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Junior Class Meeting

In response to a call issued by President Short and circulated by Administrator Schlitter, the Junior Class, of the Graham High School, held a meeting in the Library of the High School Building Tuesday evening, and about twenty minutes were required to transact the business. The yellow carnation was adopted as the class flower on the recommendation of the committee. A committee, consisting of Marion Copeland, John Fisher and Jewel Steen was appointed by the President to select a class pin. There was a sharp discussion of a motion made by the chairman of the social committee, to hold the social meetings in company with the Seniors, and a vote resulted in a tie. When the question was given to the chairman for settlement, the decision was rendered in favor of the joint meetings. Some minor business was then disposed of and the class adjourned.

Book Party

Misses Lula and Hugh Weaver were hostesses to a few friends on Monday evening. The evening was spent in playing rook, and the "wee small hours" were at hand before anyone thought it was growing late. During the games divinity, which was "most divine" was served and at the end of the sixth game dainty refreshments, consisting of ambrosia salad with whipped cream and fruit cake was served.

The guests were Misses May-selle Morrison, Enla McCain, Lucille Doty, and Lucile Miller, Messrs. Leslie Scott, Charlie Hinson, Wright McClatchey, Mabry Short, Dan Cusenbary and Paul Dests. A guest.

Miss Edith Yates, of Olney, has been here visiting her sister, Mrs. C. W. Hinson, the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Vaughan left Saturday morning for Dallas. They made many friends during their residence here this fall and winter, who sincerely hoped for, and the members are hope for their return to Graham beginning early for the work.

Burk-Robbins

Dan Burk and Miss Bettie Robbins were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Robbins, in the Flat Rock community, Wednesday evening, February 26, at 4 o'clock p. m., Rev. B. F. Stallings pastor of the Christian church of this city, officiating. The young people are among the most popular in the community and have a large circle of friends who will join The Leader in extending congratulations.

Graham High School, Affiliated.

The visitor of schools for the State University, was in Graham last Thursday and spent the entire day at the school building inspecting the work of the High School. He expressed himself as being well pleased with the Graham schools and said that he would recommend that the Graham High School be placed on the list of schools affiliated with the State University. He was especially pleased with the plan of work of our schools and the manner in which it is carried out. The State University keeps a man in the field all the time inspecting the best high schools with a view to affiliating them with the University. The authorities of the school are to be congratulated on securing affiliation on the first visit of this visitor of schools. This shows that Graham has a first class high school.

Preparing for Big Meeting

The members of the Christian church of this city and their pastor, Rev. Stallings, are preparing for a big revival meeting to begin here about the 15th of June. Rev. J. B. Bowen, who now resides at Seymour, has been secured to do most of the preaching. Rev. Bowen conducted a revival meeting here about fifteen years ago and is remembered by many of our people as a splendid preacher who has his heart in his work. The best meeting ever held in Graham is fall and winter, who sincerely hoped for, and the members are hope for their return to Graham beginning early for the work.

John C. Fisher Dead

John C. Fisher died at 9 o'clock last Saturday morning at his home on South Oak street after a ten days illness and his remains were laid to rest in Oak Grove Cemetery at 4 o'clock Sunday evening.

Mr. Fisher was for eighteen or nineteen years connected with The Graham Printing Company, of this city, during which time he did work for all the surrounding country, even so far out as Mineral Wells, Weatherford and Fort Worth. He was a job printer without a superior in the State, and many of the blanks used in the courts in West Texas were of his origin. But his superior work and ability were not the only good qualities he had. He was a gentleman in every respect; a man slow to speak and considerate of his fellowmen, and as a consequence he had no acquaintances who were not his friend, and was held in highest esteem by the general public as was attested in a mild degree by the crowd which came out to the funeral to show to him their last respects. For the past fourteen months Mr. Fisher had been with The Leader, as foreman of our ad and job department, and he proved himself in every way a man who was anxious at any and all times to do the right thing; a man who considered honor above everything else, and one who believed in and endeavored to practice the golden rule, "do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

John C. Fisher was born in Berlin, Pennsylvania, January 27, 1862, and in 1876 moved with his parents to Dallas, Texas. In 1878 he moved to Weatherford. On November 15, 1893, he was married to Miss Bernice L. Hulbrit, and the following year they moved to Graham where they have resided ever since. He leaves a wife, two sons, Johnnie and Lloyd, an aged mother, a sister and a brother, who have the sincerest sympathy of our people in this sad hour.

Oil Well News.

In order to secure a thorough test for oil and gas on the J. W. Jackson place, three miles east of Graham, the Graham Deep Well Company was formed and stock is being sold for the purpose of raising funds to pay the expense of drilling.

As the discovery of oil or gas in commercial quantities near Graham, would be of inestimable value to every one in this section of the country, as it would enhance the values of all property and provide employment at good wages for men and teams, it is urgently recommended that each and everyone who can, shall buy some of the stock in order that shortage of funds shall not compel discontinuance of drilling.

This being a Home Company and one in which each and every stock holder has a voice, and also his proportionate share of such profits as may be made by the discovery of oil or gas, the stock is being subscribed for by people in all directions from town. The following is an instance of the loyalty of the people of the territory surrounding Graham. A trip to Tonk Valley the other day, by one of the stock salesmen, resulted in the sale of about \$200.00 worth of stock to five or six men. The people in town have been very generous in their support of the project, some of them having given to the bonus which was given to secure the well, and again to the second bonus which helped to get the well to 2424 feet and are now again subscribing for stock in order to do their part toward the cost of drilling to a depth of 3000 feet, unless oil or gas in paying quantities is sooner discovered.

J. R. Jameson, who has been giving close attention to the well, advises us that the hole is drilled to a depth of something over 2500 feet, and that drilling is progressing satisfactorily.

