consisting of 28 members. The following officers were elected: Miss Gladys Hedgpeth, president; Miss Rillie Loden, secretary; Miss Lena Loden, treasurer.

WHY IT PAYS TO TRADE IN HICO

Following is the prize winning essay in the high school division of the News Review contest.

By ELTA GANDY, Hico High School

On a cold, rainy day a dirty little street urchin was pacing along down Main street of Hico, Texas. He noticed how muddy the streets were, and how every person and vehicle went along "Slosh, slosh." He was muttering to himself about the rain and wishing he could walk without stepping in mud and water over his torn, ragged little shoes. Finally he decided to find out for himself how the streets could be kept free of mud and rough places.

He walked into the office of some business firm and spoke to the manager but to his sad dismay the manager did not even acknowledge his presence. He wandered over to the corner of the building and seated himself in the chair. It seemed he sat there an eternity, and still the manager did not seem to move his head from the position in which it had been when he first entered.

The boy arose, and, walking to the desk of the manager, shyly said, "Mr. —, why don't we have our streets so we will not have to walk in mud, and so the cars will not have to bump, bump along the rough streets?"

The manager looked up from his work and gave the boy a look of horrified amazement. I am sure that if he could have read the mind of that manager we would have found these words about to be sent forth from his lips: "Why should a boy of your age and experience worry over such things?" But he did not, for he was a sensible citizen of Hico. He calmly turned his chair around and faced the little boy. He wondered more than ever why a child like he should be moved by a thing like muddy streets.

Then he began, "Son," he said, "Why do you think we do not have paved streets, a better town, a bigger town, and more pep in the town?"

The child stood for a moment, and then, looking straight at the man beside him, he uttered, "Because the people in Hico do not trade in Hico all the time."

Again the man was astounded. To think that a dirty little street urchin, who no one ever noticed or thought about, should have such a wise idea buried deep in his mind. This was something to cause anyone to be bewildered. I am sure we would all be bewildered at such a statement, even from a child who had had the advantages of life, much less a child who had been denied the things of life which tend to make us refined.

Nevertheless the manager again spoke to the child. This time he began, "Son, what do you think about people who do not trade in their home town?" Again he was amazed at the little child's intelligent speech. He started as if he never wished to quit talking.

"Mr. —," he began shyly, "I think that people who order from Sears-Roebuck and other catalogs when they should trade in stores at Hico are unpatriotic. They don't like Hico firms, Hico people, and they are ruining their town because I know when people don't have money they can't amount to much—and a town can't either. If they would trade in Hico, Hico would have more money, and if she had more money she would have more people, and if there were more people they could pay more taxes and have paved streets, water and sewer system, and a fine band. Yes, I like to hear the band play—it is pretty."

Still the child wandered on, and the manager listened attentively. "If the people would give the merchants more of their money, instead of merchants in other places, why we could buy things cheaper. When Hico is bigger and better, people who raise chickens, turkeys and have dairy products for sale can get better prices, and when they get better prices they are encouraged to indulge more in things of an economic nature. Now, Mr. —, that's all I can think of, and I think if everyone would trade in Hico, it would be a much better town in which to live."

With this the manager arose. "Son," he began, "When the citizens of Hico learn to trade at home we will have a fine town, with paved streets and other conveniences." With this satisfaction, the child walked from the office, wishing Hico was like he had described it.

HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN SINCE YOUR WIFE SAW A SHOW

How long has it been since your wife saw a picture show? Of course you love that helpmeet who has gone down the trail of years with you. . . You wouldn't deny her anything in the world if you could help it. You work in the field late in the evening, or stay at the store long after regular work hours, or piddle around the chicken house—just because you want to make her happy always.

But have you ever thought that she stays at home—yes, she does!—almost nightly, except, perhaps, when she goes to church or to visit a neighbor? How long has it been since your wife saw a picture show? On the silver screen she can have first-hand knowledge of many of the things you would like for her to see. Scenes from all the world. . . comedy to make her laugh the troubles away. . . romances to make her more youthful. . . drama to make her forget the everyday worries of the housewife.

Again we ask you—how long has it been since your wife saw a picture show? Bring her to the Palace Theatre tonight—or tomorrow night—or the next night—or the next— Remember, too that she gets a beautiful piece of silverware absolute, free if you bring her on Monday or Tuesday nights.

FAIRY NEWS

Misses Lena and Rillie Loden spent the week-end with homefolks at Millerville.

Mr. and Mrs. Armo T. Hedgpeth and Miss Gladys Hedgpeth spent the week-end in Hamilton.

B. L. Wright made a business trip to Fort Worth Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Seago visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson Sunday afternoon.

Frank Spencer of Fort Worth, who has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Raymond Cunningham, returned home Saturday, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Cunningham.

A crowd of young folks attended the revival meeting at Hico last Thursday night.

Miss Pauline Jones has returned home from Gatesville.

Misses Eva and Amy Chumney and friends visited Mr. and Mrs. Coy Parks Sunday afternoon.

Miss Leora Garren spent Friday night over the Misses Loden.

Arthur Cox is in Dallas undergoing a serious operation. His son, Austin, is also there for a less serious operation. We hope to hear of their recovery soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Stewart of Dallas were visiting Saturday with Mrs. Samantha Stewart.

Brother H. H. Nance filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

The Fairy high school had as its guest Friday Miss Allen of Sherman.

The high school English classes have been entertaining the school by debating on the outstanding problems of today.

The junior girls and boys played Hico juniors last Friday afternoon in playground ball. The boys' scores were 4 to 12 in Hico's favor. The Fairy girls won 12 to 19.

The students are very sorry that Ira Trantham cannot attend school the remainder of the term.

HONEY GROVE NEWS

(Delayed one week)

Rev. Edwin Earle, pastor of the Olin church, preached here Saturday morning, and Rev. Allison, young preacher from Howard Payne College, preached here Saturday night and Sunday afternoon.

The Olin B. Y. P. U. members brought an enjoyable program over Sunday.

Fern Jordan visited friends in Clifton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hendrix of Millerville spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Johnson.

J. P. Clepper and son, J. P., Jr., were among the Fat Stock Show visitors.

Misses Hazel and Estelle Lee Jordan spent Tuesday night with relatives in Carlton.

A new member was added to the D. F. Club, and they celebrated by going on a marshmallow roast Tuesday night. They also had an important meeting Friday night.

Miss Oleta Wade of Olin attended church here Saturday morning.

Misses Elizabeth and Ora Lee Clepper, and Mrs. Perry Clepper and children visited in the Tom Pruitt home near Iredell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Culmer Jordan of Carlton attended church here Saturday night.

H. D. Parks and family of Fairy were visiting in the J. P. Clepper home Sunday.

Mrs. Jordan spent Tuesday night in Carlton with her son and family, J. W. Jordan.

Miss Ila Belle Simmons visited relatives in Clifton Sunday afternoon.

Sixty-three Celebrate Birthdays of Couple

Sixty-three children, grandchildren, neighbors and friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Chaffin gathered at the home of the aged couple, three miles south of Meridian on Sunday, March 17, to celebrate the eighty-first birthday of the father and the seventy-fourth birthday of the mother.

A bountiful dinner was prepared by the children and neighbors. Two large birthday cakes, baked by Miss Myrtle Chaffin, a granddaughter, of Iredell, and Mmes. Will Dyess and Robert Fullerton, neighbors of the honorees, were surmounted by candles showing the ages of the couple.

The following guests enjoyed the dinner and the fellowship of the occasion: G. W. Chaffin and family of Iredell, T. A. Goams and family of Spring Creek Gap; Alva Wilson and family and Hardy Haugh and family of Spring Creek; Edd Alley and family, Lee Dyess and family, Will Dyess and family, Earl Pilet and family, Robert Fullerton and family, Luther Dyess and family, George Owen and family, Mrs. Lovern and daughters, Miss Rosa Phillips, and Pastor F. E. Kirchner and family, all of Meridian.

A portion of the afternoon was spent in religious services, in which some old songs were sung, and which was especially enjoyed by the honored couple. All agreed in having a most delightful time, and extended their best wishes to the honored parents for many more happy and prosperous birthdays.—A guest.

W. D. Partain Given Dinner on Birthday

W. D. Partain, who lives north of Hico, received a surprise Sunday, March 17, when a crowd gathered at his home about 12:30 o'clock to celebrate his fifty-sixth birthday. Mr. Partain did not remember that it was his birthday until he was invited to the dining room, and found the table covered with good eats, including a beautiful birthday cake in the center. The family had made no unusual preparation for lunch, and this made the surprise even greater. Those who brought the lunch carried it in the back way to keep from arousing Mr. Partain's suspicion.

The occasion was marred only by the absence of a son, Grodus Partain, and family of Quitaque. All other members of Mr. Partain's immediate family were present.

WHAT - KNOTS

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There was a young woman who'd faint At the mention of trying to paint, So she "Duced" instead And dread quickly fled, For painting was paint without taint.

The Chevrolet Sales and Service is plastering and refinishing the interior of their storage department.

Jack and Jill went up the hill At sixty miles or better; A cop unkind Was right behind—They're seeking bail by letter.

