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BALL IS DESIGNEE OF PRO DEMOCRATS

Indorsed by Unanimous Vote in Ft. Worth Convention.

LANE WILL STUMP STATE

Says Ball is People's Choice and Wants to Help Elect Him.

Col. Tom Ball of Houston was chosen to represent the prohibition democrats in the race for governor in the July primaries by the Fort Worth convention. The convention vote was unanimous for him.

In the county conventions last week a vast majority of the delegates to the Fort Worth convention were instructed to cast their votes for Mr. Ball and those who were uninstructed in most cases were in favor of his candidacy.

Seeing the signs of the times W. P. Lane, who was the most aggressive candidate among the pros, withdrew from the race in Mr. Ball's favor. Mr. Mayes of Brownwood, at present lieutenant governor of the state, also a prohibition candidate, stated that he would go into the convention to contend for the nomination, but in the wind-up he, too, withdrew from the race, giving Mr. Ball a clear field.

W. P. Lane has given out a statement that he will stump the state in behalf of Mr. Ball's candidacy, and from what is said by his friends, Mr. Lane is some vote getter.

Quaint Character Visits Graham.

Mr. J. M. Hefley, of near Woodson, was in the city with cotton Monday.

Mr. Hefley is an old bachelor, past 66 years old, and has been keeping bachelor apartments for the past forty years, he says. He doesn't look older than fifty and makes a crop every year.

Mr. Hefley has lived in this portion of Texas for forty years, thirty-six years in Jack county and the past four years on his farm near Woodson.

While Mr. Hefley has never married he believes every man ought to marry, but that both men and women should be sure they are suited for each other before the ceremony is performed.

Examination Ordered.

There will be a special examination for teacher's certificate held at Graham on the first Friday and Saturday in April, instead of May, as heretofore.

The change is made to accommodate a large number of teachers who desire to hear from their papers before the regular June examination. The April examination will be limited to state certificates.

B. W. KING,
County Supt. Young Co.

If you are an advocate of temperance be present at the meeting of the W. C. T. U. and Woman's Mission Society at the Methodist church on Monday at 3 o'clock. An interesting program will be rendered.

PROGRAM FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING

Of the Young County Baptist Association, Beginning Thursday Night Before Fifth Sunday in March.

TO BE HELD AT LOVING, TEXAS.

THURSDAY NIGHT

7:30—Sermon, Rev. R. L. English

FRIDAY MORNING

10:00—Devotional, Rev. O. E. Dickson
10:15—Developing Christian Character.
1. Through Prayer, Rev. Jno. W. Newsom, 20 minutes
2. Through Bible Study, Rev. J. L. Roach, 20 minutes
3. Through Personal Work, Rev. R. Clifton, 20 minutes
General Discussion

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

2:30—Developing the Local Church.
1. In Doctrine, Rev. G. W. Black, 20 minutes
2. In Fellowship, Rev. J. L. McCord, 20 minutes
3. In Giving, Rev. J. M. Haygood, 20 minutes
3:30—The Individual Church Member's Opportunity and Responsibility, Rev. R. L. English, G. B. Underwood

FRIDAY NIGHT

7:30—Sermon, Preacher to be assigned

SATURDAY MORNING

10:00—Devotional, Rev. Baugh
Developing Young County Association.
1. The Field, Rev. J. L. McCord, 20 minutes
2. The Forces, Rev. A. S. Wilson, 20 minutes
3. The Methods, Rev. B. A. Roark, 20 minutes
The Preacher, His Life and His Work, Rev. W. D. Boswell

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

2:30—Devotional
2:45—Developing the Denominational Life.
1. Beneficence, Rev. A. S. Wilson, 20 minutes
2. Education, Rev. G. W. Black, 20 minutes
3. Missions, Rev. J. M. Haygood, 20 minutes
General Discussion

SATURDAY NIGHT

7:30—Sermon, Preacher to be assigned
Offering Buckner's Orphan Home

SUNDAY MORNING

10:00—The Sunday School.
1. The Place of the Sunday School in the Church, R. F. Short
2. The Place of the Adult in the Sunday School, R. V. Tidwell
3. The Teacher, His Personal Life and Preparation, L. L. Robertson

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

3:00 P. M.—Woman's Work (program to be given out later)

SUNDAY NIGHT

7:30—Preaching Service, Preacher to be assigned

COMMITTEE

For District Judge.

J. W. AKIN.
Judge J. W. Akin, of this city, announces this week for the office of District Judge of this, the 30th Judicial District. Judge Akin has been a resident of Graham since it was a mere village, knows most everyone in this county and scores of people in every county in the District, and every body that knows him, and all that he knows will recommend him as a jurist wholly capable of serving the people in the capacity of Judge.

He is not only a good jurist, having a fine knowledge of the law but is a man whom sentiment and popular notions does not sway. He has that fine sense of justice that every judge should have, and will make the 30th District a Judge to whom all may look for a square deal.

Notice to W. C. T. U. Members.

Those who have copies of the "Temperance Songster" are requested to please send them to the residence of Mrs. J. W. Akin as soon as possible. We need them.

Respectfully,
Mrs. S. R. Jeffery, Pres.

Will Close at 6 p. m.

We, the undersigned merchants and business men of Graham do hereby agree to close our respective places of business at 6 o'clock p. m. of each day in the week with the exception of Saturdays and Big Mondays, beginning March 1st, 1914, and continuing until September 1st, 1914.

We further mutually agree to close our doors promptly when the Graham Electric Light Co., blows its whistle, which Mr. Babb, the manager has kindly agreed to do.

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E. B. Owens.

Miss Viola Jordon, who has been in the city several months visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Crim, left Friday for Temple, Texas, where she has accepted a position.

CORRECT ACCOUNT OF INDIAN RAID

Stirring Times in Young County Told of by Eye Witness.

THE BRAGG RANCH FIGHT

Writer Says Facts Have Not Been Given in Former Published Accounts.

Round Timbers, Texas, Feb. 17th, 1914.

Editor West Texas Reporter, Graham, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have read so many accounts of the Elm Creek Indian Raid and the battle at the Bragg ranch and as the statements made by the writers of those accounts have contained so many mistakes, and have missed the facts so far, I decided to write the account of that raid, and the fight myself. This is the first time I have ever written the account of that raid. I am the only man living that did any of the fighting at the Bragg ranch. I moved with my father to Young county in 1856.

I will appreciate your kindness very much if you will publish this account of the raid and fight.

Very respectfully,
Thornton K. Hamby.

On the 13th day of October, 1864, a band of Comanche and Kiawa Indians, about one thousand warriors strong, came from the north. They struck Uncle Peter and Perry Harmonson west of California Creek. The two Harmonsons dismounted in a grove of timber, and a small band of the Indians attacked the two men. Perry shot one of the Indians. The Indians then left the two men and went to the Indian that Perry had shot. The two men then mounted their horses and ran to a thicket on Rabbit Creek, but the Indians didn't go into that brush.

The band of Indians then went on and struck Elm Creek near the mouth. They then divided into two bands. One division went up the south side of the creek, and the other went up the north side, and near the mouth of the creek they killed Joel Meyers. Some of the Indians went to the Patrick ranch, and the rest went to the Hamby ranch.

At the Patrick ranch they killed Mrs. Sue Durgan and one of Negro Britt Johnson's boys, and took Mrs. Patrick, Joseph Carter, and two little girls of Mrs. Durgan, Negro Britt Johnson's wife and children captive. I do not know how many children they had.

They then went on up Elm Creek to the Hamby Ranch. My father, Thomas Wilson and I were there. I had just come home from the army on a furlough and it didn't scare me like it did father and Wilson, but I got my share of it all. Seven Indians came up to the Hamby ranch first. Before the main body of Indians came to the ranch we told Wilson to go up the creek and let all know that the Indians were in. He seemed to be very badly excited, but he went, and father and I helped to get the women and children hid in a cliff of rocks

near the house, and by that time they were getting very near the house, and we mounted our horses and made for the Bragg ranch. Eight or ten of the Indians ran us a very close race and might have caught us but they had already run their horses two or three miles before they got to us.