The fact that the best gas well in the Moran Field in

An Apology.

On account of the sickness and death of our foreman, The Leader is unable to come out this week with its usual amount of news. Many letters have been left out and important news items have been overlooked because we have not had the space for them, nor the time required to make them ready for this issue. However, we will endeavor to be at ourselves again next week and give you a good paper.

Missionary Society.

The Ladies Missionary Society of the Graham Baptist church, met Thursday afternoon with Miss Ida Leach, with seventeen adults present and thirteen Bibles. Song, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," prayer, Mrs. C. R. Taylor. Our Mission study Brazil, was led by Mrs. King. Song, "Jesus Lover of My Soul," Mrs. Crawford, our president, then took charge of the meeting, selecting as our scripture lesson, the 9th Psalm. Roll-call, each member responding with name and location of one of our Missionaries in Brazil. Mrs. C. R. Taylor read a very interesting tract in "personal service." This "Forward Movement" was adopted by our society and Mrs. J. L. Steen was appointed, by the president, chairman of "personal service."

Mrs. Homer Thompson was cordially welcomed as a member. We adjourned with prayer by Mrs. R. F. Short.

Cor. Sec., pro tem.

Fresh Fort Worth Bread every day at our store—Mabry & Sons.

Vote for the issuance of the bonds next Saturday.

Shackelford County, is producing from a sand found at 2665 feet, and that some of the best oil wells ever discovered have produced from sands found at depths far beyond 3000 feet, gives the people who are interested in the Graham Deep Well hope that we may soon be in a proven oil and gas field.

District Court.

District Court convened here last Monday with Judge Martin on the bench and District Attorney Scurry in attendance to look after the State's interests. As usually the case in Young county, the docket is very light and there has been but little to do. The grand jury has been in session since Monday evening. It is composed of the following: A. F. Stewart, foreman; A. C. Anderson, W. S. Bailey, J. D. Baty, J. M. Birdwell, R. S. DeLong, T. E. Grant, W. T. Hightower, W. P. Stinson, R. D. Tyra, T. E. Wilton and G. W. Hinson. Chas. Fie and Claud Bryan are serving as bailiffs.

The following cases have been disposed of: Jim Walker vs. G. T. & W. Ry. Co., suit for damages; judgment for defendant. Cook vs. Adams, suit on debt; judgment for plaintiff. Mrs. Mattie Lasater, vs. Bob Lasater; divorce granted. George Courtney vs. Sappho Courtney et. al., suit to try title; judgment for plaintiffs. G. W. Cook vs. R. C. Adams; judgment for plaintiff. The criminal docket is set for next week.

Remember the school bond election next Saturday.

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Bond Election Saturday

An election will be held at the court house next Saturday, March 8, to determine if bonds of the Graham Independent School District shall be issued to the amount of \$10,000.00, payable twenty years from date, with the option of redemption at any time after ten years from date, and bearing 5 per cent. interest, for the purpose of building an addition to the High School building. This is an election in which every citizen of the district should feel an interest and cast a ballot according to his own convictions. As for ourselves, we are in favor of the issuing of the bonds and the levying of the tax. We need the addition to the High School building, and we believe it is to the best interest of all to vote bonds for it.

If the farmer should stop his plow and his hoe for one year, the larger part of the human race would starve to death in that time.

THE HISTORY OF YOUNG COUNTY, TEXAS

By JUDGE P. A. MARTIN.

To the men of iron nerve and dauntless courage, who opened up the wilderness of the west and made possible the civilization we now enjoy, this series of articles is respectfully dedicated.

CHAPTER III

In the meantime what of the civil history of the newly created county of Young? The commissioners appointed by the legislature proceeded in the usual frontier way to perfect the organization and on the 18th of August, 1856, the first county court convened in a store at Belknap, the merchant kindly giving that stately and dignified body the use of a table in the back end of the building. His generosity was richly rewarded however, for it was a great advertisement to his business. No court had ever been held in the county before (except a few short terms called by Judge "Lynch") and the settlers gathered in to see what was going to be done and the merchant had a rush of trade that day.

The court was composed of Peter Harmonson, Chief Justice; L. L. Williams, George Bragg, Hugh Harper and Chesley Dobbs, Commissioners; William Burkett, Clerk and Pat Murphy, Sheriff. James H. Swinell, who was a deputy district surveyor, also

figured in the proceedings as county clerk under Burkett. To properly understand the difficulties that confronted this first court of the county, the reader must remember that they were but simple plainmen, without experience in the conduct of public affairs; they were without legal advice or assistance and they had no county treasury to draw on to pay expenses; for some time, in fact, Judge Harmonson acted also in the capacity of county treasurer and carried the county exchequer in his belt. They made provisions for platting the town of Belknap, the site having been donated to the county by the owner, one E. F. Abbott, a resident of the State of Ohio. They then employed Swindell to procure from the Surveyor of the Cooke land district, the field notes of the county and records of surveys and finally they had to sue him to get them.

Subsequent meetings of the court were held, sometimes in a store and sometimes in one of the government buildings, but be-

fore the close of their terms of office, this court had erected a small building for a Clerk's office and their terms were held in it. They also contracted for a little jail, (a very necessary thing in those days.)

In 1858 an election was held and Alexander Deckman became Chief Justice, with Thos. A. Hamby, A. J. Edwards and M. B. Bowers, Commissioners.

