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PRACTICAL JOKE CAUSES DEATH

TREASURE HUNTER VICTIM OF PECULIAR ACCIDENT

AFFAIR BEING INVESTIGATED

Falls on Railroad Track and Breaks Neck Running From "Ghost."

Word was received from Newcastle Tuesday of a peculiar accident, in which Carroll Cox, a citizen of that place lost his life.

As near as could be learned, he, with two friends, went out Monday night for the purpose of hunting a supposedly hidden treasure. More of his friends heard of the venture and to have some fun planned a ghost scare, taking with them some sheets and a gun. Mr. Cox was pretty badly scared and in running away from the scene he ran across the railroad track, stumbled and fell, the fall breaking his neck.

An inquest was held, which resulted in finding the facts as above stated. County Attorney C. Fay Marshall went to Newcastle yesterday to make a thorough investigation of the affair.

HONORING MISS SKILES

The Priscillas and a number of guests were entertained at a party on Tuesday given by Mrs. J. C. Vaughan in compliment to her guest, Miss Skiles, of Denton. Glorious sunshine and balmy breezes made the afternoon an ideal one.

Mrs. Vaughan, who is a noted entertainer, exceeded even her own reputation on this occasion. The house had the fresh sweet look of spring with its growing plants and open windows. The color scheme was white and green, which was carried out even in the costumes of the dear little maids, Misses Lovella Eddleman and Mary Ellen Burkett, who so charmingly provided the music for the afternoon as well as assisting the hostess to serve.

The guests having arrived, each was given a really, truly hand-made basket, crocheted of white thread, the handle of which was laced with green ribbon. These baskets contained a white thimble, a white and green needle book, a small amount of white thread and a tiny tape measure. Then baskets were passed containing "carpet rags" all ready cut of white and green material. Each lady took a supply and such a "carpet-rag tacking" as followed has not often been enjoyed in Graham we are sure. When all the "rags" were tacked Mrs. Horace Morrison's work was declared the neatest and she was given a dainty party bag in green, a piece of the hostess' pretty work.

Refreshments in three courses were served, the first consisting of turkey salad, creamed peas, bread and butter sandwiches and olives; the second was heavenly hash with angel food, iced in pale green. The last course was coffee, so delicious that it is good just to remember it. Mints in green were passed after each course.

When the plates had been removed Mrs. Vaughan passed a small cut glass bowl containing

a lot of needles, requesting each guest to guess at the number. Numbers from fifty to ten thousand were guessed. Mesdames Stovall and Snoddy made the closest guess and they were asked to guess again, after some of the needles had been removed. Mrs. Snoddy was fortunate in guessing nearest the number and she was awarded a pretty needle book in green.

A needle threading contest was next in order. Mesdames H. L. Morrison and E. Mabry were asked to choose sides. The ladies on one side were each given a needle, while those on the opposite side were supplied with a length of thread. It is not easy to thread a needle when some one else is holding it, but Mrs. W. A. Morris and Miss Eula Logan tied with Mesdames Morrison and Mabry. Finally Mrs. Morrison won out by excelling all contestants and the prize was given her, a beautiful work basket, green, lined with white, and trimmed in green ribbon.

Mrs. Rose sang by request, her selection being "The Rosary." When recalled she gave "Peg o' My Heart." Mrs. Crabb played the accompaniments.

All vote the afternoon one so charming as to be long remembered, and the honoree a young lady of such pleasing personality that it is to be hoped she will visit Graham often.

When adieus had been said the guests departed with barely enough daylight left to see them home.

Those present were: Mesdames Bryant, Burkett, Bowman, Fowler, Gay, Hutchison, Hudson, C. W. Johnson, J. W. Jackson, C. B. Jones, Albert Kay, H. L. Morrison, A. A. Morrison, Morris, Ewing Norris, Norman, R. G. Graham, Widmayer, Lynch, Evans Mabry, E. C. Stovall, Crabb, Pohlman, Parrish, A. B. Eddleman, Snoddy, J. L. Vaughan, Rose, Skiles, Stoffers, Misses Morrison, Johnson, Logan and Rubenkoenig.

There will be no meeting of the Club next week.

Reporter pro tem.

DR. R. H. BURNS DEAD

Dr. R. H. Burns, a citizen of Young county, since 1880 quietly passed away at his home in this city Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. Dr. Burns had been in feeble health for some time and a short time ago was stricken with paralysis, from which he was unable to recover.

Dr. Burns came to Texas in the early days, settling in Montague county. From there he came to Graham in 1880 and has resided here since that time. He was 76 years of age at the time of his death.

He is survived by three children, Mrs. W. P. McNatt of Bowie, W. C. Burns and Mrs. C. O. Parsons, all of whom were at his bedside when death came.

Dr. Burns was a Royal Arch Mason, a devout member of the Baptist church, an excellent citizen, a splendid neighbor and a friend to the suffering. In his death Graham loses one of her most respected gentlemen.

Funeral services were conducted at the family residence yesterday at 3:30. Interment in Oak Grove Cemetery by the Masonic Lodge.

Dr. W. M. Terrell, John Bowler, H. Clay Wilson and R. M. Todd made a business trip to Wichita Falls last week.

Community Co-Operation

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Natural advantages do not make a great state or a great nation. Some of the richest countries of the globe are inhabited by some of the most worthless and most dissolute peoples. In semi-tropical climates where fruit ripens and falls ready to be consumed, the natives are so lazy that they won't even shake the trees to make it drop. Their few wants are easily supplied. A brush arbor will do for a shelter, a loin cloth for clothing, bananas and coconuts for food. They prefer to lead lives of indolence and ease rather than possess themselves of the many good things they might have by small exertion.

New England is naturally one of the most bleak and barren sections of America. It was settled by the English Puritans who were industrious, frugal and thrifty. They made the most of their own resources and then branched out to trade with the outside world. We all know the result. New England became rich and powerful and has wielded a tremendous influence on American life and manners from the beginning to the present time. Suppose the early settlers of that section had spent their time in bewailing the fate which had cast them on that rugged and inhospitable coast instead of on the fertile shores of Louisiana or in sun-kissed Texas. By such a course they might have easily wrecked their

own lives and have bred a race of weaklings who would have soon disappeared from the view of men.

There are many towns and communities here in the Southwest that fail to accomplish anything because they haven't the right class of citizens. The prevailing note is one of doubt and pessimism. No enterprise can be started that is not already doomed to failure according to these gloomy prognosticators. And for this very reason on most of the enterprises do fail for they are talked to death before they can be got under way. I dare say there isn't a small town or a country community in the entire Southwest that could not be vastly improved within the next year if the people would only work together for the common good. And a majority of these same towns and communities might be absolutely made over in a few years time if there was the proper spirit of co-operation among their citizens.

You had as well quit talking about the weather and wanting to move; just get down to bed rock and go to work and try to make your community one of the favored spots. If you can't get the neighbors to work together for the common good, start at home and try to make that a model of comfort and convenience. That will help some, and at least convince others that you are in dead earnest about the proposition.

DON'T WORRY CLUB

The pretty little home of Mrs. John B. Woods was the scene of much merriment last Friday afternoon when the Don't Worry Club, with a number of guests assembled in their regular week end meeting. The parlors were beautifully decorated in flowers and evergreens, while conspicuously displayed in rich warm colorings of strawberry leaves was the name and motto of the Club, "Don't Worry." The hostess seemed at her best in receiving the company congenial.

As an opening to the afternoon's program, Mrs. Virgil Tidwell sang, in a charming manner, "Tampa Bay" by Cavanaugh, followed by Mrs. Virgil Eddleman, who also delighted the company with her sweet rendition of "Reveries of Home" by Hewitson. Then came the contests which were both novel and interesting. The first, a musical test, was participated in by all present. Mrs. A. B. Eddleman, being most familiar with several of the new as well as some of the old time songs, was awarded the prize.

In the second contest Mrs. Edgar McLendon very ably proved her ability to think and execute. She was awarded the prize in this instance. Musical numbers followed. Mesdames Rubenkoenig and Price favored us with that dear old song, "Silver Threads Among the Gold." Mrs. McLendon also sang in her own inimitable way, "Faith and Hope," by Maillard.

Last, but by no means least, the genial hostess, assisted by special friends, sought to refresh the weary workers with

Latest Fiction," which was a leading feature of the program and an interesting resume of the fiction of the hour. Mrs. Mabry directed a Round Table Talk, concluding this interesting study hour. Our other new member, Mrs. W. C. Burns, was welcomed into the Club at this meeting.

A POVRTY SOSHUL

The following invertashun is issued to awl readers:

Ye air axed to a povrty soshul that we air a goin to hev on Friday, Febuerry 6, given by the W. M. S. of the Metherdist church.

Roofs and Regulashuns.

Chap. 1.—Awl-wimmen-who kum kin ware sich close as they hav or kin borry.

Chap. 2.—Awl men must ware their best close and a starched shirt and stand-up collar. No jumpers aloud. These roofs will be enforced to the wurd.

Kompetent manigers will be thare.

Backard fellers will be made to feel at home and strangers will be introdooosed. Speshul attentshun will be giv to old mades and bachelers. Thare is goin to be musik and refreshmints and fun will be giv away fer nuthin.

Thare are a number ov things that will subjeck those in attendance to fines, the best-bein giv as follers:

Fines fer wimmen—Wearin ov braeclets 2c, bare rats 3c hand bags, 1c fans 3, hats 3, hedrags, 2, kornet brade 5c, kurlid hare 3c, back kome 2c, fancy hare 3c, fancy hare pins 1c, ear rings 1c, broaches 2c, watch 3c, blew skert 3c, black skert 3c, white dress 2c, panted cheeks 5c, "goo goo ise" 10c, sweters 2c, myletry cap 5c, bow and roset 3c, pattin belts 2c, butin shoes 4c.

Fines fer men—Wearing gold teeth 3c, fancy sox 5c, fingur wring 3c, pegg top trousers 4c, tan shoes 5c, walkin kanes 3c, frock kote 5c, belt 5c, spenders 5c, sneepin 2c, bay winder 10c, crooked noze 5c, hare parted in middel 3c, mustash 3c, creosed trousers 2c, patent lether shoes 3c, diment stud 5c, fancy vest 3c, unblacked butes 1c, watch 3c, ball hed 5c, red hare 5c, silk tie 1c, specks 5c, flirting 10c, mullers, 6c, sweters 15c, fony dimonds 25c.