When we got to the Bragg ranch we dismounted and went into the house. They surrounded the house on horseback and charged for an hour or longer, but they did no damage. They then fell back two or three hundred yards from the house, dismounted and stood there for about thirty minutes. They then sounded the bugle charge. I knew what it meant and I told father to be ready for they were coming, and so they did. We were ready for them. The men in the house were scared so bad they didn't know what they were doing. Wilson went near the door and they shot him. He told father that he was a dead man. Father told him to lay down and he did so. Then George Bragg did the same thing and they shot him, and father did the same thing three times and they shot him once in the side and twice in the arm. Wilson and Bragg were shot with arrows, but father was shot with guns.

I guess I was under the bed for I was the only one that did not get shot. No, that won't do for there was no room for me under any of the beds. Three or four families of women and children and two negroes were already under the beds. There were as near as I can remember three families there. George Bragg's family, Bill Vines' family, Mrs. Foster and her children, a negro boy about sixteen or seventeen years old and a negro woman.

Well, a little before sundown they sounded the bugle retreat and off they went.

There were fifteen rangers at Ft. Murrie and when the Harmonsons came in and let them know that the Indians were in the country, they started out to see what they could do. The Indians were strung out for two or three miles north of the Bragg ranch, and in the latter part of the day the fifteen rangers from Ft. Murrie struck some of the Indians about a mile north of the ranch where we were fighting them. They didn't do anything, but got five of their number killed, and five wounded and five got out unhurt. Well, we had a hard fight. We found nineteen dead Indians. There was not one of the Indians we killed left on the battleground. They were carried off nearly a mile. There was one chief among them. He had on a broadcloth coat and was shot with a big bore gun at the second buttonhole. He was wrapped in a blanket, then a buffalo robe was wrapped around that, and a long rawhide rope wound around the robe. He was hid in a rocky cliff. Four live mules were found near him. His bow and arrows, quiver and several silver ornaments were left with him. His bones soon disappeared. I suppose the Indians came back afterward and took them away.

The Indians went northwest of Ft. Murrie and they came across Uncle Jim McCoy and his son, Miles, and killed them.

After the Indians left, Mart Bragg came in and father and I went back home and found the

folks all right, but everything gone. That night Rubin Johnson and I went to the Patrick ranch to see what was done there. We found Mrs. Durgan lying in front of the door dead and scalped, and one of Negro Britt Johnson's boys near her, dead. We took them into the house.

I read a piece written by I. D. Ferguson and published in the McLean, Texas News of January 16th, 1914. Mr. Ferguson says that he was there and the Indians killed two of Mrs. Durgan's little boys. She did not have any boy at all, only two little girls. I guess Mr. Ferguson was not there or he could have distinguished one negro boy from two white boys. He also said that at the Bragg Ranch Wilson was killed in the yard and that the houses were scattered up the creek for half a mile. He surely was not there. He said the Indians went down the creek. I say they went up the creek. There were only three houses at the Bragg ranch. Mrs. Foster's house was about one hundred yards north of the ranch house. Bill Vines' house was about seventy-five yards west.

I have two men that will say I am right. One of them lives four or five miles west of Graham, Texas. His name is Chas. Newhouse. The other one is H. C. Williams of Newcastle, Texas. My name is Thornton K. Hamby. I live at Round Timbers, Baylor County, Texas.

I know of three of the children that are still living, that father and I hid in those rocks at the Hamby ranch. One of them is my sister, Mrs. C. C. Mills of Throckmorton, Texas; another is my brother, R. M. Hamby of Dickens City, Texas; the other is my brother, Charles Newhouse Hamby of New Mexico. This brother was named for Uncle Charley Newhouse of Graham, Texas.

George Bragg shot an Indian through a crack in the wall of the house after he was wounded. George shot this Indian with my six-shooter. The Indian was looking in through the crack.

After a few years of captivity Mrs. Patrick was recovered by the white people. She said the Indians, after the fight, traveled all that night and all the next day without stopping. They camped the second night on the Pease River. Britt Johnson also afterwards recovered his family.

Go to Church Campaign.

Remember it is on at the First Methodist Church in Graham. A splendid congregation was there last Sunday morning. Were you there? If so come again next Sunday, and don't forget to ask somebody else to come, especially a non-church-goer. If you could not come last Sunday try and remove the hindering cause and be on hand March 1st.

If you are a member of the church and not in the habit of attending ask yourself if you are doing right. Assistance will be given all men whose wives cannot come and who don't think they can come without them. Sister if your husband won't come make him cook dinner and come on. Everybody invited.

J. Hall Bowman,
Pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Wallace left Tuesday for Markley, where they will make their home.

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Weather for February.

1st to 4th, Pleasant; 5th to 8th, Cloudy; 9th to 13th, Cold; 14th to 18th, Snows; 19th to 23, Stormy weather; 24th to 28th, Snow period. Low Temperature; Rainfall above normal.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For District Judge

J. W. AKIN.

For Representative, 99th Dist.:

E. W. FRY

For County Judge:

W. P. STINSON

J. W. JACKSON

For Sheriff:

A. H. JONES

MAL M. WALLACE

W. J. (Will) JENNINGS

O. H. BROWN

J. S. MUNSEY

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HENRY G. FRIE

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I. B. PADGETT

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C. FAY MARSHALL

For County Superintendent:

B. W. KING

For District Clerk:

J. L. VAUGHAN

WILLIE RIGGS

For Public Weigher:

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G. W. LANIER

For Commissioner, Precinct 1.

G. D. (Dillard) HINSON

F. M. BERRY.

Commissioner Precinct No. 4:

J. M. BARNETT

W. C. McGEE

J. L. DUNCAN.

Boy and Editor.

Dickens Item: An editor of a country newspaper loves a man who takes his paper two or three years on a credit, then refuses to take it out of the postoffice, for the same reason that a 14-year-old girl hates the boy who furnishes her in chewing gum.

Yes, but the boy who furnishes a girl with chewing gum is a ding sight smarter than the editor who sends his paper three years on credit. The boy gets paid with smiles and numerous other little expressions of gratitude, whereas the editor gets only ridicule or contempt for his pains. No man who can't make a newspaper worth a dollar a year has any right to run one, and any man who runs a paper worth a dollar a year is a gump if he gives his

labor gratis to strangers. If the price of a newspaper is a dollar a year, the editor is in honor bound to make it worth a dollar. And after he has made it worth a dollar he is bound by his own self-respect to get the money or keep the paper. There is no justification for charging readers with a dereliction which is the editor's. It is for him to say upon what terms he will sell his paper, and if he hasn't the spunk to make the terms such as to protect himself he shouldn't squeal when his readers make terms that don't protect him. The kind of man who needs somebody to take care of him ought either to get the court to appoint a guardian for him or to get him a place in an orphan asylum. The last thing he ought to do is to try to run a newspaper.—Dallas News.

For County Judge.

J. W. JACKSON

We present the announcement of Mr. J. W. Jackson this week for the office of county judge.

Mr. Jackson has lived in Graham for the past twenty-three years, has been identified with the town and county's interests and upbuilding movements during the whole of that time.

He knows possibly as many people in this county as any man in it who has never run for office, having ridden over every road, through every pasture, up and down every creek, along every cow trail and this knowledge of the physical conditions of the county will add to his qualifications as a county judge. Mr. Jackson is well qualified to fill the office and will appreciate your support.

LES HIBOUX

Mrs. G. Q. Street received the Thursday Card Club this week, several members being present. The usual round at bridge was played. High score favor, a dainty lingerie garment, went to Mrs. Will Norman; low score favor, a lovely pin cushion, fell to Mrs. M. K. Graham, and in a cut with the remaining ones Mrs. C. P. Hutchison was given a pretty little tea apron in blue and white.

Ices with devil's food cake were served.

Mrs. H. A. Wadsworth will be hostess Thursday, March 5, at 3 p. m.