In November, 1858, another event of tremendous local importance occurred in Belknap. It was nothing less than the convening of the first district court and the first grand jury in the county. Judge Nat M. Burford, of Dallas, Judge of the 16th district, presided and Peter Harmonson was the foreman of the grand jury. Mr. James Robinson was district attorney pro tem. Among the proceedings of this first term of the court we note that our present fellow citizen, Joseph A. Woolfolk, was admitted to the bar, upon presentation of his credentials as an attorney from the state of Kentucky, so he bears the distinction of becoming the Dean of the legal fraternity in the county. There was another legal proceeding which we must mention because of its novelty. A petition was presented by "Rachel and Anarcha, free persons of color" as the record states, praying the court to adjudge them slaves for life to Major Geo. H. Thomas. Judge Burford heard evidence to the effect that the Major would likely be a kind master to them and that he was a man of good character etc. and granted the petition, solemnly declaring in his judgment and decree that the full right, title and interest to Rachel and Anarcha was from that day fully vested in the said Major Thomas forever. The Major was presented and accepted the trusts, paid the costs of the proceedings and went back to the fort with his slaves. Little did he think at that time that six years later he would be called upon to lead his army against the impetuous Hood and perform a great part of the work of abolishing slavery in the south, yet such was the case. General Thomas became one of the most noted of the Federal generals during the war between the states, but what he did with his slave property when he went north, we failed to learn.

After a session of six days the grand jury reported sixty-five bills of indictment, which, considering the population of the county was a most wonderful showing. One case was for murder, two for assault to murder, one for illegally marking and branding and the balance were for gambling. It seems that some of the most prominent citizens of those days were included in the long list of those who yielded to the seductive games of faro, monte and draw poker which were run by the gamblers who infested the military post. None of these cases were tried at that term of court which leaves the suspicion that the guilty ones probably "took to the brush" as they sometimes do even in this day and time. The murder case was transferred to Dallas county for trial and in a subsequent term of the court, most of the gambling cases were dismissed.

How the expense of the county government and of the running of the courts were met in these days will be a mystery to the reader when he is informed that the first Collector of taxes reported less than two hundred dollars county tax collected, though it is partially explained by the fact that some of the officers took their pay in town lots in Belknap instead of county script. Then the commissioners and jurors only got \$1.50 per day for their service and everything was run on an economical basis.

Some difficulty was experienced by the early court in securing a quorum of the commissioners or in getting the district Judge out from Dallas to hold the terms; the fact being that it often happened that reports of marauding Indians compelled the commissioners to stay at home and guard their families and caused the district Judge to forego a term in the county of Young on more than one occasion.

The first probate business transacted by Judge Harmonson was the appointment of James Duff as administrator of the es-

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Socrates—"You are a tenant farmer, then, and pay no taxes on land?"
 Tenant Farmer—"Yes, my taxes amount to little, hence this matter of increased taxes to build a new County Seat does not affect me."
 Socrates—"Then the talk of equal rights and special privileges, really means that you are to have the equal right of enjoying a new County Seat while the tax payer has the special privilege of paying for it. Is that the idea?"
 Tenant Farmer—"It seems so, but that hardly looks fair after all."
 Socrates—"Well, things are not always as they seem, and I would like to have you answer a few questions."
 Tenant Farmer—"Proceed, and I will take pleasure in answering them."
 Socrates—"Do you know how the merchant figures the cost of his goods?"
 Tenant Farmer—"I suppose he takes the first cost, to which he adds freight, insurance, clerk hire, and then adds his profit."
 Socrates—"How about his taxes, should they not be added also, as otherwise the profit would not be all profit?"
 Tenant Farmer—"Yes, his taxes are as much an item of cost as rent or clerk hire, and they must be included in the selling price."
 Socrates—"Then, really, it looks every time you buy a pound of coffee, or a pair of shoes, you pay his taxes on them, do you not?"
 Tenant Farmer—"It does look like it."
 Socrates—"Well, how about the banker, do you pay his taxes too?"
 Tenant Farmer—"You have put the above quite plainly, perhaps it will be easier for you to answer that at once."
 Socrates—"I will try to do so, the banker is really only a merchant who deals in money. He also has to pay his taxes, rent, clerk hire, and insurance before he can pay any dividend, and he makes his interest rate high enough to cover all. The less these charges are, the lower he can make his interest rate."
 Tenant Farmer—"But I may not borrow much money, my merchant may carry me."
 Socrates—"Very true, but in proportion as he carries you, he borrows money, and this interest charge he has to pay, must be added to his selling cost."
 Tenant Farmer—"It seems then that I help to pay the banker's taxes too—but certainly that is all. My landlord must have to pay his own taxes."
 Socrates—"Your landlord is like the merchant and banker, he must have his profit in net rental or he cannot afford to rent. If his place does not pay the taxes and then something, he will have to go out of business."
 Tenant Farmer—"It begins to look like I am also interested in the landlord's taxes."
 Socrates—"Yes, and that is not all. In proportion as you increase his taxes, you decrease his profits and lessen his ability to make the improvements that are necessary to your comfort."
 Tenant Farmer—"I had not thought of that, I do need many improvements where I live."
 Socrates—"So you are vitally interested. There is no such thing as getting something for nothing. In society, we all have to bear our part of the burden of expense. But things are not as bad as they look. You may not have to pay all of your merchant's, and banker's and landlord's taxes, as you may succeed in reducing their profits to some extent—but there is no doubt that you pay your full part."
 Tenant Farmer—"I will think this matter over again; and quit saying that I am not interested in taxation."
 Socrates—"You should do so, and tell your neighbors about it; because as your landlord prospers, you will prosper; and next year you will be a landlord yourself, if you want to be. Such is the history of new countries."

Should It Be a New Hat, or New Shoes?