Hear is the program arranged by the W. M. S. for the home misshun fund. Everybody air cordially invited to kum, help in the fun and the fund.

Committee to secure building and arrange properly:

Mesdames J. E. Norris, Sam Dowdle, E. S. Graham.

Program Committee:

Mesdames Lynch, Bowman and Widmayer.

Committee to secure Relics:

Mesdames McCloud and Vick.

Candy Committee:

Mesdames Vaughan and Eddleman.

Refreshment Committee:

Mesdames Burkett and C. W. Johnson.

Advertising Committee:

Mesdames Bowman, Lynch and Widmayer.

Special Reception Committee:

Mesdames S. B. Street, A. M. Graham, Elliott and C. W. Johnson.

Mrs. Burkett, Cashier.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Martin and daughter Ester, of Mount Pleasant community were in the city Monday. They made The Reporter a pleasant call while here.

PASSENGER TRAIN IN SLIGHT WRECK

PASSENGERS SHAKEN UP BUT NONE ARE HURT IN WRECK

TRAIN IS DELAYED 4 HOURS

Bad Condition of Track Said to Be Cause of What Almost Proved Serious

Last Wednesday night the passenger train, due to arrive here at 9:40 was wrecked about 7 miles east of Graham in the rock cut just east of J. M. Whitfield's farm. Since the heavy rains about a month ago the track has been in very bad order, which necessitated a "slow order" over this portion of the road. The tender and front trucks of the baggage car left the track, the tender turning completely over, but no damage was done to the baggage car.

As the train was moving slow the shock was not very severe in the coaches and luckily no one was hurt.

A telephone call was sent in to Graham to send the local freight after the passengers, and after several hours' wait passengers, mail and express were transferred and arrived in the city about 2 o'clock.

As a result of the wreck no train left the city Thursday, to the discomfiture of several traveling men and about twenty or more people who intended to go to Ft. Worth to see Ben Hur.

W. M. S. of M. E. Church.

The W. M. Society of the Methodist church met with Mrs. R. E. Lynch in regular social meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 21. There were 25 present. The Bible study of St. John conducted by Rev. Bowman was the first thing on the program. Everyone knew their lesson and took a lively interest in the discussions. This writer heard two ladies whisper "I don't agree with him," which attests the old saying, "convince a woman against her will," etc.

By request Mrs. Burkett read a beautiful story of a "Woman Who Gave Herself" and isn't that the best one can give?

Our hostess had arranged a "Flower contest" which was here introduced, and amid much fun, cross questioning and deep thinking, these were finally solved, with the bow of orange and blue ribbon pinned on Mrs. C. W. Johnson as the winner.

It was suggested that as our president always carries off all the honors in a contest that hereafter she not be allowed to compete.

The president announced that at the next regular meeting of the Society, that the ladies will answer roll call with a quotation from the Bible with the word "Go." The following committee was appointed on ways and means of raising money: Mesdames Bowman, Lynch and Widmayer. The following program was rendered:

Piano, "From the Heart" . . .

. Mary Ellen Burkett.

Monologue, "Dumb Waiter Difficulty" . . . Winnie Tankersley.

Pianola John Lynch.

The next social meeting will be held with Mrs. Ed Graham.

Assisted by Mesdames Bowman and Widmayer, Mrs. Lynch served chicken salad, cheese straws, olives, coffee, a la Francaise. Publicity Supt.

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G. W. LANIER

For Commissioner, Precinct 1:
G. D. (Dillard) HINSON

Commissioner Precinct No. 4:
J. M. BARNETT

Weather for January.

1st to 5th, Cold Wave; 6th to 9th, Clear and pleasant; 10th to 13th, Slow rain, may Snow; 14th to 16th, Cold Wave; 17th to 21st, Snow or Rain; 22nd to 24th, Mild Wave; 25th to 28th, Cold Wave; 29th to 31st, Clear and Cold.

The Woodson Record has acquired a new chief in the person of M. L. Moody. Here's to you Mr. Moody. May the Record record the taking in of lots of coin.

FETERITA IS HERE

The feterita seed ordered for our numerous friends over the county was shipped on the 22nd and by the time this paper reaches you the seed will be here. Please call as soon as possible in order that we may dispose of the entire lot.

POLL TAX PAYMENTS

At the time of going to press yesterday there had been paid 1700 poll taxes. The total number of poll taxes assessed is 2400, and with only three more days left in which to pay this tax it is quite evident that the number will fall far short of what it was last year. If you haven't paid your poll tax DO IT NOW.

THE WAR CLOUDS NOT DANGEROUS.

Plow Boy, we are glad to hear that you have granted a respite and to learn that the dogs of war are not to be turned loose on us at the present at least.

Yes, we had already heard of the big guns and the little guns and also of the great expense of those death-dealing monsters while in action. We have been reading all that in most every paper we have picked up during the last few months.

So we know all that but will have to admit that we don't know where you got all your Roman Catholic thunder, but will say it bears all the earmarks of the Rip Saw, the Snag Puller or the Appeal to Reason. You know what sleuths they are in tracing news and in finding out things that do not, and never did, and never will exist. And when they make one of those great discoveries of nothing. O! Lordy how they do thunder about it.

Certainly there will be a war of ballots or an election at least, for we can't get along without an election in this free land of ours, but, my dear Plow Boy, don't be alarmed about those big guns being brought into action. However we want you to stay on top of the watch tower and keep your eagle eye on every point of the compass so you can warn us when and from what direction the enemy is approaching.

I am very much of the opinion that your war clouds are like the clouds we had here last summer in time of drouth—nothing but wind, and that they haven't as much meat in them as there is in the hole in a doughnut. Then again, we cannot help thinking that you are a jingo of the jingoes, for according to your signs, hit or miss, we are going to have war, for you say "when international peace is secured, then look out for civil war." Now if you are right about this we should at once send a message to the commissioners of the Hague and let them know about it. Tell them to hold up a "leedle" for we don't want a civil war.

Now if our good and patient editor will bear the pressure we will give the grounds on which we base the above conclusions. We will go back to about the year 1520, back to the time when Rome had the shackles securely locked on free thought. We go back that far because Plow Boy turns the progress of free thought back almost to the beginning of the world when he shows the mighty grip the Catholics of today have on our own government.

At the time above mentioned there was a revolt in Europe against the church of Rome and this is known as the Reformation, and to Germany belongs the honor of bearing the brunt of the long wars and fearful blood shedding that followed; and to Martin Luther belongs the honor of using the key that loosened the shackles that Rome had put on free thought. Martin Luther was one among the first free-thinkers: he it was who translated the Bible into the language of the people so that all might read and think for themselves. The German is persistent, and when he starts in to do a thing he does it, and so in this instance they lambasted the Catholic to a finish, even if it did take them about thirty-eight years to do it and a loss of thousands of lives.

This was a struggle between Rome and Germany alone and lasted until 1555. The war was ended by what is known as the Angsburg treaty. Rome was beaten, but by no means ready to give up the idea of converting the whole world to Catholicism. And now it was while looking around for a

means that the order of Jesuits was formed. This order grew rapidly and they have traversed every part of the inhabited globe. They were true missionaries and it is no more than fair to say of them that they did their full share of the work in bringing about civilization among savage tribes and every school boy knows of the chain of missions they established across our own state. The Jesuits underwent great hardships. There were no starched shirts and fried chicken for them. Now we make this short mention of the Jesuits in order to show that the Catholic is just as true to his colors and as firm in his belief as those of any other denomination. We must by no means conclude that the treaty of Angsburg in 1555 settled the row between the Protestants and the Catholics, for trouble was brewing over this question in every country in Europe. Mark you this, Germany had whipped them in her own land but there yet had to be a lineup of all Catholics on one side and all the Protestants on the other in Europe before this great question was finally settled. This war is known as the thirty years war and had its beginning about the year 1618 and was closed with the treaty of Westphalia in 1648, and was a complete victory for the Protestants, but it by no means put an end to religious persecution, for it was a game of tit for tat when it came to persecution. This war forever set at rest the question of the Catholic church ever converting and ruling the whole world.

Now Plow Boy, we have no doubt that you are familiar with the history we have tried to give an outline of here. We have gone over it to prove that the Catholics are not a dangerous people by any means, even if they wanted to be dangerous—which by no means they want to be. There are many of them in this country and they are just as good citizens as we have. The treaty of Westphalia settled the question of Catholic supremacy or of them ever wanting to do real battle with the Protestants again just as completely as the war between the states settled the question of negro slavery in our own country here. For a while Plow Boy, we had great hopes in you. We thought you were liberal and not a two-by-four, and in one of your letters it sounded like you preached a union of all the churches, but you have turned the tables on us and in thunder tones warn us of danger, because our president once a year attends Catholic worship. Would you have the President treat the Catholics with less respect than he treats the other churches? And is he not president of all the people? Most assuredly he is under oath to abide by the Constitution of the United States, and all sane people firmly believe he will do so. Read the first article of the first ten amendments to the Constitution adopted in 1791.

Now as we should and do have some mercy on the editor we will not take the "land-grabber" clouds up at this time, but later on we may take a scoop at them, and if so we will demonstrate that there is no land famine in this country, and that if we are to have war on the land question it will be in the very distant future.

As we have got to bragging we will ring off with the hope that Plow Boy will carve us gently. Salemite.

Mrs. W. I. Gilmore was a visitor at this office yesterday.

H. L. Morrison made a business trip to Loving Tuesday.

P. P. Timmons of Elbert was in the city yesterday on business. While here he called at

For County Superintendent.

B. W. KING
County Superintendent B. W. King requests us to announce that he is a candidate for reelection to the office of superintendent. Mr. King is a young man who has made good. He taught school at Loving, made the race for superintendent, won and now asks for the second term. He has given universal satisfaction alike to the teachers and patrons of the county schools and we cheerfully recommend him to you as a good man to succeed himself.

Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

J. M. BARNETT
We are authorized this week to announce the candidacy of Mr. J. M. Barnett for commissioner of Precinct No. 4. Mr. Barnett is one of the progressive citizens of the Loving community, an advocate of good roads, has served several years as road overseer. He has lived in that community for seven years, is well known and well liked and if elected commissioner will give Precinct No. 4 his best endeavors. He will greatly appreciate your support in the July primary.