Miss Lillian Manning entertained the Les Hiboux girls last Thursday. Auction Bridge was the pleasant pastime of the players. For top score Mrs. Luther Clark received a pretty towel, crocheted work. The Club prize went to Miss Allie Logan, a dainty, hand-made blue and white dresser scarf.

Hot chocolate with delicious cake was served to the following besides the ones mentioned: Mesdames F. T. Arnold, W. D. Norman, F. F. Parrish, M. K. Graham and E. S. Graham.

PRISCILLA CLUB

The beautiful home of Mrs. A. W. Kay was thrown open to the Priscilla Club on Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Kay entertained in her own pleasant manner.

Music by Miss Allen, Mrs. Rose and Mrs. Crabb.

A delightful salad course was served. Guests outside of the Priscilla were Misses Allen, Morrison and Dowe; Mesdames Rose, Griffin and Fain.

Mrs. Widmayer will entertain the Club next week. All members are urged to be present as this will be a business meeting.

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

W. C. T. U.

Items for this column are furnished by local Union.

All members and friends of the local Woman's Christian Temperance Union are urged to be present at the meeting of the Methodist Missionary Society at the Methodist Church on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The same evening, the W. C. T. U. members and their families will be entertained at the home of the president, Mrs. S. R. Jeffery. Let every member rally at this time; do not forget the date. Come and enjoy a pleasant evening and help the cause of temperance.

The Amendment for National Prohibition was indorsed at the last meeting of the Week of Prayer held at the Presbyterian church last week. Every member present was in favor of the amendment.

The Baptist congregations at Olney and Farmer indorsed the National Prohibition amendment by a rising vote recently.

The resolution favoring National Constitutional Prohibition was indorsed by twenty-six members of the Episcopal church and eighteen members of the Christian Ladies' Aid recently. Members of the W. C. T. U. are gratified with the interest being shown, not only here, but all over the country, in National Prohibition.

Gooseneck.

Mrs. Odell Johnson visited her sister, Mrs. Virgie McLaren, last week.

Elmer McLaren and Odell Johnson went to Bunger Monday.

Charlie Parsons of Graham took dinner with R. L. McLaren Monday.

Mesdames Kelley and Condor spent the afternoon with Mrs. Jim Hunt Monday.

Mrs. Virgie McLaren spent the day with Mrs. John Clark Wednesday.

Miss Edna Wiley called on Mrs. Berry Tuesday.

Misses Nora McLaren and Ola Johnson have been visiting Mrs. Herman Johnson.

Mack Rose says he likes to work for Deacon Brown, as he lets him grub and sleep all at the same time.

Yes, we had a good rain Wednesday.

John Clark is helping his father make a tank in Tonk Valley.

Uncle Geo. Rose says he may have trouble with his folding bed Miss Goose, but he does not have to build his chimney up with his wife's milk pans.

Buster we would be glad to have the music to the candidates' song you sent in last week.

We hope Prof. Chambers will get his seed catalogue all right.

Homeite, you ought to have been with us school children. We had a Valentine box, and we got several pretty ones.

Uno, you had better pick a good day for killing rats, and then report.

Several of the boys attended a mixed up party at Frank Stringer's Friday night.

School was out Friday.

Oscar James marketed some hogs this week.

Murray Condor says he wants to move to Bunger.

Miss May Wiley has had a very sore hand, caused with an indelible pencil.

Mr. Loftin of Loving visited Sunday school.

Messrs. Clark of Tonk Valley visited John Clark Sunday.

Miss Cora Rose spent Saturday night and Sunday with Misses Wiley.

Mr. Youngblood and family went to Mr. Pinkerton's Sunday.

Mrs. G. W. Wiley visited Mrs. Rose Saturday afternoon.

R. L. McLaren and family went to Ming Bend Saturday.

A. L. Condor and family went to Salem Sunday, and while there visited Mr. and Mrs. Sadberry.

We have, at this writing, a norther, and we fear there will be some more hog-killing.

The singing at Mr. Wiley's was enjoyed by all present.

Gander.

Henry Chapel.

The wind blew, and the land flew. The buckets and pans went rattle-te-bang. A few more whiffs like this and we won't have peaches and oats enough to fill our fruit jars.

Old Brindle came up Sunday with a brand new calf. We call him George Washington, Jr.

Some are talking of planting corn this week, provided the ground thaws out.

Well Buster, you have us down wrong when you think we don't pay the preacher. I learn from good authority that the church assessments at this place are all paid up. So if you are going to start out preaching you had just as well put on that two story hat and scissor-bill coat and come down.

I was sure glad to make Buster's acquaintance on Big Monday. I am quite favorably impressed with his appearance even if he is going to start out preaching for money.

Honeysuckle 2nd the reason you don't know Kid is because you are looking for the wrong kind of somebody. I also met him Big Monday. He don't look near as much like a kid as I do a Dago. I also got a faint view of Spinster Maid. Now Spinster Maid if you don't believe that ask the Kid.

Eddie Ribble is doing some excellent county work on our roads.

Miss Edna Jarnagin returned last week from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Arthur Vick, at Odessa.

J. L. McLaren was called to the bedside of his brother, R. L. McLaren at Mineral Wells last week.

Rev. S. D. Cook filled his appointment Sunday. Text: St. John 15:11.

You please excuse me Brunette I am well versed in the skunk business. My folks let me sleep in the front room on the big, fat bed. So I am living at home again now, and some of the neighbors venture in speaking distance.

The writer and family had the pleasure of meeting Miss Hattie Wray, the Graham art teacher, who has been visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Young, from Friday until Sunday.

Our women folks have organized a fancy needle-work club, and they can sure make a whole heap of mighty pretty "fixins". Some of them are so far advanced now they can run some pieces of embroidery on the hind end-gate of a fellows pantaloons and when one starts off up the road he reminds you of a couple of summer thunder clouds rising. They don't allow a man membership in this club except he be branded as above stated. But if we don't make better crops here soon think there will be quite a number of us fit subjects for membership. Verily I say unto you there has not been born lately a greater than our women. Mr. Editor you might just as well try to keep house without a jug of buttermilk and a sack of meal as to try to keep house without a woman.

E. K. Criswell and family spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. M. R. Jarnagin.

Well Carrie Nation that fellows name was Martin before he married. Don't know what his wife calls him now.

That's all right Candy Kid. They tell me there are just as good apples on the trees as those that have been pulled. Come on with a good letter next week; we enjoy reading them. With best wishes. Dago.

Sorghum Flat.

We had our cemetery working all right Saturday, and dinner on the ground. You never saw the like of dinner. Had plenty left for supper so we just ate our supper and took in the literary.

The literary was just fine. At the close of the exercises Miss Frazier, acting as critic, got off some funny jokes on Fox Hollow people and Sorghum Flat. The critic said Mr. Bassett Wyatt was saying Mary had a little lamb, and Mr. McDowel spoke to some one and said there is no sheep in this country, may be it was a goat instead of a lamb. How about it Mary.

Mr. Bill Bunger and family accompanied by Prof. Chambers of Mountain Home and Mr. Asberry Caudill and family of Fox Hollow visited Mr. J. K. P. Hughes last Saturday night and Sunday.

Oh! say, Lila! Have you gone with that handsome man yet? How about going behind the curtains?

Mr. Sam Gann accompanied by Clarence Dooley, Melvin and John Worth Gann, were out on Cantaloupe prairie seeing Mr. John Couger on business.

Look out Miss Frazier. The Prof. may come around that way some time in a nearer route home.

Wonder how Misses Lena, Ida, Hattie and Mattie are. Still thinking of the old "fortune teller."

Well dear readers and correspondents it is now 2 o'clock and I haven't been to dinner, so I still remain as before.

Dreamy Eyes.

Cedar Creek.

Quite a spell of winter weather is upon us again. The blizzard Sunday afternoon struck us about dark and has been growing colder ever since.

On last Saturday, February 21st, the annual working of the Veal's Creek cemetery took place. Several persons from a

distance were present, among them being Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Duncan of Graham and quite a number from the Fox Hollow community and Bee Branch. A nice lot of work was done, and the yard put in good condition.