Tenant Farmer—"I see an acquaintance coming, who wants to ask you a question."
 Socrates—"Good-day. Please state your question."
 Acquaintance—"What is the difference between a 20 year, .05%, \$100,000 road bond issue in 1910, and a 40 year, .05%, \$150,000 Court House bond issue in 1913?"
 Socrates—"That sounds like a conundrum, but as there is a GREAT DIFFERENCE, let us examine it together. In the first place, in times of public distress it is an old form of relief to issue bonds for such public improvements as the people can build themselves and use for themselves. The proceeds of a road bond issue would have been apportioned over the entire county, and the farmers could have got it all, by doing all the work—which work they could have done; while the proceeds of the Court House issue would be spent at one place, and largely for material and skilled labor, so the farmers could do but little of the work, and hence would get but little of the money."
 Acquaintance—"But each bond issue would require an increase in our taxes would it not, Socrates?"
 Socrates—"No, our tax burden is already too heavy, and that calls attention to another difference between the two, as of course you know that Young County for many years levied and is now levying a tax of 15c on the \$100 for road purposes, which tax would have just a little more than taken care of the 20 year, .05%, \$100,000 bonds, without an increase in your taxes at all; while the Court House tax was discontinued in 1904, when your present substantial Court House was paid for, hence a new Court House would call for an increase in your taxes."
 Acquaintance—"But by making the Court House bonds run for 40 years, the tax would be insignificant would it not?"
 Socrates—"Those who would mislead you say so. When you borrow money and expect to pay it back, the longer it takes you to pay it back, the more you pay eventually. Forty years is a long time. The voter who is casting his first vote now will be 61 years old when the last bond is retired, and all those who are agitating this matter now will likely have been in their graves many years. Your present Court House has been built only 28 years, and even 5 years from now it will be safe and sound, but it may be too small. No, FORTY YEAR COURT HOUSE BONDS ARE A CRIME AGAINST YOUR CHILDREN, as you cannot possibly pay the bonds yourselves, and your children will likely not want such a house as you would now build and they would have to pay for. Now, may I ask you a question?"
 Acquaintance—"Your answers have been fair, and I will try to answer you in the same spirit."
 Socrates—"If you had but little money, and had a perfectly good hat but needed some new shoes, would you buy another hat, or a pair of shoes?"
 Acquaintance—"The shoes of course."
 Socrates—"Then, as you have a perfectly good and adequate Court House, if you have any money to spend, don't waste it on another house, but spend it on your roads, which are a source of income rather than a dead investment."
 "SOCRATES."

It Is Really 20 Per Cent. and Not 6 Per Cent.

You cannot sell bonds bearing a lower rate than 5 per cent. To let them run longer than 20 years, would be a crime against your children. The total County Seat cost will be at least \$150,000. The total valuation is \$7,600,000. We then have 5 per cent on \$150,000 equals \$7,500, which added to 1-20 of \$150,000 for sinking fund, \$7,500 more gives the total annual requirement of \$15,000, calling for 20 per cent per \$100 on \$7,600,000 or \$15,200, while 6 cents per \$100 would take care of only \$45,000 bonds on the same basis. They dare not tell you it will cost less than \$150,000 to build a new Court House and Jail, furnish them; open required roads and refund the bonus of 1876. They dare not suggest longer than 20 year bonds, which are bad enough—for as to the first, you would not believe it, and as to the latter, you would not stand for it. Your present rate is 86 cents per \$100 for State and County to which add the 20 cents—making about 1.4 more than you are now paying.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF YOUNG COUNTY, TEXAS

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
County Bonds (outstanding)	\$63,998.00	Assessed Values	\$7,604,928.00
Open County Indebtedness (borrowed money)	18,500.00	Liabilities	4,399,436.40
	\$ 82,498.00	Net Value of the County	\$3,205,491.60
Chattel Mortgage, Dec. 1911 to Feb. 25, 1913	903,851.00	Owned by non residents, R. R., Telephone and Telegraph Co's.	1,860,526.00
Deed of Trust on Land	1,145,849.00	Net owned by people of County	\$1,344,565.60
Common School Bonds	11,900.00	STATE AND NATIONAL BANK INDEBTEDNESS	
Independent School District Bonds	41,000.00	Graham Bank Loans and Discounts	\$375,902.00
Local Indebtedness to Banks, Feb. 13, 1913	550,663.40	Secured by Chattel Mortgages 12-3%	\$47,993.00
Vendors Lien Notes (estimated)	1,563,675.00	Newcastle Bank Loans and Discounts	\$78,062.00
Merchants Indebtedness (estimated)	100,000.00	Secured by Chattel Mortgages 57 1-7%	44,644.00
TOTAL	\$4,399,436.40	POPULATION OF YOUNG CO. TEXAS LAST CENSUS, 13,657 PEOPLE	
		A division of net assets given the sum of \$98.00 per capita.	

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF YOUNG:—Before me a Notary Public within and for Young County, Texas, on this day personally appeared E. S. Graham, who after being by me first duly sworn, says that he tabulated the foregoing financial statement of Young County, Texas, from the records of said County and other reliable sources and that the same are true, and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.
 E. S. GRAHAM.
 [SEAL] Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 26th day of February, 1913.—R. E. LYNCH, Notary Public—Young County, Texas.

GROCERIES!

Dry Goods

Hardw're

FURNITURE!

— I —
 Have Full and Complete Line of Groceries, Chops, Bran, Oats, Hay.

We want your Grocery Business this year,

EITHER CASH OR CREDIT

D. G. VICK

Dress Goods
 New Spring and Summer Dress Goods arriving daily.
 I have made a very careful selection in buying, and have something new to show you.

Shoes
 Just received Our Spring and Summer Shoes, Men's, Women's and Children's Low Quarters and Pumps—the very newest styles in all colors.

Novelties and Laces
 Everything new in Laces and Embroidered Novelties, Hair Ornaments of every kind, a nice line of Bulgarian Neckwear.

Hosery
 Men's, Women's and Children's Hose, all sizes, colors and prices. See our line of Ladies' Silk Hose.