For Public Weigher

G. W. LANIER
Mr. G. W. Lanier, a resident of the Briar Branch community, authorizes us to announce his candidacy for the office of Public Weigher for Precinct 1. Mr. Lanier is a farmer, has lived here for the past eight years and is making the race for this office with the desire of moving to town to send his children to school. He will appreciate your support.

Bunger

This is so much like spring I can't help talking a little about planting garden truck.

Mr. Will Pickard just finished thrashing last week for this season.

Will some one tell me what it takes to constitute indications of coal, or in other words, coal blossoms?

Mr. Ed Vaden and wife have moved to their home on W. W. Spark's place near the river. I would like to live close to the river; I would fish all the time.

Now is the time to swat the fly, while they are scarce. Whenever you see a fly just flop down on him and we can destroy them right now.

I hear Uncle Jim Daves is coming back to Bungler right soon.

Mr. Ed Duncan has just got through picking cotton lately. Ed you must have made lots of cotton or picked very slow.

Mr. W. E. Crick went across the river on a visit to G. G. Smith in Salem last Sunday and borrowed a walking brake plow. He will put a seat on it I guess so his wife can plow while he goes fishing.

You all remember Salemite made a spiel about coming thru Gooseneck and finding no haystacks. He didn't look in the barns I suppose. The most of the people bale their hay and put it in the dry here.

Say, Hooky Hollow, what is the trouble with you. I looked the Hollow from head to mouth the other day and didn't find you. I would like to know you I think.

Mr. Will Reeves and family are gone from Little Arkansas to Pickwick to help Uncle Dave Nichols put in some new phones and lines down there.

Mack Rose jumped off a mule and fell on his head to keep from spraining his ankles. Goose.

Miss Alta Parsons, who has been right sick with catarrhal-pneumonia for the past few weeks is improving slowly and we hope will soon be entirely well.

Rocky Mound.

Hello readers and writers. I feel more like writing this week than I did last week but don't know much news.

Oh, yes, I know three things that I didn't know at my last writing, as I met Plow Boy, Kid and Jack o' Diamonds in town Saturday. I was certainly glad to meet them.

A large number of we Mounders were in town Saturday.

W. G. Golston shipped a few head of cattle last week.

Mr. Ruby Robertson spent Saturday night and Sunday in Tonk Valley with his father.

Correspondents we will have to talk to some of the merchants at Graham for Jack o' Diamonds as he said he didn't know whether he could get another pocket book on credit or not. He bought one on credit the other day and lost it Saturday. Now he wants another. Jolly Girl I don't know whether you saw me in town Saturday or not. I was there all right and you should have known me as I have told you how I looked.

Well as I am getting sleepy will close.

No, I want to say that I would enjoy seeing a letter from Blondie, Carrie Nation and all the rest of the writers that were absent last week.

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2.00 Good Quality Hats for	\$1.75
1.50 Hats, yours for	\$1.25
Boys' 65c Hats for only	50c
\$1.00 Leather Auto Caps for	85c
75c Blue Serge Caps for	60c
50c Corduroy Caps for	40c
35c Caps, stripes and colors, for	25c

You will get full value in every hat or cap you buy at the above prices, as we are selling them for just a little more than they cost us.

SHOES

Our original selling prices on shoes are from 50c to 75c lower than sold by other merchants, yet we are making a substantial reduction on all of our shoes.

Ladies' Dress Shoes

Regular \$4.00 Shoe, black and tan	\$3.25
Regular 3.50 Shoe, tan and gunmetal	\$2.85
Regular 3.00 Shoe, black and tan	\$2.60
Regular 2.50 Shoe, vici and gunmetal	\$2.15
Regular 2.00 Shoe, calfskin	\$1.75

Men's Dress Shoes

\$5.00 Value, gunmetal and tan	\$4.25
4.50 Value, black, tan, lace or button	\$3.75
4.00 Value, others sell for \$4.50	\$3.25
3.50 Value, latest styles, bargains at	\$3.00
3.00 Value, to go in this sale for	\$2.60
2.50 Value, you may have these for	\$2.25

Remember, these prices are lower than you can possibly get elsewhere on high-grade shoes.

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Every woman wants a warm sweater for winter wear, and we have decided to offer you unheard-of bargains in coat sweaters. An examination of these goods will convince you that the values we offer are greater than any you have ever seen in Graham.

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\$5.00 Coat Sweaters, all wool	\$2.50
3.00 Coat Sweaters, all wool	\$2.00
2.50 Coat Sweaters, a bargain	\$1.50

Men's Coat Sweaters

\$1.50 All wool Coat Sweaters, go for	\$1.00
Men's Cotton Coat Sweaters go for	40c

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All These Goods for \$5

50 lbs. Flour	\$1.45
10 lbs. Sugar	70c
4 lbs. Coffee	1.00
3 cans Tomatoes	30c
3 cans Corn	40c
3 cans Hominy	40c
3 cans Salmon	45c
3 cans Kraut	40c
Bucket Velva Syrup	75c
Regular retail price	\$5.85
Yours for	\$5.00.

All These Goods for \$3

25 lbs. Flour	85c
10 lbs. Sugar	70c
4 lbs. Coffee	1.00
2 cans Tomatoes	20c
2 cans Corn	25c
2 cans Hominy	25c
2 cans Kraut	25c
2 cans Salmon	30c
Regular retail price	\$3.80
Yours for	\$3.00

All These Goods for \$1

3 cans Tomatoes	40c
2 cans Corn	25c
2 cans Hominy	25c
2 cans Kraut	25c
1 can Salmon	15c
Regular retail price	\$1.30
Yours for	\$1.00

Specials Specials

75c can Green Velva Syrup	60c
75c can White Swan Syrup	60c
65c can Red Velva Syrup	55c
50c can Penford Syrup	45c
50c can Wild Rose Syrup	45c
50c can Royal Brand Syrup	45c
50c can Morning Glory Syrup	45c
\$1.50 Oil Can—5 gallons	1.25
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Live News from our Correspondents

Mount Pleasant.

Ordinarily man moves along the lines of least resistance, and that's the reason so many men never amount to anything; they never say or do anything to hurt anyone's "feelings;" they are just goody, goody all the time; no difference what it is or who it is, it's good Lord and good devil, too. They imagine everybody just loves them when the truth is, they regard them with an admixture of pity and contempt. Well thank the Lord, that's not Plow Boy. He is like Collin's ram—got a head of his own; differs with whom he pleases and allows "whom he pleases" to differ with him. He admires a real man wherever he sees him, no matter to what church he belongs.

Only men of genius are generally commented on, and the generality of the comment makes friends and foes alike from the fact of the genius. The penalty of being the leaders of great masses has, from Whitfield and Wesley to Spurgeon, Talmage and Plow Boy, been to serve as the target for small wits. Their attacks confirm a man's right to respect and reputation; and are a proof of his influence and greatness. So slosh away gentlemen. The more the merrier. If there is anything I despise it is a dull time.

Say Kid, you will have to repeat those questions. I guess that home-made scripture of yours has shaken them out of my mind, as I can't find them. I want to thank Buster for offering to support me for county commissioner, and say Buster, I want to arrange with you to go to Archer county and Arkansas in the interest of my candidacy.

S. E. (Uncle Sam) Turner is, and has been for some time, bedfast with rheumatism and bladder trouble. He has been confined to his bed most of the time for about four months.

And now comes our old-time friend, Representative R. B. Humphrey, of Throckmorton and offers the name of Nelson O'Shaughnessy (old Shagnasty) of Mexico City, who is Mexico looking after his papa's (the pope) business as much as anything else perhaps. Yes, according to newspaper dispatches Mr. Humphrey; he of Coyote scalp fame, and who withdrew from the race for representative in the old 104th district in 1908 and charged his withdrawal to Plow Boy, has offered the name of the above named Roman Catholic as the nineteenth candidate for the office of governor of Texas.

Yes, Honeysuckle, there is quite a variety of candidates out, all sorts and sizes, and more coming. I was noticing them at Graham the other day. They reminded me of the following paragraph that I read in the Liberator recently: The newsboy entering the car shouted "candied dates!" and twenty men jumped to their feet and handed him their cards, containing their pictures and announcements. Then he yelled "salted peanuts!" and they collapsed.

Jack o' Diamonds I thank you very much for the offer of your influence, and I assure you that it is graciously accepted. See if you can get the Kid to vote for me, and get him to go to Palo Pinto and Stephens counties for me. I count Jack county safe, as I came through there enroute to this grand state of Young. I think I can make the landing independent of Throckmorton county.

Mr. and Mrs. William Brown of Pleasant Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Mote and Mr. and Mrs. Wragg all took dinner at Plow Boy's

home last Sunday, and I tell you, it seems like old times for all the children to gather around the board.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brown spent Sunday night at the home of L. P. Brooks.

Troy Michum of Ivan was at J. A. Wright's last Sunday.

Mrs. D. A. Hughes spent the day with Mrs. J. A. Brown last Saturday.

Mrs. J. E. Martin and Mrs. J. W. Moore visited Mrs. Hughes one day last week.

We understand that Miss Coats of Jean came home with Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Moore and is spending a few days with them. Plow Boy.

Gooseneck.

Hello all you Correspondents. How many of you are going to write and tell all of the news?

R. L. McLaren and J. G. Parsons made a trip to Graham Monday.

Mrs. Virgie McLaren and children spent the day with Mrs. Jim Ferguson Monday.

Our road overseer, R. L. McLaren, had his hands on the road several days this week; they did some fine work.

Miss Edna Wiley called on Mrs. Day Wednesday.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Dalrymple is rapidly improving.

G. W. Wiley bought some nice pigs from Joe Parsons on Wednesday.

Mrs. G. W. Wiley visited Mrs. Lucy Parsons Wednesday afternoon.

Mack Rose and old Brownie went to Bunker Thursday.

Freeland Wiley has been breaking land this week for G. W. Day.

Miss Narcia Sneed of Bunker visited at Mr. Wiley's Thursday.

John Clark has had a very sick cow. John says he fed her mustard, ginger and turpentine and now she is getting better.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Conder took their baby to the doctor Saturday.