The Literary Society held at the Cedar school last Saturday night was a complete success. The program was carried out in a very creditable and interesting manner. Quite a number of persons were here from Fox Hollow and other places. Mr. Chambers of the Mountain Home school delivered a very interesting recitation.

Some gardening has been done, but the weather has not been very favorable.

Some of the late sowing of oats are said to be killed by the recent freeze.

Health is good in this community. Iambus.

Bunger

Mr. and Mrs. Jones of near Bunger visited Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Sunday.

Say girls, did you all know that Walter James was a fine cook? He can bake some lar-apin good biscuit.

What do you think, we Bunger folks are going to put the church grounds into a flower garden, or a garden of Eden and leave Adam out.

R. L. McLaren said when he saw that sand storm coming Sunday afternoon that he just thought it was some war clouds he had been reading about for some time, but when he found out what it was he got scared.

Captain James and family, R. L. McLaren and family, or a part of his family, four or five of the boys, Odell Johnson and family, all took dinner with Mr. J. H. Lasater at Mount Sinai Sunday.

I have been told that R. L. McLaren ordered twenty-four hundred cabbage plants from South Carolina a few days ago.

Mr. J. A. Ferguson has some samples and prices on pure ribbon cane syrup.

The party at Mr. Frank Stringer's Friday night was enjoyed by all for some of the boys never got home until four the next morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Price took dinner with Mr. Rhoades and family near Bunger Sunday.

Goose.

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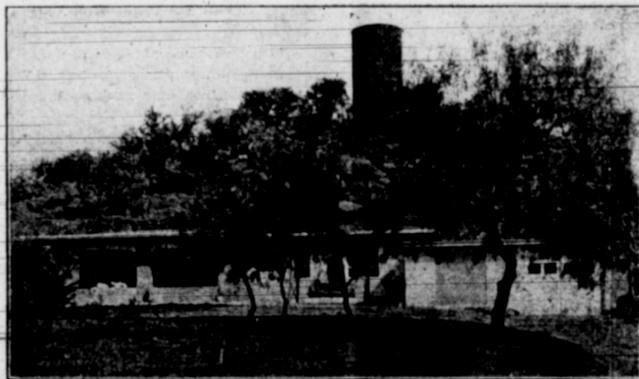
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Live News from our Correspondents

Lone Oak

My! but wasn't that sand storm which came Sunday afternoon a dandy? The wind was still very high and a little bit cool Monday.

Sunday school was very slim Sunday on account of sickness and the high wind.

Literary and Social Center club meets next Friday night. Everybody invited to attend.

Miss Nokra Hamm is still improving at this writing.

Mrs. A. J. Lowe has gone to Limestone county for the benefit of her health.

Miss Vivian Arnold is spending a few days with Miss Lula Jackson.

Dave White visited relatives in this community Sunday.

A. J. Lowe made a flying trip to Fort Worth the last of the week.

Leonard Graves of Olney was down to see his best girl Sunday.

L. G. Alexander is very ill again.

We are glad to report Hubert Stewart's foot improving.

Sam Ligon went to Olney and played basket ball Saturday.

He returned with one of his eyes "blacked." It was reported that he and another one of the players ran together, and caused the accident. Is it a fact Sam?

Misses Adele Stewart and Eva Hamm visited the school Friday afternoon.

Several families from this community went to the cemetery working at Hawkins Chapel Saturday.

Mrs. Rady Hawkins visited relatives at Red Top Sunday.

Emmett Ramsey of Red Top was in this community dragging the road Saturday.

John McGee called on Miss Emma McBee Sunday afternoon.

Sam Orr has added another room to his residence.

Lawrence Orr and Luther Howard were breaking a wild horse Sunday.

Thank you Silver Bell I would be delighted to have the pleasure of helping you eat fruit. You must be careful or the freeze will get it. The other cold spell and the mean little sparrows together destroyed all of our peach blossoms.

I sure did enjoy the good letters last week. Plow Boy's write up sure was a dandy, and our friend Buster, just tried himself I think. I wonder what was the matter with Jack o' Diamonds, he was absent.

Mr. Veach went to Graham Saturday to bring a load of desks for the school.

R. E. Boyle has been sick with cold for several days.

John McGee has been working for Lum McBride.

This is all the news so will "skidoo" for this time.

Brunette.

Orth

The flood gates have opened up and we are getting some more rain, which we farmers have been needing for some time.

Oats are coming out in this part.

Mrs. Uno and the little Uno's have been gardening some.

M. E. Clark and family went to the singing Tuesday night. There was quite a large crowd out.

Singing at Alva Jones' Sunday night was well attended and all report a fine time.

The Sunday school at Orth is getting along nicely with Mrs. Jessie Lowe, Mrs. Burse, Mrs. P. B. Copeland and Mr. G. M. Jones as teachers.

Mr. Burton is having a well dug.

Geo. E. Leberman is having a well dug.

We heard that some one dug up \$200,000 fifty-four miles south of Wichita Falls on Salt Creek. We have been figuring on where that would be and Kid, we believe that it was down in your part of the country. Now tell us; we have all got the gold fever. You may not hear any more from Uno. He is thinking of going to digging some, too.

William Foreman and Sam Sinclair were breaking a broncho the 17th.

Mrs. Geo. E. Leberman spent the evening of the 17th with Mrs. Vincey Clark.

If any of you know of any forty-two players send them around. We have some here that would play all the time but for satisfying the inner man. Hunger would make a man quit anything long enough to eat.

Mr. Mahan was among the forty-two players on the 18th.

Some of the Orth boys went wolf hunting the 18th.

We have a fresh norther this the 18th. Can't say what it will amount to as yet.

W. S. Hustage is doing some improving at his rent house, in the shape of lots and barn, which was badly needed. If most of the landlords would do likewise times would be better for the tenants.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Jones, a girl.

Miss Copeland of Alvord is visiting her brother, P. B. Copeland of Orth.

Orth basket ball team don't want any more games since they played Ingleside. Ingleside won by a score of 30 to 7.

Mr. Rushin from True was in Orth the 19th.

Big Boy and Little Boy isham, were in Orth the 19th.

Earl Blankenship was in Orth the 19th.

Ol. Brown passed through our city the 19th en route to Newcastle.

Plow Boy, you "jes stay widum." I am betting on you. I don't know anything and half of that isn't so, but I can tell a man when he gets up against the scripture like you do. Will Salemite change the subject?

Wasn't that poetry of Buster's on the candidates fine, though?

Sam Bird and a couple of ladies from Ingleside attended the singing at Orth Friday evening.

Jno. Grimes and Merritt Cunningham of the S. R. Jeffery ranch were at the singing.

Misses Madison of Olney were at the singing, also quite a few from True. Among them were Roy and Ray Watson, Oce Logue, two Jones' boys, Brushy Mountain Jones, and Oscar Colly.

Dick Leberman and wife spent Friday in Orth.

There were quite a lot of ladies in Orth Friday that the writer did not learn their names.

Messrs. Nick Smith and Mahan of the W. O. Clark ranch were in Orth Friday.

Bill Hustage went to Olney Friday.

I grubbed me a load of wood this morning. That is the way we get our wood up here.

Uno.

The Sunday school was good Sunday.

There was no prayer meeting Sunday night on account of bad weather.

Violet.

Craig Point.

O! my! Did you ever see such cold weather and sand storms as we have been having? It is sure cold for this little bird, and makes her stay

in the house pretty close.

Little Gladys Andrus has been right sick, but glad to report her much better.

Grandma Killion is some better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Babb spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Baugh.

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I was glad to see Redbird from Dakin out last week, for it was mighty lonesome for just one little bird among all these correspondents, and it is good to have company.

Mrs. Walter Green visited her mother, Mrs. Moore, in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Joe Wright and Grandma Ratliff visited Mesdames Denver and E. A. Killion Friday afternoon.

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Hawkins Chapel.

Mr. Oscar Tedrow is helping Mr. Jesse Oatman this week.

Mesdames Laura Baker and Rube Loftin went to Loving last Monday afternoon.

Mr. Elzie Tedrow of Megargel, who visited in this community last week, returned home Monday.

