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Dolls Given Away

EVERY DAY AT THE NICKEL STORE

The Climax; the Culmination; the Slaughter of the biggest stock of Holiday Goods you ever saw, is now going on at

The Nickel Store, Sweetwater, Texas

IF YOU DO NOT GET YOUR SHARE OF THE SPOILS YOU ACT VERY UNWISELY. OUR PRICES HAVE BEEN CARVED AWAY DOWN BELOW CONSISTENT LEGITIMATE MERCHANDISING. TO SEE OUR GOODS AND PRICES IS TO BUY.

UNTIL XMAS WE ARE GOING TO GIVE AWAY ABSOLUTELY FREE, AND UNCONDITIONAL SEVERAL DOLLARS WORTH OF GOODS, IN FRONT OF OUR STORE EVERY AFTERNOON BETWEEN TWO AND FOUR O'CLOCK. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BUY A SINGLE DOLLAR'S WORTH OF GOODS, IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS GIVING AWAY OF GOODS. ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS TO JUST COME DOWN AND GET THE GOODS. WE ABSOLUTELY GIVE THEM TO YOU WITHOUT YOU HAVING TO BUY ONE SINGLE DOLLAR'S WORTH OF GOODS.

Remember at 2 o'clock Saturday

We commence giving out our Christmas presents to you, and we will continue until Christmas Eve.

Yours for a happy Christmas,

SANTA CLAUS
AT THE NICKEL STORE

COMMISSION FORM OF GOVERNMENT WINS BY BIG MAJORITY

Sweetwater Voters Almost Three to One in Favor of Commission Form of Government. Officers Chosen.

The election yesterday to decide whether a majority of the qualified voters of the city desired to change from the Aldermanic to the Commission form of government resulted in a landslide for the Commission Form. The vote stood 223 for the charter and 85 against the charter. The candidates for Mayor and Commissioners were as follows: For mayor, Geo. T. Wilson, 241, Commissioner, No. 1, Thos. Trammell 245, No. 2, R. H. Fitzgerald 226 votes. A few scattering votes were polled for O. C. Zavitch, Lang Aycock and J. H. Beal, however, neither name appeared on the ticket.

assessor and collector of taxes and clerk of the Corporation court 193 votes and 51 votes in favor of appointing those officers. For election of Chief of Police 180 for appointing that officer, 59.

The issues in the election were fought to a finish by those opposing the measure while the proponents were equally as active in favoring the propositions. While the best of feeling has been evidenced by both sides in most cases, it has been a battle royal and the victorious are quite naturally jubilant. On the other hand the defeated are taking the result with the best of spirit and no contentions or unpleasantness will result from the campaign.

FOR SALE—Improved Mayben Triumph Cotton seed. 4031pd. ARTHUR HOPE.

Every Farmer

As well as every business man should have a bank account. WHY?

Because: Your money is safer in the bank than anywhere else.

Paying your bills by check is the simplest and most convenient method.

Your check becomes a voucher for the debt it pays.

It gives you a better standing with business men.

Money in the bank strengthens credit.

A bank account teaches, helps and encourages you to save.

This bank does all the bookkeeping.

Your bank book is a record of your business.

To those desiring Banking Connections, we extend our services

The Continental State Bank

BIG ASSORTMENT HOLIDAY GOODS FOR YOUR FRIENDS

THE MODEL

AND OUR PRICES TOO WILL PLEASE YOU.

MORE ABOUT SWEETWATER-COMMANCHE ROAD

Interested Party Tells of Project and Plans for Immediate Future. Says Road Will be Built.

The Reporter has received the following communication which will be of much interest to our citizens and which is self-explanatory.

Sweetwater, Dec. 15, 1913
Editor Sweetwater Reporter.

Dear Sir: With reference to the Sweetwater and Commanche Railroad now being promoted by M. J. Healy of this city, arrangements are now being perfected for the financing of the project. A construction company has been organized with a capital of \$2,000,000. A large amount has already been subscribed by the north and east and a sub contract will be let after January 1, 1914, when immediate steps will be taken to begin the construction.

An office has been established in the Bradford-Crane building to conduct the business of the construction company in Texas. A charter for the new Railway will be presented to the Attorney General and the Secretary of State of Texas at once. The incorporators are comprised of men of Railroad experience in R. R. building and financing. We are asking the people of Sweetwater to host the project. When you do this you are only working for the betterment of

Sweetwater. If you will show the people who are behind this R. R. Movement they are in Position to take care of their end, and Sweetwater will be another railroad during 1914 and new trade territory.

M. J. HEALY

POSTMASTER GEN'L. BURLISON NOT A SPOILSMAN

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.

Postmaster General Burlison says, "I am not a spoilsman, and that the handling mail for the people now days is business, not politics," and that the "keynote of the present administration is embodied in the one word efficiency."

As to his general financial policy Postmaster General Burlison says, "The dominant policy of the present administration will be to conduct the postal service for the convenience of the public and not for profit. Its controlling purpose will be to promote efficiency by the standardization of the service, which will be attained by harmonizing equipment, adjusting the personnel and securing the greatest possible co-operation in every quarter."

The prime consideration in perfecting the personnel of the postal service shall be to recognize efficiency and to eliminate partisanship.

Get your Christmas presents at Denman & Asbury's and save money.



XMAS PRESENTS SUGGESTIONS

- | FOR LADIES | FOR GENTS |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| DIAMOND RINGS | CUFF BUTTONS |
| CAMEO LAVALLIERE | SCARF PINS |
| DIAMOND LAVALLIERE | MILITARY SETS |
| CAMEO BROOCH | CLOTH BRUSHES |
| BAR PINS | HOT BRUSHES |
| BEAUTY PINS | CIGAR JAR |
| TOILET SET | SMOKING SET |
| MANICURE SET | SIGNET RINGS |
| DRESSER SET | DIAMOND STUD |
| MESH BAGS | WATCH CHAIN AND FOB |
| OPERA GLASSES | EMBLEM PINS |
| SILK TUMBLES | CHAFING DISHES, CUT GLASS |
| SILVER OR GOLD THIMBLE | AND SILVERWARE FOR EVERYBODY. |
| LOCKET AND CHAIN | |
| BRACELET | |

Same goods for less money

P. T. QUAST

JEWELER OPTOMETRIST
In the Nickel Store.
SWEETWATER, TEXAS.

MARRIED THIS MORNING AT CLERK'S OFFICE

Mr. Dennis Beaver of Blair Oklahoma and Miss Annie Boatright were married this morning at the County Clerk's office. Judge Jno. H. Cochran Jr. officiating. Mr. Beaver is publisher of the Blair Progress. The young lady formerly resided at Oklahoma City, but for some time has been holding a position as stenographer with the Underwood Typewriter Co. at Phoenix. After the ceremony they were pleasant callers at the Reporter's office. (The happy event was delayed a couple of days owing to a wreck which prevented Mr. Beaver from reaching this city at the appointed time, but the young lady faithful to her lover, waited patiently for his arrival.)

Miss Lucille Prim who is attending the State Normal at Denton, arrived the first of the week to spend the holidays with her father, Mr. R. C. Prim and other relatives. Miss Lucille is making a splendid record at the State Normal and her many friends here are delighted to have her return to spend her vacation.

FIRE WORKS ORDINANCE MUST BE OBEYED

I have been instructed to strictly enforce the law against shooting fireworks of any kind on the city during the Christmas holidays. This does not only include roman candles, fire crackers etc., but dropping torpedoes on the sidewalk or otherwise firing fireworks of any kind. I hope that no one will violate the law, but in case such occurs I am compelled to execute the law. So take notice and avoid trouble.

W. R. JOHNSON
City Marshal

NOTICE LAUNDRY PATRONS

In order that we may get out your work next week it will be necessary for us to get it early in the week. We will take Christmas day and we insist that you phone us your order Monday or Tuesday.

Yours to please,
SWEETWATER LAUNDRY CO.
T. B. THARPE, Mgr.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ray and granddaughters left yesterday for Ballinger where they will spend the holidays with relatives.

TOO LATE FOR TURKEYS TO SELL FOR A FANCY PRICE
CAN ONLY HANDLE RABBITS
IN COLD WEATHER
Wanted at least ten Cotton Tails to two Jacks

WE PAY CASH FOR
Hides, Furs, Chickens, Eggs, Butter, etc.
SEE US BEFORE SELLING

Remember we are next door to the wagon yard.
Neal Commission Company

Rich Christmas Gifts

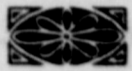
are here in abundance. Such an array of watches, lockets, fobs, rings, necklaces, brooches, etc., you never saw. If you want to make a lasting gift, one that will remind the recipient of you forever, buy jewelry. And buy it here in order to insure reliability as well as beauty and lowest in price.

J. R. Cox
South Side Square Sweetwater, Tex.

Henderson Transfer

We pack, move, store or ship your household goods. Our Floats are ready to answer your calls. We move your Piano, free of scars. Our heavy Freight Department is not excelled in the Southwest. Our Baggage Department is always on the Job. **PHONE 3-4-9.**

XMAS SUGGESTIONS



NOTHING BETTER NOR MORE APPROPRIATE THAN A GOOD BOOK, I HAVE THEM FOR MEN, BOYS, GIRLS AND CHILDREN

FOR MEN

CIGARS, CIGAR CASES, HUMIDORS PURSES, BILL FOLDS, PURSES PIPES AND SMOKING SETS.

FOR BOYS

BOOKS, GAMES, CANDIES SAVING BANKS.

FOR GIRLS

BOOKS, BOOKLETS, BURNT WOOD BOXES, STATIONERY, GAMES, PENCILS, BOX CANDY.

FOR LADIES

BOOKS, BOOKS BOOKS, STATIONERY, TOILET ARTICLES, BOX CANDY.

SUBSCRIPTIONS WRITTEN FOR ANY MAGAZINE, SEND A YEAR TO YOUR OUT OF TOWN FRIEND. TOILET ARTICLES AT NEAR COST STATIONERY AT COST



HORN'S CONFECTIONERY

Just received 500 copies of the latest popular music. Call and see it. **BOWEN'S DRUG STORE**

Not Beyond Help at 87.

Sleep-disturbing bladder weakness, stiffness in joints, weak inactive kidney action and rheumatic pains are all evidence of kidney trouble. Mrs. Mary A. Dean, 47 E. Walnut street, Taunton, Mass., writes: "I have passed my 87th birthday, and thought I was beyond the reach of all medicine but Foley Kidney Pills have proven most beneficial in my case of kidney and bladder trouble." Elderly people will find Foley Kidney Pills both tonic and strengthening, and may be sure they contain no harmful drugs. —At Bowen Drug Store.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. W. H. Byrd returned Wednesday from a visit to relatives at Thurbur.

We make our hot chocolate with milk. **Bowen's Drug Store.**

Mrs. S. M. Johnson returned Wednesday from a few days visit with relatives at Colorado.

Every afternoon, until Xmas, we will give away goods in front of our store. **THE NICKEL STORE**

Mrs. G. B. Whitmore left Sunday for Ballinger to spend Christmas with her parents and other relatives.

Hot Tomato Bullion Hot Celery and Beef **BOWEN'S DRUG STORE**

Silas Izard of San Angelo was here Sunday enroute to Post City on business.

Set 1847 Rogers Knives and Forks 16 cwt. \$5.50. **QUAST, Jeweler**

Atty. H. C. Hughes had professional business at Stanton the first of the week.

Santa Fe round house foreman T. J. Moore went to Temple Wednesday on business.

Place that order for that new suit with the City Tailoring Co. Located at the Period Barber Shop.

Judge Ellis Douthett returned Thursday from Ft. Worth where he had been on professional business.

—We make a specialty of cleaning & pressing. **CITY TAILORING CO.**

E. Pate of Blackwell was here on business Tuesday.

W. M. Knowl, Santa Fe train master with headquarters at Brownwood was here Wednesday on business.

Buy your fire works from Denman & Asbury.