The old A. A. Lackey home near the Methodist Church has been

torn down and the foundation is being dug for an up-to-date residence.

Occasionally a man loses control of his car by failing to keep up the installations.

Those who may be inclined to be skeptical as to whether or not Hico is growing are cited to the recent scholastic census, which shows Hico as having gained something near 12 per cent in children of school age since the census last year.

Mr. I. N. Adams is wteeking his old home and is to replace it with a modern, up-to-date farm home. Mr. Adams says he likes the farm and sees no reason why the pres-

ent day farmer may not have many of the conveniences and comforts that are enjoyed by people in cities and towns.

Last year the tax renditions in Hico showed a decided increase. This year they will show still more increase. What does this mean? It means that more money has been invested in Hico, that more people are coming to see the possibilities of Hico and are willing to back their judgment. Are you willing to back yours?

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UNION NEWS

Mrs. Jones of San Antonio visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. White, the past week. They returned home with her to spend a few days.

A large crowd attended church at Union Sunday.

Several of the pupils of Union school took a part in the county meet at Hamilton last week, and won a number of places.

Houston White and family spent Sunday evening with George Cleveland.

Mrs. Harris and family of Springdale spent Sunday evening with her daughter, Mrs. Jack Ball.

Several from this community attended the play at West Point Friday.

Joe Cleveland spent the week-end visiting his grandparents in Hamilton.

A large number of young folks enjoyed the party at Frank Journey's Saturday night.

F. W. Ridden and family, and Frank Journey and family visited Mr. Redden's brother at Beehouse Sunday.

Mr. Lightfoot and family spent Sunday with Dock Painter.

Miss Anglin, who is teaching at Olin, visited with homefolks this week end.

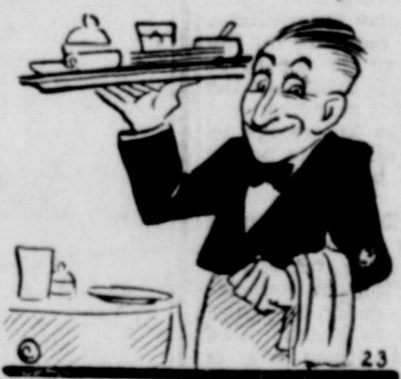
Myrtle Faye Arnet and Creola Richardson spent the week-end in Hamilton with Miss Vivian Hedgpeth.

John Featherstone and family visited Mr. Lightfoot's Thursday night.

Irene Journey spent Wednesday with J. C. Steele.

San Benito—Central Power and light Company installing 1,000 Watt beacon on top of 125-foot elevated water tower here.

A "go-getter" is one who eats in a Cafeteria.



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**The Bugologists**

Speaking of the boll weevil, the original invader crossed the Rio Grande river from Mexico years and years ago. He took possession of a cotton patch in what is now known as the Magic Valley. He increased and multiplied. Cotton growers of the invaded section became alarmed. They prevailed upon a Texas governor to call a special session of the lawmakers of the commonwealth, well, the lawmakers organized. Entomologists of the United States department of agriculture came to Texas. They had been invited to come to Texas. They warned the lawmakers and all concerned that the invader was a very destructive pest and that if given a foothold in time, he might conquer the cotton fields of the south and destroy the fleecy staple. Men of vision advocated a large appropriation. They insisted that the invaded patches should be zoned and the ravages of the invader confined to the segregated districts until the pest had been destroyed. But men of vision were not in a majority in either house. There were good men, patriotic men, who sneered at the bugologists, as they called them. They sneered at the boll weevil. They laughed at the prophecies of the so-called bugologists. They were unwilling to appropriate sufficient money to give battle to the weevil in order to first check his ravages and then eradicate the pest. What happened? Well, the weevil continued to invade new territory. He did not confine his work to Texas. He moved on to Louisiana and Mississippi and in time he invaded the patches of Alabama, Tennessee and Georgia. Indeed, he covered the entire south given over to the cultivation of the cotton plant and the fleecy staple of commerce.

In the long run he cost the cotton growers more than a billion dollars—perhaps two billion dollars. Then the federal government intervened; then the bugologists, with the aid of chemists, were played on the firing line. Then the men of scientific research were vindicated and those who sneered at the bugologists at the time when the Mexican invader began his deadly work were relegated to the dense thicket of oblivion. Never sneer at men of vision; never sneer at scientific experts.—Exchange.

**Important Citizens**

An ideal citizen is the one who sees clearly and ever something good in the city and never loses the opportunity to go forward, he naturally lacks faith abroad that others might derive the benefits therefrom, whose selfishness prompts him to want others to share opportunities, health and pleasure, which his home town offers. Loyalty is the first requisite for the ideal citizen. The love for the place and his neighbor which dismisses the thought of self interest or policy and resolves itself into the knowledge of doubt when he does all in his power to make the city a better place in which to live.

There are three distinct attitudes which a citizen may assume toward the place in which he lives, which furnishes him food, shelter and association for himself and family, to boost, to remain quiet and to knock. The booster is that ideal citizen who is never forgetful of obligations which are due the home town. He is ever found at the front when any movement is launched which might tend to the advancement of the interest of the city. While others see darkly to him good is visible at all times. The quiet citizen is satisfied to let his neighbor do the work and content to hulk the city asleep and let it rest. The knocker is the man who is without a country. There is no room for him anywhere; his presence dampens the enthusiasm of every man or group of men who unfortunately come in contact with him. Having no faith in his own ability to go forward, he naturally lacks faith in his home town to do so.

You have the chance to belong to either of the three classes. If you are a booster, your neighbor knows it well and will boost you. If you are aligned with the quiet cause, you will not be regarded one way or the other, for the man who selects to steer in the middle of the stream gets no support from either side. If, unfortunately, you are a knocker, get ready to be knocked, for eventually it is coming to you. As you give, so will it be meted out to you.—Longview News.

**MISS DORIS SELLERS IS BRIDGE CLUB'S HOSTESS**

The Cinderella Bridge Club members were entertained by Miss Doris Sellers at her home last Thursday evening. The rooms were decorated in peach blossoms.

Mrs. O. K. Woodall and Miss Annie Pierson were invited guests. Mrs. C. L. Woodward assisted Mrs. Herbert Sellers in serving the refreshment plate, consisting of cheese sandwiches, potato chips, olives, vegetable salad, caramel pudding, devil's food cake and tea. The trays were also centered with peach blossoms.

**Local and Personal News**

PHONE 132 IF YOU VISIT OUT OF TOWN OR HAVE GUESTS

Jim Sellers of Del Rio was here a part of the week visiting his daughter, Mrs. Herbert Leach, and also in the Dr. Hall home.

Portables! Automatic Staps. Staps on any kind of record. Only \$25.—Mrs. J. M. Rusk at Tumlin & Co.

Mrs. Kate Rogers of Nashville, Tennessee, is here visiting her niece, Mrs. Herbert Leach, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Odle, and Mrs. Jim Lumpkin and two daughters, Miriam and Clara Helen, of Meridian, were here Sunday, guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Duckworth and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Ratliff and son, Hulien, were visitors in Hamilton with relatives Sunday.

Bill Anderson of Dallas was here Sunday, guest of Miss Etiole Diltz.

Mrs. A. T. McFadden and Mrs. F. E. Ragsdale were visitors in Stephenville Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Ragsdale and daughter, Alma, were visiting relatives in Iredell Sunday and attended church there Sunday night.

Mrs. A. C. Petty of Abilene was here over the week-end, guest of relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Duncan and sons of Clifton were here Sunday visiting his mother, Mrs. Jessie Duncan, and family.

Miss Minnie Russell of Falls Creek is here spending the week with Miss Beatrice Langston.

Curtis Langston of Fort Worth spent the week-end here with his brother, C. T. Langston, and family.

Miss Mary Seay Wilson of Cleburne was here over the week-end visiting her brother, Fred Wilson. She is an instructor in one of the Cleburne schools.

Mrs. Frank Phillips, of Lampasas, and Mrs. John M. Aiton Jr., of Coleman, were called here Thursday on account of the death of a little niece near Iredell.

We will give the bride-to-be at the Vogue-Carlton wedding Easter week a free haircut, for we want her to look her best. Make Johnson's barber shop.

Have your eyes examined and glasses fitted by Wm. Ross, at Hico, Texas. You get the best that way, and it will cost less than in a large city.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davis of McGregor, were here Sunday visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Colwitt and daughters, of Hamilton, were here Sunday, visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Chandler.

For the lowest subscription rates on the Dallas Morning News and Dallas Journal see J. C. Huchingson, Post-office Building.

Mrs. Mary Melton has returned to her home after a visit with her niece at Alexander.

Okeh, Vocalion and Brunswick records.—Mrs. J. M. Rusk at Tumlin & Co.

Misses Wynama Anderson and Lola Mae Williamson and Guy Briley and Bernard Ogle were in Waco Sunday visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hooper left Tuesday for their home at Sweetwater after a visit here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hooper, and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gamble.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Brown and daughter, Mary, spent one day this week in Dallas buying Easter merchandise for the Ready-to-Wear Shoppe.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Sorley and son, and Mrs. Orville Reesing and daughter of Cranfills Gap were here Sunday visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Leeth.