Mr. Sage and wife, who have been visiting Mrs. Sage's sister, Mrs. Chapel, returned to their home in Kansas Wednesday. They visited here for the past two months.

Messrs. T. F. Harmon and Robert Miller are tanking this week.

The county road hands, who are working under Mr. Dollins, have been at work for over a month on the Loving and Markley road near Bethel. They have completed their work for the present. They did some extra good work, and are certainly the doctors for bad roads.

Messrs. A. E. and Jesse Oatman are chopping logs to put up a crib for Mr. Jesse.

The Chapel folks met at the cemetery today, February 21st, and did some work which was badly needed.

Mr. Jack Miller was the guest of relatives here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stennett and baby of Markley visited here Saturday.

Mr. Duckworth visited at Loving Sunday.

Misses Lillie Drum and Florence Baker were the guests of Miss Corrine Stephens Sunday.

There was quite a sand storm came from the north Sunday afternoon. We think it is almost the worst storm we have had lately.

There was a crowd of young people who took dinner at Mr. C. F. Newman's.

Messrs. Charlie Ferguson and Ed Prideaux attended the singing here Sunday afternoon.

There are a great deal of bad colds in this community at the present.

Mr. A. E. Oatman intends to return to his home in Waco the last of this week. He has been visiting here for the past month.

Master Elmer and Miss Ruth Stephens visited their grandparents from Saturday afternoon until Sunday evening.

Mr. Stennett and family of Markley are visiting relatives here.

Mrs. J. C. Cross is much improved at this writing.

Mr. Walter Baker has been working at Loving the past week.

Grandpa and Grandma Drum went to Farmer Saturday to the cemetery working.

Mrs. Lee Drum was the guest of Mrs. Loftin Saturday.

Mr. Will Smith's parents of the Wells, who have been visiting him for the past week, returned home last Thursday.

Mrs. Laura Baker took Sunday dinner with Mr. Jesse Oatman and family.

Mr. Tom Smith is very low.

Mr. Woodrum has purchased an organ. We guess they will have some nice music.

Miss Lessie Loftin was the guest of Grandma Drum one day last week.

A crowd of the Chapel young people went to the literary at Markley Saturday night. They reported an enjoyable trip and good literary.

Miss Hettie Drum was the guest of Mrs. Will Smith Sunday.

The Sunday school was good Sunday.

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Shearer.

Hello! Editor and correspondents—Will you all move over and let me have a seat?

As I have never seen any news from this part of the country I will step in and send in a few items.

A slow, steady rain is falling this morning and the farmers are looking forward to a good crop this year. One good thing about Young county; it never rains here until we need it.

The work on the Independent phone line is complete.

Our school is progressing fast under the efficient management of Mrs. Robert West.

Hollyhock, we were introduced to a singing last Sunday night. It was the first singing at night we have had in a long time.

We have organized a singing class at the Shearer school house and will meet the first and third Sundays of every month. Would be glad to have any one come out and help us.

O. E. Cook and family ate supper Tuesday night with John Shearer and family.

Miss Fannie Ragland of Graham has been visiting Miss Ethel Lamons of this community.

Mr. Mayes and family spent

Sunday with Mr. Jackson and family.

Plow Boy, come on with your good letters.

Yes, Buster was born good looking instead of wealthy. That is the way with "Monthly Rose" (as that will be my name.) He was born good looking instead of wealthy.

Mr. Onie Elliott and sister, Miss Trixie, of the Shinola community were present at the singing last Sunday. We are glad to have you come and bring some one with you next time.

Mr. Julius Jones, who is at work for M. P. Andrews, visited home folks Sunday.

Frank Jones and John Sanders challenge any one for a "forty-two" game.

George C. Shearer made a business trip to Graham Tuesday.

I will not make my letter so long this time, being the first for me. Monthly Rose.

(We can always make room for a good correspondent, hence we all get over a little, even though we are crowded. But what a crowd! We know you'll enjoy our company Monthly Rose, but please write more often than your name implies—in other words, be a "weekly rose.")

—Editor.)

Duff Prairie.

As I did not get to mail my letter last week, will try and get this one written in time.

We had a nice shower of rain which was, I'm sure, appreciated by everyone. Looks like it might rain more, or snow some before it clears off.

Mr. Ira Hamil passed through the prairie Sunday en route to Graham. He had some bad luck last week. One of his horses died on the way to town.

Mrs. Henry Rogers and two little children spent the day Monday with Mrs. Will Goode of South Bend.

Mrs. John Groene and son spent the day Tuesday with Mrs. Will Martin.

Mr. Henry Lewis and wife spent Saturday night and Sunday with Henry Rogers and family.

Mrs. Clemmie Carroll and son called on Mrs. Will Martin Monday afternoon.

Mr. Jim Stone and family spent the day with Mrs. Mack Rickles of Ivan Sunday.

Floyd Burgess and father were over on the prairie fixing his father's windmill Wednesday.

Barney Crabtree went to the Bend Wednesday.

Mr. M. M. Kraft has gone to Abilene looking after the interests of his place there.

Mr. Groene sowed oats for Mr. Martin Tuesday.

Mr. George Martin and family of South Bend visited his brother, Will Sunday. Mr. Martin's aunt, who had been visiting Mr. Will Martin, returned home with them.

Mr. Martin plowed for Mr. Groene Thursday and Friday.

Smith Gann was on the prairie Wednesday night and stopped at Mr. Groene's.

Mr. Cross Barron is helping Mr. Sim Burgess fix fence this week.

Mr. Claude Ingram and Bob Carroll visited our school Friday afternoon. Little Bertha Copeland and Master Harvey Stone also visited our school.

Some of our neighbor men haven't anything to do so they go hunting.

Mr. L. Z. Cretsinger and Jno. Steele were on the prairie "strolling" around one day this week.

Guess I have taken up enough space for one time.

I have just one more word to say and that is this: I accidentally heard some one or two complimenting (?) my letters. I want to thank them and remain as ever

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Red Top.

Here I come again after an absence of two weeks. News is scarce in this community, on account of bad weather people have not visited each other very much.

My! but this sand storm fills a fellow's eyes with dirt, doesn't it? Seems "kinder" like we are going to have some real cold weather.

Wheat is looking nice, and of course the farmers have a grin on their faces.

There were few at Sunday school Sunday on account of the weather being so bad Sunday morning, it scared some of them off. Everybody come out next Sunday morning at 10 o'clock and bring some one with you.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Martin are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine girl at their home.

Misses Eureka and Mary Slater spent Sunday afternoon at Grandpa and Grandma Slater's. The party at Mr. T. Littlejohn's was reported a dandy.

Mrs. Callie Shannon spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives in Graham.

Mr. G. C. Barrett is reported better at this writing.

Lawrence Orr and Luther Howard of Lone Oak attended the party at Mr. T. Littlejohn's.

Miss Ido McBee spent Saturday night with her aunt, Miss Dora McBee.

Mr. and Mrs. Lem Bryant and little son, Harvy, visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Bridges Sunday.

Bro. Black failed to fill his appointment here Sunday on account of sickness.

Messrs. Homer Brigham, Slim Glenn and Ernest Blakney were in Graham Saturday.

Miss Johnnie Graves spent Saturday with her sister, Mrs. W. K. McBee.

Mr. Floyd McComas was in the community Saturday.

Bad colds are the order of the day now.

Some of the farmers have been working on a ditch on the public road between the cross roads and Uncle Taylor McBee's to turn the water off his field which will be a great benefit.

Well, as it is growing late and I am getting sleepy and cold, will bid you all adieu, and go.
Spinster Maid.

Tonk Valley.

My, wasn't Monday a cold day? I liked to have frozen sitting by the fire.

There was no preaching in the Valley Sunday, but Sunday school was very well attended, considering the windy weather, and sickness.

Rev. S. D. Cook will preach for us next Sunday afternoon. Everybody come.

Miss Katherine Higdon and brother, Wesley, visited at Mr. Timmons' in Lower Tonk Sunday.