Mr. Bernard Fisher spent Sunday at Big Springs resting from the cares of real city life.

Buy your fire works from Denman & Asbury.

Get your Xmas turkeys and oysters from Boyd's Phone 855.

J. E. Griggs and family arrived last Friday to visit the family of Mr. and Mrs. Isom Wright.

Every afternoon, until Xmas, we will give away goods in front of our store. **THE NICKEL STORE**

Miss Lorraine will leave Sat. for Georgetown to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Northington passed through the city Sunday enroute to their home at Big Springs from Lam. pasas where they spent some time on a visit.

Get your Christmas presents at Denman & Asbury's and save money.

J. S. Arledge of Maryneal was transacting business in the city Monday.

25 per cent discount on all Umbrellas until sold (Because it has stopped raining) **QUAST, Jeweler**

W. T. Lewis of near Blackwell was here on business Monday.

Every afternoon, until Xmas, we will give away goods in front of our store. **THE NICKEL STORE**

Mrs. R. P. Patty left yesterday for Kansas City to visit relatives and friends during the holidays.

Don't fail to visit Denman and Asbury's store and see their Christmas goods.

Dr. W. F. Fry of Simmons College was here Wednesday.

What makes us grow? There is a Reason. The cleaning and pressing Plant.

Miss Lena Woodward of Roscoe was guest of friends in the city Wednesday.

Every afternoon, until Xmas, we will give away goods in front of our store. **THE NICKEL STORE**

J. A. Allen spent several days at Colorado this week doing some expert work for the Adams Electric Co. of this city.

Don't fail to visit Denman and Asbury's store and see their Christmas goods.

W. H. Fitzgerald was in from his ranch near Maryneal the first of the week. He reports everything looking first class in his part of the country, and stock doing splendidly.

We Klean Clothes Klean. —The Cleaning and Pressing Plant. Phone 42 and the laundry driver will call.

W. C. Jones was over from Blackwell Monday. He reports everything moving nicely in that community and the merchants doing a nice business.

Every afternoon, until Xmas, we will give away goods in front of our store. **THE NICKEL STORE**

Miss Pearl Dobbins who has charge of the Nolan school is attending the County Institute and is guest of her friends.

Our Dolls are the newest creations in Dolls, see our window —Bowen's

Little Miss Clemmie Van Pelt who is staying with her uncle P. C. Moore and attending school here left Monday for Ft. Worth to spend Christmas with home folks.

Try Boyd's Pure Pork Sausage. It is different from the kind other markets make. One trial will convince you. **PHONE 655**

Every afternoon, until Xmas, we will give away goods in front of our store. **THE NICKEL STORE**

W. F. Gray of Pecos is in the city superintending the packing and shipping of the Record printery. Mr. Gray reports fine rains in his country and flattering prospects for the future.

Sterling Silver Thimbles for 25c at Quast, Jeweler.

Miss Effie Worsham who is attending Fairmont Seminary will return Saturday to spend the holidays with relatives and friends in the city

J. D. Norman of Lorraine was here Tuesday representing the Mutual Home Association, a new insurance company being organized throughout the country.

Every afternoon, until Xmas, we will give away goods in front of our store. **THE NICKEL STORE**

Mrs. W. T. McCoy left Tuesday for Comanche to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Remember every dime you spend at Denman and Asbury's entitles you to a chance at the fine doll on display at their store.

Rev. J. M. Sherman, Presiding Elder of the Sweetwater district filled the pulpit at the Methodist Church Sunday for pastor Shaw.

We do cleaning and pressing **CITY TAILORING CO.**

Mrs. Harrow left Tuesday for Cleburne to spend Christmas with home folks.

Have you seen that Xmas candy at **BOWEN'S DRUG STORE**

Every afternoon, until Xmas, we will give away goods in front of our store. **THE NICKEL STORE**

Mrs. Fred Briggs of Willard, N. M. arrived the latter part of last week to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isom Wright and other relatives.

Remember every dime you spend at Denman and Asbury's entitles you to a chance at the fine doll on display at their store.

W. M. Plaster of Amarillo, district sales manager for the Oliver Typewriter was here Wednesday on business.

Everybody says our hot milk chocolate is good. **BOWEN'S DRUG STORE**

Coryell county remained in the dry column last Saturday by a majority of about 458 votes. Fifteen out of twenty-two voting precincts gave the pros a majority.

SEWING CHEAP satisfaction guaranteed. 39-46pd 319 E. Fourth St.

O. C. Embry, Road master of the Orient, instructed us to have the Reporter visit him at Mathis, Texas instead of Ft Stockton, having recently moved to that place.

—We make a specialty of cleaning & pressing. **CITY TAILORING CO.**

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Fisher returned Sunday night from a trip to points in South Texas. They were unable to visit several places planned on account of the high water and impaired railway facilities.

When you think of Meat try Boyd's **PHONE 655.**

Mr. Conners, Assistant Vice President of the Santa Fe Ry. arrived Wednesday afternoon from the south and remained over until yesterday morning leaving for the north. He was traveling in his private car, no. 9.

Remember that a poll tax receipt will be a much desired article next year. Better arm yourself with one now.

10 K. Solid Gold La-Vallieres \$4.50 **QUAST, Jeweler**

NOTICE

We wish to call your attention to the fact that we are in position to turn out

Factory Work

on wagons and vehicles of every kind. Can repair or build any part of your wagon or vehicle.

We build light vehicles

Such as delivery wagons and buggies by order from the ground up. We do painting and trimming in regular factory style. We invite you to visit our shop and inspect our

PAINT DEPARTMENT

We also take pleasure in saying there is no better horse shoeing anywhere in the west than we turn out. Let our man examine your horses feet

Sweetwater Transfer Co.

Horse shoeing, Carriage and Wagon Shop.

Christmas .: Presents

If you wish to make a nice present, you should inspect our line of Novelties, Manicure Sets, Toilet Cases, Parisian Ivory, Kodaks, Hand Mirrors, Shaving Sets, Box Candies, Xmas Stationery, Fountain Pens, Bibles, Perfumes, Scissors, Purses, Pipes, Cigars, Dolls, In fact something for everyone. No trouble to show you through.

Bowen's Drug Store

Hides, Furs, Turkeys and Chickens WANTED

WE WILL PAY YOU THE Highest Cash Price

For what you have to offer us in our line FIND US In brick building between Walker-Smith and Radfords.

WRIGHT COMPANY

TO MAKE A LONG TAIL SHORT

CUT IT OFF

To Save Money on Your
Holiday Purchases
Buy them at The Model

Near

T. & P. Depot

THE ONLY EXCLUSIVE
The Model
GENTS FURNISHERS

Telephone 612

BUCKNER ORPHANS HOME

More than 600 are cared for in this institution each year. These children are from every part of Texas, no one section favored above another. These orphans are from every religious sect or denomination, no one factor above another. Such are the provisions of its Charter and By Laws, and such is its constant practice.

These orphans are fed and clothed in a comfortable, healthy way, and are given a good English education and training in industries. Orphans of non-christian parents are received as cheerfully as any others.

This home is supported in the main by voluntary contributions. Anyone wanting further information is requested to write to the address below. Send all remittances, with name and post office address to R. C. Buckner, Buckner Orphans' Home, Dallas, Texas.

Every afternoon, until Xmas, we will give away goods in front of our store. THE NICKEL STORE

Try a Reporter classified add

CHRISTMAS CAROL PRACTICE

Professor Dawes made an earnest request last Sunday afternoon for a larger and more representative attendance at the Christmas Carol practice on next Sunday afternoon in the auditorium of the Methodist church. This will be the last rehearsal, and a full attendance is necessary for two reasons. First, because it takes good practice to be able to sing the carols as they should be sung on Xmas eve, and then secondly, the leaders need to find out just how many will go out on Christmas Eve, so as to arrange for the wagons or floats.

On Christmas Eve (Wednesday of next week) immediately at the close of the Christmas tree programs of the various churches, the Carol Singers will meet at the Methodist Church, from which place the start will be made, just as soon as everyone has arrived—Several lanterns will be carried, hung on long poles and altogether everything possible is being done to make the evening as happy a one as we can—an evening long to be remembered in Sweetwater.

A. B. P.

FIRE AT MRS. DORBANDT'S HOME

The fire alarm was tured in from the home of Mrs. L. W. Dorbandt Sr. Wednesday night and what might have proven a serious fire was narrowly averted.

While Mrs. Dorbandt and several young lady teachers who are attending the Teachers' Institute were at supper, smoke was discovered in one of the rooms and upon further investigation a feather bed was found to be in flames. By quick work of the ladies assisted by a few neighbors who arrived on the scene the fire was extinguished. The fire boys responded promptly and were soon on the scene, but the fire had already been extinguished.

The origin of the fire is a mystery as the bed was all that appeared to be ablaze. A stifling smoke filled the rooms and it was feared for some time that the fire had reached the upper part of the building.

Coughs that Prevent Sleep

These coughs are wearing and if they hang on can run one down physically and lower the vital resistance to disease. Mr. Bob Ferguson, 319 Pine St., Green Bay, Wis., writes "I was greatly troubled with a bad cough that kept me awake nights. Two small bottles of Foley's Honey and tar Compound completely cured me." This medicine is equally good for croup, whoopingcough, measles, and for the chronic coughs of elderly people. It is soothing and healing and stops tickling throat. For sale at Bowen's Drug Store.

Mrs. W. H. Bishop of Roscoe was guest of friends in the city Tuesday.

THE CAROLERS

Over in old Boston they have their abode on Beacon Hill, in the shade of the State House itself. Who brought them in nobody knows. They have been there so long that they have come to "belong" just like the frog pond and the old Common itself. One after another of the oldest residents will buttonhole you and tell you that they did it, and they very likely did, just as the carols burst forth last Christmas in a score of different places without premeditation that any one could recall. It was in the air. The Hill sends forth at least four bands of waits, one of which has for years been led by Dr. Richard Cabot, one of the famous surgeons of the country. They are not "organized," just neighborhood Christmas itself. Last year a pretty card with a three armed candle stick heading the "Cherry Tree Carol" made its appearance in every home in the Black Bay in Christmas week.

Then be ye glad, good people. This night of all the year, And light ye up your candles. For His Star, it shineth Clear.

The householders knew their cue. As the gentle melody of Phillip Brook hymn, "Oh, little town of Bethlehem," made itself heard in the hush of early evening, lights flashed out in every window. The streets filled with festive throngs. From the Church of the Advent the choir came to join in the singing, the service over. Across in the Common twinkled the lights on Boston's first municipal Christmas tree, and Dr. Cabot led his band over to sing under its branches. When the bells of Saint Paul's Cathedral boomed out midnight triumph trumpet blasts announced that the hour of the Savior's birth was at hand, and heads that rarely did such homage were reverently bowed. Creed and confession were forgotten, and only the universal human need of the soul's Friend remained.

JACOB RIIS, in The new Xmas.

CARD OF THANKS

The ladies of the Central Presbyterian church take this method of sincerely thanking the ladies of the town who so kindly assisted them in the sale they recently conducted. The sale was a success and more than \$55 was realized from it. The kindness of all who assisted in any way is fully ap-

Blankets AND Comforts

Prices the Lowest

The Model

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

The Annual Stockholders' meeting of the Sweetwater Light, Ice and Water Company will be held on the Second Tuesday in January at Ten o'clock A. M. in the office of Hon. R. A. Ragland, for the election of Directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as may come up for consideration. BEN ANTHONY, SEC.

Judge W. T. Hightower was a busy man Wednesday having a case in both the justice and city courts. However he transacted the business with dispatch and the offending parties in each court came across with the coin to satisfy justice for the crimes committed.