Mrs. Grady Barrow, Mrs. Lee Rainwater, and Mrs. John Rusk were in Stephenville Tuesday afternoon.

Have those old shoes dyed at Fewells.

Mr. and Mrs. Pitt L. Pittman and children of Stephenville were here Sunday visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Q. Jordan.

Mrs. Jim D. Wright and Miss Lola Mae Williamson were in Stephenville Wednesday visiting friends.

Mrs. A. R. Pierson and son, and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Cunningham and children were guests during the week-end of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Tooley, at Olin. They returned home Sunday.

Miss Maxine Guyton, who is a student of the Lady of the Lake school at San Antonio, is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Guyton.

Mrs. J. P. Rodgers, Sr., is quite ill at her home in the south part of town.

Don't forget that the bride at the Vogue-Carlton style review will be given a free haircut by Make Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Eubanks of Big Spring were guests of his mother, Mrs. T. J. Eubanks, during the week-end.

W. B. Tumlin and Jack Leeth have been in Walnut Springs the greater part of the week, preparing to open a variety and grocery store there. They have secured a building and are having it repaired and decorated to make suitable quarters for their store. Plans have not been perfected as to the management.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Hardy and daughter, Mavis, went to Breckenridge on Sunday to meet Mrs. Hardy's brothers and families, Tommie Gamble, of Wichita Falls, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gamble, of Big Spring, whom she had not seen in six years. They met in the J. Herman Cox home at Breckenridge.

**GORDON NEWS**

Wence Perkins and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lester Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Sawyer were in Hico Wednesday.

John Driskell of Flag Branch, spent Tuesday with W. W. Newton.

Mrs. I. S. Stephens of Hico, spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. George Chaffin.

Miss Loraine Tidwell of Iredell, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Smith Saturday night.

Lish Connelley of Fort Worth visited W. W. Newton Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Chaffin carried Miss Eva Chaffin and Mrs. I. S. Stephens to Cleburne Sunday, where Miss Eva went on to Dallas and Mrs. Stephens went to Venus to visit her sisters.

Mrs. Oran Sparks spent Sunday afternoon with her mother, Mrs. Lott of Iredell.

Miss Myrtle Chaffin was the guest of Miss Rosa Lott of Iredell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Tidwell and daughter, Miss Lorene, of Iredell, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Smith Sunday.

Frankie Dawson and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gosdin of near Iredell Sunday.

George Chaffin and daughters, Misses Myrtle and Eva, and little John D. Smith were in Meridian Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Clem McAdden and daughter, Wanda, of Iredell, visited Frankie Dawson and family a while Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Doba Strickland and daughter, Earlean, spent Sunday with Bill Boyde and family.

Miss Virginia Lester spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Dorothy Hanshaw of Flag Branch.

Rev. Loyd Lester visited Mr. and Mrs. John Hanshaw Saturday.

Miss Ada Airheart was in Meridian one day last week.

Mrs. R. M. Hanshaw and Mrs. R. N. Hanshaw of Hico, spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lester.

Hugh Harris and family spent Saturday night with Bill Myers and family.

Miss Willie Mae Perkins spent Sunday night with her grandmother, Mrs. Sarah Kincannon of Iredell.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lester spent Sunday with Walter Hanshaw and family at Flag Branch.

Miss Annie Maud Harris was the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Harris of Iredell Saturday night.

Mrs. A. S. Cox went to Dallas the first of the week to be at the bedside of her husband and son, who are both ill in the hospital there.

Ray Ridenhower, of Junction, is here visiting his mother, Mrs. E. K. Ridenhower, and sister, Mrs. E. S. Jackson.

Miss Grace Segrist of Hamilton was here Friday evening, guest of her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Earl R. Lynch.

Oscar Burton, assistant general manager of the Gulf States Telephone Company with headquarters at Tyler, was here last week looking after the local telephone interests.

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 Hico, Texas

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 at **BURLESON'S**

Sliced Bacon, peeled, per lb.....30c  
 Quart jar Pickles, as long as they last. 25c  
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**Is in Hico on Friday of each week**  
 From 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. (Lady Assistant).  
 I have been in Hamilton county 50 years. Practicing Dentistry 36 years in Hamilton and 3½ years in Hico, and will continue to do so until I go to heaven. Those who know me best say I will be here forever.

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**How to Raise Poultry**  
By Dr. L. D. LeGear, V. S., St. Louis, Mo.  
  
Dr. LeGear is a graduate of the Ontario Veterinary College, 1892. Thirty-six years of veterinary practice covers a wide range of live stock and poultry. Eminent authority on poultry and stock raising. Nationally known poultry breeder. Noted author and lecturer.

**A SHORT CUT TO  
LONGER PROFITS**  
**Trap-Nesting Displaces Guess Work  
In Favor of Certainty for  
Selecting the Really Profit-  
able Members of a Flock**

You think you have eliminated the heavy eating, light-laying drones from your flock but are you sure you have got them all? If you are a good judge of the signs which indicate poor layers, the chances are you have eliminated the worst drones. In all likelihood, however, there are still a number of hens left which are on the border line or just below it; either they consume as much in food as they pay back in eggs or just a little bit more. In either case, they are unprofitable to keep, but hard to discover when ordinary methods of culling are employed.

Now these "border line" fowls require just as much care and equipment as their more profitable sisters. Care and equipment represent part of the investment on which a profit must be paid. It becomes self-evident that the serious cut in the nest, therefore, that very many such percentage of profit returned on each dollar of capital invested. But the question is how to convict the offenders of their shortcomings. I know of but one certain way and that is to keep books on the whole lot of them and in a short while you will know beyond peradventure or doubt which are the egg layers and which are destined for a speedy trip to the market.

Trap-nesting, in short, is the one sure method of determining exactly how much each hen is laying and whether or not she is going to be worth keeping on the job. Such knowledge is of especially great importance to the breeder of fine pedigreed fowls, but is sufficiently important to most poultry raisers to be worthy of consideration. Trap-nesting, incidentally, is valuable in taming young birds, which tends to increase their productivity.

Many will object that trap-nesting involves too much labor. It is true there is some additional work involved but is it questionable whether there is much more than would be required for taking care of a large number of fowls from which no profit could possibly be realized. Furthermore, the work can be materially reduced by dividing the flock and trap-nesting one section at a time. As soon as the desired purpose has been definitely achieved, another section can be put through the course and so on until a dependable record has been made for every hen in the flock. This record not only serves to indicate the best layers, but is an invaluable guide for the selection of breeding stock.

A flock should be trap-nested for twelve (12) months to tell accurately just what each individual hen is capable of doing in egg production. To trap-nest for three months and multiply by four, does not give an accurate yearly record.

And now, just a word about the mechanics of trap-nesting. A trap nest, as everyone knows, is one equipped to hold a hen captive when she enters it to lay. Each hen in the flock has a numbered leg band on one of her legs, and before she is released, if she has delayed, her number is put down on a daily record sheet, indicating that she layed that day. After a hen lays in a nest she has to be released by an attendant and the nest left open ready for another

hen. Home-made nests of this kind are easily constructed, although space is lacking in this article for giving definite instructions as to how it is done. There are many ready-made forms of trap-nests that give satisfaction and are reasonably priced. Some manufacturers simply furnish a front with the trap mechanism attached. It can easily be fitted to a suitable form of home-made nest. Numbered leg bands for identifying the hens are purchased in series at comparatively trivial cost.

At least one trap nest should be furnished for every four birds in flocks of fifty or more and one for every three in smaller flocks. Try to have a sufficient number so that hens do not have to wait too long for their respective turns. For the same reason, pay a bit more attention to trap-nests during the normally busy hours of the day, which are usually from 8 to 11 a. m. They should be visited once every hour, especially during the forenoon.

The use of trap nests enables the poultry raiser to learn some really astonishing facts about what his hens are really doing. He will be surprised to find that some of those in which he had most faith were least deserving of his trust, and vice versa. He will definitely drop guessing from his payroll and substitute scientific certainty. The change may mean more work of one kind, but it also means less work of a less profitable kind, and in the long run it is bound to pay a sufficiently large increase in cash dividends to more than justify the increased investment in labor and equipment.

**SAYS FARMER SHOULD  
MAKE CHICKENS HELP  
MAKE PROFIT FOR 1930**

The farmer who does not make his chickens contribute liberally to his next year's profit is overlooking one of his surest sources of income, according to Lyle Golden, local hatcheryman, who recently completed an investigation into poultry and egg market conditions for the coming year.

"The whole secret of bigger profits from farm poultry is contained in three simple things—better stock, more hens, and better methods," Mr. Golden said. "It is just about as easy to handle several hundred hens as it is a few. Good layers eat no more feed than low producers, while the former returns a good profit for the care they get."

"Farm bureaus and state agricultural experiment stations have been stressing the need for better farm flocks for several years past. Now, leading hatcheries have united to assist the movement to eliminate the 'scrubs' from the farms of the country by pledging themselves to improved quality of chicks."