Our literary did pretty well for "country ducks." Prof. King made us an interesting talk.

Sorry to report Grandpa Choate worse, but we hope he will soon be better and up again.

Mrs. Bird and children of Newcastle, visited her daughter, Mrs. Bert Bray, Sunday.

George Jones made a business trip to Mr. Seddon's Sunday night.

Mr. J. H. Robbins has been confined to his bed the last week with rheumatism, but glad to report him better.

Rex Cornish called at Mr. Robbins' Sunday.

Miss Bluebird didn't I see you at Upper Tonk the same Sunday you saw me? You looked more like a redbird than a bluebird to me.

Our assistant superintendent was greatly missed at Sunday school Sunday. What was the matter Mr. Hudson?

Jolly Girl.

Farmer.

N. B. Blevins, veterinary surgeon of Loving, was in our city Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Casey visited their daughter, Mrs. J. D. Spencer, of Olney Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. C. N. Keen spent several days this week with relatives at Anarene.

The working of the cemetery Saturday was a success. There were a large crowd present and all kept busy until we had the cemetery in good shape.

W. J. Jennings and wife of Shinola were among our crowd at the cemetery Saturday.

John O. Casey attended the Masonic lodge at Olney Friday and Saturday, returning home Sunday.

Little Sallie Joe Casey had the misfortune of getting her leg broken Saturday at the cemetery. A tombstone fell on it.

Mrs. Ponkey Garvey returned home Saturday from a week's stay with her sister at the Wichita Falls sanitarium.

Mr. and Mrs. Hub Gray entertained a few of the young folks Saturday night.

Jim Davis and family are visiting at Anarene.

C. L. Keen and family went to Graham Sunday afternoon.

Jasper Jowers was operated on for appendicitis at the Olney sanitarium Thursday. He is reported doing nicely at present.

W. J. Jowers was taken to the Olney sanitarium Wednesday to have an operation performed for appendicitis. The operation was not performed until Sunday morning on account of his feeble condition.

F. P. Brazelton, W. W. Farmer and C. N. Keen went to Olney Sunday evening to look after the needs of Mr. Jowers.
Cupid.

Fish Creek.

When I read Plow Boy's last reply to Salemite it made me almost afraid of Roman Catholics.

Oh! Plow Boy thinks they are just awful, but yet they are our best nurses, they are very kind to the fallen girls, care for their little ones, build and maintain the very best hospitals, employ the best of teachers in their convents and educate their children far better than any other people. They are not all bad, and as their oath to the church seems rather rigid, they are just people like we are. If a Roman Catholic has a child under their control the first ten years of their life nine times out of ten they will be a Catholic always. Is it true with us? Why not? Why are we not as careful about training our children and teaching them the bible?

Wash Robinson made a flying trip to Graham Monday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Steve McPherson, a boy.

Mrs. Cloud spent Monday with her sister, Mrs. Ethel Peacock.

Claude Mayes and family spent Sunday with Uncle Bob Mayes.

Miss Lucy Eddinberg and Tom Richey of Hale Center were married in Amarillo last Thursday. Miss Eddinberg has been spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. Louis Hayes. She is a very industrious young lady. The groom is a grandson of Tom Price.

Osmar Kramer was in Graham Saturday. Schoolboy.

Lower Tonk.

There has been sand storms all afternoon and followed tonight by a regular gale from the north pole. It certainly did look scary before it got here.

The rain certainly was fine on the grain.

There was Sunday school at Lower Tonk this morning at the regular hour, with 41 present. Hope there will be more

next Sunday. Everybody be sure and come to Sunday school next Sunday.

Mrs. A. A. Jones called on Mrs. Gray Monday afternoon.

Mesdames Lowery and Shom Rogers visited at W. E. Moore's Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Moore called on Mrs. Barnett Monday.

Mrs. G. W. Gowens visited Mesdames Lee and Sam Jones Tuesday afternoon.

Grandma Youngblood visited Mrs. Clark Tuesday.

Mrs. J. T. Rogers was taken very sick Thursday, but glad to report her able to be sitting up some.

Mrs. W. E. Moore visited Mesdames Jones and Gray Tuesday.

Say, who is to make music to the words of Buster's song? Whew! it seems to be getting colder. Look for a freeze.

Pleasant Hill, Upper Tonk and Lower Tonk combined and had an entertainment. The house was full. Everything went off nicely. After the program was over Prof. King made an interesting talk on the consolidation of schools. Hope his talk will do good.

Now, Plow Boy, you need not be complaining about Jolly Girl and X. Y. Z. casting eyes at each other, because you are not going to school and casting eyes at Jolly Girl. I guess you know how to cast eyes by the way you talk of it. You should have seen us at the entertainment.

Miss Anna Belle Wadley went to Graham Saturday night, in her dreams. Now isn't that a little bit queer?

Jesse and Virgel Wadley were out fishing Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Wadley were out driving one day last week.

Roy Jones and Estes Wadley went to South Bend Sunday night.

Murray and Misses Eppie and Jewell Moore visited Wiley Moore Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Jones dined with Mrs. Timmons Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Timmons visited Lee and Sam Jones from Friday night until Sunday.

Joe Timmons called on Bill Timmons Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones were guests of A. A. Jones Sunday.

Mr. John Timmons and family took dinner with A. A. Jones Sunday.

Miss Zula George was the guest of Grandma George Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Moore and Miss Minnie Moore were the guests of Mr. Gray Sunday.

Lee, Kemp and Ivan Moore called at Jesse Jones' Sunday.

Mrs. Ona Clark visited her mother a few days last week.

Vernon George called on the Gowens' boys Thursday night.

I will ring off for this time as I think I have written enough.
X. Y. Z.

Bryson.

Mr. Marvin Bruce came in last week to visit homefolks and others.

The school ball park was a scene of excitement last Friday afternoon, when the city ball team and the school team crossed bats. The game was played in earnest from start to finish, but on account of cold weather, towards night the game was called, in the tenth inning, with a score of 4 to 4. The Bryson school team would like to get games with schools of the adjoining counties, in about three weeks. We play ball; do you?

Miss Fannie Newsome has been quite sick the past week. Mr. Dee Chambers is acting as substitute in her room in school.

Rev. Norred was a very pleasant visitor at the school Tuesday morning.

The "matrimonial and sentimental" bureau of information

is now under the efficient management of Messrs. J. W. Kinder, president; J. G. Marsh, secretary; and J. P. McCoy, head advisor. This organization has been very successful with former cases.

Miss Lester Thurman spent Saturday and Sunday in Fort Worth.

We understand that the new operator will relieve Mr. Marsh soon.

Mrs. Gertrude Beach is here visiting her mother, Mrs. J. P. Clayton. Staff Reporter.

Spring Creek.

The wind is blowing very much here today. All seem to want in a sheltering place except Neal Vines and Jack Faucett.

Mr. Jack Faucett and Claude White of Megargel attended the box supper at Biter Creek.

The writer, Cora Vines and brother, Neal, attended the musical at Mr. Whittaker's Saturday night. There was a large crowd present.

Mr. Jack Faucett visited Neal Vines Sunday.

Mr. Frank Sekota made a call at Mr. Brom's Sunday.

Mrs. Annie Gibbs and Mrs. Mose Whitaker made a trip to Megargel Saturday.

Mr. Bill Whittaker went to Megargel Saturday.

Miss Pearl Brumley and father made a trip to Olney Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Williams attended the musical at Mr. Whittaker's Saturday night.

Misses Jennie Roberts and Lillian McNutt made a pleasant call at Ollie Hayter's Saturday.

We are glad to report little Gladys and Ardis Vines better at this writing.

Miss Lizzie Whittaker visited Mrs. Wilborn Friday.

Eugene has been hauling lumber from Megargel. I wonder what for.

Miss Annie Brom has been on the sick list, but is better at this writing.

As it is getting about dinner time I will quit and try to do better next time. I remain as ever.
Hollyhock.

Loving.

Monday and Tuesday mornings were the coldest spells we have had this winter. I think the fruit is most all killed, as the fruit buds were considerably advanced. Most all the blooms have been swelled since the last of January, and I don't think but very few of them will ever open.