Every afternoon, until Xmas, we will give away goods in front of our store. THE NICKEL STORE

Dr. Herbert T. Cooke
OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN

Graduate of the American School of Osteopathy under Dr. Still, founder of the Science.

Treatment given at residence until I establish offices.

Room 310 Cedar St.

Phone 6-1-g

SWEETWATER TRANSFER COMP'Y

ARE BONDED AGENTS

For every Railroad entering Sweetwater. We handle more passengers and baggage and have the LARGEST FLOATS of any Transfer Company in the State West of Fort Worth.

IF YOU NEED A TRANSFER

Our Phone No. is 520

Sweetwater, Texas

BE
A Christmas Present
Go Yourself



Excursion Rates
FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

See T. & P. Ry. Agent for Particulars

A. D. BELL,
Asst. Gen'l Passenger Agent

GEO. D. HUNTER,
Gen'l Passenger Agent

DALLAS, TEXAS

SWEETWATER WEEKLY REPORTER

REPORTER PUBLISHING CO.,
Owners and Publishers

W. A. PERRY,
Editor and Business Manager

Entered at the Postoffice at Sweetwater, Texas, as second-class mail matter, by Act of Congress.

SUBSCRIPTION:

One Year \$1.00
Six Months 50 cts

Santa Claus is working Mr. Parcel Post to a finish.

Shopping is on in a rush. Everybody is busy preparing Old Santa for a home run. Let the good work go on, Christmas comes once a year.

Now that the election is over, let us march in one solid phalanx pushing the wagon of progress along. Sweetwater must continue to grow and this can only be accomplished thru the united efforts of our people.

It matters not how poor a man may be, he can be useful as a citizen in the community in which he lives. The really good citizen is not circumscribed by a little pile of cash, often the man with the "dough" is about the greatest failure as a citizen to be found in the community.

Young men resolve right now, not to partake of any kind of liquor during the Christmas festivities. Be every inch a man and do not bring shame and sorrow upon that father and mother who are expecting great things of you. Cut out the booze and you will get along far better than with it.

The prospects are fairly good for a number of candidates for county offices early in the year, but the Reporter has not heard of anyone who is willing to offer for the State legislature from this county. This county has not yet "trotted" out any candidate for governor. What's the matter with Nolan anyway?

The Wells Fargo Express Co. Has offered to transport supplies free of charge to flood sufferers where the people have taken up the matter of

securing help for the sufferers. Such generosity upon the part of that great corporation is worthy of notice. Surely all corporations are not without feeling.

One thing about these Sweetwater people, they can get up and fight out the issue before them in an election regular city style, but when the fight is over and the smoke has cleared away all are ready to join their forces in any undertaking that means good for Sweetwater. Such people will always make good.

Don't forget that dear old father and mother when selecting your Xmas gifts. They may not cherish anything expensive, but they will appreciate the fact that they are remembered by a loving son or daughter. Don't forget the best friend that you have upon the earth during the happy yuletide.

Everywhere throughout the west people are boasting of fine rains, better seasons in mother earth and all round better prospects for another year than ever before. With the fine deep season fine crops can be grown next year with very little precipitation. Conditions appear flattering in this country and the year 1914 will doubtless surpass all previous years in being loaded with genuine prosperity.

President Wilson, and Secretary of State W. J. Bryan will go down in history as two of the really great men of the nation. Since assuming the duties of their respective offices, no men could have labored harder and more earnestly to serve the people of this nation. They are men with large brains and are well equipped with the necessary courage and will power to back up their judgment on all propositions coming before them. They are not so much concerned as to their future politically speaking, but are more concerned about discharging their official duties right. They are decidedly the right men in the right places.

Sweetwater people are rightfully interested in the approaching gubernatorial campaign, in the Mexican situation and other important questions but they are more interested just at present in matters that more specially affect the people of this town and county. We have the best season for many years, the grain crop looks

promising, stock of all kinds were never in better shape at this time of year, and if our people will put a shoulder to the wheel great things are in store for Sweetwater and Nolan County. But right at the foundation of great things for this city is that all important water question. We must have an abundant supply of good wholesome water if we would build a really great city here.

We have very little patience with the citizen who is afraid to let it be known where he stands on a proposition affecting the community in which he lives. It is not necessary for a person to make a public nuisance of himself by proclaiming from every housetop his ideas about public matters, but he should at least let his influence stand out for what he honestly believes to be for the best of the greatest number of people. The writer is far from criticizing those who fought the change in our form of city government. In fact, we have a much higher opinion of such than of those, if any, who were afraid to let it be known how they stood on the proposition.

Rev. J. Frank Norris, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Ft. Worth has been again indicted, charged with arson in connection with the burning of the church building and the attempted burning of the parsonage, which was occupied by Dr. Norris. The minister was indicted before on two charges, was acquitted on one and the other dismissed for lack of evidence. Dr. Norris appears to have stirred up a hornets' nest in the panther city, and some of those who are accustomed to a minister having nothing to say about matters outside his pulpit are anxious to dispose of the minister. However, Dr. Norris has a host of friends there who have expressed their utmost confidence in him and will stay with him through thick and thin. On with the battle.

Dr. Rankin in Home and State directed some very pointed questions to Lieutenant Mayes concerning his candidacy for governor and the attitude of well known supporters of the liquor traffic. The Dr. is of the opinion that a man is subject to be judged by the company he keeps. However, Mr. Mayes has come across with the goods and while stating that he would appreciate the support of the Houston Post, the Ft. Worth Record,

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Select your Gifts in
Plants and Cut Flowers

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Governor Colquitt and others on that side of the fence in case they should decide to do so, still they would be aiding him not because he was winking at the liquor traffic, but for other reasons. The Reporter has observed some mighty warm prohibition fights in which Mr. Mayes has participated and has never seen him show the white feather yet. He is not only against the liquor demon, but he stands squarely for all other moral questions, and if the writer does not support him in the approaching campaign it will not be because he doubts Mr. Mayes sincerity along these lines.

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

"Then be ye glad, good people,
This night of all the year,
And light ye up your candles,
For His star it shineth clear."
Over nineteen hundred years ago, in a world darkened by sin and sorrow, the light of the world suddenly shone forth in a tiny village of the far east. As the years have passed by since then, and His light and love have spread over the earth, the custom of "lighting the Christmas Candles" has grown and become more and more a very part of Christmas.
Can we not light candles this year in our own windows, just to remind ourselves and our neighbors of what happened in Bethlehem, years ago? And where the Christmas carol Singers and candle lighted windows, they will surely sing a glorious carol.

OBSERVE THE RIGHTS OF OTHERS.

During the approaching holidays when there is and should be a spirit of gladness and good cheer among all people, all should be exceedingly careful not to do anything that will mean loss of property or inconvenience to anyone. Be careful with all fireworks that no fires are caused and in every way respect the rights of others. By a little unintentional carelessness on your part irreparable loss may be inflicted upon others. Others have rights and by all means respect them.

A DELIGHTFUL RECEPTION

The membership of the Methodist Church and the friends of Rev. and Mrs. Simeon Shaw Sr. tendered them a reception on their arrival from Abilene Tuesday evening. The parsonage had been made ready for the pastor and family and with all aglow with genuine hospitality, a cordial welcome was extended each member of the family. A splendidly prepared dinner was prepared and served by the ladies.

Mrs. Dr. Boyd Cornack of San Angelo was here Wednesday enroute to her home at San Angelo from a visit in California. She was guest of friends while in the city.

Mrs. Dr. Chas W. Watson left Wednesday for Little Rock Ark., for an extended visit with relatives and friends. The Dr. is playing the role of a handsome old bachelor, but admits that it is about the hardest job he has been up against.

SPECIAL BARGAINS FOR XMAS SHOPPERS

We intend to make December business the greatest of the season, by so doing we are making special prices not only in one thing but everything in the house.

Our Furs have a permanent value. The Red Fox, Iceland, Spotted Wild Cat, and Gray Hare set of the highest grade of workmanship possible.

A beautiful line of fancy Kid in either Black or Tan House slippers an Ideal Gift for the Men Folks

Ladies and Children's warm Felt and Kid House Slippers in all the dainty colors at an exceptionally low price

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WINKLER'S Great Mid-Winter Sale

Which commenced Saturday, Nov. 22nd, is now going on. The response to our advertisement was very gratifying, inasmuch as the inclemency of the weather kept away a great many from attending the opening days of the Sale. Accept this invitation to come to this, our Great Mid-Winter Sale, and supply your needs, not only in everyday necessities, but in Christmas Gifts as well at a great saving to you.



Ladies' Tailored Suits

\$32.50 Ladies Suits Sale Price	\$24.85
\$30.00 Ladies Suits Sale Price	23.50
\$27.50 Ladies Suits, Sale Price	21.75
\$25.00 Ladies Suits, Sale Price	18.75
\$20.00 Ladies Suits, Sale Price	15.85
\$18.00 Ladies' Suits, Sale Price	13.50
\$15.00 Ladies' Suits, Sale Price	11.50

All Childrens and Ladies Coats at a great Reduction.

Ladies' Dresses

\$20.00 Silk and Wool Dresses, Sale Price	\$14.50
\$18.00 Silk and Wool Dresses Sale Price	12.48
\$15.00 Silk and Wool Dresses, Sale Price	10.65
\$13.50 Wool Dresses, Sale Price	9.75
\$12.50 Silk and Wool Dresses, Sale Price	8.75
\$10. Wool Dresses Sale Price	6.85
\$8.50 Wool Dresses, Sale Price	5.65
\$7.50 Wool Dresses Sale Price	4.85

Men's Clothing, Shoes and Furnishings.

Fine 12.50 Men's Suits, Sale Price	8.95
\$5.00 Men's Shoes, Sale Price	3.95
\$4.00 Men's Shoes, Sale Price	3.35
\$3.50 Men's Shoes, Sale Price	2.85
\$3.00 Men's Shoes, Sale Price	2.48
\$3.00 Men's Hats, Sale Price	2.35
\$2.50 Men's Hats, Sale Price	1.95
\$2.00 Men's Hats Sale Price	1.35
Men's Undershirts, Sale Price	39c
Fine line of Underwear and shirts at Reduced prices	
Finest \$15.00 men's Suits. All this season's Style, Now	\$11.45

EVERY item in the store goes at a big reduced price. We cannot begin to enumerate them all, but we assure you of a substantial saving on every purchase. As many Goods as possible, are displayed for your convenient inspection.

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STOCKTON'S FAMOUS TROUPE OF FOX TERRIERS, PRESENTING THE HANDSOMEST AND BEST TRAINED TROUP OF DOGS IN AMERICA. THE ABOVE ATTRACTION IS A-1 AND IS WORTH THE PRICE ALONE, BUT IN CONNECTION WITH THIS WE WILL HAVE THREE REELS OF PICTURES AND PROF. STOCKTON IN HIS SLIGHT OF HAND ACT

AT

Sweetwater Theatre
Thursday, Friday, Saturday Nights
5 AND 10 CENTS
Children's Matinee, Saturday, 2:30 p. m.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The City Council met in regular session Tuesday night, with Mayor A. R. Sanders presiding and all aldermen city attorney Floyd and city Marshal Johnson present.

The usual routine of business was dispatched including the passing on a number of accounts and communications. An ordinance relating to city road work and the payment of dues was authorized.

The sanitary condition of the town will be given special reference to several places in the city limits was given attention.

Only a short session was held as there was no special business to occupy the attention of the council.

A FINE DOG SHOW

There was a big crowd out last night at The Sweetwater Theatre to see the dog circus. The audience was kept in a wave of laughter from start to finish with the wonderful performances of these clever animals. The management are looking for a record breaking attendance the next 2 nights.

Miss Hilma Kinchen and brother, Robert, are visiting relatives at Abilene this week.

Miss Bessie Gordon Burts will return from Ft. Worth where she is attending school, to spend the holidays with homefolks.