Misses Cora Rose and Nora McLaren spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Herman Johnson.

Lee McLaren and Roy Parsons spent Saturday night with Mack Rose. The boys say "Aunt Emma has the best-laying hens of anybody."

G. W. Rose and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Reeves in Arkansas Saturday night and Sunday.

Herman Johnson has put in a phone box.

Miss Eva Conder attended church at Mountain Home Sunday.

Messrs. Price and Kelley with their families went to Mountain Home to preaching Sunday.

There must be some attraction at Graham for Willie Conder. Uncle Lawson says he is expecting him to call for his trunk every day.

Prof. Creager preached at Mountain Home Sunday. Did you go Homeite?

G. W. Wiley has received his tent and says he will soon be living in a white house.

Jim Huft and wife are visiting their parents at Cedar Creek.

Sunday school was all right and well attended.

Here some one, take this letter and finish it please; maybe the Goose will, for she is a newsy Goose, she goes plum to Megargel and Palo Pinto county to get her items.

The young folks have gone to hear Uncle George Rose sing; we hope they will have a good time.

-Gander-

I sell the Famous Singer Sewing Machines on easy terms. C. E. Turner, Agt. 9-20

Lone Oak

We have been having some real nice weather the last few days. The wind has been rather high though.

Well, well, Kid, and you missed that wedding feast. That's too bad. You should have had more confidence in your new friend. That's all right though, we are all kinder suspicious along about Christmas.

The literary was well attended Monday night. A number of people from Jean, Loving, Red Top and Hawkins Chapel were present. The program was well rendered and enjoyed by all. The debate was the most interesting feature of the evening. Resolved that woman suffrage should be adopted throughout the United States. Affirmative, Prof. Kilpatrick of Jean and A. P. Stewart. Negative, R. E. Boyle and Dan Orr. The speakers gave very interesting talks on the subject. The judges made their decision in favor of the affirmative. We wish to thank Messrs. Tom and Earl Moses for the excellent music furnished by them and extend them a most cordial invitation to be with us again.

I was in the thriving little town of Jean one day last week and had the pleasure of seeing and talking to our friend Buster. He—oh well, he was just as busy as ever. Mr. R. T. Carter has been very ill for some time. The men of this community met at his place last Monday and broke and harrowed his land for him. We sincerely hope Mr. Carter will soon be able to get around again.

Cal Rutherford spent Saturday night and Sunday with Lum McBride.

If any of you Correspondents wish to take instruction in "dog-latin" come up here. We have a couple who seem to be very proficient in the language.

I too agree with Honeysuckle about these Sunday night sit-arounds. It is all right to have singing on Sunday night if the young people go and sing instead of getting over in one corner and talking their tomfoolery until ten or eleven.

Another thing I don't approve of is these "every-other-night" parties. Perhaps the young people will send out invitations for a social or a musical, but when they arrive at the so-called social or musical it turns out to be nothing more than a prolonged game of "snap" or perhaps some of them will get off in another room and "shoot the buffalo," as they call it, when it is nothing but the old square dance. At these places of amusement (?) the girls and boys range in age from twelve to eighteen or twenty and they are the very ones who should be at home with their parents.

It is rumored that one of the good old republicans from our community is about to announce for sheriff of Young county. I guess he expects all of we democrats to support him.

G. C. Boyle and C. C. McBride were trading in Graham Monday.

Mrs. Rady Hawkins is in Waco visiting relatives.

A number of people from this community attended the literary at Loving Friday night.

In telling about the literary Monday night we failed to mention the song rendered by Lola Moses of Jean, which was the best of all.

Messrs. Stewart and Brown attended literary at Jean Friday night.

This is all the news so will close. Brunette.

If you receive a sample copy of the Reporter it is a solicitation for your subscription. Read it over and see if you don't think it is worth a dollar a year, and send in your subscription NOW.

Salem.

The heel fly is beginning to whet his javelin; spring is almost here; look out for poems.

Oat sowing is in progress here now.

Marion Henderson has been in bed for a week suffering with a very bad cold and an attack of the asthma.

Uncle Billie Higgins, who is 74 years old, and a minister of the Gospel, turned out and worked the road one day last week. A good example. Who will be next?

John Alford and family have moved to his father's place here where they will make a crop this year. We welcome them to Salem and wish them good luck in farming.

Mrs. Maggie Gilmore spent part of last week with her son George and his family, whose little girl has been quite sick for several days. We are glad to report her much improved now.

John Y. Kisinger and Miss Ethel May Bench, both of the Red Springs community in Baylor county, were married by Rev. O. W. Dean Sunday afternoon, January 18, at the Baptist parsonage in Seymour.

County Superintendent of Schools, B. W. King, visited the schools in this part of the county last week.

Quarterly conference was held here last Saturday, then there was preaching Sunday at 11 o'clock and singing at Mrs. Maggie Gilmore's in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Quitman Nelson of Flat Rock, with that little man they live with, attended church here Sunday.

J. W. Carter spent part of last week in Tarrant county.

Never before in our recollection has there been so much said in advocacy of better rural schools and no doubt the work now being done along this line will bear good fruit, and no doubt the very best plan will be found and adopted. The plan of making one good, strong live school out of three or four small, weak schools as they now stand, advocated in an editorial in last week's Reporter, is a good one, at least wherever it has been tried it is highly commended. The only objection being that it caused an early rush of work in the morning getting the children ready for the conveyance that carried them to and from school.

Something for betterment in this line of work must and will be done, for if not done then conditions will grow from bad to worse. The conditions have changed and the change in conditions must be looked squarely in the face and met. Some of the first settlers here of over thirty years ago told me that the founder of Graham not only directed them to the land they settled on but that he also advanced them the money to pay for surveying and filing fees. Just think of a good quarter section of land, not even acquired, but thrust upon you, and then compare it with conditions of today and you will have an idea of the change that time has wrought. Why a young man at that time who had any get up and go about him, could acquire a good home, marry and live happy ever after, even if he couldn't spell butter milk, indeed, at that time you had to be careful about the words you used for he would be looking around for a hammer in order to crack and see what was inside of them; but times have changed and the old joke is dead and in the rush and scramble of today for homes, the odds are greatly against the young man who hasn't both literary and industrial training, and under present school work it would appear that the city reared boy gets the literary and the country boy the industrial training. Now a more balanced ration is

what we need here and it is evident that the rural school will supply it. The question is, can we discard the old way and take up the new? Salemitite. 19

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Mountain Home.

Miss Sneed of Goseneck has been spending a few days with Mrs. Mullenax.

Miss Sneed and Mrs. Mullenax and Miss Ida Owen spent last Thursday with Mrs. Norman.

Misses Eunice Craig and Lucille Cochran of Graham spent from Friday until Sunday visiting Mrs. Dollie Jones.

The party at Will Owen's was well attended last Tuesday night and all had an enjoyable time.

The literary was fine at the school house last Friday and we hope it will be better attended next Friday.

Mrs. Nellie Smith and daughter Miss Stella spent last Thursday with Mrs. R. D. Owen and daughters.

The young folks all enjoyed a party at Rufe Mullenax last Friday night.

Miss Valeria Bunker spent from Monday until Thursday with her sister, Mrs. Tom Lisle.

Mesdames Frank Stringer and Kate Beach spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Lisle.

Mrs. Nora Owen spent Friday and Friday night with her daughter, Mrs. Gertie Sharp.

Several of the boys around here attended the fruit supper at Will Pickard's Tuesday night.

Grandma Pinkston and daughter spent Wednesday and Thursday with Mrs. Kate Beach.

Bill Bunker and Mr. Chambers went to Graham Saturday.

Tom Lisle and family and Bill Bunker and family spent last Thursday with Tom Bunker and family.

Carl Newman and wife went to Graham Friday to spend the night and Saturday with her mother, Mrs. J. C. Carmack.

Mrs. Jess Upham of Cedar Creek has been hauling cake from Bunker for Mr. Lewis Rickles.

Mrs. Mattie Owen spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. Bill Bunker.

Mrs. Andy Cunningham of Graham has been spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Ribble.

F. M. Berry was out on special business last week.

Mrs. Bill Bunker has been thinking about getting her a cream separator and wants Mrs. Sparks to come up and give her full instructions, as she wants the best.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Whittenberg went to Graham Friday.

It wouldn't do for Mr. Chambers to go to Bryson very often as when he returned last Saturday and stopped in Graham he couldn't tell a black mule from a black horse. Be careful Mr. Chambers, and don't go off with some other fellow's mule. He has also been ordering some nice kitchen furniture and linoleum to put on the floor. He says he got it for his mother, but we think we understand all of that, Mr. Chambers.

Henry Owen seems to think Caseyville is about the center of attraction these days. That's right, Henry, it's a better place than Dallas.

Supt. King visited the school Wednesday and made a splendid talk. Mr. Tom Lisle also made a good talk. Both were enjoyed by all.

Messrs. F. M. Berry and Gene Lasater visited Bob Williams in Ming Bend last Thursday.

Mr. Wils Copeland visited J. J. Jones Thursday and Friday.

Emmett Lisle has been doing a great deal of plowing this year, and says he wants the girls all to find out how smart he is while he is young.

Mrs. Frances Bunker enjoyed a visit Saturday from Mrs. R. D. Owen and daughters. She says that she likes for the girls to come and see them as well as the married ladies.

Mr. Chambers has just got a new Bell. He said, "I wonder if this bell is as pretty as Silver Bell." We will let them decide on that, so Silver Bell you

had better come over. We would be very glad for her to come to see us and help in our literary any Friday or any other Bell.

Mr. Emmett Lisle spent Saturday night with his uncle, Tom Bunker.

Mr. Jake Jones is preparing to make a good crop this year as he has built a new barn that is a handy thing to have on the place.

The young folks enjoyed a party and singing at Mr. Jones' Saturday night.

Brother Creager preached for us Saturday night and Sunday. There was a large crowd present. Bro. Creager and Mr. Keller and family took dinner with Mr. Tom Lisle Sunday.

Sorry to report that Miss Ida Owen was not able to be at church Sunday, but hope she will be well soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman took dinner with Mr. Mullenax Sunday.

Silver Bell, I don't think I ever will forget what a time we had, will you? I can just see how you looked. I'll never forget that Christmas time. Come up and we will have some more fun.