The Shadowland hatchery, of which Mr. Golden is owner, is part of this new organization. Operating under the slogan, "Hatchery Chicks For Greater Profits," these hatcheries promise fair dealing, cooperation with the farmer in raising the chicks purchased, and better quality stock to increase profits from the farmer's flock.

"United State Agricultural Department reports indicate good egg prices for the coming year, as well as a profitable market for poultry as meat," Mr. Golden said. "Nearly all students of market prices agree with this forecast. With a favorable season just ahead the farmer with the largest flocks producing a large number of eggs is going to reap the greatest profit."

You are invited  
—to see a sample of our new baker's handiwork on display at Porter's Drug Store.  
—We are prepared to care for any kind of special baking you may need for birthday parties, club socials, and other functions.  
**HICO BAKERY**  
G. S. SCHWARTZ, Proprietor

**W. R. Higgins**  
W. R. Higgins was born July 1, 1847 in Fort Smith, Arkansas, and died at his home here in Hico March 12, 1929. He was married to Miss Frances Srum June 13, 1867 and eleven children were born to this union, six girls and five sons, but only one son and four girls survive. Mrs. Higgins passed away January 1, 1924. Mr. Higgins came to Hico and settled in 1884, after touring the western part of the state seeking a desirable location. He has resided here since that time. Another name is stricken from the ever lessening roll of our old settlers. He was a man of general impulses and never forgot the hospitable ways of the pioneer. He had been a member of the Missionary Baptist Church for many years. He was always honest and sincere in his convictions, whether right or wrong.  
News Review classifieds pay you.

**Card of Thanks**  
We wish to extend a word of appreciation to our neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted during the illness and at the death of our father. We appreciated so much the many things you did. We also were grateful for the floral offerings.—John Higgins and sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bellville moved this week into the home they recently purchased, known as the old John Petty home.

**Mrs. Anna Driskell**  
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**FOR SALE**—Several Shorthorn bulls sire imported Naemoor Beadman.—J. W. Fairey.

**FOR SALE**—One coal oil hot weather heater.—Make Johnson.

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—Bert Platt home place, one-half mile north of town on Black Stump Valley road; 2 1/2 acres, 2 in orchard; five-room house; good improvements. See or Write E. H. Holley.

**COTTON SEED** for sale—Anton early big boll cotton seed grown from pedigreed seed last year; lints 37 to 40 per cent; \$1 per bushel.—George Morris, Route 1, Hico.

**FARM HAND WANTED**—V. H. Bird.

**NOTICE**—The Glen Rose Packing Company, 5 miles East of Glen Rose, Cleburne-Glen Rose Highway, will purchase at Fort Worth market price all classes of livestock. Telephone 52-F2, Glen Rose.

We have plenty of Six per cent money for **FARM LOANS**.—BIRD LAND CO.

Tell the advertisers you saw their copy in the News Review. In this manner you can render the paper a great service.

**FOR SALE**—Store fixtures including show cases, tables, scales, etc.—Bird Land Co.

**FOR SALE**—English White Leghorn eggs, \$3 per 100, also some Rhode Island Red Eggs at \$3 per hundred, and Lankhart Cotton seed at \$1 per bushel.—L. C. Jameson, Rt. 1, Hico.

**FOR SALE**—One windmill in good condition.—Fred L. Wolfe.

**FOR SALE**—Oil cook stove, A-1 condition.—F. L. Wolfe.

**FOR SALE**—I have several loads of kindling for sale.—F. L. Wolfe.

**For Sale**—John Green house in Hico. Write John Green, 125 W. Eighth, Dallas.

**Baptist Church**

Bring your Bibles and get a bit of heaven in your soul Sunday. Sunday school officers' and teachers' meeting at 9:45 a. m. in the Men's Bible class room. All the people of the church and B. Y. P. U. members meet at the church Sunday at 6 p. m. to make reports and form the trek for the missionary pageant, "Youth and Ambition," consisting of 34 representatives of that many foreign nations, to be given under auspices of the regular associational B. Y. P. U. monthly meeting, at the Hamilton high school auditorium.

W. M. S. meeting Monday at 3 p. m. at the church building.  
Mid-week services Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock, with the subject as "Home," led by D. L. Adair. The following subjects and leaders are: "Prayer," leader, Mrs. W. E. Russell; "Influence," leader, Henry Hardin; "Opportunity," leader, H. Smith.

Last Sunday morning the church, through its pastor, publicly awarded R. B. Holliday for reading the Bible through first since January 1. Also recognition to Miss Dorriette Pirtle, Miss Johnnie Copeland, Miss Mary Helen Hall, Taft Holloway, Weldon Leach, Paul Holladay, all for honors won at the recent Interscholastic League meet. Also Fred Wolfe for chairs for the use of the Men's Bible class, and the the W. M. S. for their assistance in arranging the curtains to help toward an A-1 Sunday school.

The members and friends of the church, and any who will be asked to make a large and liberal donation of eggs to Buckner's Orphans' Home at Dallas. Bert Pirtle of the Home Produce Company, together with Henry Hardin, will see that the eggs are delivered to the orphan children.

Hear the opening Sunday school program this Sunday under direction of Mrs. L. N. Lanes' class.

Sermon by the pastor Sunday morning, fourth of the series on "The Red Trail," with "Nigh by the Blood" as the subject.—Clarence Allen Morton, pastor.

Mrs. Ralph W. Hull, of Killeen, is here spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. F. E. Forgy.

**EVERLYN ANDERSON ON  
COLLEGE'S HONOR ROLL**  
Word received here from Howard Payne College, Brownwood, states that Evelyn Anderson of Hico, was named on the honor roll of the college for the winter term, which closes on March first. Dean Thos. H. Taylor, Dean of the College, according to the report, was late in getting the honor list completed, due to the extra work caused by the opening of the Spring Term, however, when the honor list was announced, it was found that seventeen freshmen made the honor roll, with the Seniors having the next largest group, with fifteen named on the list.

**Card of Thanks**  
We wish to thank all those dear friends who were so faithful during the illness and at the death of our loved one. May God bless you.—Family of Mrs. M. R. Shirley.

John Cage, of Stephenville, was here Monday on business and visiting old friends.

Have you tried a News Review want ad recently? If not, you may have missed a golden opportunity to sell that bunch of chickens or buy that separator you need.

**The Hamilton Steam  
Laundry Man...**

will be in Hico on Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week, beginning next week. He will call at your home for laundry work of any kind, and will pick up and deliver laundry on both days.

**WET WASH..... 5 Cents per lb.**  
**FAMILY WASH, rough dry... 8 cents**  
**Family and Individual Washings—  
finished at reasonable prices.**

**PHONE 159**  
City Tailor Shop  
when you wish to send laundry.

**Hamilton Steam Laundry**  
Satisfaction Guaranteed

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\$1.00 hose, 3 pair for only.....\$2.50  
75c hose, 3 pairs for only.....\$1.50  
House dresses, each.....75c up  
Silk rayon dresses, each.....\$1.50  
All silk dresses up to \$8.00, now.....\$4.95  
Oilcloth squares priced at.....50c and 75c  
Children's stamped dresses only.....35c  
Gingham, 11 yards for only.....99c  
9-4 sheeting, per yard only.....34c  
36-inch guaranteed fast color prints  
35c seller, now only.....24c  
Kotex now only.....39c  
Children's hats now priced at.....\$1.00

**LADIES HATS AT A BARGAIN**

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WILD ONES!

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ALL NEW ONES!

The one YOU want for Easter Sunday

Shirts that will make that new suit look like a million dollars—or that old one like a brand new dollar.

Socks—Hats—Underwear—Shoes . . . the kind that will add those final touches of Spring to your Easter outfit.

THE MEN'S STORE

The sand may treat your clothes like a gunny sack and the sun may make you perspire like fury—but Wolfe's Cleaning and Pressing can still make 'em look like new.

City Tailor Shop

Just Phone 159
F. L. Wolfe, Prop.

NEWS FROM IREDELL COMMUNITY

By MISS STELLA JONES

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Cunningham, Mrs. J. C. Phillips, and Mrs. Rosa Cunningham were in Stephenville Tuesday.

J. D. Gregory left a few days ago for South Texas, where he joined the Leon Broughton show.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Harris and daughter have moved to the Scales house they bought from the Scales heirs. Mr. and Mrs. Odie Bryan, who lived there, moved to their place.

Tommy Gregory visited a friend in DeLeon this week-end.

Several people from Meridian, Hico and Walnut attended the Allerita Loomis plays here this last week.

Mrs. Gregory received the announcement of the marriage of her son, Herbert, of Memphis, Texas, to Miss Dixie Rainwater of Hico, which took place in Memphis March 16. The happy couple are well known here, and have many friends who send their best wishes to them for a long and happy life together.

Mr. Gregory drives a bus between Plainview and Memphis.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Prater moved to the house vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Wren, who moved to Hico. Mrs. Edna Lee and daughter, Miss Ola, of Columbia, Tennessee, who are visiting in Hillsboro, and Mrs. Mattie Rivers of Hillsboro, visited Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Tidwell here the first of the week. The ladies are Mr. Tidwell's cousins. Roy Tidwell and wife took them home Thursday.