Community Co-Operation

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Few communities in the Southwest are not beyond the pioneer stage. In most of them—even in the country communities—the progress made in community betterment is already remarkable. It is no uncommon thing for a town of 3,000 to 4,000 population to have water works, sewer system or even paved streets, and country communities with good roads, efficient churches and graded schools are not at all uncommon. But whatever advance has been made there is always something else that can be done to make the community a better place to live in, something that can be accomplished, as was that already done only through the hearty cooperation of all concerned.

If the roads still are inadequate the people that use them must work together to make them better. If the school is not meeting the require-

ments of the community its standard can be raised only through the thoughtful cooperation of its patrons with its management. If roads, schools, water supply, sidewalks and such are inadequate and efficient, there still are advantages. Less material but none the less valuable, such as a public library and a lyceum course of lectures and entertainments, that can be had in nearly any reasonable prosperous community if the people only cooperate to secure and maintain them.

Cooperation enriches a community materially, and it broadens and deepens the social and moral life of the community. Cooperation of its people in every laudable undertaking for betterment alone can give them a satisfying environment in which to live. The greatest word in community life is cooperation.

THE EMPTY STOCKING CRUSADE

Santa Claus to go to Every Home in Sweetwater.

The spirit of Christmas is giving and not receiving. For years the Methodist Sunday School has celebrated Christmas by a Christmas tree, or other entertainment where our children received gifts. But this year they have decided to reverse the process by giving. On Tuesday night at 7 o'clock a nice program will be rendered at the Methodist Church and every officer, teacher and member of the Methodist Sunday School is expected to bring something and place upon the altar not for friends, but for the friendless. Oranges, apples, candy, Toys, clothes, groceries, anything or things—and these gifts will next day be distributed to families in Sweetwater who have no Christmas. Now the Reporter thinks this is just in line with the Spirit of Christmas indeed.

Miss Winnie Sloan who is attending the State University at Austin will return Sunday to visit homefolks and friends during the holiday.

LIVE WIRE AT A & M. KILLS TWO

Bryan, Tex., Dec. 14—Two persons were instantly killed and two others seriously injured at 6:30 tonight, when they ran into a live wire at the A. & M. College.

The dead:

C. D. (Buster) Zuber, night watchman at the college.

George Easter, negro janitor at the college.

Guy Boyett, aged 18 years, son of W. C. Boyett, a prominent plantation owner at College Station, is still unconscious and Rose Easter, wife of the negro janitor, was severely burned.

The two negroes were the first to fall victims. They were on their way home when George Easter ran into a telephone wire which was crossed with an electric wire. Easter was killed instantly and his wife struck the wire and was knocked uncon-

scious. Neighbors a short while later noticed the negro and his wife and notified Zuber that two drunken negroes were asleep in the road.

Zuber, accompanied by young Boyett, a sophomore at the College, hur-

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Shoot the speed shells—Remington-UMC Steel Lined Arrow and Nitro Club. They get your load to the bird quicker than any other shell known to the shooting fraternity. Their steel lining grips the powder, giving your shot charge the full benefit of the explosive force.

It's a Remington-UMC idea—that steel lining—so if you want speed you must see that you get Remington-UMC Arrow or Nitro Club.

You will find a full assortment in the store of the most alert dealer of this section. Identify them by the Red Ball mark on the box.

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ried to the scene. Zuber struck the wire first and never spoke.

Young Boyett sidestepped, but struck the wire and was struck down also. H. C. Holmes, farm superintendent at the college, and R. D. Williams saw the wire barely in time to miss it.

Zuber was 35 years of age and had been married only a few months. He was the son of Mrs. H. C. Zuber of

Bryan and had been night watchman at the college since September.

NOTICE

I will leave Sweetwater about Christmas and will not run my popcorn popper for some time at least. I thank you who have patronized me in the past, and wish for all a happy Christmas, and a happy New Year.

SAM MOON HILL (Durango)



The Time is Getting Short



Of course you are going to buy some goods for Christmas; going to buy something for yourself and something for your friends-- and you will wisely spend time if you will hurry to

Hubbard's Display of Holiday Goods

We are Hanking for More Business.

We were far-sighted enough to buy a big stock for the Holiday Trade-- and we now have these goods on display for you. All new Christmas goods which are now in season; so do not delay--and get your choice.



Our Holiday Goods are Now Moving.

A big stock has been brought here for your approval. At Hubbard's store you will find your Christmas present for Mother, Father, Sister, Brother or Sweetheart. See our many seasonable offerings at prices that are reasonable.

Trade at Hubbard's Store, Sweetwater

A few Xmas Suggestions for Misses & Ladies

Bath Robes
House Slippers
Mesh Bags
Braid Pins
Beauty Pins
Leather Tango
Purses
Leather Travelling
Bags
Hat Pins

Kimonas
Vanities
Combs
Barrettes
Towels
Towelings
Hosiery
Neckwear
Veilings
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We have the Goods

We want you to know it, and come in and see.

We take this method of Telling You.

New Goods Have Been Arriving

A few Xmas Suggestions for Men & Boys

Silk Handkerchiefs
Ass't Handkerchiefs
Tie Clasps
Scarf Pins
Cuff Pins
Suit Cases
Travelling Bags
Hats and Caps
Combination Sets
Auto Robes

Hosiery
Gloves
Ties
Shirts
Trunks
Suspenders, hose sup'.
Tie and Hose Sets
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Hose and Hdkf Sets
Button Sets

Not only is this a Holiday Goods Store, but its other departments are full of good and useful things. Don't overlook the fact that this store carries a full line of Dry Goods, Gent's Furnishing Goods, Shoes, Underwear, Clothing and Ready-to-Wear Goods.

Last call 1913. We are Headquarters for Holiday Goods that are to be found in our line of Merchandise. Do not put it off, but come at once to our Store.

To our Friends and Patrons

We wish you one and all a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous and most Joyous New Year.



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Closing Out Sale of MILLINERY

This stock must go by Jan. 1st. We mean business. This is no "Fake Sale," so get busy and take advantage of getting Millinery and a few Fancy Notions at your own price.

Below we give a few prices:

\$12.50 to 15.00 Hats for only	\$5.00
8.00 to 10.00 Hats for only	4.00
5.00 to 7.50 Hats for only	2.50
3.00 to 1.50 Hats for only	1.40

All other hats at less than half price. Ribbons, feathers, plumes at 1-2 price

All who are indebted to us, will please call and settle by Dec. 24th.

Mrs. A. S. Holland
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the market affords. My prices are right.
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Yours to Please,

P. C. MOORE

Phone 184

Rev. J. C. Moore and little grandson Horace Heath Jr. were pleasant callers at this office Monday. Horace and his mother are here from Amarillo to spend the holidays with relatives. Mr. Heath will come over later for a short visit.

THE WORST FLOOD IN HISTORY

The Brazos and Yegua Rivers Much Higher than Ever Known. Much Damage and Many Lives Lost

The worst flood in the history of the Brazos and Yegua rivers was the one the past two weeks beginning last Monday week, December 1st. The waters began to rise as result of the heavy rains all up both streams, and by Tuesday morning both were spreading all over the country. The alarm was given but those in the Brazos bottom depended on the levy for protection and before they were aware of their danger those in the lower bottom were being surrounded by water coming from the Yegua where it empties into the Brazos, it going over the rail, road track, and coming in behind the levy, and to add to their peril the levy began to break, letting in a wall of water some four feet high which rushed down on them with only a short warning, and they were forced to act quick in order to save themselves by taking refuge in the upper stories, on top of houses, in gin houses, in trees, and on any place they could. Quite a number rushed their horses and mules and saved them, while others lost everything they had, horses, mules, hogs, crops and all household goods.

It is still impossible to tell how many lost their lives as there is all kind of rumors of this and that person being drowned, but when it is run down it is frequently learned that they are saved. It was almost given up at one time that Mrs. Ewing and her family had been drowned but it was a mistake, and it is said that none of the white families of the upper bottom have been lost, but several darkies are still missing and some are known to have perished, but just how many it will take some time to know. The water was several feet higher than in the former flood of 1889 and the damage done will amount to thousands of dollars more, while the loss of life will be much greater.

At the first call for help workmen here worked day and night making boats and sending them to the river, volunteers going along to assist in saving those in distress and to offer all aid they could in relieving the suffering among those who could not get out, while supplies of all kinds other in order to keep the refugees from suffering from hunger until rescued.

From those who visited the river we learn that many things were seen floating down the river, such as cars three care coupled together, houses horses, hogs, mules, fowls of every description, and some reported seeing several bodies go down the stream

Many pathetic scenes took place which will never be erased from the memory of those who witnessed them. One colored woman was reported to have been rescued from a tree with an infant in her arms, and when asked if anyone else was left in her home said her mother who was sick in bed and four of her children were in the house when she went out to get help and was never able to get back. It is not known whether these were saved or not, however it is probable that all were drowned together with many others who lived in the little shacks close by.

Every gin house as well as every large house in the bottom was filled with refugees, and it is hoped that the list of dead will be materially reduced when an investigation is thoroughly made and all families of the bottom gone over—Burlinson Co. Ledger.

Miss Nannie Mae Dunaway who has been attending Kid Key college at Sherman was here last night enroute home to spend the holidays. She was guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Payne while in the city.



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full weight when you buy Coal, just as you do when you purchase a pound of tea or sugar. Do you always get it? That question is sure to be answered in the affirmative if you get your coal of us. Also don't forget we have a full line of grain, hay, and field seeds.
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The Colorado Parsonage sold and Finally Located at Sweetwater.

After a long battle which has lasted three or four years the final fixing of the headquarters of the Presiding Elder of the Sweetwater District has been accomplished. The old parsonage at Colorado was sold for a good price, and a beautiful property has been purchased in Sweetwater and J. M. Sherman, the present Presiding Elder, is comfortably housed in his own official residence.

This is quite an acquisition for growing Sweetwater. For though the Methodist preachers are not rich in money and even Presiding Elders are not Millionaires, they are the best advertisers in the world. That Sweetwater is an important place is put into thousands of Methodist papers over the United States. The Sweetwater District has a larger staff of clergy and more members than any Diocese of the Episcopal Church in Texas, and the Presiding Elder is in all reality of office and work a Bishop of the Holy Catholic Church.

These acquisitions do not come by themselves. Bro. Sherman and a local committee of which Capt. R. H. Fitzgerald is Chairman, have been working quietly for some time to complete the work of Rev. Simeon Shaw, Sr. who when Presiding Elder, worked earnestly to move the Parsonage here. And now that the Methodist Church has done its part, it is up to Sweetwater to raise the \$1,000 bonus promised for this move. The Committee will canvas during the coming week and like she always does Sweetwater will give them a hearty response.

BUYS TAILORING BUSINESS

Messrs. W. T. Raybon and W. J. Sturgeon have purchased the tailoring business formerly conducted by Col. Lins and Mann and have moved the business into the period Barber Shop on the south side of the Square. These gentlemen are splendid business men and will make a splendid success of the business. All who deal with them are assured a square deal as they are out to please their customers.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

WHEREAS, by virtue of an order of sale issued out of the District Court of Nolan Co. Texas, in Cause No. 1346 wherein H. C. Hord as plaintiff recovered a judgment against the International Construction Co., incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware; the International Construction Co., incorporated under the laws of the State of Texas; the Orient Land Co. and against Wm. Lee Karnes, Neal S. Doran and H. L. Harmon, as Trustees of said Orient Land Co., jointly and severally the sum of Fifteen Hundred Ninety seven and 25/100 Dollars, and costs of suit, with foreclosure of attached lien upon all of the property as hereinafter described, which property I have seized and taken into my possession by virtue of said order of sale as under execution; to-wit:

All of the following described lots and blocks situated in the "Orient Addition to the Town of Sweetwater, according to the plat of said addition on record in the deed records of Nolan Co. Texas.