The Loving high school boys

went to Olney Saturday to play the Olney team a game of basket ball. The result was a defeat for the Loving team.

Rev. J. L. Roach filled his regular appointment here Saturday and Sunday.

The Fifth Sunday meeting will be held here with the Loving Baptist church, commencing Thursday night before the fifth Sunday in March. Several ministers from a distance are expected at that time.

A sum of money has been raised by private subscription to continue the services of Miss Thompson, who teaches the third and fourth grades, in the Loving High School.

Quite a number of candidates were here Saturday mixing with the people. Among them were Lum Hinson and A. F. Stewart of Graham and Henry Groves from Olney.

Mr. Duckworth has moved his family to Loving, and has opened up a stock of dry goods in the store house he bought from A. J. Beard.

According to the stereotyped letters written by Peter Rad-

ford and circulated in most all the papers of the country, the farmers are all tired of the prohibition question being wafted into the present campaign. But not so; Mr. Radford. We think nine-tenths of the farmers want a straight prohibitionist for governor and all the other offices.
Correspondent.

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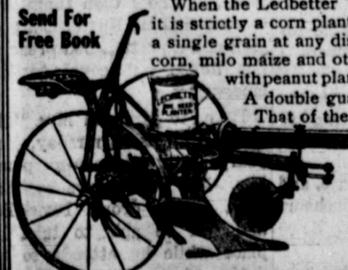
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June Haverhill, Wellesley '06, who is doing some special investigation for economic courses during summer.—Lillian Manning.
John Hume, Rector at St. Agnes'.—Mr. Cusenbary.
Usual prices of admission will be charged.

HOW I PLANT AND CULTIVATE MAIZE AND KAFIR CORN.

Eliasville, Texas.
West Texas Reporter,
Graham, Texas.
In answer to your letter in regard to how I plant maize or kafir corn; I first break my ground as early as I can with a sulky plow, having the ground broke from four to six inches deep. Then I lay my rows off three feet apart. About the 10th of May I plant my seed with a planter, using a three-hole plate, leaving the seed ten or twelve inches apart and two and a half inches deep.
When it is large enough to work I give it about three good workings with a cultivator.

This is my method for maize and kafir corn is nearly about the same, only for binding as hay; then I plant it thick like sorghum.
This is of course for spring planting, and I sometime plant a fall crop of both maize and kafir corn. The fall crops are just as good if the rain comes just at the right time.
I always plant in the spring for fear the rains might pass us by, as they sometime do.
Hoping my method will be of help to some one, I remain,
J. W. Elledge,
Eliasville, Texas.

Mount Pleasant.

Come Mr. Editor and listen to my tale of woe.
It was, if I am not mistaken some ten months ago,
That I submitted to you in either poetry or rhyme,
A peroration on the theme of happy days we call springtime.
But it didn't seem to suit your editorial notion
To set it up in the style I shall call "poetic lotion."
You simply spread it out like ordinary prose,
And waited for Iambus and the February snows.

But that's all right Mr. Editor: I appreciate your condition
For the trip you took to the north pole was fraught with great privation
And no one knows better than I the effect it had on your mind
Rendering it impervious to the thoughts of birds, flowers, beautiful trees—springtime.

But up in the Cedar Creek country is a writer who signs Iambus,
Who by a few strokes with an icicle did with the editor make himself famous.
He roared and whittled and blowed about cold weather and the fire.
Said work don't pay it's so cold patted his foot and talked of the country squire.

This cold stuff just suited the editor and he treated Iambus like a poet
Setting his icicles up in verse thinking Plow Boy wouldn't know it.
After all "our" editor is a good one and about him this is the way I feel.
He has a heart as big as a work mule and a backbone like armor-plate steel.

Nor do I blame Iambus for writing poetry
Because I guess he fully realized from what he said to Silver Bell last week
That this was his only way to get criticised.

And now my dear Iambus I'll quit you
Asking you to accept this as a friendly criticism,
And if you fail to so regard it I shall doubt your superior wisdom.

Mr. Editor bear with me a little longer and I will tell you the other part.
If you fail to print the lines above "it will almost break my heart."
The sun will cease to shine for me, the blooming flowers I will ignore.
It will indeed be a sad day to me the birds will not sing so sweetly any more."

That's right Sister Goose, and Jesus said "Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."
Well Kid, I don't mind you talking so fast but I do object to

you getting in such a hurry that you leave off part of my name when you write; but I guess you did that in order to have time to sign "I am the Kid," and say, I am the Kid, you sure do talk in a hurry. I sometimes think when you are talking that there is a bumble bee in my whiskers. But you may talk as fast as you want to, I am the Kid, only don't write people's names wrong. You had just about as well talk about a fellow's church as to get his name wrong, you know.
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Martin and children, Pauline and Lucile Burnett, Marshall and Charles Brown, Viola and Joe Pardue, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Nesbitt last Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. John Timmons and children visited in Tonk Valley from Friday until Sunday, visiting Mrs. A. A. Timmons and Mrs. A. H. Jones. They also heard Prof. B. W. King's lecture on the consolidation of rural schools at the Tonk Valley school house Friday night. John says consolidation would be a fine thing if the people were able and ready for it. And I am afraid that is about all that can be said, for some of us at least, though consolidation is the only hope for efficient rural schools.

Come on Salemite and tell us about the Corn Show. I believe you told me you were going to see that thousand dollar ear of corn, and I'll bet if you did go you can tell us something worth reading. I saw Col. R. E. Mabry just after he returned from the Corn Show and he was so enthusiastic about corn that he brought back a lot of seed corn and gave it to his tenants. Mr. Mabry is certainly a great corn enthusiast, and will not stand for any talk against corn culture.

Misses Eppie and Jewell and Mr. Murray Moore of Briar Bend were visiting at Wylie and Hollis Moore's last Saturday and Sunday.
We neglected to say in last week's letter that Rev. Kenny filled his regular appointment at this place.
We understand that Uncle Johnny Dixon is not doing well now. The rigorous weather we have been having of late is hard on a person in Uncle Johnny's condition and we do greatly sympathize with him.
No, I am the Kid, I am not trying to "train them up," any more, but have counted them among "the lost tribes of Israel." I think that home-made scripture you gave us wrecked them, and so I turn them over to you. I think Buster is a good man and a pretty good preacher but he is not equal to this emergency.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. John A. Brown, last Thursday, February 19th, an eleven pound boy. Mr. Brown says he is almost a full grown Plow Boy and will be able to take his place while he attends to the duties of county commissioner.
Plow Boy.

Indian Mound.

First of all we wonder what's gone wrong with so many of our good writers last week, and especially Jack 'o Diamonds. I guess he is gone to another party where they have some waltz-an-watch-me-go-rounds. Think that's what Jack called them. Be careful Jack. You know what a teacher told a pupil once before, about what he said about parties.
Buster I didn't mean that any of the Correspondents were offended at each other. But judging from what I have heard there are some few who claim that the correspondents have it in for them. I agree with Brunette that the truth is what hurts some people.
I don't know but one chance for these very few offended folks. They ought to be editor of this paper so they could cut out all they didn't want told about them.

Homeite, why do you think we don't like to read your letters. That's what they are printed for.
X. Y. Z. your Prof. has you to move benches while they sweep. My Prof. doesn't do the Kid that way. He moves the benches and does the sweeping, too.
Silver Bell go after that postmaster at Bunker till he sends you your mail on due time.
More Anon if you wish to know about Catholicism read the Menace every week that Plow Boy refers to, only 25c a year.

Mrs. Fields from Newcastle visited the home of Mrs. Mollie Dollins Friday.
Sam Douglass and Belvin Dollins went to Jean Friday.
Chas. Dollins was a caller at the home of W. R. Dollins Friday.
Rev. Robert English, a Baptist preacher from Newcastle visited G. M. James and W. N. Fisher and other relatives here last week. Bro. English preached at the Baptist church one night and left an appointment for the next night, but owing to the rain and cold we failed to have preaching; only a very few being present.