There was singing at Mr. Askew's Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Owens of Ming Bend and Miss Stella Smith spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Will Owen.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Williams of Ming Bend spent Sunday at Mr. Askew's and attended services here.

Let's all try to give the editor plenty of news for the paper. Homeite.

Spring Creek.

The wind is certainly blowing out this way; it is enough to send me to Halifax.

Hello Honeysuckle, I for one noticed that you were absent week before last. It didn't seem right without Honeysuckle with us.

Hollyhock don't seem to like so many dances, but gee, I have to study my lessons instead of going to dances all the time.

Miss Lillian McNutt attended the musical entertainment at Mr. Whittaker's Friday night.

Mr. W. T. Vines and son Neal went to Olney and back Wednesday.

Mr. Mose Whittaker and Mr. Brown made a flying trip to Olney last week in Mr. Moore's car.

Mrs. Annie Gibbs visited her mother Thursday.

Misses Flora and Edith Gibbs are going to the Megargel school.

Mr. Robbins has moved from the Whittaker place to Mr. E. P. Ellis' place.

Miss Pearl Brumley and sister, Ester, attended the musical at Mr. Whittaker's. Pearl says she had a good time and I know she did.

Mrs. Brock, who lives near Olney is visiting home folks at Spring Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Ellis, Mr. Morrison and family visited W. T. Vines and family Sunday night.

Mr. Rufus Woods and brother Nollie attended the musical Friday night.

Miss Cora Vines visited Miss Jennie Robbins Wednesday.

I guess I had better quit for this time and do better next time.

Pshaw! take this quick, mother told me to dance around and keep the baby from crying, so look out, you'll hear me stomping clear to New Mexico.

Hollyhock.

Two good small farms, two 5-passenger Ford Touring Cars, and a Ford Roadster to trade for mules, horses or cattle. Might take some Graham city property at right price.

19 E. C. Stovall.

Fish Creek.

I made some mistakes last week in reporting the items from here but I hope the parties concerned will not take any exceptions as it was purely an oversight.

Consolidation is being discussed on every corner here of late and it is very well that it is, because it will take careful consideration to bring about a right kind of proposition which this district will accept. We believe in consolidation, that it is the thing to do, but we are not willing for any one person to dictate as to location of house, and the kind of building, etc. Some one is going to be inconvenienced if consolidation carries, and why not be democratic enough to let the majority rule?

We are like Col. Fannin speaking to his men in regard to surrendering to the Mexican general: "Boys, if I can't get an honorable surrender, I'll come back and we will all die together." If we can't get an honorable surrender we will remain as we are.

Mrs. Johnson, who was called to the bedside of her father, L. W. Fawks, returned to her home east of Graham Tuesday.

Misses Maggie Wootton and Myrtle Moreland spent Thursday night with Miss Allye Fawks.

Miss Luna Wootton called on Mrs. Braddock Friday afternoon. Wash Robison has been at Midland for the past week.

A literary was organized Friday night at the school building with W. E. Braddock, pres.; Grant-Price, vice pres.; Miss Luna Wootton, secretary. Resolved "that fashion is a greater curse to the world than whiskey," is the first subject for discussion.

W. E. Braddock and family left Friday night to visit relatives at South Bend, also to look after their interests on Duff Prairie.

Miss Mayme Mayes, who has been attending school at Graham is at home for a while.

Osmer Kramer went to Graham Friday. There seems to be something very attractive at Graham for Osmer. Wonder what?

Zelma Smith and little sister of Rocky Mound have been visiting their grandfather, Thomas Price.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant-Price were in Graham Tuesday.

A good number of our young folks enjoyed themselves in a social given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Mayes Saturday night.

School Boy.

Craig Point.

We are still having pretty weather; just the kind to go visiting and have a big time, but most all the neighbors out this way have been too busy for that.

Mrs. S. D. Baugh visited Mrs. Jason Mayes in Graham Wednesday.

We have two more new neighbors, Mr. Joe Wright and family from Miller Bend community have moved on the Fisher place just vacated by Lum Brandon, and Mr. Green and family of Graham have moved on W. C. Johnson's place.

Miss Bessie Ratliff of Graham visited Miss Josie Andrus Wednesday.

Mrs. Joe Fisher and daughter Miss Minnie of Indian Mound, spent Monday with Mrs. Bessie Bush.

Miss Vivia Baugh spent Saturday and Sunday visiting in the city.

Little Boy I don't agree with you; I think Honeysuckle talks more like an old married man, instead of a woman, but what-

ever she is, we all know she doesn't like the Sunday night singing.

Mrs. Will Mayes and children spent Monday with Mrs. Denver Killion.

Mesdames Denver and E. A. Killion visited Mrs. John Knight Friday afternoon.

Grandma Ratliff visited her daughter, Mrs. Joe Wright last Thursday.

Mrs. Wade is visiting Mrs. Denver Killion.

Mrs. John Woods and Bills spent Monday at Mrs. Killion's. Bluebird.

Proffitt

Most everybody has gone to farming.

Mrs. Speer and mother spent Sunday with Mrs. Strother.

Misses Willie and Maud Hudson visited the Misses Turner Sunday.

Mr. H. Reeves and Fred Loftin called on the Johnson boys Sunday.

Several went to the dance at Mr. Orb Holder's Friday night. No church Sunday on account

of the smallpox.

Misses Maggie Weatherbee and Birdie Dooley called on Miss Bettie Gibbs Monday afternoon.

Mr. Orb Holder and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Hudson.

Misses Ida Watson and Doty Tipton, the school teachers, have changed their boarding place from Mr. Weatherbee's to Mr. George Thomas'.

Mr. George Willhoit has been employed to wait on the people that have the smallpox.

Mr. Walter Dent and cousins, Misses Myrtle and Marnie Cloud went to Newcastle Monday.

Mr. Worth Holbert went to Newcastle Saturday.

Roy Thomas and Clifford Reid made a flying trip to Newcastle Saturday.

Mr. Hudson and wife were transacting business in Newcastle Wednesday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Wille Cole, the 22nd, a girl.

Mrs. C. L. Griffin spent Wednesday with her sister, Mrs. Emma Speer.

Little Malcolm Gibbs has been right sick. Snowflake.

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Live News from our Correspondents

South Bend.

Some few in the Bend sick at this writing.

I. W. Steele of Ivan was in the Bend Monday.

Miss Mary McBrayer took dinner with Mrs. Emma West Sunday.

Arthur Holcomb and sister, Miss Annie, ate Sunday dinner with the Misses McCluskey.

O. A. McBrayer made a business trip to Cedar Creek Tuesday.

The Messrs. Wadley from Lower Tonk were in the Bend Monday. They had with them the Bennett Bros., who live in Kentucky. They were boyhood friends in Kentucky, having lived on adjoining farms, but had not seen each other for 36 years. They were out sight-seeing and went from here to Lake Farm.

Some of the young folks went to the Lake Farm last Sunday. W. A. Corbett and family visited his brother, W. H. Corbett and family at Ivan last Sunday.

E. E. Harrell and family went to visit W. A. Corbett and family Sunday, but failing to find them at home they visited Walter McDavid and family instead.

I feel rather proud of myself after reading so many nice compliments that were passed on my letter week before last. I thank you all for the same. I hope that you will not only read it but that you will read and think about it, and after thinking try and put same in use. If I could only cause one parent to stop and think about those things I would feel that my letter was worth while.

Now for the sake of Little Boy I want to impart just a little knowledge here. I am neither a boy or girl, or married woman, but a young man, 22 years old, Marvin McBrayer by name, going under the "consumed" name of Honeysuckle.

Mr. and Mrs. Hazelton went to Murray Saturday and returned Sunday afternoon.

Brit Alford and wife visited E. H. Corley and family Saturday night and Sunday.

Esperance and Fay Cook visited the Carey girls Sunday afternoon.

Miss Laura Cochran spent Thursday night with Miss Lona Corley.

Mr. Edwin Rehders of Graham spent Saturday night with Billie Martin and attended Sunday school and church here.

Printes Corley visited his aunt, Mrs. S. E. Hunter of Graham Saturday night.

Kid, you spoke of a certain Professor who teaches school in day time and quilts at night. Now listen, but don't mention this to Jolly Girl, I've no doubt we have a young lady Correspondent who goes to school in day time and quilts at night.

Mrs. Graves and daughters, Myrtle and Pauline, were welcome visitors at Mrs. Corley's Sunday.

No doubt that some of you think Candy Kid must think you enjoy her letters for she seldom ever misses a week, but I have a dear old grandmother who reads The Reporter every week and she says she is disappointed when she fails to see my letter.

Messrs. Bob Walker, J. P. Hodges and J. M. Taylor went hunting Monday night but did not catch anything.

Miss Lona Corley called on Mrs. Vena Cook last Tuesday afternoon.

Now Jolly Girl there wasn't a word said about Martins when I asked about Willie's appointments and didn't I tell you some time ago that they had gone south since the bad weather? That's the last I've seen of him.

Candy Kid.

Loans renewed. E. C. Stovall.

Tonk Valley.

Another bright, beautiful morning; seems more like it is spring than winter.

There were 103 present at Sunday school Sunday. Does us good to see those large crowds; looks like there is something doing.

We were glad to have those people from town with us Sunday. Want to assure them a hearty welcome any time they will come to Tonk Valley.

Glad to report all the sick folks better today.

Mrs. Bruce George received a message Thursday telling her that her sister, Mrs. Annie May McNeill near Stephenville was dead. Mrs. George has the sympathy of her many friends here in these sad hours.

Mr. J. H. Robbins visited his daughter, Mrs. D. W. Burk at Rock Creek Monday night.

Mr. Garey and family have moved from this community to near Markley. We regret very much losing these good people, but wish them health, happiness and prosperity in their new home.

Boyd Hazelton of the Flat Rock community visited Carrel and Walter Robbins Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Robertson gave the young folks an entertainment Saturday night. Everybody reported an "elephant" time.

Mesdames John George and I. V. Freeman visited Mrs. Bruce George Friday.

Miss Anna Bell Wadley of Lower Tonk visited Miss Ruedell Seddon Saturday night.

George Birdwell from Komo called at Mr. Robbins' Friday.