All lot numbers stated below are included—

Lots 1 to 6 in block 11; lots 1 to 12 in block 12; lots 10, 11 and 12 in block 13; lots 7 to 12 in block 31; lots 10, 11 and 12 in block 30, lots 1 to 12 in block 32; lots 1 to 12 in block 33; lots 1 to 12 in block 34; lots 1, 2, 3, 10, 11 and 12 in block 35; lots 1, 2, and 7 to 12 in block 36; lots 1, 2, and 3 in block 96; lots 6 and 7 in block 21; lots 6 to 12 in block 22; lots 1, 2 and 3 and 7 to 12 in block 24; lots 4 to 9 in block 7; lots 7, 8, and 9 in block 2, lots 4 to 9 in block 3; lots 4 to 9 in block 4; lots 4 to 9 in block 5; lots 4 to 9 in block 6, lots 1 to 12 in block 10; lots 1 to 12 in block 9; lots 3 to 9 in block 122; lots 3 to 9 in block 121; lots 1 to 4 and 7 to 18 in block 44 and lots 1 to 12 in block 8.

I will proceed to sell all of said lots or so many thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said judgment, at public outcry at the door of the Court House of Nolan County, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on Tuesday, the 6th day of January A. D. 1914 to the highest and best bidder or bidders for cash, said property being levied on and sold as the property of the said defendant named in said judgment and order of sale.

In compliance with law I give this notice by publication in the English language once each week for three consecutive weeks, immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Sweetwater Reporter, a newspaper published in Nolan County, Texas. Dated at Sweetwater, Texas, this 3rd day of December, 1913.
J. H. BOND Sheriff Nolan Co. Tex.

J. I. Payne

Funeral Director
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SWEETWATER, TEXAS

EASTERN STAR

Dove McCaulley Chapter No. 352 O. E. S. meets every third Tuesday in the month. All members and visitors cordially invited
Mrs. Lou Dulaney, Worthy Matron.
Mrs. Mamie D. Crane, Sec.



Farm Telephone Saved Child's Life

One of the Children fell into a water tank and was rescued unconscious and apparently lifeless.

The frantic mother telephoned to the doctor six miles away, and he started at once. In the meantime his assistant telephoned instructions and the mother restored the child to consciousness before the doctor arrived.

The telephone service saved the child's life.

THE SOUTHWESTERN
Telegraph and
Telephone Co.



HUSBAND RESCUED DESPAIRING WIFE

After Four Years of Discouraging Conditions, Mrs. Bullock Gave Up in Despair. Husband Came to Rescue.

Catron, Ky.—In an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side.

The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good. I had gotten so weak I could not stand, and I gave up in despair.

At last, my husband got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I commenced taking it. From the very first dose, I could tell it was helping me. I can now walk two miles without its giving me, and am doing my work."

If you are all run down from womanly troubles, don't give up in despair. Try Cardui, the woman's tonic. It has helped more than a million women, in its 50 years of wonderful success, and should surely help you, too. Your druggist has sold Cardui for years. He knows what I will do. Ask him. He will recommend it. Begin taking Cardui today.

Write for: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. 15c-B

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Art Squares, Rugs, Davenport, Cedar Boxes, Rocking Chairs, Library Tables, Dressers, Dressing Tables, Writing Desks, Dining Room Furniture Kitchen Cabinets, Medicine Cabinets or most any piece of Furniture.

Talking Machines sold for \$4.98 with \$50.00 Purchases. Double disc records at 50 cts each. Come and see.

This store is offering to help you buy nice and useful Christmas Presents for your family and friends by selling you on easy weekly or monthly payments. If you will call at our store we will be very glad to show you our stock and make terms on what you wish to buy

Household Furniture Company.

THE BEST XMAS PRESENT

A Christmas present present is received, admired, and either used or set away. But there is one kind which coming at intervals of a week or a month during an entire year keeps the memory of the giver fresh in the mind of the receiver. It is a year's subscription to a standard periodical. We recommend: The Saturday Evening Post, and The Country Gentleman. For men. The Ladies Home Journal for Women. Subscriptions received for any magazine.

MANER DRUG STORE

WANTED—Some one who knows G. A. Burrows who was here in 1887. Information will

ENJOYING A SPLENDID BUSINESS

Mr. C. E. Bates, the genial photographer is among those of our business men who is enjoying a splendid business. Those desiring high class work in his line of business have learned that they need not leave Sweetwater for it and the result has been a splendid line of business ever since he came to the city.

The Reporter believes the names of

FOR SALE—20 head of 4 years old good work mules, at my place 2 mi. west of Roscoe. S. A. ATER. 31 pd

FOR LEASE—90 acres adjoining the Santa Fe yards will lease to be shwed in cats. Apply to J. A. J. Bradford.

VISITING MINISTERS OCCUPY LOCAL PULPITS

Sweetwater Presbytery ends Harmonious Session Here. Will Hold Next Meeting at Snyder.

The Sweetwater Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church closed its semi-annual session here last Sunday after being in session for several days.

The session was most harmonious throughout and those in attendance say the meeting was the best ever held by the presbytery. All local pulpits were occupied last Sunday by visiting ministers and excellent services were reported.

Among the ministers in attendance were the following: Elder D. E. Dortch of Loraine, W. A. Clark of Caddo, Tex. W. M. Bennett, Lorraine, O. A. Mealer, Oklahoma, W. H. H. King, Dunn Tex. The next meeting will be held at Snyder in July of next year.

NOTICE

Our Hoffman Steam Press does not slick or shine or gloss blue serge or anything that can be pressed by hand or any other way.

The live dry steam is applied which goes all through the garment, raises the nap, illuminates the gloss and sterilizes the garment. It also brightens the color, improves the life and appearance of the goods.

It is impossible to scorch the garment on this machine—Ask those who have tried us.

LOUIE D. GALBRAITH

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THE METHODIST CHURCH

REV. Simeon Shaw, Sr. Pastor 9:45 a. m. Sunday School—A. S. Magzey Supt.

10:00 a. m. Preaching by the Pastor—Subject, the meaning of the Advent. A Christmas sermon.

Special Music. 3:00 p. m. Junior Program. 4:00 p. m. Christmas Carol Singers. Directed by Prof. Dawes.

7:00 p. m. Special Music program by the choir, and the New Orchestra. Color drawings by Mrs. Simeon Shaw.

7:30 p. m. Preaching by the Pastor. 3:00 p. m. Monday—Womans' Missionary Society.

7:00 p. m. Empty Stocking Christmas meeting.

There will be no Prayer Meeting Wednesday.

Cook with oil. Burner keeps any stove red hot five hours for 19 cents. Odorless, cheap, safe, smokeless. Fits any stove. Agents wanted, H. C. CHENOWETH, Box 644, Dallas, Texas.

DR. HARLE FREED FROM MEXICAN PRISON

Dr. Chas. S. Harle, formerly of Abilene, but who has been confined in a Mexican prison for the last ten years has been given his freedom according to a letter and telegram sent his mother by himself.

He was given his freedom the day General Villa took possession of Chihuahua and has been made a surgeon in the Rebel army.

Furnished Rooms, Two nicely furnished rooms for light house, keeping. Apply 310 north W. 2nd Street or telephone 282.

MIDLAND PEOPLE LOCATE HERE

Mr. W. J. Watson late of Midland, has purchased the Wigwam Cafe and will conduct the business in the future. Mrs. Watson and daughter Mrs. Kincaid have purchased the Nolan Hotel up stairs over the Cafe and will conduct that business. These people come to Sweetwater well recommended. They have had much experience in the hotel and restaurant business and propose to conduct a first class business in every respect. They have installed much new furniture and furnishings for their rooming house.

RECEIVED SAD NEWS

A telephone message from Ballinger this morning brought the sad news of the sudden death of Mr. Walter T. Cordill, brother of Mrs. W. A. Perry. He had been in poor health for many months but had been better for some time and was apparently getting along splendidly until a few moments before his death. Mr. and Mrs. Perry left for that place as early as they could make railway connection.

Mrs. Harry R. Bondies will leave Saturday for Ada, Okla. where she will spend the holidays with her sister.

Christmas Gifts..

We are too busy to write and ad but extend you an invitation to visit our store before purchasing your

Christmas Gifts.

Here you will find many articles that will make useful and pretty gifts. We are in position to

SAVE YOU MONEY

On every article purchased here. Make our store a visit and we will convince you that we mean what we say.

Wish you one and all a Merry Christmas.

Moore & Cumbie
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Sweetwater, Texas.

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We are putting out our Fire Damaged Stock of canned goods as fast as time will permit. If you share in this great money saving event you had

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We also announce that we have a special price on nice Grape Juice for this week.

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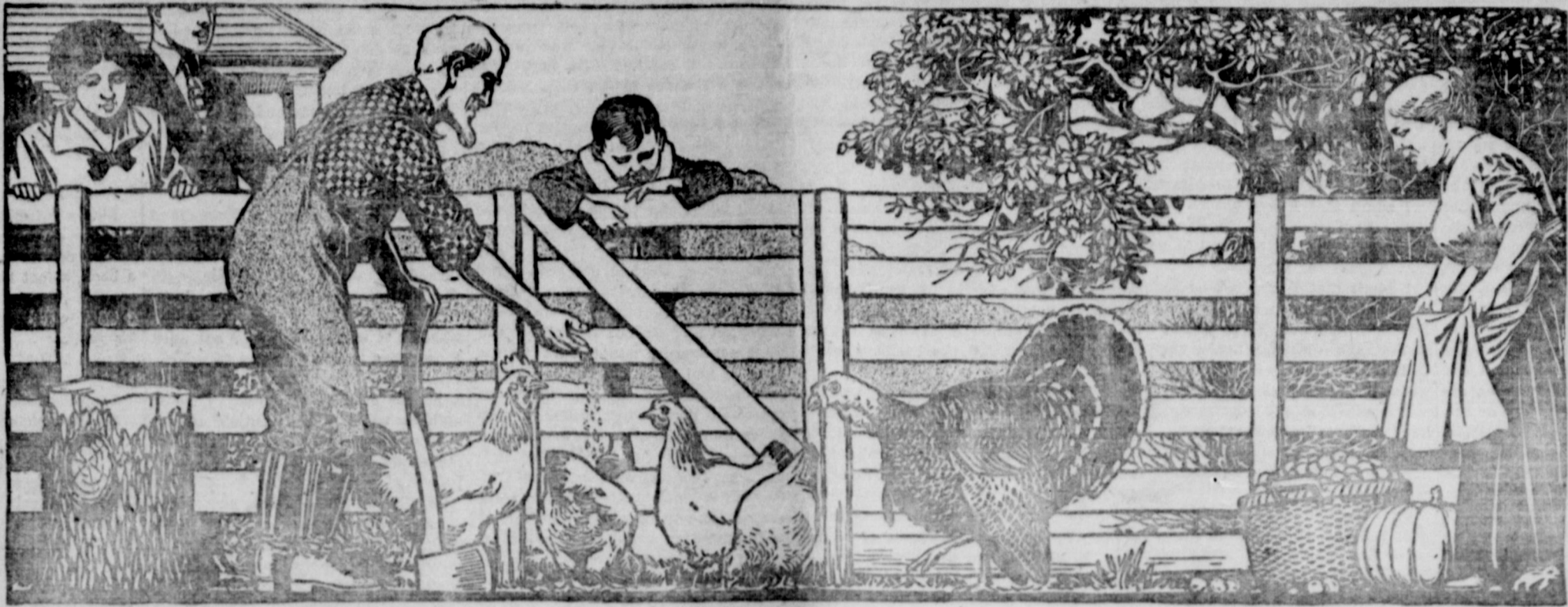
15 cents per 1-2 pint bottle

Big assortment of Fireworks for Christmas

We want your business and will save you money

A. I. BERMAN

C. O. D. STORE



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THE DAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS

YOU probably have a good many more things to be thankful for than you realize; no matter how fortunate you are situated; no matter how unfortunate you may feel yourself to be; things are really better than you think.