Either Cash or Credit

D. G. VICK

MEN'S AND BOYS' SPRING AND SUMMER SUITS. A BIG LINE OF MEN'S and BOYS' UNDERWEAR, Dress Shirts, Nobby Hats, Fancy Hose, beautiful line of neckwear & collars

Cultivators
 Case 4 and 6 Plow Cultivators
 Case Double Row Planter
 Case Single Row Buster Planter
 Nothing better on the market than Case Implements

Wagons
 Peter Schuttler and Leudinghaus Wagons.

Buggies
 The Old Reliable Velie Buggies and Hacks. New and Nobby Styles—they stand the rock and sands longer than any other brand.

Stoves
 Lilly Darling Cook Stoves and Majestic Ranges.

SHELF HARDWARE
 Queensware, Granite Ware, etc.
 Paint and Oil

Either Cash or Credit

D. G. VICK

Just Rec'd
 Nice new and complete line of all kinds of Furniture, Rugs, Mattings, Lenolium, etc.

Anything you want in this line we will make the Price Attractive. See Our Stock Before You Buy Elsewhere.

EITHER CASH OR CREDIT

D. G. VICK

SPENDING AND SAVING

The debt habit is easy to fall into and it is a constant drain upon one's resource

More people are poor than are wealthy because it is easier to spend than to save

MONEY SAVED MAKES MONEY

THE BECKHAM NATIONAL BANK

HOME FOR SAVINGS
 STRONG SAFE CONSERVATIVE COURTEOUS

Local Notes

SOUTHWESTERN PHONE 25-3
 INDEPENDENT PHONE 30-3.

R. M. Summers was here from Loving Monday.
 J. L. Lester, of Oakland, was in the city last Thursday.
 Edgar McLendon and children were at Loving Saturday.
 Byrd Padgett, of Oakland, was in Graham last Thursday.
 Dan Baker, of Murray, was in town on business last Friday.
 Oliver Loving was here from Jermyn, the first of the week.
 Rev. G. W. Black preached at the Baptist church Sunday night.
 W. W. Benson was here from Fort Worth the first of the week.
 J. E. Price was here from Eliasville last Tuesday with a load of cotton.
 Leave your orders for tuning and repairing Pianos and Organs at Carroll's Studio, over the Postoffice.

H. A. Miller and family, of Carter Bend, have moved to Graham.
 Visit the New Carroll Studio, Akin Building. Photos, Postcards, etc. Kodak Work, a specialty.
 Supt. B. W. King and wife spent last Saturday and Sunday in Loving.
 Halbert Jackson left Friday for Austin to enter the State University.
 Are you interested in our schools? If so, vote for the bonds next Saturday.
 E. T. Young has materially improved his home on 4th Street, by building new fences.
 See Hughes & Kizer for North-ville, running and tanks for North-ville.
 Mr. Belcher, who bought the Bowers property in east Graham recently, has put in city water.
 Miss Amy Robertson visited her sister, Mrs. Henry Moore, in the Loving country last Saturday.
 R. D. Tyra, one of the leading citizens in the Murray country, was here on business Monday and handed in his renewal to The Leader and Dallas-News.

Bill Bush, the liveryman at Newcastle, was in Graham on business last Tuesday.
 Frank Burch, of the Briar Branch community, was mixing with the Graham people Saturday.
 W. C. Ratliff, returned Tuesday to his home in Quannah after spending several days in the city.
 Johnson Grass Hay for sale. 30 cents per bale.
 2t) Fred Rubenkoenig.
 J. J. Culverhouse, of Jacksboro, came over to Graham last Saturday to transact business with our people.
 Thos. Fletcher, assistant visitor of schools for the State University, spent last Thursday in Graham.
 J. H. Wood, one of Olney's pioneer newspaper men, was looking after business in Graham Monday.
 Mrs. Gaines B. Hall and little son, Clifford, returned Saturday from a month's visit to her parents in Comanche, Texas.
 Mrs. W. H. Rawlings and little daughter, Cleo, left last Thursday for Dallas where she expects to remain for a few days.
 Through respect to Mrs. J. C. Fisher, whose husband died last Saturday, the Priscilla Club had no meeting Tuesday afternoon.
 J. T. Rogers, living out on the South Bend route, was in the city on business Tuesday and paid The Leader an appreciated call.
 Rev. Gaines B. Hall returned Friday night from attending the laymen's convention in Memphis and visiting relatives in Tennessee.
 Joe Lida Flint came in Saturday night from Castle Rock, Washington, where he has been for the past few months attending school.
 Abstracts Of Title.
 Every land owner owes it to himself to have a complete abstract of title to his land.
 J. W. Akin with twenty years experience can furnish you with a correct abstract on short notice.

Seed! Seed!! Seed!!!
 I have opened a first class seed store. All seed handled have been re-cleaned and are fresh. There is in stock now, seed corn, Sorghum, Maize, Kaffir and Millet. Also have feed connection. It will pay you to figure with me before buying your seed. Wholesale and retail.
 W. L. Howry,
 Old Finch Building, Northwest corner of square, Graham, Texas
 Miss Gratie Lichte went to Fort Worth last Friday. She hopes to be able to resume her duties as a professional nurse before long.
 Highest price paid for Chickens, Turkeys, Eggs, Butter, Hides and Furs by
 D. J. Brandon,
 Hallam & Jones old stand.
 Judge John C. Kay, a former attorney of Graham, but now a leading legal light in Wichita Falls, is in attendance upon the district court here this week.
 Lost—Gold rimmed spectacles, in case, lost last Sunday. Return to Leader office.
 Judge and Mrs. C. W. Johnson left Tuesday for Marlin, Texas, where they will spend some time for the benefit of Mr. Johnson's health.
 Frank Still, of Bridgeport, spent two or three days here this week visiting his father, J. W. Still. He called Tuesday and ordered The Leader sent to his address.
 H. L. Morrison returned Friday from attending the laymen's convention in Memphis, visiting relatives in Mississippi and purchasing his spring goods in eastern markets.
 The moving picture show is using three reels each night this week and only the very best films are being used. This has given the show a larger attendance than usual.
 Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Ward, of Marble Rock, Iowa, are here visiting his brother, H. Ward, of the firm of Graves & Ward. The two brothers had not met since separating in Jack county in 1885 over twenty-eight years ago.