Miss Nannie Laurence is reported to be very ill. Her many friends are very sorry, and hope for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Scales, A. C. McAllen and Allen Dawson visited Mr. Scales' niece, Mrs. Will Carpenter, and family of Stephenville Sunday.

Mrs. Nance was in Dallas Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Conley received the announcement of the arrival of a daughter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Powell of Houston. The young lady arrived on the fifteenth of March, and is named Billie Lull-lene. She weighed seven pounds. Mrs. Powell, before her marriage, was Miss Willie Conley.

Mr. Jacob was in Waco Friday. Little Miss Louise Cox is ill with the red measles.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferrell visited in De Leon and Cisco this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dearing visited Mr. and Mrs. George Daniel of Hico Friday afternoon.

Miss Lorain Tidwell of Hico spent the week-end here.

Mr. and Mrs. McAllister of Stephenville were visitors here Saturday.

Mrs. Laswell spent the week-end in Stephenville with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cavett. Mr. Caswell, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob and baby went after her Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Mitchell of Putnam spent the week-end here with her parents.

Miss Eva Chaffin returned to Dallas Sunday. Her father took her to Cleburne, where she went from there to her home on the interurban.

Two of the Rymer boys from Walnut were here Saturday. They were accompanied by their three brothers, who are visiting them from Michigan.

Miss Opal Laurence was in Hico Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Moore of Afton visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Moore, here this week-end.

Ralph Mitchell, who has been out west for some time, has returned to his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee and sons of Walnut visited Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell here Sunday.

Mrs. Clara Richard of Eulogy spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. French.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dunlap and children went over to Cleburne Sunday, and Mrs. Deatherage, who has been visiting them some time, returned to her home.

George Locker was in Cleburne Sunday.

Mr. Schenk was in Stephenville Sunday.

Iredell was well represented at the Track meet, which was held in Morgan March 21-23. Following are first place winners: Eugenia Pike, declamation; Bessie Lee Mitchell, essay writing; Aubrey Shannon, extemporaneous speaking; Ralph Tidwell, 50 yard dash and 220 yard dash; Ralph Tidwell, Ralph Worrel, J. D. Mirice and Mino Loughlin, one mile relay.

Iredell and community were well entertained all this week by the Loomis Allerita plays. The plays are fine and have good morals in all of them. Saturday afternoon a comedy was put on at the expense of some of the merchants, which was enjoyed by all. A full tent greeted the players each evening. The players will have Iredell on their route and will come again, for which we are all very glad.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Conley, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Conley and children were in Glen Rose Sunday afternoon to visit Mrs. Joe Dotson.

Mrs. John Caldwell is ill with the flu.

Mrs. Jack Stevens of Gorman spent the week-end with her parents here. Mr. and Mrs. Oldham. Her son, who has been here for some time, returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ragsdale and daughter of Hico were here Sunday.

The warm days of spring have come and with the nice rains that have fallen, the vegetation will begin to grow. The trees are putting on their dresses of green, which are pretty. In a short time the roses will be blooming.

Master James Arthur Davis has a good case of measles.

As all know, in a few days the glad Easter Sunday, which is the time that the Savior of the world arose from the grave, will be here. We, as a Christian nation, should keep the day sacred. Most every one likes to look pretty with their new dresses and hats. No doubt some children here do not have the means to buy the pretty things for Easter as most children have. And as Jesus arose from the grave and brought joy and gladness to all, we should try on that day to bring gladness to those who are unfortunate. The merchants have their windows decorated with pretty things for Easter which all children like in the way of rabbits and chickens. So let us all try to make someone happy on this day, as Jesus made His disciples and others on the first Easter day.

MILLERVILLE NEWS

The young folks enjoyed a party Saturday night at Mr. and Mrs. Callaway Land's home.

Stanley Giesecke and wife spent Sunday with Henry Nix and family of Prairie Springs.

Wayne and Viola Higginbotham spent Sunday in the home of J. G. Barbee.

Earl Land was the guest of Ouida Glover Saturday night.

W. J. Nix and family spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Earl Norrod, and family.

Those present at the singing Sunday night in the home of J. C. Chaney reported a nice time.

Those who visited in the J. H. Glover home Sunday were: Mrs. W. J. Osborne, Mrs. A. Giesecke, son Wil-borne, Earl Land, Alva Poter, Odes-sa Caslon, Ross McClendon, Henry Nix and family, Roy and Joe Glover.

Barnie Walker was the guest of Viola Higginbotham Sunday night.

Arthur and A. D. Land spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Land.

C. W. Giesecke and family of Stephenville attended church here Sunday and also visited relatives.

(Delayed one week) C. H. Miller returned home Tuesday. He has been on his farm near Dalhart several months.

Ted Nix of J. T. A. C., Stephenville, and Herbert Miller of C. I. A., Denton, spent the week-end with homefolks.

Elmer Giesecke returned to his home at Lockney the first of the week. He spent the winter with his mother, Mrs. A. Giesecke.

W. E. Smith and family of Fort Worth were visiting her sister, Mrs. Louis Giesecke, and family Saturday night and Sunday.

Sammie McCallum and wife were over on the Brazos Sunday eating dinner with his brothers, Wes of Hamilton and Joe of Dallas. Their father went to Dallas for a few days' visit.

TOOK SODA 20 YEARS FOR GAS—STOPS NOW

"For 20 years I took soda for indigestion and stomach gas. One bottle of Adlerika brought me complete relief."—John B. Hardy. Adlerika relieves gas and sour stomach at once. Acting on BOTH upper and lower bowel, it removes old waste matter you never thought was in your system. Let Adlerika give your stomach and bowels a REAL cleaning and see how good you feel! Overcomes constipation. Porter's Drug Store.

MT. ZION NEWS

Everyone in this community has finished corn planting and is preparing to plant cotton.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Pollock and daughter were in Morgan Friday.

Miss Bernice Clark of Walnut Springs spent the week-end with Miss Mabie Pollock.

Miss Cleo Simpson of Hico visited her father and mother the last of the week.

G. D. Adkison and family, Frank Hatchcock and family visited in the A. F. Pollock home a while Friday night.

Louie Thompson, wife and daughter, and J. D. W. Thompson and sons visited in the Dewey Adkison home Thursday night.

Dave Davis and family visited in the Elmer Duncan home a while on Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Malone are going into the chicken business. They have ordered a lot of baby chicks.

Those visiting in the Dewey Adkison home Sunday were G. D. Adkison and family, Frank Hatchcock and family, and Miss Bernice Clark of Walnut Springs.

Frank Hatchcock and family were in the Oscar McElroy home a while Saturday night.

Mittie Adkison and son, Bill, spent Saturday night in the Oscar McElroy home.

Frank Hatchcock and family, Dave Davis and family visited in the G. D. Adkison home Sunday evening.

Fred Ross made a business trip to Iredell Thursday evening.

Miss Edna Crouch spent the week-end with homefolks in Walnut.

GILMORE NEWS

The farmers are all sure glad to see this pretty weather, and most of them are planting corn this week.

E. B. Thompson and family visited his brother, R. L. Thompson, Sunday. S. S. Johnson and family, and his father, J. F. Johnson, of the Buck Springs community, spent Sunday at R. L. Thompson's.

The young folks of this place went to party at Mr. Redden's Saturday night.

Myrtle Lackey visited relatives at Fairy last week, returning home Saturday.

Misses Mattie and Bera Bush, and Elbert Lambert were in Dublin last Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. E. B. Thompson and children, Mrs. Ruby Johnson and children and Mrs. J. L. Boyett were shopping in Dublin Monday.

Luther Jenkins, Walter Lee and Floyd Bush were Claibette and Dublin visitors Sunday.

YOUR Best Chick Raising Season Is Here

We are here to serve you and help you make your poultry more profitable—by raising more chicks and then developing them into better layers.

Our assistance and suggestions are yours for the asking—not only during the chick hatching, raising season, but throughout the entire year.

The future prospects for continued high poultry and egg prices were never better, and we would like to show you accurate reports as proof of this statement.

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Iredell Man Honored On His 79th Birthday

An enjoyable day was spent at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Blackley in Iredell Sunday, when a dinner was served in honor of the seventy-ninth birthday of W. W. Phillips.

The birthday cake was made by Mrs. Tom Cook of DeLeon, who is the youngest daughter of Mr. Phillips. The cake was beautiful with its 79 candles burning brightly.

The oldest guests were ushered into the dining room first and given places at the table. Mr. Phillips, the honoree, and his two brothers, J. C. and R. N. Phillips, and their sister, Mrs. Mary Phillips, were told to blow the candles out. After the blessing was asked by W. W. Phillips, the eating of the good things began. Mr. Phillips received several gifts during the day.

A radio program was enjoyed after the dinner by the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cook and children and Mrs. Mary Phillips of De Leon, and Mrs. Edgar Young and daughter, Miss Faye of Meridian, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Jones and son, Jack, of Fort Worth, W. W. Phillips, Mrs. Burson, Willie Phillips and Miss Stella Jones.—Iredell Correspondent.