That's one of the reasons for having a Christmas Day, a harvest feast a general gathering of families and friends, a season of festivity

We have a good deal to be thankful for in our business; we have done well in it—as well, we hope, for our customers, as for ourselves. That the idea of this business; to make every transaction profitable to you as much as for us.

When we sell a man one of our

Hart Schaffner & Marx

Suits or Overcoats, for example we know that our customer is getting big value for his money; more value than any other clothes will give him; better style, better quality in all-wool fabrics, better tailoring, better service in wear, than he can find in any other store. We mean to have that true of everything else we sell, from the smallest to the largest thing.

The suits and overcoats we sell at \$25 are the best examples of this value-giving we have ever known. The man who gets one of those suits or overcoats, gets more for his \$25 than he'll ever get for the same money anywhere in clothes. We have others from \$20 to \$35.

J. & W. FISHER

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Golden Crust or Bust

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BOTH FLOURS GUARANTEED

Watch for coupons in sacks

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BEALL & SPENCER

..LAW AND LAND..

Notaries in Office

Office Over
Members' Old Store

Sweetwater, Texas.

YOUNG MAN ARRESTED CHARGED WITH THEFT

Officers at Big Springs arrested Guy Bates last Saturday on a charge of stealing a horse and saddle. The man was in the employ of H. M. Wyatt near Roscoe and the horse and saddle belonged to the latter. After the theft became known, Sheriff Bond was informed and he got busy with the wires and soon had the young man apprehended and the horse and saddle returned to the owner.

Deputy Sheriff Bardwell went to Big Springs Sunday and returned with the young man and lodged him in jail to await the action of the grand jury.

AN EASTMAN KODAK would make a most excellent Xmas gift.
BOWEN'S CRUSTORE

The Sorosis Club

Miss Lorraine was hostess to members of the Sorosis Club at the home of Mrs. J. D. Dulaney last Friday afternoon. After the business of the evening was dispensed with, a debate afforded much pleasure to those present. The discussion was on Banquo's influence by the witches. Miss Lorraine and Miss Ione Dulaney took the affirmative side and Mrs. W. W. Beall and Mrs. S. R. Neblett took the negative side. The judges were Mrs. Harry Bondies, Mrs. Putman and Mrs. J. T. Johnson, and a decision in favor of the negative was rendered.

A duet by Mrs. Burk and Mrs. Christian and also a violin solo by Miss Lois Petty was much enjoyed.

Club guests were Mrs. Finberg and Mrs. Hermy Harp. Mrs. Putman and Mrs. Harp were received into

the club. At the conclusion of the evenings pleasures a dainty salad course was served.

42 Club Takes Vacation.

The 42 Club will not hold any regular meetings until after the holidays. The next evening pleasure will be with Mrs. Dick Star the 2nd Tuesday in January 1914.

In Honor of 9th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. C. Rogers will entertain a few of their friends at 4 tomorrow evening in honor of the 9th wedding anniversary.

ENTERTAINS JUNIOR PHILATHEA CLASS

Mrs. J. D. Graham was hostess to the Baptist Junior Philathea class on last Saturday afternoon.

A good attendance was present. A devotional service was led by Mrs. Graham this being regular time for electing officers. After the regular business a delightful social hour was very much enjoyed.

DAVIS-MARTIN

Mr. C. T. Martin and Miss Ora Davis were united in the holy bonds of wedlock at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Harrison Monday afternoon at 8:30 o'clock. Rev. J. C. Moore officiating.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Martin and is an energetic young man worthy the prize he has won.

The bride has resided at Roby and is reported to be a splendid young woman. The Reporter joins their many friends in extending congratulations.

CHANGE IN BUSINESS LOCATION

Doubtless the first of the new year will witness many changes in the city. Among the business changes that have already been decided upon is the change in location of the Southern Mercantile Co. They have leased the large Bradford building on the Southeast corner of the square also the Manse Wood building adjoining and workmen have the plans in hand of arranging them so as to suit the convenience of the various lines of business. We understand the change is necessary on account of insufficient room at the present location. In the new place they will have much floor space and will be in position to handle

a mammoth business. We are not advised as to who will occupy the building now occupied by the firm.

SWEETWATER SECURES ANOTHER BUSINESS MAN

Mr. W. H. Brashear, late of Iredell has arrived in the city with his family and will become identified with the business interests of Sweetwater.

He has formed a partnership with members of the Southern Mercantile Co. and will have charge of the dry goods department to be installed at once. Mr. Brashear sustains the reputation of being a splendid citizen and business man and will doubtless prove a valuable addition to the city.

He has had many years of active experience in the mercantile business and together with the other splendid gentlemen who make up the Southern Mercantile Co. will doubtless make a splendid success of the business and will be a splendid factor in the continued development of this country.

ARRESTED FOR GAMING

Last Saturday as Deputy Sheriff Bardwell was returning from Big Springs he observed two men on the train engaging in a game of cards. When he reached this place he invited the men to accompany him, which they reluctantly did. He placed them in the county jail on a charge of gaming and in default of the required money to square up the penalty, they are still in the jail. They declare that they were unaware that there was such a law in the state against playing cards.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Curry of the Dorca community were here Monday. Mrs. Curry went over to Roscoe to spend a few days visiting relatives and Mr. Curry returned home after spending Tuesday in the city looking after business matters.

Having been requested to give a short exercise in drawing and crayon work each Sunday night at the Methodist Church I have decided to comply with the request. Before the preaching services a few moments will be devoted to this work and I hope to make it both interesting and instructive. Miss Annie King Davis will furnish the music during this part of the program. All are invited to come, especially the children.

Mrs. Simeon Shaw, Sr.

Reporter and Dallas News \$1.75



HOLIDAY EXCURSIONS

Christmas and New Year
1913 and 1914

One and one-third Fare. Round Trip Rates. One and one-third Fare

Tickets will be sold to Texas points and points in New Mexico on Santa Fe Dec. 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 to 31, 1913 and Jan. 1st, 1914. All limited to Jan. 6th, 1914 for return.

W. F. McMillin, Agent Sweetwater, Tex.

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M. L. Mertz

Receivers

ORIENT RAILWAY

The Holiday Season is now at hand. Your Opportunity for taking a nice trip. A change of scenery and climate for a few days will do you good, put you in a pleasant frame of mind and working form; will make you feel fit for your duties during the coming months. Then, too the folks will be glad to see you when you return. They will give you the glad hand and make your heart feel light.

THE ORIENT

Is offering such low rates that anyone can afford the price, and to most any point.

For particulars call on or write,
Jos. P. O'Donnell, J. J. Handley
Traffic Manager, Local Agent
San Angelo, Texas

CHARLIE RAINWATER'S CONDI- TION

The Signal learns that Charlie Rainwater, the young man who was hurt some time ago in an auto accident and later was taken to Post City is not doing well this week. Dr. Leslie went to Post Wednesday and said another operation was necessary.

Snyder Signal.
Young Rainwater will be remembered as the young man who was almost if not fatally wounded in the auto wreck that occurred just west of the city several weeks ago.

TO THE FARMERS

I have about six bales of fine Mayben Cotton seed. If you need some good seed buy them now. Price 75c per bushel.

HUNT GIN COMPANY,
W. T. Raybon.

7 Jewel Elgin or Waltham best grade movements in a Crown 20 year open face guaranteed case \$10.00
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17 jewel same case \$15.00
QUAST, Jeweler

TO THE PEOPLE OF SWEET.

WATER AND NOLAN COUNTY

My application for the position of postmaster at Sweetwater has brought on me an avalanche of calumny and abuse calculated to destroy everything but my physical life. Some people whom I have crossed in my profession, in a political way or in business, some who resent my apparent well doing, some who have harbored animosity for any one of the little things that stir human nature to malice and meanness, have joined forces with those who want another person than myself to receive the appointment in an attack upon my character and standing in this community. Among themselves, to the appointing power and to any one who would listen, some have poured out their venom. This fight against me has been set in motion by one or two men. It brings to mind the lesson learned by General Lee. He narrates that with the army near Corpus Christi, going to the Mexican war, early one morning he heard, for the first time, the yelp of the coyote. At first he thought there were at least a dozen in the bunch, but when he crept up in sight, there, to his surprise, he saw one lone coyote sitting with his nose in the air yelping a chorus that sounded like a dozen coyotes. General Lee has said that that taught him a great lesson in life—that when there appears to be a great noise for or against a man or measure, and the whole world seemed to blaze with the question, if you would make close investigation, you would find one man or a few men touching the button to cause the tempest in the teapot.

The next day after Congressman Smith was here recently certain people, knowing that as a loyal Democrat conceded to be qualified, I was entitled to consideration, and fearing that I would get his endorsement for Postmaster, having their own selfish ends to serve, whispered the word into every antagonistic ear—Crane is a winner if we don't kill him off; who ever you can find with bile on their stomachs, get them to unload it on him quick. If anybody has heard it rumored that he has ever done anything wrong get them to tell it, because we have got to blacken his character and discredit him, or else he will get the office. Everybody knows he is capable, a progressive Democrat, a life long friend of the Congressman and a loyal worker for

the community. And men, with the rhythm and exactness peculiar to concocted evidence of a common origin, the campaign against me started. Here are the only concrete charges laid at my door, if they can be dignified as such.

First, it is claimed I am not popular.

Second, that to endorse me would jeopardize the political prestige of Congressman Smith in this community.

Third, That I stole an alley in Roby by squatting on it with my office.

Fourth, That I tried to steal a lot here in Sweetwater from a man named Wood.

What do these charges amount to? First, as to my popularity. Is the popularity of the applicant the controlling factor in passing on ones qualifications for this place? If so, I doubt whether the best qualified applicant has yet been entered. It has been my observation, that, as a rule, the first essential to popularity is you must remain negative and inactive, else you will get in some one's way, cross them and make an enemy. While I have never laid claim to great popularity, yet I do stand firm on the proposition that I have honestly and faithfully, to the best of my skill and ability performed every duty and filled every position of trust or confidence ever placed upon me, whether as a private citizen working for the good of the community; whether as Mayor of Sweetwater; whether as County Attorney or District Attorney. I was twice elected Mayor of Sweetwater by good majorities, over well-known citizens, and am proud of the enemies I made while acting as mayor. I carried Sweetwater and Nolan County by good majorities 5 years ago, when I ran in the primaries for the State Senate. I have never failed to carry my home town and County for anything to which I have aspired.

Whenever the people need citizens to take on the responsibility of looking after the public good, I am generally sure of election. Whenever Sweetwater needs a board of directors for any of its public organizations, such as the Commercial club or similar organizations, or whenever the Club named needs a "thank you" goat to write up a charter and bylaws, I am put on the job.

I admit that I may not be popular with some of the Joe Bailey Old Guard, because I opposed him to the

utmost of my might.

I admit that I may not be popular with some of last years Champ Clark crowd, because I was for Wilson, & when the Sweetwater box, by deft management of the opposition, sat on Wilson and his friends and sent a Clark delegation to the County Convention (including some of the men who now oppose me) I aided materially, by the use of the long distance telephone, in wresting victory in the County for Wilson out of defeat.

I admit that I may not be popular with those men who have schemes of their own to further, and in whose way I may stand.

I admit that I may not be popular with a little clique of would be political wire pullers, who desire to handle and dispense every slice of political pie in reach whether they assisted in the baking or not.

I admit that my popularity may have suffered somewhat from the malicious and venomous innuendo and lies directed at my character recently.

But, after all, I did not enter this race because of my supposed popularity but because my friends know that I am honest, capable, a good and loyal citizen and Democrat and because I believe my qualifications were better than those of any other applicant.