Miss Anna Bell Wadley and George Jones visited our school Friday afternoon.

Mr. Kid, look out for me, I'm coming up there Wednesday to visit that school. I'll see whether that Prof. has been quilting or not. "C?"

Why of course X. Y. Z., there are school boys who like to read The Reporter. Everybody likes to read The Reporter.

Mrs. Thomas and Miss Katherine Higdon were shopping in town Saturday afternoon.

Messrs. Alvin and Wesley Garey and Rex Cornish called at Mr. Robbins' Sunday.

Henry Porter and Miss Eula Logan were out car riding in our community Sunday.

Miss Zula George visited Miss Maggie Lowery Saturday night.

Misses Inez and Gladys Cheryhomes attended the party at Mr. Kelley's at Briar Branch Friday night.

Mr. George Jones filled his regular appointment at Mr. Seddon's Sunday at 5:30 p. m. We haven't found out yet what his subject was, whether love or friendship, but we can guess pretty well.

Mr. Harry Cutshall was out driving by his "lonesome" Sunday, but think some one promised to meet him at Mr. Seddon's, didn't they Anna Bell?

Honeysuckle I agree with you about these Sunday night singings. They are just a gathering to have somewhere to go to be seen and see. That is the kind you spoke of, but the kind Candy Kid said they had are all right, where the old folks go, sing while they are there and leave before 10 o'clock.

Little Boy do you think Honeysuckle had to have a boy or girl to go against her will before she could see evil in these singings? No, no. You are mistaken, she is just wise.

I had the pleasure of shaking hands with the editor Sunday. He didn't have the Madam Editor, the Junior Editor or the little Editresses along and he sure did take time to speak to me.

Will get my bonnet and go. Jolly Girl.

Loans renewed. E. C. Stovall.

Loving.

Preston Dickenson was very seriously hurt Sunday morning while driving up some horses out of the pasture. The horse he was riding ran under a limb and in some way as Preston ducked his head hit the tree, knocking him, the horse and tree down, all falling together. He was near George Blevins' and his family were soon informed and the doctor was sent for, who came and brought Preston in on his car. He is resting easy this morning and it is hoped he will soon be up and about.

The Loving Cornet Band re-employed Mr. Bowron as teacher for another six months last Thursday night.

The little girl of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moore, who had the diphtheria is still sick but it is hoped that she may be up again soon.

Rev. J. L. Roach filled his regular appointment here Saturday and Sunday. A very good congregation was out and the preaching and song service was good.

The Baptist people decided to repaint the church house and a neat sum of money was made up for that purpose. The painting will be done soon.

The next Fifth Sunday Meeting will be held here the fifth Sunday in March.

Opal Dickenson has the diphtheria and was treated by the physician Sunday.

Farm work is being pushed right along this pretty weather and oats and wheat are fine. Several farmers have sown oats and they are coming up nicely.

The literary Friday night at the school house was well attended and a good program rendered.

R. L. Reeves has built a neat kitchen addition to his dwelling.

Mr. D. F. Ford is shipping his oats to another market and Messrs. Clarida, Lusk and John Horn are hauling them and loading them in the car.

Correspondent.

Hawkins Chapel.

Mr. Otis Stratton went to Graham Thursday.

Mr. Tedrow of Megargel and son, Mr. Elzie, brought two loads of household goods down the last of the week for Mr. Jesse Oatman.

Sunday school was very good Sunday.

Mr. Woodrum was suffering with the toothache Sunday.

Several of the Chapel folks enjoyed the literary at Loving Friday night.

Mr. A. E. Oatman of Waco came in Saturday to put up another residence on his farm. His son, Mr. Jesse Oatman and family of Megargel will move down as soon as it is completed.

Several of the young people attended the entertainment at Mr. Leighon's of Lone Oak on Saturday night. They reported an enjoyable time.

Mr. J. E. Oatman and family took Sunday dinner with Mr. Rube Loftin and family.

Some of the Chapel folks attended the literary at Markley Friday night.

Miss India Newman spent the past week with her sister, Mrs. H. H. Stephens of the Indian Mound community.

Miss Florence Baker was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Rube Loftin, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Stephens and Mildred of Indian Mound dined with C. F. Newman and family Sunday.

Mr. Will Smith and family visited their cousin, Mr. Jeetis and family Sunday.

Singing at Grandpa Drum's Sunday was just fine and very much enjoyed by those present. We always enjoy a singing at this place.

Miss Hettie Drum and Messrs. Lonnie Ward and Harvey Smith took Sunday dinner with Mr. Walter Ward and wife.

Mrs. Laura Baker was the guest of Mrs. Lindsey Sunday.

Mr. Duckworth visited in Jean Sunday.

Miss Lillie Drum, Mr. Robert Miller and wife, Messrs. Bernie and Ollie Baker and Frank Loftin dined with Mr. Rube Loftin and wife Sunday.

The prayer meeting was real good Sunday night; it was conducted by Mr. Jim Oatman. There were several visitors at this service; we were glad to have them.

Mrs. Laura Baker was the guest of Mrs. Robert Miller last Monday.

Two of Mr. Hiram Drum's children were sick the first of the past week.

Miss Florence Baker is quite an expert at driving. She broke her young pony to drive to the buggy last week.

Miss Myrtis Woodrum was the guest of Mrs. Marion Loftin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Harmon's baby wasn't well Sunday.

Mr. E. A. Oatman took Sunday dinner with Mr. Rube Loftin and wife.

Mrs. Chapel is still on the sick list. Mrs. Laura Baker visited her one day the past week.

Everyone is getting along nicely with farm work.

Mr. J. E. Oatman has announced for public weigher in Justice precinct No. 7.

I have written all the news that I can call to mind just now. Violet.

Correspondent.

Mr. B. P. Gann was quite sick all last week but we are glad to announce that he is now mending rapidly.

This fine weather is more like April than January. Most of the farmers are busy preparing their land for another crop.

The small grain is growing some but another good shower would be appreciated very much just now.

Joe Upham of Gooseneck was visiting relatives here last Sunday.

Mr. Wiley of Bunger spent the day here last Sunday.

D. A. Upham went to Gooseneck Sunday afternoon.

The little babe of Mr. and Mrs. Will Corbett of the Ivan community is reported to be dangerously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Barron have quite a sick baby.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Rickles of this place went to South Prairie Saturday afternoon to visit J. M. Rickles and family.

Aaron Nichols of Pickwick was in this community last Sunday. Iambus.

I have a couple of small farms and some autos to trade for mules, horses or cattle. Might take some good city property. 19 E. C. Stovall.

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County Line.

Is there a vacant place in the office for me this morning? There are so many good letters being published in The Reporter now, I almost feel ashamed for my letters to appear among the others, however I suppose as long as the editor and Correspondents don't object I'm safe in adding my mite.

Most of the farmers in this community are now engaged in breaking land and preparing to make another crop.

Mr. J. M. Reed, wife and babies spent Sunday night with their daughter, in Gooseneck.

Mr. J. Y. Dendy came in Monday night from Mineral Wells, having gone there to help move some of his relatives to this vicinity. We extend them a welcome.

Mrs. R. L. Upham and daughters, Tempie Ora and Mrs. Ellie Barron and Herron Newby and wife, Miss Maggie Reed and Delbert Moran were pleasant visitors at the Ritchey home Sunday.

Homeite you asked how I liked my new home; well I have to like it. I can be content almost any place, but then this isn't Cedar Creek, you know.

Mrs. Dora Ribble visited Mrs. Bessie Smith Tuesday.

Miss Lura May Dendy spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Edith Nichols.

Mr. and Mrs. Browner Caudill are the happy parents of twins, a boy and girl.

Mr. Dendy had the road hands out working the road this week so I guess we will have some good roads down in this part of the world.

Ernest Gann of Cedar Creek spent Saturday night with Dewey Ritchey of this place.

Bro. Pursley will preach at the Fox Hollow school house the first Sunday in February. Also on Saturday night before. Everybody invited to attend. Dinner free to all.

Mrs. Frank Rickles called on Mrs. Dora Ribble Wednesday.

Mrs. Wester returned to her home at Pickwick Thursday after spending a week with her sister, Mrs. Bertie Caudill.

Anyone wanting a wild horse broken will do well to call on Herron Newby and Elmer Smith. Herron says to please bring along an iron double tree though.

Mrs. Ona Caudill and Mrs. Winnie Nichols were Pickwick visitors Thursday.

Miss Edith Nichols and Miss Lura Dendy attended the pound supper at Mr. Rickard's Tuesday night.

Mrs. Effie Newby and Lila Ritchey spent a pleasant afternoon with Mrs. Bessie Smith Wednesday.

Little Bobbie Mitchell of Caddo is staying at Mr. Nichols and attending school at this place.

We have been having some real spring weather here lately and real estate has been rather high for several days. I guess I had better not say anything about spring or Plow Boy will imagine he can see the wild flowers blooming and commence one of his spring-time songs, and then the editor will blue-pencil my name.

Lila Ritchey had the misfortune to fall in the tank last week and has been very near past talking ever since. The home folks say they are sure getting a rest for one time.

Mr. Everett Newby of Ming Bend is visiting his sister, Mrs. Frank Ribble, of this place.

Mr. Editor I will hand my pencil to some one else if you will make the Correspondents give it back to me. I heard them whispering that they would not give me the pencil any more as I talked too much. Silver Bell.

Henry Chapel.

Still having the good old summer time. The reason I didn't write last week was that there were so many candidates coming out I didn't know whether The Reporter would have room for all. But guess I had just as well write for they seem to just keep coming.

Sheldon Bowers has recovered from a case of smallpox. No new cases in our community. Health is generally good.

Ruel Young informs us that Lawrence McLaren is suffering from an abscess on his conscience. Hope him a speedy get well.

L. P. Moren and daughter, Miss Amanda attended Quarterly Conference at Salem last Saturday.

Little Marguierete Campbell of Graham spent last week with her grandmother, Mrs. M. R. Jarnagin.

S. H. Tipton is real sick at this writing.

Gene Martin and Tom Glidewell paid the Chapel a call Sunday.

H. L. Ribble and E. K. Criswell are getting to be up-to-date on extracting stumps. If anyone has work of this kind to be done bring them down.