COURT HOUSE SHOULD REMAIN

OLD TIMER GIVES SOME LOGICAL REASONS WHY COURT HOUSE SHOULD REMAIN IN GRAHAM
 Eliasville, Texas, 2-28-13.
 I came to Young county with my parents, September 1876, consequently, I would like to sit over here in the corner and talk with the pioneers of the county.
 I, too, know something of the hardships that we have faced since that time, and now you need not stand up and tell me that it was easy sailing, with continued drouths and crop failures and with other draw-backs, for we know better.
 Our 1912 crop was the only crop that amounted to anything since 1908, and now talk of throwing away our present county seat property to the bat roost and rat dens. I feel very sure if there ever was a people that should use a little economy, it is the people of Young County. We don't know whether we will make anything in the next three or four years to come.
 Of course I know it is right for the county seat to be as near as possible, to the center; and, if we had no house, it would be best to put it there; but we have a Court House and Jail that is good enough for our need, and it is paid for, and, as I said, to throw this all away and just to please our fancy; also go put a big tax on all those pioneers that have been so faithful in helping to make the county what it is; I would feel guilty to meet them; I would feel as a criminal. I, at first, was in favor of moving it, but when I considered and reconsidered the question, I decided to let it alone for I think our present taxes are great enough for us now. I know this is equal property of the tax payers but it is our misfortune that it is not in the center. So are the bridges our equal property. How would it be to condemn them because they are not located just where we want them?

I have been helping to build bridges all along, and there is not a one that is where I would rather have, but I am sure, I would rather go to them, than tax myself, my father, my children, and such fellows as Uncle Pink Brooks, Uncle Bill Donnell and Uncle Doc Yancey, and all his hand of Noble Sons of Rest, (for it is about all they can do to live anyway), just to get a bridge close to me. No Sir, not I. I built my house on the east side of my farm and there was a very good road on that side, and it seemed to be the front and would always be so, for the west side was a rough pasture, but now we have a laned road along my west side and soon will have culverts and nice little bridges, and it seems like the west side should be the front side now, and it would be just the thing to build a larger and prettier house on some nice little spot over on that side. To do this, can I afford to throw away my present house and well and barn, orchard, shop, and all other improvements to make this nice little change and put the burden on myself, wife and little children? I say no, and a dozen times no. Geo. R. White.

COAL

We are prepared to fill your orders for coal in any quantity.
Extra Quality Lump \$4.50 Per Ton
 Delivered in Graham.
At the Mines \$3.25
 Leave orders at Tidwell & Sons, or drop us a postal card. Get in your supply while the roads are good.
PATRONIZE HOME INDUSTRY GRAHAM COAL CO.
 Proprietors Burch Mines.

J. EWING NORRIS
 Licensed Embalmer
 and
 Funeral Director

ANNUAL STATEMENT

OF THE
Financial Condition of Young County

Showing the total amount of receipts, disbursements and indebtedness, and cash balances on hand in the various funds of the County, for the year beginning Feb. 10, 1912, and ending Feb. 12, 1913, as required by law.

JURY FUND

	Dr.	Cr.
Feb. 10, 1912—To cash on hand.....	\$ 214.32	
Feb. 12, 1913—To cash rec'd during year.....	2,123.37	
Feb. 12, 1913—By amount paid out during year.....		\$ 2,319.59
Feb. 12, 1913—By balance on hand.....		18.10
	\$ 2,337.69	\$ 2,337.69

Feb. 12, 1913—To balance on hand.....	\$ 18.10	
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND		
Feb. 10, 1912—To cash on hand.....	\$11,807.32	
Feb. 12, 1913—To cash received during year.....	22,557.30	
Feb. 12, 1913—By amount paid out during year.....		\$22,231.20
Feb. 12, 1913—By balance on hand.....		12,133.42
	\$ 34,364.62	\$ 34,364.62

Feb. 12, 1913—To balance on hand.....	\$ 12,133.42	
GENERAL COUNTY FUND		
Feb. 10, 1912—To cash on hand.....	\$16,291.47	
Feb. 12, 1913—To cash received during year.....	24,598.74	
Feb. 12, 1913—By amount paid out during year.....		\$27,507.02
Feb. 12, 1913—By balance on hand.....		13,373.19
	\$40,880.21	\$40,880.21

Feb. 12, 1913—To balance on hand.....	\$13,373.19	
COURT HOUSE SPECIAL FUND		
Feb. 10, 1912—To cash on hand.....	\$ 3,588.93	
Feb. 12, 1913—To cash received during year.....	3,589.42	
Feb. 12, 1913—By amount paid out during year.....		\$ 3,762.87
Feb. 12, 1913—By balance on hand.....		3,415.48
	\$ 7,178.85	\$ 7,178.85

Feb. 12, 1913—To balance on hand.....	\$ 3,415.48	
BRAZOS RIVER BRIDGE BOND SINKING FUND		
Feb. 10, 1912—To cash on hand.....	\$ 3,694.24	
Feb. 12, 1913—To cash received during year.....	3,712.68	
Feb. 12, 1913—By amount paid out during year.....		\$2,712.57
Feb. 12, 1913—By balance on hand.....		4,694.35
	\$ 7,406.92	\$ 7,406.92