Second, They say my endorsement would be a political mistake and jeopardize the political prestige of our Congressman. This is transparent rot, an old trick of the politician. This statement is coupled with the threat to oppose and defeat Congressman Smith if he does not straightway kill off his life long friends and do their bidding. Now if these people are really the Congressmans friends, they would not threaten him thus and they would not knife him if he exercised his own judgment in endorsing the person whom he considered the best qualified for the place. If they are not his friends, he owes them little consideration.

I have more reason to assert it would be a political mistake for Congressman Smith not to endorse my application, because every time he has opposition, it has been claimed he was cold blooded and would not stay with his friends. I have always been his friend, politically and otherwise, and have stood up for him and denied these charges. Should he fail to endorse me, it might be said with great show of reason, the

charges against him of being cold blooded and not staying by his friend would be conclusively proven. This would be gratifying to his enemies and disheartening to his friends. It would be a political mistake.

Third, as to the Roby alley. That charge was given birth to when some of my friends in Fisher County were casting about for other justification for voting against me in the Senatorial primaries than that I had opposed Bailey. The facts are these. In the late fall of 1888 when voluntarily vacating the office of County Attorney (being succeeded in the office for four years by our present District Judge) it became necessary for me to get another office than the one I had occupied in the Court House. The houses in Roby were few and there was not an available room that I could rent. I bought from the sheriff and the County Judge a building suitable for my office. The owners of the building did not own the land upon which it stood, and it was up to me to move it to another location. All of the business houses were then on the W. side of the square and all of the business of the town was done on that side. I tried to lease or buy a lot from every man who owned property on that side. They would neither lease nor sell. There was an alley twenty feet wide fronting the public square in the middle of the block—a very unusual thing. All efforts failing to get another location for my office, I had it moved on to that alley. For over ten years my office occupied that alley and I conducted my business there. During all of that time there was never any manner of objection raised by the officers or any private citizen over the fact of my occupancy of the alley. It was known of all men, and the source of constant and common jest and jok at me from the people of Roby and Fisher County.

Under the laws of Texas, peaceable possession of that alley for ten years gave me a good title to it. When moving away from Roby in the spring of 1899, I sold that alley with my office building on it, and made deed to it. At the time I sold it I fully explained the facts to the purchaser. So far as I have ever heard, the title thus conveyed by me has never been questioned.

Under the laws of our State limitation is a very common source of title. Some of the men who have been most diligent in circulating the Roby story against me are themself,

ves holding alleys in the same manner at this writing.

In the face of this story it was very gratifying to me that in the primaries of 1908, after I had lived in Roby nearly thirteen years and been away from there over nine years, during which absence the population of the County had increased several fold, without campaigning the County. I carried it by several hundred majorities.

Fourth, As to the Wood lot in Sweetwater, the facts are these. In 1902, R. A. Ragland had a set of abstract books for Nolan County. I moved to Sweetwater and went into partnership with him in the law, land and abstract business, he paying special attention to the land and abstract feature of the business and I to the law.

While Ragland & Crane were thus engaged in business, early one morning in February 1904, Mr. S. D. Myres brought a man in our office, whom he introduced as F. M. Wood, and explained that he had just met Mr. Wood, and the latter was claiming one of the lots in his home place, lot 4 in block 6, and had shown him a deed calling for that lot, from J. N. Miller, and had called on him to give up the lot. Mr. Myres wanted to know what the abstract books showed about Wood's claim. Mr. Ragland got out the books, looked it up and found that Wood did have a recorded deed for Myres lot, from J. N. Miller, dated December 22nd, 1892. Wood said he knew Miller quite well, that he was a good man and he could not see how he would trade him the lot and make deed to it unless he owned it. Finally Mr. Ragland told Wood that he knew Miller when he lived here, and that Miller did own the two lots occupied by the Baptist parsonage and the third lot adjoining the latter on the North. Mr. Ragland looked up on the abstract books this third lot, and saw that Miller had not conveyed it and he suggested to Wood that, as Miller did own this lot (4 in blk. 1) and never apparently owned the Myres lot (the there was a Miller in the chain of title) perhaps Miller made a mistake in the description of the lot conveyed. Wood did not apparently take to this possible solution, but finally asked Mr. Ragland if he knew where this lot 4 in block 1 was located, and if he could and would show it to him. Mr. Ragland told him he did know its location and would show it to him, and left the

office with him for that purpose. Dr. M. E. Freeman was then living, he had the lot enclosed and in his possession, his own home place adjoining it on the North. Mr. Ragland showed Wood the lot, and Wood seeing it was enclosed, asked Mr. Ragland what claim Dr. Freeman was asserting to it, and whether he would probably yield possession of the lot, if it should turn out there was really an error in description and he could get it corrected by a new deed. Mr. Ragland did not think Dr. Freeman was laying any claim to the lot, but the latter was out of town at the time and could not be seen. Mr. Ragland and Wood returned to the office Wood requested Mr. Ragland to make up a deed for the Freeman lot (4 in block 1) on the theory that there was an error in description and that that was the lot which his deed should have called for originally, and to mail it to him, along with a tax statement. He requested Mr. Ragland to see Dr. Freeman as soon as he returned, and learn from him whether he was claiming any title or interest in it, and whether he would recognize him as owner, if he got a deed to it.

As soon as Mr. Ragland could get the tax statement from the collector's office, which was something near a week, he made up the deed as requested, sent it to Wood, with the tax statement, in a letter advising that Dr. Freeman was still out of town and his attitude concerning possession could not yet be ascertained, and requested Wood to remit \$2.50 for services rendered in the matter.

That letter was sent by Mr. Ragland in the name of Ragland & Crane to the address Wood gave Mr. Ragland. The letter never came back, it was never answered, the receipt of the deed was not acknowledged, nor was the \$2.50 ever paid, in fact nothing further was heard from Wood. Three years passed by. Wood had never been heard from further, the Mr. Ragland called his attention to the fact that the Freeman lot was in bad condition as to taxes being about fifteen years in arrears.

Ragland or I told Dr. Freeman, up on his return, shortly after Woods trip here, of Wood having been here and of the situation of the lot, and of the possibility of Wood getting a clear deed from Miller. Dr. Freeman wanted to buy it, if he could find anyone who could show ownership of it. He was given Wood's address, as left with Mr. Ragland. He afterwards told us and Judge A. B. Yantis that he had written several times to

Wood and could never get an answer from him.

About three and a half years after Wood had been here, in August 1907, a client of mine was here from the same town that Miller was said to live in. I recalled this fact, and asked my client to ascertain Miller's address and send it to me, as he owned a lot here which I wanted to buy, if he had not already sold it. Thus I got Miller's address. In the meantime I ascertained that Wood had never laid claim to the lot adjoining Dr. Freeman, had never redeemed it from back taxes, nor recorded any deed for it. He had not been heard of in over three years; he had failed to respond to letters addressed him; when here he did not commit himself as to whether he would stand on the deed he had to Myres lot or consider it a mistake and attempt to get a corrected deed from Miller to the Freeman lot. Dr. Freeman was then dead, but in his life time he had stated in my hearing and to Judge Yantis that he had written to Wood repeatedly inquiring whether he owned and wanted to sell it, but never received any reply whatever. I knew these facts; I could not see how it could be possible for Miller to have received his conveyance of the Myres lot as a mistake, and to have executed the deed prepared for Wood by Mr. Ragland in correction thereof, and for Wood to have failed so long to place it on record and clear up the back taxes accumulated against the lot for about fifteen years.

I wrote to Miller and made him an offer for the lot; he replied that it was his recollection that he still owned it, and offered to sell it for what he paid for it, the purchaser to be at all expense for taxes, etc. I bought the lot, paid for it, got my deed for it, had it recorded.

Believing that I had acquired a good title to the lot, in the spring of 1908, I placed a good, neat, four room house, with underground cistern, barn etc. on it, at an expense of over \$1000 and paid up the back taxes.

Some months afterward in December I met Wood on the Court house steps here, and he stated to me that he had with him the deed prepared by Mr. Ragland nearly five years before, duly executed by Miller. I told him I had bought the lot from Miller and had a good house on it. He wanted me to pay him for it again—I refused to do this, and he fled suit against me for the lot and all improvements on it. I have been in-

formed that he consulted nearly every lawyer in Sweetwater to take the case against me, and that they all refused to take employment from him in the case.

The case was twice tried before Nolan County Juries; the first trial resulted in a hung jury. It standing eleven in my favor to one against me, according to my information.

In a pleading filed by Wood I was charged with defrauding him in my purchase of the lot from Miller, knowing at the time that Wood owned it. In this pleading and in the argument of the case language was used toward me that I would resent to the best of my physical ability if used outside of the Court room. Under the rules of the Court, I had to stand for it.

When the case came on for trial the second time, Wood added a clause to his swearing. It might be well to explain that under the registration laws of Texas, where two persons take deeds for the same property, from the same grantor, each in ignorance of the other, the one who gets his deed on record first gets the land. But there is another rule of law to the effect that the person holding possession (by himself or thru another) though his deed be not recorded at all at the time, takes the land as against the person holding the first recorded deed. The second trial proceeded as had the first until the close of Wood's testimony, when (that question had never before been suggested as an issue in the case) in answer to a question by one of his attorneys, he stated that Dr. Freeman had his permission to fence and use the lot. This testimony gave Wood prior possession of the lot at the time of my purchase through Freeman's holding. (Freeman had been dead more than eighteen months at the time of my purchase.) Thus, aided by the speeches of his lawyers to the jury, which were the most venomous appeals to the passions and prejudices of a jury, and against me because I was a lawyer, ever heard in Nolan County, Wood walked out of the Court house the owner of the lot and my house and improvements placed on it in good faith, in the belief I owned it, chucking that he never went into a lawsuit without knowing what was necessary to win and that he always won. (Statement to Judge Edison following the trial.)

Mr. Myres tells me that Wood refused to release his claim to the Myres lot until the case against me was

finally disposed of and has not done so yet the several times requested to quitclaim his apparent interest.

Instead of stealing or undertaking to steal a lot worth not exceeding \$400 at any time, according to the forms of law, my house and improvements which had cost me over \$1000 were taken from me and given to the man who had never paid any taxes on it nor asserted any positive claim to ownership of it until he found me with a good house on it.

Wood testified on the witness stand that when the deed was received from Mr. Ragland through the mail he turned it over to his brother, with request to see Miller and get it executed, and that he never knew whether it was executed or not until a few days before he came to Sweetwater with it, when he found it in a pigeon hole in his desk. I knew nothing about the execution of the deed until he told me about it on the Court House steps in December 1908.

The judge charged the jury that if I knew about the correct deed when I bought, or if Dr. Freeman had Wood's permission to use and occupy the lot, in either event to find for Wood.

Of course I knew that such a deed had been prepared for execution, but I did not know when I bought of its execution, and a deed is not a deed until it has been executed by the grantor. Hence I was under instruction of the court charged with notice of a fact that even Wood himself did not know until after I had bought the lot and placed my improvements on it.

Now, the above are substantially all of the facts in this case, and may be verified by a reference to the court records. Will any lover of fair play and the square deal say that I am to be damned for it all and my good name taken from me because of it? It is not just nor right. To loose on a square deal in an ordinary law suit is one thing, to have your property taken from you under the forms of law and then be held up for condemnation as the robber, is quite a different proposition.

I have dismissed, as best I can, from my mind that case and the loss it brought me, tho it wrenched to the very foundation my confidence in the courts and their administration of justice. (to say no more.)

There is no good reason why the selection of a Postmaster here should not be made on the qualifications of the applicant. Popularity does not qualify; the number of signers to

a petition does not qualify; the need of the office is no qualification; a campaign of vilification of me does not qualify any other applicant, an effort to scare and hold up to the Congressman and brow-beat him out of a calm judgment, is not based on the qualification of the intended recipient of the office.