J. T. Shahan and S. W. Ratcliffe attended church at Salem Sunday. Bro. Cook failing to fill his appointment here.

Our Sunday school was a little small Sunday. Small crowd at singing Sunday night.

As I didn't get to write last week I wish to compliment Honeysuckle on the talk he or she made on the Sunday night party. We rather favor a first-class singing any time, but a good lesson on Monday is far ahead of a Sunday night sparkling party. But Honeysuckle, this sparkling seems to be a matrimonial necessity, and is one of the few things that has never gone out of fashion, is practiced along the highways and hedges, in the parlor, the kitchen, from the cellar to the attic, and is no respecter of persons, is practiced by all nationalities, and seems to have a death grip on the American people. Don't know just where it originated, perhaps way back on the golden shores of long ago. There seems to be two forms of the dreadful disease. One is of a spasmodic nature. The patients are taken very suddenly and violently and usually terminates quickly in a wedding or a general tear up in affairs. The other form the patients are attacked very slightly at first, is hardly noticeable by the neighbors, but gradually grows worse; is of a lingering nature. The patients seem to grow neither better nor worse. Cases of this kind have been known to continue for years, and finally, just terminate in sparking. Honeysuckle you know the word spark denotes something bright, and as we all want our kids to be bright I guess we will just have to let them spark a little.

Mrs. Jarnagin and Mrs. Wade spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Moren.

Dud Craig has been suffering a great deal with a carbuncle on his neck.

Jno. Gilmore made a trip to Graford Monday.

Candy Kid, I don't know just who you be, but from your talk I believe you are looking out for some young man somewhere from 18 to 35. If you are come to the Chapel. There are more boys here than money. Satisfaction guaranteed, both as to looks and age.

With best wishes to all. The Dago.

George Parsons of Megargel was in the city Tuesday. He is just recovering from a severe attack of rheumatism and while able to get about is forced to use a crutch.

Lower Tonk.

Oat sowing has been the order of the day in nearly all this part of the country.

Grandma George and Miss Alma spent Monday afternoon at Mrs. Bill Wadley's.

Misses Eppie and Jewel Moore went home with Miss Lillie Gray Monday and came back by Misses George and stopped a while.

J. R. McClanahan went to Graham Wednesday.

Mrs. Bruce George and Master Frank were pleasant visitors with Grandma George Wednesday.

Mrs. W. E. Moore and Miss Effie Wadley have been sick but are better now.

The Binnett Bros. from Kentucky are visiting the Wadley brothers and Mrs. Wills Copeland. They were old friends there years ago. They never saw a jack rabbit until they came here so you see they have learned something by visiting Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. John Timmons of near McCan Bridge were here visiting their mother, Mrs. Timmons, and Mrs. Jones from Friday till Sunday.

Grandma George and daughters, Misses Ida and Alma, and Mrs. Jim Buntin were shopping in Graham Saturday.

Roy Jones has started to school at Lower Tonk.

Lee and Sam Jones and ladies went to Graham Saturday afternoon.

Miss Anna Bell Wadley spent Saturday night with Miss Rudelle Seddon.

There was a candy pulling at Mr. Robertson's on the McNab place Saturday night. Very good crowd out.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Wadley spent Saturday night at the McClanahan home.

Hollis Moore of Mt. Pleasant spent a few days at his father's, W. E. Moore in Briar Bend.

Mrs. T. C. Wadley spent the day at Mrs. Bill Wadley's Sunday.

Sunday school as usual at Lower-Tonk this morning with 25 in attendance. Let's try to do better next Sunday.

I saw the editor at Upper Tonk Sunday. He didn't have his overcoat either. Was very glad to see you, Mr. Editor, come again.

Grandma George and family visited John George Sunday.

Several Lower Tonk people attended Sunday school and church at Upper Tonk Sunday afternoon.

Hollis and Murray Moore took a load of baled hay to the W. E. Moore ranch Friday.

Bill McClanahan visited the home folks Sunday.

Was sorry you were not at school last week, Jolly Girl. We certainly do miss you.

Mrs. Clark and children spent Sunday afternoon at Mrs. Bill Wadley's.

Will ring off for the present. Will hand my pencil to you; don't know whether you can do much with it or not, I can't do much.

X. Y. Z.

Red Top.

The party at Mr. and Mrs. Lem Bryant's Saturday night was well attended and a dandy time reported by all present.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Slater and family visited at Grandpa Slater's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin McGee visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McBee Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bedford Burton and Mr. and Mrs. John Lusk of Loving attended church here Sunday. Come again.

Clifford Rutherford and Lawrence Orr took dinner with Luther Howard Sunday.

The singing at Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McBee's Sunday afternoon was reported good.

Yes, Brunette, you thought you were something grand when you tried to pass us. You know you couldn't, and I didn't think about beating Emma's time with Frank. You needn't think just because you would like to beat her time that I was trying.

Mrs. Callie Shannon visited in Graham Saturday and Sunday, returning Sunday afternoon.

Bro. Black filled his regular appointment here Sunday morning.

Mr. Leonard Graves of Olney visited here Saturday and Sunday, returning Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Thigpen of Hawkins Chapel visited at Mr. E. T. Thigpen's Sunday morning and at Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McBee's Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Howry and family of Graham visited Mr. and Mrs. W. K. McBee Sunday.

Miss Ida McBee visited old Ann Saturday, but old Ann says she didn't stay long enough. Ida said she wanted to stay but Ann wouldn't let her.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Workman and son Floyd spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McBee.

Kid I wouldn't hardly know what to think of a Young county school teacher, teaching his school all day and going to a quilting at night. You will have to explain more clearly about this subject before I spin my opinion of it.

School is progressing nicely under the care of Mrs. Callie Shannon and Miss Sallie Petty.

The farmers of this community met at Mr. G. C. Barrett's Friday and plowed. They reported a great working as they broke most of his land.

Mr. G. C. Barrett is very ill with typhoid fever. We hope to report him better soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bridges of Hawkins Chapel community visited at Mr. and Mrs. Will Bridges Sunday and Monday, returning home Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Etta Slater and son Ernest were shopping in the city Friday. They also called at Mrs. Bee Martin's Friday afternoon.

Mrs. A. P. Stewart and daughter Adele visited Mr. and Mrs. Bee Martin Friday. Miss Adele remained a few days with them.

I am at school today so I had better get my lessons I guess.

Spinster Maid.

Indian Mound.

Mrs. Mollie Dollins, W. R. Dollins and Lamar Smith are putting in new phones this week.

Austin Bird seems to be in good spirits since he has his land prepared for another crop.

Floyd McCommas spent all last week in Eastland City and Ft. Worth. He saw Ben Hur.

Prof. W. E. Simpson and John McCommas called on Austin Bird Friday night.

Miss Jean Bryan missed several days from school last week on account of illness.

G. W. McCommas and son, John, brought out a nice bunch of steers from Graham Monday to turn in on Mr. Borchardt's grain crop.

Mr. Borchardt went to Newcastle on business Friday.

Arthur Reese was visiting relatives in our community last week.

Mr. John McCommas was seen going to Newcastle both on Wednesday and Thursday. I wonder what the attractions are?

Mr. J. J. Grubbs and daughter Louetta were shopping in Newcastle Thursday.

S. D. Cowan is contemplating putting in a phone.

Bro. J. L. Vaughan of Graham attended Sunday school here Sunday and conducted the prayer meeting Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Mayes came by to visit his sister, Mrs. Thomas, who is living on the J. M. Parker farm.

E. G. Williamson was suffering the past week with tonsillitis.

Floyd McCommas returned from Ft. Worth Friday night. D. W. Beard is turning the soil.

John McCommas was seen coming from Newcastle one day last week driving a cow and calf. This looks kinder suspicious too. We wonder what girl is going to have the pleasure of doing the milking?

Riley Dollins, the road boss, visited his mother Sunday.

Sam Douglass and wife went to Graham Saturday.

Prof. W. E. Simpson and John McCommas visited the home of R. G. Taylor Sunday night.

The postmaster at Graham notified the Kid last week that there was a letter there for him by paying some extra postage.

We were made to wonder what the contents were, whether it was another invitation to a reunion dinner or Turkey Short mailing us a nice slather of turkey. But we came up disappointed on both. It was from my holiness bud, as Jack o' Diamonds calls him, bearing some holiness chat for the Kid, also a paper by the name of Fool Killer. It might kill a fool, but I don't think a sensible man will take on enough of it to ever become affected. I gave the F. K. to Jack to read and I am expecting to hear from him through The Reporter this week. Brother says in describing his country that people here go to church, baseball, horse-racing, auto-driving, to any kind of work or to the saloon to drink booze or to see the girls or anything they want to do on Sunday. Yes, the 5 and 10 cent picture shows and the most of them can almost swear by note. Well, Mr. Editor there is no Arizona for the Kid at present.

Mrs. Cordia Bird spent Monday night with her sister, Mrs. Lizzie Bryant.

Chas. and Miss Lou James, Miss Ruth Stevens and brother Elmer visited the home of C. C. Mayes near Graham Sunday.

Grace James visited Inez Fisher Sunday.

Buster I would thank you for your compliment last week if I knew where to begin but as I don't, excuse me please.

Yes, Plow Boy, I think you're right about the hit dog howling first; that's what I thought about a Cor. howling when he thought that Buster had called him old Shep. What do I care what the Boy accuses me of or thinks about me? While he is going after me some one else is getting a rest.

Mr. Gabe Barrett, who lives some two or three miles east of us, has been down with typhoid fever about five weeks, and last Friday the good neighbors and friends turned loose 15 plows in his field, preparing land for him so we heard. The Kid wasn't there for he knew nothing about the man being sick or the working either till Saturday.

Miss Jolly Girl you are wrong whenever you think our editor has the big head. I know what the trouble was with him. He was afraid the Madam Editor would take him down for talking to the young ladies when she was about.

Blondie and Carrie Nation, if you girls knew how much trouble Jack o' Diamonds was in about your letters not being in The Reporter for the last few weeks I believe you sure would come across with a long letter. Jack says if Blondie and Carrie quits I'll have to quit too.

Well, Mr. Editor, it's now 10 o'clock so the Kid must be going. I'm the Kid.

(The Kid seems to speak from experience, doesn't he Jolly Girl? No telling what his

boss (Mrs. Kid) would do to him if she caught him talking to young ladies.—Editor.)