RURAL GROVE NEWS

The health of the community is good this week.

The guests of J. D. Dennis and wife were Keller Dennis, wife and children, Lora Royal, Beatrice Roy, Thelma Kilgo, Lona Jenkins and family, Marshall Royal, Olin Gosdin.

Barney Royal visited Ollie Davis Sunday.

Moselete Martin has been visiting in Cleburne this week.

Mrs. S. Kilgo is improving.

Lloyd New is on our sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Halt and children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Kilgo Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Dennis visited in China Springs Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Phillips visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kilgo, Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Patterson and mother, Mrs. Nettie Patterson, visited R. W. Royal Sunday.

We are glad to report that Clifford Main is better. Ward Main and son visited his mother, Mrs. Guy Main, in Iredell Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cozby visited his sister, Mrs. W. S. Kilgo, and family Sunday.

The pounding that was given Sunday to Rev. and Mrs. Shannon was much of a surprise to them, and was appreciated very much.

Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Montgomery visited in the home of W. C. Kilgo Saturday evening.

Miss Beatrice Royal came home Monday night from the home of her brother, Clark Royal, where she had been spending a few days.

Marshall Royal, Ollie Davis and Barney Royal went to the Interscholastic League meet Friday night.

Mrs. Montgomery's parents returned home Thursday after spending two weeks with her.

Waxahachie, Mar. 13.—An accurate record on a small flock of farm sheep kept by Cary Stiles in Ellis county for the last six years show that from an average investment of \$104.66 per year he has realized an annual profit of \$132.64 or a return of 126 per cent. Mr. Stiles follows the practice of turning his sheep into the fields after crops are off to clean up the waste and weeds. The carrying capacity of his pasture for stock has been increased one-third by running sheep there, due to their keeping down weed growth.

FLAG BRANCH NEWS

(Delayed one week)

Henry Burks returned from Stamford, where he has been visiting.

N. L. Mingo and family went to Stephenville Saturday to take R. L. Mingo, who spent a week with his daughter, Mrs. J. A. Flanary.

F. D. Craig and family visited Tommie Flanary of Glen Rose Sunday.

W. M. Flanary, J. M. Cooper and families visited Bruce Burgan of Duffau Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Burks and children spent Saturday night with H. W. Henshaw and family.

NEWS REVIEW ADS PAY BIG!

HONEY GROVE NEWS

The D. F. Club met Friday night. Two new members were added. Ice cream, banana cake, and home made candy were served.

Mr. Jordan and family of O'Donnell visited his brother, J. W. Jordan, and family Sunday.

R. J. Cates and J. S. Poston of Hamilton, and Mr. Garner of Olin were at the J. P. Clepper home one day last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hendrix of Millerville visited Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Johnson Friday.

Miss Nina Simmons of Clifton spent the week-end with her sister, Miss Isabel Simmons.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Stuckey and son, Oather, of near Carlton visited Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Stuckey Sunday.

Miss Ora Gilbreath spent the week-end with homefolks in Dublin.

New phone equipment will be installed soon at Henderson by Southwest Telephone Company. Cost will be \$30,000.

Derrick erected and machinery installed for drilling oil well by Magnolia Petroleum Company near Henderson.

GRAYVILLE NEWS

We are having some wet weather this week. Some of the farmers have not planted any corn.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Walker and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Stanforth and family.

Miss A. D. Faircloth spent a few hours with Miss Mary Squires Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bingham spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hicke.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Golden spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Johnson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Si Johnson and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Thompson and family.

Mrs. Mintie Squires and children and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Teaffertiller and family spent Sunday with Willie Horton and daughters, Misses Essie May and Audrie Fay Adkison.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Little and family spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. C. E. Adams, at Johnsonville.

The Grayville girls played the Honey Grove girls a basketball game in which the locals won, 14 to 4.

San Antonio—Twenty-story building will be erected at Navarro and College streets and will be used for offices, garage and hospital.

If You Had A Hen --

—that cackled two or three times a day as if she had laid golden eggs, and then left only one or two eggs a month in the nest, what would you do?

Or, if you had a cow --

—that ate all your feed, and gave promise of averaging four or five gallons of milk a day, and then went dry right when you needed the money most, what would you do?

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# What the Gray House Hid

## The Mystery of a Haunted Mansion

by Wynndham Martyn

THE STORY

CHAPTER I.—Hilton Hanby, prosperous New York merchant, has realized a long-cherished ambition by purchasing a country place—the Gray house, near Pine Plains. An unknown woman, who gives her name as Miss Selenos, a former tenant of the Gray house, calls at his office and warns him that the house is under a curse. Further alarming details are impressed on Adolf Smucker, Hanby's secretary, by a map which she claims to have been chauffeur for Sir Stanford Seymour, former occupant of the place.

CHAPTER II.—The Hanbys laugh off the warnings they have received both from Miss Selenos and from Smucker's acquaintance, as some form of practical joke, but they are shocked when they hear that the caretaker whom they have put in charge of the Gray house, a man named Kerr, has been mysteriously murdered. Declining to be terrorized, however, they go out to their new home, with their two sons, Junior and Jim, and their eldest daughter, Celia.

CHAPTER III.—Appleton, a clerk of Douglas and Smith, the agents through whom Hanby bought the Gray house, explains to Pelham, that a dangerous pond near the house, in which several children have been drowned, has since been filled in, but he urges Pelham to dissuade Hanby from occupying the Gray house. Hanby and Junior learn that the caretaker was known to the police as "Red Chapin" and had a bad record. Chapin had stolen references from a man named Kerr to secure the caretaker's job. Hanby considers asking Leslie Barron, long an admirer of Celia, and a husky youth, to join the house party.

CHAPTER IV.—Mrs. Hanby declares she likes the house and will not be frightened into giving it up. Pelham becomes a member of the household, with the official title of "house detective." Over the telephone Hanby is warned by a woman not to subject his family to the dangers of the Gray house. She tells him his caretaker was killed because he was mistaken for Hanby. He is worried, but Mrs. Hanby insists on treating the affair as a joke. Leslie Barron arrives, making four able-bodied members of the Hanby household, ready to cope with any difficulty that may arise.

CHAPTER V.—A phone call from a man who declares he is an old acquaintance of Hanby's and interested in ornithology, but whom Hanby cannot identify, urges him to be sure to live in the Gray house, to preserve a part of the grounds as a bird sanctuary. The idea appeals to Hanby and he makes the promise. The Hanbys take possession of the Gray house. At breakfast on the morning after their arrival they receive a letter from Sir Stanford Seymour, now living in England—which makes it clear that the man who pretended to have been Sir Stanford's chauffeur was an impostor.

CHAPTER VI.—A stranger introducing himself as Frederick Appleton, calls at the Gray house and is welcomed because of his interest in bird life. Hanby forestalls trouble in connection with work to be done on the estate with which he is unfamiliar, and gladly engages Appleton as his agent, with quarters over the garage. His work is eminently satisfactory and he becomes a popular member of the household.

(Continued from last week)

CHAPTER VII

Consider for a moment the case of the unfortunate Adolf Smucker, bereft of a job and soured by the difficulty of finding another. Until he was discharged he had not known that his status among his neighbors was wholly due to their mistaken estimate of the importance of his position in the office of Hilton Hanby, of Leonard street, woolen merchant. The only jobs open to him were of a sort that would have lowered him in the eyes of his friends, his family, and the young men paying court to his daughters.

Nor was this all. Like many another careful man, he had decided his property to his wife, to find, too late, that such a beneficiary regards the gift as entirely her own. He was to learn that Mrs. Smucker had long known of his inefficiencies as a provider. After that fateful sentence, "Dolt, you've fired yourself," she knew that the task of looking after things was hers. She had long wondered at Mr. Hanby's unusual forbearance.

Smucker was conscious that he had fallen from the domestic pedestal. He saw that he was no longer of prime importance. His meals were now no better than those given these many years to his old father; and the old man dared to jeer at him, to question his interpretation of political events, and to denounce him as a Bolshevist!

The wild look in Smucker's eye became wilder. He was no longer compelled to shave every day. Mrs. Smucker and the girls pressed his pants no more. He frequented more intensely those little clubs of malcontents whose members spoke behind locked doors of the time coming when the land would be as red as ever Russia was red. They did not especially welcome Smucker, since they were mainly of foreign birth and speech; but the chief organizers, who knew men, marked him down as one who could be worked upon if needed.

There must always be some first man to hurl a bomb or throw phosphorus cakes among ripening crops. The best were those like Smucker, who had nursed grievances against richer and more capable men until hatred flamed up at a word of encouragement, and who had no exact

knowledge of the details of the movement, or of the names of the active conspirators. Smucker came to depend upon these haters of rule, these enemies to society, for the cheap cigarettes he smoked. He posed as an honest man whom capital had thrown, broken, into life's gutter. They affected to believe him. He was a tool to be used as need.

One day the Smuckers, in family council, decided that Adolph should ask Mr. Hanby for some such letter of recommendation as might enable him to get a clerical position in one of the Weehawken factories. His trousers were pressed, and his shoes shined, and he turned cityward. He did not like the prospect at all, but the Smuckers in council had a massed psychology which overrode all objections.