Feb. 12, 1913—To balance on hand.....	\$4,694.35	
REYNOLDS RIVER BRIDGE SINKING FUND		
Feb. 10, 1912—To cash on hand.....	\$ 2,346.24	
Feb. 12, 1913—To cash received during year.....	2,150.79	
Feb. 12, 1913—By amount paid out during year.....		\$ 1,053.12
Feb. 12, 1913—By balance on hand.....		3,443.91
	\$ 4,497.08	\$ 4,497.08

Feb. 12, 1913—To balance on hand.....	\$ 3,443.91	
BRIDGE BOND INTEREST AND SINKING FUND		
Feb. 10, 1912—To cash on hand.....	\$ 388.55	
Feb. 12, 1913—To cash received during year.....	358.37	
Feb. 12, 1913—By amount paid out during year.....		\$ 88.75
Feb. 12, 1913—By balance on hand.....		658.17
	\$746.92	\$746.92

Feb. 12, 1913—To balance on hand.....	\$658.17	
BRIDGE REPAIR BOND SINKING FUND		
Feb. 10, 1912—To cash on hand.....	\$ 363.80	
Feb. 12, 1913—To amount received during year.....	391.72	
Feb. 12, 1913—By amount paid out during year.....		\$ 8.85
Feb. 12, 1913—By balance on hand.....		746.67
	\$ 755.52	\$ 755.52

Feb. 12, 1913—To balance on hand.....	\$ 746.67	
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RECAPITULATION

ASSETS	
Cash on hand in available County funds.....	\$28,940.19
LIABILITIES	
Amount due for borrowed money.....	18,500.00
ASSETS	
Cash on hand in sinking funds.....	9,543.10
Bonds on hand in sinking funds.....	4,498.00
	\$14,041.10
LIABILITIES	
40 Brazos River Bridge Bonds outstanding.....	\$40,000.00
20 Reynolds River Bridge Bonds outstanding.....	20,000.00
2 McCann & Gooseneck Bridge Bonds.....	2,000.00
2 Bridge Repair Bonds.....	1,998.00
	\$68,998.00

STATE OF TEXAS, YOUNG COUNTY:

D. D. Cusenbary, Clerk of Young County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing to be a true and correct statement of the financial condition of Young County as shown by the records in my office.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the 18th day of February, A. D., 1913.

D. D. CUSENBARY,

County Clerk, Young County, Texas.

W. I. TIDWELL & SONS

GROCERIES

SEED AND FEED

SEED CORN--Texas raised, the best for Texas--Giant Yellow, Hickory King, Strawberry, Bloody Butcher, Giant White, red cob, Oklahoma White Wonder. Seed Potatoes. Garden Seeds.

QUALITY GOODS THAT WILL PLEASE:

Batavia Coffees	New Catch Mackerel
Batavia Jams and Preserves	Large Bulk Queen Olives
Batavia Maple Syrup	Pimento Stuffed Olives
Batavia California Fruits	Sweet Mixed and Pl. Pickles
Batavia Vegetables	Sour and Dill Pickles
Premium and D. C. B. Bacon	Fresh Cakes and Crackers
Premium and D. C. Hams	Pure Cane Syrup

FRESH VEGETABLES FIRST AND LAST OF EACH WEEK

Ring Southwestern 14; Independent 50.

W. I. TIDWELL & SONS

"WE STUDY TO PLEASE"

LET COUNTY

SEAT STAY

PIONEER GIVES FEW THOUGHTS ON COUNTY SEAT QUESTION AND REASONS WHY IT SHOULD NOT BE MOVED

First. Is it not a fact that the present county buildings at Graham are entirely adequate for transaction of the county business at present and for years to come?

Second. Is it not a fact that by great expenditure, of public and private money, a great deal of work has been done on the public roads leading to Graham and that they are now in very fair condition, much better than in former years?

Third. Is it not a fact that owing to the good water, the numerous wagon yards, hotels and restaurants, the farmer and his team can be taken care of at Graham better and cheaper than in any town in this or surrounding counties?

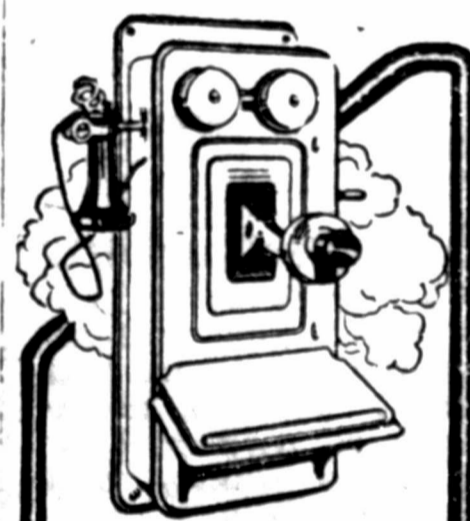
Fourth. Is it not a fact that before the present roads and accommodations could, or would, be duplicated, at Newcastle about all the old timers in this country would be under the sod?

Fifth. Is it not a fact that putting up new buildings at, and opening new roads to Newcastle, would put a very heavy debt on the county and thereby increase our already high taxes, and is it sensible to incur this expense and discomfort when not necessary?

Sixth. Is it not a fact that owing to the dry years, most of us were behind and are just catching up and the west and southwest not having as much rain last season, are hardly up yet, and none of us are able to stand the extra expense?

Seventh. And now a few words about this Golden Rule and equal rights talk we hear so much of lately. It certainly applies just as much to our friends at Graham and the east

and southeast part of the county as to those at Newcastle and the northwest part and during the long years that we, of the west of the Brazos, strove to get a bridge and were prevented by votes of the people of the north and northwest part of the county, we never had a hint, by word or deed, of this Golden Rule and equal rights business.
Thos. Price,
Murray, Texas.



THE MODERN WEATHER PROPHET

Recollect last spring when that late frost struck your orchards and produce? You'd have given a mint to have had fair warning.

A Rural Bell Telephone will summon help when frosts threaten, besides being profitable in countless other ways. Our nearest Manager will cheerfully furnish information or write to.

Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone Co. DALLAS, TEXAS.

Bundle Sorghum Hay
I have some 500 bundles of Sorghum hay that was cut with row binder seven miles west of town, on farm, for 2 cents per bundle. See Sam Fitzgerald, who has charge of my place, to get J. H. Fisher.

IF YOU WANT TO TALK

TO PEOPLE AT

OLNEY	NEWCASTLE
SEYMOUR	THROCKMORTON
HASKELL	MINERAL WELLS
FORT WORTH	WEATHERFORD
GRAFORD	BRYSAN
JACKSBORO	WOODSON
JERMYN	BRECKENRIDGE

And all points in Young County

Use the Graham Independent Telephone Co.'s Lines

We'll give you prompt, courteous treatment and do our best to make your "talk" pleasant.

GRAHAM INDEPENDENT TELEPHONE CO.

W. H. MAYES, Manager.

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NORRIS-JOHNSON HARDWARE CO.

FOR EVERYTHING IN

HARDWARE

WE WANT YOUR BUSINESS

CASH OR CREDIT

MOON BROTHERS' BUGGIES

No civilization has ever advanced beyond its agricultural development. Success is bound to come to the farmer who plans while he plows.

Owen & Young

DEALERS IN

Reliable Groceries and

FEED

Also nice clean shedded wagon yard in connection.

Good stalls, good lots, and prompt attention day or night.

Highest market for country produce.

Our Religious Column

Sunday Services.

On Sunday, March 2nd, the day was again ideal except for a little wind, and the attendance at services was very good.

The Presbyterians numbered 106 at Sabbath School with an offering of \$5.27. Rev. Hall's morning text was Eph. 2:10-11-12. Instead of a regular sermon, he gave a report from the convention, giving some especially inspiring thoughts and good features from a number of the splendid addresses made there. There were two thousand delegates present from all over the south. The quiet hour services, led by Dr. Dobins, on such subjects as "soul winning" and personal work, were very impressive. Other subjects discussed by the various speakers were: Problem of Emigration, social evils, Romanism, the country church, duty toward negro in the south, tithing, every member canvas, the twenty million out of church in the South, Surrender of self. The special music was an anthem by the choir. At the evening hour the text was Rev. 22:17 and the sermon was a forceful one, setting forth the invitation to "come." It is unusual and free to poor and rich alike. The rich can't buy, but must accept it as a gift. It matters not whence you come, by what road, your age, the color of your skin, whether moral or wicked, if you are thirsty you can come. This salvation exactly meets the need of every individual. It is a con-

stant and satisfying supply. He gave illustrations of personal efforts and opportunities for service so often neglected, and the influence that everyone has, also the privilege of witnessing and working, and the right to Christ as our burden-bearer. The special music was a pleasing number by the male chorus, "The Lord, My Shepherd." Miss Stroud was cordially welcomed to church membership. Most of the time at Endeavor service was given to H. L. Morison for his report from the convention at Memphis. He spoke briefly of the Fort Worth convention of this Presbytery which preceded it, then gave many precious kernels he had carefully noted from the Memphis convention. The questions of stewardship, service, self-surrender, opportunity, duty to foreigners, etc., were impressively given. He also spoke of the enjoyable numbers from Union Theological Seminary Quartets.

The text for the morning sermon at the Methodist church, was Ephesians 6:12, and the subject was "Man's Life Battle." All men are engaged in battles and struggles, some of one kind and some of another. But all Christians are called to join in battle against sin and the devil. This they should do with watchfulness, earnestness and steadfastness. All the armor mentioned by Paul is to be put on. Christ is the Captain of our salvation and from Him we get help, encouragement and comfort. From enemies, man must combat. First, the devil, Gen. 3:15; Second, the flesh, 1st Peter 2:11; Third, the world, John, 16:33; Fourth, the last enemy that is to be destroyed is death, 1st Cor. 15:25. The night sermon was on the Jewish maid who directed Naaman how to be cleansed of his leprosy.

The Baptists had 167 at Sunday School, 61 Bibles and an offering of \$25.76. The morning lesson was the 12th chapter of Ecclesiastes and the first verse was used as a text, "Remember also thy Creator in the days of thy youth." Remember in this sense does not mean merely to call to mind, and many reasons may be given why the young people of today should remember God in their youth. Because life without God is worse than failure, because God alone can satisfy the longings of the heart and because death comes to old and young alike. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Rible were gladly received into the membership of the church at the morning service. Owing to the illness of the pastor, Rev. G. W. Black preached at the night service. He spoke from the text, "He came unto His own and they that were His own received Him not, but as many as received Him, to them gave he the right to become children of God," John 1:11-12. The

theme of the sermon was the fact that when Christ is accepted as Lord, Saviour and Exemplar. He saves from the love of sin, the practice of sin and the consequences of sin. The ordinance of baptism was administered at the close of the service.

The Christian church had 95 at Bible School and \$4.00 offering. After reading Acts 10:1-17, Bro. Stallings discussed the theme of prayer, his text being 1 Peter 3:12, "For the eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous and his ear unto their supplication, but the face of the Lord is upon them that do evil." The main thought of the sermon was this; "Nothing that pertains to the needs of mankind is foreign to God." The truth of this statement was shown in the abundant provision God has made for the welfare of man and the adaptability of all created things to man's comfort. It was shown that obedience and submission are necessary requisites for prayer. Some prayers are not answered because they are not in harmony with God's will. God, as a loving father bestows good gifts and answers those prayers that are for the good of His children. Man's dependence upon God and the importance of prayer were illustrated in the lives and attainments of many Bible characters. Even Jesus himself spent much time in prayer. We, His children, are to follow his example remembering his injunction that we are to make our petitions in His name.

Beautiful Buggies

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