LADIES AID SOCIETY

The Presbyterian ladies met with Mrs. Wynns last week, as Mrs. McJimsey was called out of town. Mrs. Garrett presided in the absence of the president.

The scripture lesson, John 15, was read by Mrs. Hall Morrison followed with prayer by Mrs. Rose. Roll call brought locals from the seven different countries in which our southern church has missions, but China was to the forefront as gleaned from newspapers and periodicals. She is making history so rapidly that programs prepared a month in advance are almost out-of-date.

Mrs. Rubenkoenig read an appreciative letter from our Mexican missionary, after which the vice-president led an interesting quiz on the lesson.

Our next meeting will be held with Mrs. A. A. Morrison. The lesson will be Home Missions and the key-word "obey."

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Local and Personal Mention

8 per cent money. E. C. Stovall.

Mrs. C. T. Story and Nellie Harris of Loving, who were in the city Monday visiting Mrs. Melton Jones, called on The Reporter while in the city.

Seed oats for sale at 50c per bushel. C. E. Grubbs, 19 Murray, Texas.

Business house and residence in Graham to trade for a small farm. H. L. Morrison.

Red, white and yellow onion sets at W. I. Tidwell & Sons.

COAL—Can supply you Loving coal in any quantity. Independent Phone No. 31. 1921 C. C. Johnson.

F. R. Cornelius of the Briar Branch community paid The Reporter a pleasant call while in the city Saturday.

Buy a Singer Sewing Machine from me, on easy terms. 9-20 C. E. Turner, Agt.

Mrs. H. E. Hargrove of Elbert is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Lee Shults of this city.

R. L. Burns, living out on the Farmer route came in to see us while in the city Friday.

Triumph Seed Potatoes at 18 E. B. Owen's.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Choate of Connor Creek were shopping in the city Tuesday.

W. M. Stanford was in to see us while in the city Friday.

Loans renewed. E. C. Stovall.

Messrs. Ed and M. Bennett of Heckman county, Ky. are visiting in Tonk Valley, guests of G. B. Wadley and family. Mr. Wadley and Mr. M. Bennett paid The Reporter a pleasant visit Saturday.

From now on we will have two laundry wagons on Monday, if they don't get your laundry please call us. Graham Steam Laundry. Both Phones.

Jean Norton of Ivan was in Graham Monday.

G. W. Lanier was a business visitor in the city Saturday and came around to see us.

Triumph Seed Potatoes at Graves & Ward.

J. H. Youngblood, one of our progressive farmers of South Bend was in to see us Saturday while in the city.

Pure Ribbon Cane Syrup in barrels. Bring your jug to 18 E. B. Owen's.

R. W. Gatwood called on The Reporter while in the city Friday.

If you have a loan expiring see me at once. E. C. Stovall.

L. P. Brooks was in the city this week and gave us the pleasure of a visit.

Triumph Seed Potatoes at Graves & Ward.

Mrs. Emma West of South Bend was in the city Saturday and paid us a pleasant visit.

In this issue appears the announcement of the opening of the Belmont Hotel as a drug-less Sanitarium, by Drs. Wixom and Henderson.

Farm Implements "cheaper" than you ever bought them before, at "VICK'S."

8 per cent money. E. C. Stovall.

Miss Skiles of Denton is in the city, guest of Mrs. J. C. Vaughan.

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Mrs. W. L. Wadley and son, Jesse from Lower Tonk Valley made The Reporter a pleasant visit Tuesday.

Quite a number of Graham people went to Ft. Worth Friday to see Ben Hur. Among those going were Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Burkett, Mrs. W. D. Norman, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Stovall and Chas. Widmayer.

You can't afford to wash when you can get it done for 3c a pound. Graham Steam Laundry.

The First National, a newly organized bank at Newcastle, will open for business this week. With new banks, new buildings, and good prospects ahead Young county ought to make a good showing in 1914.

If you want a small farm, or automobile see me at once. Might take some trade. 19 E. C. Stovall.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Vaden of Gooseneck were trading in the city Monday.

Delbert Wade and sister Miss Zora of Henry Chapel were in the city this week.

Baled Johnson Grass Hay for sale at 35 cents a bale. 19-20 Fred Rubenkoenig.

R. G. Hallam spent several days in Houston on business this week.

Mrs. J. W. Shults of Post Oak who has been visiting her son, Lee, of this city, left for her home Tuesday morning.

\$5 to \$10 saved on Farm Implements at "VICK'S."

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Casburn died early Thursday morning and was laid to rest in Oak Grove cemetery Thursday afternoon.

Lee Shults has been laid up for several days, the result of a strain from lifting. He is improving some now.

For cheap money on land apply to Arnold & Arnold.

Mrs. Mabel Mayes, who has been visiting her father, J. L. Flint, returned to her home in Kerens, Texas, Monday.

B. K. Brewer spent Sunday in Boyd.

If our wagon don't call at your house for your laundry, please call us, we will send at once. Graham Steam Laundry. Both Phones.

Mrs. E. F. Strube of Fort Worth is in the city visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Finch.

Mrs. J. L. Flint returned home Saturday night from Tell City, Indiana.

8 per cent money. E. C. Stovall.

Attention! FARMERS—Don't fail to see the new "Case" Planter at "VICK'S."

NOTICE!

See the new "Case" planter at "VICK'S." It's one-seed drop.

Delegates to District Conference

At the Methodist Quarterly Conference last Sunday night, E. S. Graham, W. C. Bryan, H. B. Street and W. S. Johnson were elected delegates to the District Conference which meets in the spring at Grafrod.

BUSTER

and

TIGE

will be at

S. B. Street & Co.

FRIDAY.

Give your copy of The Reporter to some friend who doesn't take it. He'll thank you.

Try a Davis Automatic Inkstand—neat, lasts forever, and keeps ink fresh and clean. \$1.00 and \$1.50. Graham Ptg. Co.

J. J. Gray of Bitter Creek transacted business in Graham Tuesday.

Buy your carbon paper from The Graham Printing Co.

Buster will give you a good resolution to follow if you will meet him at S. B. Street & Co. tomorrow, Friday, Jan. 30. He is the same Buster you see in the funny papers.

With Carter's, Payson's or Sanford's indelible ink. The Graham Printing Co.

The West Texas Reporter Want ads bring results. There's a reason. One cent a word.

John W. Groves and W. D. Bolding of Olney were here on business Tuesday.

The West Texas Reporter is fast spreading over territory in West Texas. Are you taking it?

Buster Brown and his dog Tige want you to meet them at Street & Co. tomorrow, Friday, Jan. 30. Buster has something interesting to tell you.

Toilet Paper Rolls at Graham Printing Co.

D. E. Myers of Newcastle was a visitor in the Reporter office Tuesday.

Paper Napkins, 15 designs and patterns at Graham Printing Co.

Fountain pen inks, Carter's and Sanford's, 10c up, at The Graham Printing Co.

John Quincy Adams of Duff Prairie was in Graham on business Tuesday, and while here called on The Reporter. Mr. Adams stated that he would like very much to live in Graham but could not find a suitable dwelling that could be rented. Can't we fix him up?

The West Texas Reporter will give you the very latest, as well as the most reliable campaign news every week; to keep properly informed, send in your subscription at once.

See Buster and Tige at S. B. Street & Co. tomorrow.

\$25.00 FINE!

For defacing the walls of the Court House. C. FAY MARSHALL, County Atty.

New Case Planter "VICK" has the "Case" Planter—one-seed drop.

Want Ads Shot to Pieces

FOR RENT—A three room house in east Graham, near old school building. Cistern and city water. Edgar Craig, 18 Rt. 1, box 9, Graham, Tex.

Barred Rock Cockrels for sale. 20 Z. A. Hudson.

LOST—A white, long haired little Spitz dog, named Feno. Finder please phone or return to Worth Shanafelt, Bryson, Texas and get reward.

Milch Cows for Sale. Have a few young Jersey cows and calves to sell. Call on me on Farmer route. 20 J. M. Atcheson.

Milch Cows for Sale. Two young Jersey cows with calves for sale. See me one mile east of Graham. 20. E. R. Ragland.

ONION SETS. Red, white and yellow at W. I. Tidwell & Sons.

WEIGH Your laundry one week, then take the cost of wood, soap and water off, and see how little it would cost you at 3c a pound, then call The Graham Steam Laundry. Both Phones.

Farm Implements

Two carloads just unloaded at "VICK'S." \$5 to \$10 saved on Planters, Cultivators and Sulkys. Every implement strictly "Guaranteed."

Prices on Planters, Cultivators and Sulkys, shot to pieces. \$5 to \$10 saved. See "VICK."

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\$5 to \$10

Saved by buying Sulky Plows, Planters and Cultivators at "VICKS."

Study Art

At Home

I will open an Art Class in Graham, Monday, February 2, 1914, and will give instruction in

Charcoal, Water Colors, Oil and China Painting

Arrangements for hours, etc., may be made by calling me at the residence of Mrs. Rollie Voules.

Miss Wray.

China Painting a Specialty

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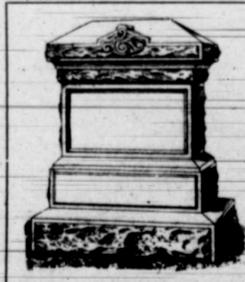
GRANITE MONUMENTS

COMING

On or about February 15 we will have a carload of our beautiful Monuments in Graham for delivery.

We Want Everyone to See Them.

This carload of stones are those ordered last fall and will be delivered to the patrons ordering them. Please remember the date and assist us as much as possible in making prompt delivery.



If you are thinking about buying a monument we want you to examine these stones and workmanship and if interested our representative, who will be there, will be glad to make you prices on any kind of stone desired.

We Own and Operate Our Own Polishing Plant and Quarries

Thus we are able to make you a much lower price than the dealer who buys his stone in the East or of the quarries where we are located. Being located at the quarries, we are able to make you any size or kind of stone.

No Cash Necessary. We do not ask partial payment when you give us the order. All we ask is the order, as we know that our work will be satisfactory. We do not ask for a single cent until the stone is erected at the grave, which is generally from three to four months after the order is placed with us.

Parsons Brothers,

Dealers in Monuments and Cemetery Work.

Mountain Park, Okla.