His family was against him. Those who had listened to him respectfully now turned and jeered. People passing him wondered why he talked to himself so constantly. They could not guess that he was again experiencing vengeful visions of what he would do when he got into power. In these dreams he now included even his old father, who made ten dollars a week, his taunting children, and the two young men who despised him as a future father-in-law.

By this time Hilton Hanby occupied a more prominent position than ever in these schemes of punishment. Hanby was the prime cause of it all. Hanby was capital incarnate. Well, the Commune was coming soon!

Smucker demanded to see Mr. Hanby.

The office boy, who had suffered much in the past at Smucker's hands, licked his lip when he saw his enemy. "He's out of town," said the boy, "and he wouldn't see you if he was here."

"I'll wait," said Smucker loathly. "We have no sleeping accommodations," said the boy. "He won't be back for weeks, and you'd be in the way."

"You were always a liar," said Smucker.

"And you were always a thief," shouted the other. "I've got your number! I've seen you pinching stamps, and I got the blame for it!"

"You are the serf of a capitalist," said Smucker. "You are lickspittle of the forces that hold us down. We shall have uses for your kind when the day comes!"

"You are a d—d anarchist!" cried the boy.

Here he was interrupted by the office manager, who looked over his glasses at Smucker and frowned. He listened to Smucker's request for a recommendation.

"Not with my consent," he announced. "Don't make a scene," he added sharply. "You were lazy and insubordinate, and you padded our expenses. I'll put that in the letter, if it helps you. You are taking up office time. Get out!"

"Never!" said Smucker, snarling. "I'll wait till Hanby comes."

The office boy opened the door in the railings and took Smucker by the shoulder. He was a strong boy, and he ached to use his muscles on the man he detested.

In the corridor, outside, Smucker fell. His head struck a gleaming cuspidor placed conveniently by the elevator to tempt the promiscuous expectorator. Here he lay, screaming imprecations. Here, he declared, he would wait until a policeman came to see how he had been assaulted.

The office boy, feeling a little scared, withdrew. Olsen, the elevator man, implored in vain. A nervous tenant telephoned for the police.

All might have been well for Smucker, and he might have won his proposed suit for damages had not he made the mistake of denouncing the officer as foully as his political associates denounced those in charge of the nation's destiny.

"I'm a bloated timeserver wearing the livery of official degradation, am I?" snapped the policeman. His strong hand fastened itself about Smucker's neck and hauled him to his feet.

"There's a day coming soon when my fat throat will be cut, is there? Come and tell that to the sergeant at the desk!"

The policeman knew Smucker's sort. He had no intention of taking him anywhere but out into the street. There were many such half-crazed men in Manhattan. He would throw a scare into the fellow—and he did.

Smucker now saw that escape was his main object in life. He observed, too, that the policeman's grip was not very strong. He ducked, broke the hold, and disappeared into the crowd.

It all happened as the officer had expected, and he went about his duty; but the episode made an enormous difference in Adolf Smucker. He was now a hunted man. The police wanted him. He was escaping from the tyranny of capital. His home would already be marked. He was an outcast.

He dived into the subway station at City hall. An hour later he was sitting on a bench near Grant's tomb. A woman with a baby carriage moved hurriedly away when he suddenly burst into merriment. Smucker had forgotten all about his father's little hoard of savings—thirty dollars—which he had taken as the old man lay asleep after his night's work at the docks.

A train noisily puffing along on the river bank gave him a new idea. He would find Hanby, and would punish him as the author of all his misfortunes. Cordons of police were probably waiting for him at the ferries, but they would not be watching the railroad stations yet. He remembered that Pine Plains was the station, and that it was served by the Newburgh, Dutchess and Columbia

railroad. It was dark when Smucker skulked along the road from Pine Plains to the Gray house. It was a long, weary walk, and Smucker usually tired easily, but tonight he walked on air. He talked aloud. He denounced his enemies and exulted in their doom.

Reason and madness were fighting for the possession of his mind. Perhaps Smucker had never been wholly sane. It needed some such precipitating cause as this to give the battle to the darker forces. When big motor cars passed him, he spat at them.

It was almost ten when he reached Hanby's estate. Sheltering behind a great elm, he saw two people cantering toward him. The bright moonlight revealed Hilton Hanby and his wife. Mrs. Hanby wore a light linen habit.

The menace of gallopers! One of Smucker's orator friends had described how he had been ridden down by the czar's Cossacks. Hanby and his wife had nearly ridden Smucker down.

Then the intruder came upon the swimming pool by the house. He recognized the Hanby children and Pelham. The big noisy man was Brophy, the banker. There were half a dozen others, laughing, diving. Other civilizations had wanted this on the eve of disaster, Smucker gloated.

The sound of music led him nearer the brightly lighted mansion. He peered through a rear window, and saw that here even the servants revelled. He scowled as he recognized the impudent girl who had let him into the duplex apartment. She was dancing with a manservant. So the Hanbys had funkies to wait on them now!

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It like to be a landed proprietor!" "The best life in the world," Hanby declared! "but a darned sight more to do than I thought. Why did you recommend me to buy those farms?" "A sound investment. They'll be wanted for a country club some day. How are your improvements coming along?" "They are finished, thanks to your admirable Appleton. Douglas, how could you let a jewel of a man like that go?" There was a curious smile on the heavily lined face of the real estate man. "So Appleton has been up there again, has he?" inquired Douglas. "Again? What do you mean?" "The Gray house holds some singular fascination for him—that's what I mean. You ask why I let him go. You call him a jewel. I did that for more than thirty years." "And yet you refused to raise his pay, and stuck some jackanapes over him. I thought you were a better business man than that." "Tell me just what he said," Douglas returned. He listened to Hanby in silence. "Noy hear me," he resumed. "I fired Appleton. I didn't refuse to raise his pay, and I put nobody over him." "You fired Appleton? Douglas, you must have been crazy! What for?" "Ostensibly because he was drunk and impertinent." "Appleton? Why, he never drinks!" "Another reason was because he had deliberately misled me as to his family life. Yet a third was because he had manipulated accounts. I don't mean that he took money from me. I mean that he had robbed Peter to pay Paul. I mean specifically that for years he had been charging other clients for the money he used to effect repairs on the Gray house."

"On my house?" Douglas nodded. "For years he has been interested in your house—for the last ten years, anyway. Another thing—Southard called me up a month or so ago, to ask why I allowed a man like you, with a lovely family, to buy a house where people died from bad drains. For the last few years Appleton has kept clients from buying that house. You ask why, I can't explain. Ask Appleton, I did, and was told to go to h—l."

"The Appleton I mean is a man of sixty, plump, smiling, and married to an invalid to whom he is devoted. He calls himself Darby and his wife Joan."

"That's my Appleton, too. I took it upon myself to see her. There was another illusion gone. She is an invalid, but as to being devoted, he tells her openly he wishes she were dead, so that he could marry the younger woman he runs around with."

Hanby put his hands to his head. "This is too much!" he murmured. "Remember, I had him in my house for a month."

"I had him for more than thirty years. Up to the time he met this musical comedy person—she must be forty now—he was a good husband. Now he takes the woman out to dance halls. He has money saved, but he's spending it. I have never been so utterly deceived in any one. His wife, who is religious, thinks he's possessed of a devil, and maybe she's right. She says he has any amount of money. I had his books examined, and he hasn't embezzled one cent. All he has done is to divert money from other houses to the upkeep and repair of the one you're in. You've no kick coming. He saved you money. What was he doing for you?"



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He withdrew from the house, and sank into the shadows. He would lie down somewhere and plan what to do.

A sound as of the clicking of a rifle trigger made him turn his frightened head. He realized in that moment that he had forgotten the possibility of police pursuit. Now he was conscious of its imminence.

On a little mound fifty feet distant, his body silhouetted against the bright moonlight, stood a man, with a rifle resting in the crook of his left elbow. So on a hundred rolls of film had Smucker seen warders and jailers stand, waiting to kill escaping prisoners. As he looked, the unknown raised his rifle. It seemed to the terrified man that it was pointed directly at him.

With a screech hardly human, Smucker dived into the nearest shadows and began a race for life. He heeded not where he went, so long as he could seek darkness and escape from the white and mocking moonlight. That he was approaching the house he did not notice until the lighted windows brought him to a stop.

He turned away and made for the bird sanctuary. The wire netting about it he climbed nimbly, and then, unheeding thorns and braambles, he crept like the hunted thing he was to its black center. Suddenly he stepped into nothingness. He felt himself falling. Then came a blow, and he was no more aware of time and space.

When Tim Hanby, intent on adding a white owl to his collection, had carefully aimed his twenty-two at the creature as it sat on an elm branch, he had not been prepared for the extraordinary intervention that saved his life. As his finger caressed the trigger, there came a bloodcurdling scream, and some large animal had sprung from the base of the tree. Tim felt that it was no disgrace to flee immediately.

Hanby had not been near his office for two months. An hour's dictation cleared up his correspondence, and he went to the Hardware club for luncheon.

"Hello, Douglas!" he said, stopping at the table where an elderly, gray-haired man was sitting. "I called you up this morning, but you were busy."