I have been in this country for over twenty-five years; my record is clean in every situation, whether as friend, lawyer to my clients or the community or as plain citizen in furtherance of the interests of the community; my political life and associates have always been that of a progressive Democrat; as a citizen in the private walks of life and as a public officer I have always opposed graft and the grafter; I claim that during my life here, according to my means, I have unselfishly contributed more of my time and money to every object and enterprise that had for its purpose the betterment and upbuilding of Sweetwater than any other man in Sweetwater.

I am entitled to a fair square deal and clean consideration.

R. C. CRANE.

WANTED—A good horse to keep this winter for his feed. Work will be very light and best of care and feed will be given him.

LOUIE D. GALBRAITH
At Sweetwater Laundry.

W. H. Fowler was placed in the county Jail Tuesday and Wednesday was found to be a very sick man. He is a stranger without money and recently recovered from a spell of fever. Medical attention was given him and Wednesday the ministers of the town took the matter up and secured a suitable room for him and a nurse to wait upon him until he is well again.

THOSE BOSOM FRIENDS
Cleanliness and Comfort make their headquarters at this laundry. Every shirt, collar, cuff etc., we launder is an insurance of that exquisite feeling of comfort that only perfect cleanliness can give. We would like you to enjoy that feeling just once anyway. Send us your things this week and our laundering will provide the enjoyment.

SWEETWATER LAUNDRY CO.

Dear Old Santa Claus.
Listen to me a little bit and I will tell you what I want. I want some apples, tanny, and a great big doll with slippers on and a little buggy for her to ride in and you can bring me anything else you want to. So hoping you will remember all the little folks I will close wishing you a Merry Xmas,
RUBY LEE PACE,

Dear Old Santa Claus:
Please bring me a dog, a horse, a cow, an elephant, a mule, a sheep, a set of dominoes, a baby doll, a cat, a book, a foot ball, a train, some fruit candies and a Christmas tree.
Good-bye Santa, I will be waiting for you.
WILLIS STICKLEY,

Dear Santa Claus:
My little sister and I want a sweater and hair ribbon, and a hockey cap, and my little brother wants a wagon and some a, b, c blocks and we want some fruit and candy and nuts.
Sister and I want a doll trunk if you don't think it will be too much.
DOROTHY FULTZ

Dear Santa Claus,
Bring me a doll, some candy, a lit. de horse, a cart and a little dog.
Your little friend,
GLADYS PERRY,

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll, a little doll buggy, a pony and anything you will send me.
MOODY PERRY,

TO SANTA CLAUS
Dec. 8, 1913.

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you?
I want a bicycle with a corbin Duplex Coaster Brake and Rugby tires.

I also want candy, apples, oranges nuts and an Indian Suit.
Lovingly,
HARRY COLLIER,

NOTICE
Hunting and trespassing of all kinds are positively forbidden in my pasture west of Sweetwater, on account of damage to my stock. This Means You. All trespassers will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
S. B. BULLARD

SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of NOLAN:
BY VIRTUE of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Nolan County, on the 10th day of Dec. 1913 by Dan Childress, Clerk of said Court against J. W. Webb for the sum of Two Hundred and Eighty-one (\$281.00) Dollars and costs of suit, in cause No. 1352 in said Court, styled J. P. Cowen vs J. W. Webb and placed in my hands for service, I J. H. Bond as Sheriff of Nolan County, Texas did on the 11th day of Dec. 1913, levy on certain Real Estate situated in Nolan County, described as follows, to-wit:

South West Corner of Block No. 52 in the Southern and Western addition to the town of Sweetwater, Nolan County, Texas, this lot begins at the South West corner of said block No. 52 thence east, 140 feet to corner, thence West 140 feet to corner, thence south 50 feet to place of beginning; and levied upon as the property of said J. W. Webb and on Tuesday the 6th day of January, 1914, at the Court House Door of Nolan County, in the City of Sweetwater, Texas, between the hours of ten a. m. and four P. M. I will sell said Land at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said J. W. Webb by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Sweetwater Reporter, a newspaper published in Nolan county.

WITNESS my hand, this 11th day of Dec. 1913.
J. H. BOND
Sheriff Nolan County Texas.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Sweetwater Reporter, a newspaper published in Nolan county.

WITNESS my hand, this 11th day of Dec. 1913.
J. H. BOND
Sheriff Nolan County Texas.



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SAME OVER THIS WAY

There is a big strike on in this community, the worst ever known. The old hen with all her blood relations and kindred tribe have gone on a strike and refuse to lay an egg. There seems to be no way to settle this dispute. The feathered tribe has taken a lay-off and treat with contempt all approaches looking toward a settlement. The people are the ones who are suffering, the hens are looking as contented as ever and in this condition. All the old roosters with sympathy with the hen, refuses to even cackle or when he does it is a false alarm, there is no egg in the nest. It is a made-up thing and the old rooster enjoys the joke. So far as the economic situation is concerned, the old hen seems to have a thorough understanding of its various phases, since her advantage. About all the people can contend for now is to try to persuade the hens out of their obstinacy for a Christmas cake. With the new law and all the old hens on a lay-off, things are looking pretty slim for the Christmas egg. Rather tough when you have to wait six weeks for a few eggs and pay a hundred miles for a few drops of whiskey. Guess we don't want any more. Do you? We're like Washington, we can't be (Brownwood Bulletin).

Young man, resolve early in life never to beat an honest debt. The more you owe may be able to get a thing without what you owe him, but you cannot afford to let it go unpaid. No man ever made a success in life by beating a debt. Be every inch a man. If you cannot pay what you owe, go tell the man so and state the situation frankly to him. If he is the man he should be, he will be willing to make necessary concessions to you. But whatever you do, do not slip around and try to beat him out of it. You simply cannot afford to do it. Be a man.

MOVING TO SWEETWATER

Mr. H. Brashear, wife and little son left Monday for Sweetwater where they will make their future home. Miss Katherine will remain here visiting a few days and will visit her sister, who is in school at Belton, before she goes to Sweetwater. We regret to announce the departure of these citizens from our town for Mr. and Mrs. Brashear are good people and they have a nice family and we are glad to recommend them to the people of Sweetwater. They have a large circle of friends here that feel a genuine regret at their leaving. Mr. Brashear has been in business here a number of years and has always been a successful friend of those in need, and has made many friends. They are followed by good wishes and a hope that they will find every thing pleasant in their new home, and that their labors will be rewarded with large success.—Ft. Worth Record.

MANY PEOPLE COMING WEST

As a result of the unprecedented rainfall in the east and south and for other good and sufficient reasons, many splendid farmers and other citizens are coming west where conditions are far better. The writer has met several who are here prospecting and desire land to cultivate during next year. It is now believed that not only will all the farm land in this section be in demand, but that there will not be sufficient to accommodate all who desire to come to this country.

Many people have decided that they would much prefer taking the winter with the dry seasons rather than spend their years in the east where their earnings swept away during flood time, aside from the unpleasantness of enduring the wet seasons there.

LOCAL CITIZENS HERE TUESDAY

Chas. W. Hawkins Jr. and H. Phillips, both excellent citizens of the local community were business visitors to the city Tuesday and took time to call at this office and place an order for the Reporter and some other good papers for which we are indebted. Mr. Phillips was in to receive a new automobile which he had purchased. He has been experimenting with farm work as directed by Demonstration Agent W. C. Calvert and has made a decided success out of it. He is of the opinion that with cooperation with Mr. Calvert and the part of more farmers of the community far better results would be accomplished.

WANTED

A family with no children to keep house. Will turn over three nice bedrooms of my residence with no rent except my board 3 meals a day while I am at home. Apply at 123 N. W. DeBusk.

ORIENT RECEIVERS IN DARK AS TO THE FUTURE

Cleone S. B. Hovey and Mortimer L. Metz, receivers of the Kansas City Mexico and Orient Railroad company of Texas with headquarters in San Angelo, spent Saturday in Ft. Worth. Both gentlemen disclaimed any idea as to when the receivership now controlling this property will likely end. Indications are it is no nearer resolution now than was the case 6 months ago.

Rumors to the effect that the committee of bondholders at a recent meeting in Kansas City had outlined a plan of reorganization that ought to be accepted by the court could not be confirmed by the Texas receivers. The recent rains have greatly softened our tracks and a few of the smaller bridges were washed out, said Mr. Hovey, but we will recover from the dampness by the time the heavy movements begin from western Texas. If the prospects for large yields now so promising are but realized next year we will have plenty of work to do to care for the business that will come to us.—Ft. Worth Record.

A. S. HORN HAS LARGER QUARTERS

A. S. Horn, the popular confectioner, has greatly enlarged and improved the appearance of his store. The Dreamland Theatre, which occupies the rear of the building has been moved back several feet which gives Mr. Horn plenty of room to arrange his goods in an attractive way. Mr. Horn believes in keeping right up in the lead of progressive Sweetwater.

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SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Nolan.

BY VIRTUE of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Nolan County, on the 8th day of December 1913, by Dan Childress, Clerk of said Court against B. C. Stewart and Lem Bailey for the sum of Four Hundred and 62-100 (\$400.62) Dollars and costs of suit, in Cause No. 1391 in said Court, styled T. M. Keykendall vs B. C. Stewart and Lem Bailey and placed in my hands for service, I, J. H. Bond, as Sheriff of Nolan County, Texas, did on the 10th day of December 1913 levy on certain Real Estate situated in Nolan County, described as follows, to-wit: All that certain tract of land same being a part of the Pedro Martinez Survey No. 297 described as follows; beginning at a stone mound 29 1/2 feet east and 30 degrees West of N. W. Cor. of said Survey. Thence S. 20 degrees E. 152 1/3 yards thence E. 30 degrees N. 68 yards to a stake; thence S. 30 deg. E. 156 yards; Thence E. 30 degrees N. 72 yards to a stake thence N. 20 degrees W. 302 1/2 yards thence W. 30 deg. S. 140 yards to the place of beginning, same lying and being situated in Nolan County Tex. and levied on as the property of B. C. Stewart, and Lem Bailey. And on Tuesday, the 6th day of Jan. 1914, at the Court house door of Nolan County, in the city of Sweetwater Texas, between the hours of ten A. M. and four P. M. I will sell said Land at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said B. C. Stewart and Lem Bailey.

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

in Nolan County. WITNESS my hand, this 11th day of Dec. 1913.

J. H. BOND, Sheriff Nolan County, Tex.

FOR SALE—A S. E. Corner lot, 76x156 feet, with a nice five room house with hall, two porches and bath room. If sold at once direct by me, will take \$1,100 part-cash, no trade. Write or see G. C. SHULTZ, Roscoe, Tex.

RETURN FROM GALVESTON

Mrs. Chas. Beryle and daughters, Marie and Allene returned last Monday from Galveston where they had spent the last three months visiting and for the benefit of Miss Marie's health. Mrs. Beryle reports a splendid visit and her daughter improved every day she was there. Mrs. Beryle has resumed the management of her boarding house, which was occupied by Mr. Farmer in her absence, and will continue to serve her patrons in the same satisfactory manner.

C. M. Thomas of Loraine passed through the first of the week with five cars of sheep which he was taking to the Ft. Worth Market. Through the kindness of our good friend, J. M. Ray, the Reporter will make regular visits to the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wooten of Weston, Miss. This is the sixth home that the Reporter visits through the kindness of Mr. Ray and such friends are highly esteemed by the man at the bat.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Dorbandt are the happy parents of a fine nine pound little girl that came into their home the 15th inst. L. W. says she is the prettiest little lady in Texas and woe to the chap that would be so foolish as to take issue with him.

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Selz Royal Blue footwear for men, women and children are the best protection for your feet during the winter. They are strong and durable, easy and comfortable because they are built for comfort as well as wear. They are really soft and flexible to a surprising degree because the leather is properly tanned.

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