"Glad to see you," Douglas replied heartily. "I've missed you. What's

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Hanby explained. He told Douglas what his improvements had been, their cost, and the time in which they were executed. The real-estate man made calculations on the back of a menu card. Fortunately Hanby had exact particulars as to dimensions. "Here's another puzzle!" said Douglas. "To complete the work in that time he must have worked many more men than you paid for. I know prices and labor scales in New York state. It amounts to this—he went up to you to get the very job you pressed on him. Why? Search me, Hanby—search me! Another thing—he must have paid for extra workmen out of his own pocket, so that he could get the work done by a certain time. Again you may search me!"

Hanby frowned.

"He may have wanted the workmen off the premises for some purpose of his own."

"What purpose?" Douglas asked.

"How should I know? By the way, did you ever deny permission to a former tenant, a Miss Selenos, to go back and dig something up from the garden?"

"I denied her right to do some excavation. Appleton told me she was a maniac who wanted to bomb the place. I turned it over to him. Anything in what he said?"

Hanby told him of the affair of Miss Selenos and her pets.

"I don't mind admitting that Appleton has destroyed a lot of my faith in mankind," Douglas said presently. "He was the one man I would have wagered my soul on as being square and white."

"Ever see the woman?"

"That was how it all came out. I ran out of gas near Mineola, and had to go to a very third-rate roadhouse. There was Appleton, in a neat tuxedo, doing fancy steps with a good looking ex-actress. I looked at him very hard, I couldn't believe it was he." Douglas laughed a little. "He had the d—d insolence to say that if I annoyed his lady friend by making

baby eyes at her, he'd knock my block off. Next morning he didn't try to make excuses. He had a hangover, and he told me much of what he had concealed since 1890 or thereabouts. It appeared that he had always hated me and envied me my good luck." Douglas grew almost irritable. "No more about Appleton, or I'll change my table!"

(Continued next week)

A new garage building 100 by 140 feet will be constructed in Dalhart within the next thirty days by Chas. Williams. This building when completed will place business houses on three sides of the County Court House.

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Frank Smith, Hico
M. E. Bell, Hico
H. C. Pagsdale, Route 7

CONSTRUCTION MAN FOR GAS CONCERN SURVEYS

Mr. Ulmer, construction foreman of the Murchison oil interests, was in Hico Wednesday to make a survey of the town preparatory to piping it for gas.

The construction man stated that he had no definite information concerning when the company would begin active operations here.

Three possible sources of gas supply offer themselves to the operators. They hope, of course, for the immediate supply in the Laney field, but also have the Exray field, in which they have large interests.

NEWS REVIEW WANT ADS PAY

PRAIRIE SPRINGS

Well, folks, we are having some more damp, northerly weather, are we not?

Miss Naomi White spent Saturday night with Miss Mellie Redden of County Line, and reports are made of a fine party given at the Redden home that night.

Mrs. Ethel Slaughter is taking treatments at Glen Rose. Frank and Alice Dunnahoo, Dallas, were visiting in the home of their sister, Mrs. Karl Waddell, the past week end.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Mack Horsley, Monday, March 25, a girl.

Those who visited John Collier's Sunday were: Lee, Charley and Jno. Britton and Mr. Polk.

Charley Blackburn is at home for a few days.

Opal and James Collier spent Monday night in the C. L. White home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. (Edd) Martin and children of Blum, spent Saturday night with C. L. White and family. Those who visited in the Roy Sears home Sunday afternoon were: W. E. Martin and family of Blum, C. L. White and family, T. I. Martin and family, and Frank and Cal Martin.

Brother Gibson filled his regular appointment Saturday and Sunday at the Prairie Springs church.

All the old and former pastors and old members of the Prairie Springs Church are asked to be present on the fourth Sunday of April, April 28th. They are putting on a Home Coming Program and wish the presence of all old timers and pastors.

There will be a dinner spreading and services all through the day.

Jim Murray left for Dallas and other points Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sears were in the C. L. White and T. I. Martin homes a few moments Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Sally Martin went to Blum with W. E. Martin and family Sunday, where she will spend a week visiting.

Claybourne Perry of Tarleton College, Stephenville, was home for the week end.

MILLERVILLE NEWS

Eld. Jim Vermillion preached two good sermons here Sunday. He will be with us again the next fourth Sunday.

Grafton Warren and family of Duffau, and Fay Koonsman of Salem, were guests of Milton Howerton and family Sunday.

C. W. Giesecke and family of Stephenville, attended preaching here Sunday and spent the day with his brother, Louis and family.

W. J. Nix and family visited their daughter, Earl Norrod and family Sunday.

MRS. M. R. SHIRLEY DIES; BODY BROUGHT TO HICO

Mrs. M. R. Shirley, age 67, who moved from Hico about three years ago, died in Stamford last Wednesday and her body was brought here for burial last Friday.

Her husband preceeded her in death three years ago, and is also buried here. The following sons survive: Joe, of Paris; Paul, of Crowell; Frank, of St. Louis; Lee, of Vernon; and Tom, of South America.

Mrs. Shirley was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church. She is well known, and well liked here.

The out-of-town people attending the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. Lee Shirley and son of Vernon; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Shirley and son of Paris; Mrs. Brubaker, of Waco; Vol Davis, of Fort Worth; Frank Shirley of St. Louis, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Shirley and daughter, of Crowell; Mrs. Rollo and daughter, Mrs. Harris of China Springs.

J. A. Norrod and son, Earl, and W. J. Nix were in Iredell Sunday eve.

Jim Land of near Hico, spent Sunday with his brother, C. G. Land and wife of this place.

CROWDS EXPECTED FOR CARLTON-VOGUE STYLE SHOW-WEDDING TONIGHT

People are expected to be here from all parts of the county tonight (Friday) to witness the marriage ceremony and style show to be put on by the Carlton Brothers dry goods store and the Vogue Shoppe at the Palace Theatre.

The models to participate have been practicing for the past few days, and everything is in readiness for one of the most unusual showings ever staged in Hico.

Mrs. C. L. Woodward has charge of the music, and a program has been arranged in line with both the showing and ceremony.

Church of Christ

The Church of Christ meets every Lord's Day. Bible Study in classes 10:00 to 11:00 A. M. Prayer and song service 11:00 to 11:30. Communion service 11:30 to 12:00.

Preaching each First Lord's Day 11 A. M. and 7:45 by Elder J. M. Aiton. Come and be with us. These services will do you good.

HOG JAW NEWS

Everybody has been too busy to do much visiting, hence the few news items.

On Monday of last week, a young gentleman made his appearance in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Littleton, tipping the scales at 10 lbs. Mother and babe are doing nicely.

Stanley Giesecke and wife were visiting his nephew, Henry Nix and family near Prairie Springs Sunday.

Byron Davies and family spent Sunday with W. S. Roberts and family at Honey Grove.

M. J. Chaney and family were visiting Mrs. Chaney's mother, Mrs. B. M. King at Prairie Springs Sunday. Fred Higginbotham and family of Duffau, were visiting in the J. W. Roberson home Sunday.

N. Hunter, who has been in bad health during the winter, is not improving much. Perhaps, with the coming of spring, he will be up and doing again.

Teeing Off

Spring is on the green, ready to tee off. The course is set—and you will want to be in line with those that go around. To be rightly prepared to play Spring's game you must be properly attired, and we present you this opportunity of knowing what style has dictated as right.

- NEW SPRING COATS
NEW SPRING DRESSES
ENSEMBLES A-PLenty
NEW LINEN DRESSES—NEW HATS
MEN'S SPRING SUITS—HATS—SHOES—SHIRTS—TIES

We have arranged some unusual Specials for Saturday—WONDERFUL VALUES

- 12 Ladies' Dresses, value \$12.50 to \$15.00, all this Spring buying, for Saturday \$9.35
25 Ladies' Hats, \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$4.00 \$1.65
60 new Marcy Lee Wash Dresses. We think the best that's ever been offered our lady customers. You buy them Saturday—the price...\$1.95
Big Specials in new bright Spring patterns in flaxon and prints—new patterns this week.

SPECIAL DISPLAYS FOR SATURDAY

including another big shipment of Toilet Goods, at a wonderful saving, consisting of Glycerin and Rose Water, Bath Salts, Almand Cream, Lemon Lotion, Cleansing Cream, Cold Cream and Talcum Powder

Plenty of these for Saturday.....10c

SPECIALS IN OUR GROCERY DEPARTMENT

- 1 doz. choice Red Apples.....20c
1 doz. choice Oranges.....35c
Easter Eggs.....Penny a count
1 gal. Sour Pickles.....80c
1 gal. Apricots.....75c
1 gal. Cling Peaches.....60c
1 gal. Pure Cane Syrup.....70c
17 pounds Sugar.....\$1.00
50 pounds real choice Spuds.....\$1.00
3 pound can White Swan Coffee.....\$1.60
Trade here Saturday for Merchandise of Quality—and record a good score in savings.

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Del Monte PEAR, tall can 23c
Del Monte Pineapple, flat crushed 13c
Libby APRICOTS, tall can 18c
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