We hope Bro. English will visit us quite often.
Last week my letter should have read Mrs. W. W. Williamson and Mrs. E. G. Williamson visited Mrs. Thomas; instead of Messrs. W. W. and E. G. Williamson visiting Mr. Thomas.
I guess Mr. Editor the neighbors, when they see such blunders as this one was, they will think that you and I have both been on a high horse.
Plow Boy, I for one don't fancy your verse you have picked out to have inscribed on your tomb. I think John A. Plow Boy would be much better. If you do have that put on your tomb, we correspondents will bury you in Jack county sure, provided Mrs. Plow Boy don't object and it is to be hoped that she won't.
Say Goose, I don't think your snuff-dipper's recipe would amount to much up here. I have lived here more than a year and I don't think I've seen a girl or young lady dipping snuff since I have been here, and but few older ladies. I have seen a few men packing about one half a nickel box in their mouth at a time. I guess they poured it in their mouth and carried it with them so the lady of the house could not dip while they were gone. I guess the sight of these men has broken most of the old ladies, and all the girls. I know it would have me.
Honeysuckle I believe I can make you remember seeing me at Graham. While I didn't tell you I was the Kid, don't you remember about four weeks ago, one Saturday morning I met you at the watering trough on the square. I was driving a

pony to a buggy. You told me you once owned her. Now do you remember me?
Prof. W. E. Simpson, M. N. and W. P. Fisher, E. G. Williamson, R. G. Taylor and sons, Hilliard and Wesley, Lamar Smith, Chas. Dollins, Miss Ruth and Elmer Stephens were at Graham Saturday.
Jack Petty, R. B. Hightower and son, Ben, Will McCombs of White Rose went to Graham Saturday.
Mr. Editor I told you I would hook some White Rose territory if you didn't put on a correspondent.
H. G. Frie was handing out candidate cards here Saturday and spent the night with E. G. Williamson and family.
I welcome the new correspondents to our band and am sure the other correspondents will do the same, while they may do like I do sometimes, forget to mention it; but yet they welcome you just the same.
While in Graham Saturday I had the pleasure of meeting Miss Candy Kid. I also met Plow Boy.
Miss Jimmie Bird, who is teaching school at Orth came down Saturday to visit her brother, Austin Bird till Sunday. She was accompanied by her neices, Misses Annie and Mattie Bird of Ingleside.
The party at Austin Bird's on Saturday night was reported fine.
E. H. Stockings of Red Top attended the party here Saturday night.
Mrs. J. S. Fisher visited Mrs. R. G. Taylor Saturday afternoon.
I told you sixteen year old girls to be ready, for one of our young bachelors had bought a new buggy, and I guess they obeyed the orders for a young lady was enjoying a pleasant ride to Sunday school Sunday morning in that new buggy.
Correspondents the Western Girl attended Sunday school at Indian Mound today. She has moved away, but whenever her school is out I hope she will give us some more of those good letters like she used to write, as no Correspondent is writing at present from their home community.

We are glad to report the little child of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Douglass, who has pneumonia, better at this writing.
Miss Ruth Stephens and her brother, Elmer spent Saturday night with relatives at Loving.
Reece Esterling is said to have a bad case of la grippe.
Roscoe and John Waters of True attended the party at Austin Bird's Saturday night.
Miss Gertrude Taylor has been at home from school the past week on account of cold and la grippe, and will likely have to miss the coming week.
Sunday school was few in numbers owing to there being so many of our people on the sick list. There was no prayer meeting Sunday on account of the sand storm.

Plow Boy, are you prepared to explain Luke, 12th chapter, 10th verse to the Kid? Or any one else who wishes to. There is lots of Bible the Kid don't understand like he wants to.
How many of our Correspondents will tell us next week how many times the word girl appears in the Bible, and where to find it. I saw in a county seat paper not long ago where it said the word girl was only in the Bible one time, but I know it's there twice if no more.
Honeysuckle 2nd, I agree with you about not consolidating the Sunday schools. While there is no use of hard feelings over it I think they are better off with schools of their own, while they can have the pleasure of attending each others' schools if they so desire.
Miss Brunette, Buster won't want us to call him a hard-shell and him wanting cash in ad-

vance for preaching. You know the hard-shells don't believe in preaching for money.
If Plow Boy's war clouds come over any worse than Sunday's sand storm did "It's gwine to go from here."
F. E. Borchardt had the pleasure of facing the norther to Newcastle Monday morning to meet a brother-in-law from Plano, Collin county who came in Sunday for a few days' visit.
Prof. W. E. Simpson, Floyd and John McCommas were out driving in the direction of Orth Sunday afternoon. These boys were caught in the sand storm. My professor lived to get back all right, Miss Jolly Girl, don't be uneasy about him. I have not seen the other boys but hope they are all right too.
R. B. Hightower and his son, Lloyd were here last week after cattle.
Mrs. Waters of True is visiting her sister, Mrs. G. W. McCommas here at this writing.
Kid.

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Our sick folks are improving.
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Dr. McCloud and Mr. Reid, editor of the Jermyn News, were with us a day or two ago. Mr. Reid gave us quite a write-up. Thanks Mr. Reid. Mr. Reid joined our Forty-two Club while he was here. I am sorry he did not understand all of the rules of the game. Our admittance fee is one dollar; by mistake he handed the secretary ten dollar bill, and as we all belong to the Buffaloes no change goes back. A motion was made and carried that we buy big bale with the nine dollars extra money.
Mr. J. W. Davis, candidate for commissioner of Precinct No. 4, was introduced to our Forty-two Club, but he said he did not know the game. That may work a hardship on Jim.
Salemite I believe your reasoning is correct in regard to what we shall do to the candidates and when we shall do it. I see that elimination is the order of the day and by the way don't that strike your funny bone. What a howl of rage will go up by the defeated ones so early in the game. But the Lord giveth and the Lord taketh. And he fell upon them while their supporters were few and he slew them with sword and Ball.
Now comes Buster and offers us a man for Precinct No. 4, without spot or blemish, and has always observed the teaching of St. James in first chapter and 27th verse; and I will not doubt Buster's statement. There is one more qualification we ask for. Can he play forty-two? Does he know how to discard the doubles, and hold the next best? If he knows these things we will stay with him till the last road drag is lost that we never saw.

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We had a nice rain last week which was a help to the small grain.

Mrs. Joe Upham and two daughters visited Mrs. R. D. Owen one day last week.

Misses Mattie and Hattie Upham, Ida and Lena Owens spent an afternoon this week with Mrs. Frances Bunker and Miss Valera Bunker.

The literary was just fine Friday. There were thirteen visitors present. All had a nice time.

Mr. Charlie Parsons of Graham was down in this community one day last week.

Goose I don't think that way of dipping snuff would be a very good way. I don't use it and I am thankful that I don't.

Mr. and Mrs. Newman made a pleasant trip to Bunker Saturday.

Dreamy Eyes we are glad to see a letter from you. Come on with the Sorghum Flat news. We are always glad to have any one join our happy band.

Mr. Lasater's folks were getting along all right Sunday.

Prof. Chambers went to Bunker Saturday morning after the mail.

All reported a nice time at the party at Mr. Frank Stringer's Friday night.

Bro. Creager filled his appointment at Mountain Home Sunday. There was a good crowd present.

Mr. and Mrs. Kutch and Miss Mattie Dalton took dinner at Mr. T. M. Bunker's Sunday.

Mr. Roy Ribble spent the night with Prof. Chambers on Monday night.

We are sorry to say that Mr. Ribble's baby is sick, and hope she will be up soon.

Misses Eunice Craig and Lucile Cochran of Graham spent Saturday night and Sunday here. Messrs. Will Askew and Aubey Jones took them back to Graham Sunday night.

Mr. Bill Bunker and family and his sister, Veleria, and Prof. Chambers, all went down to Veal Creek. They went to the cemetery working and took supper and went from there to the literary and spent the night with J. K. P. Hughes and daughter, returning home Sunday.

All reported a nice time on their trip and said they didn't think they would miss the next literary.

The other day Mr. and Mrs. Newman spent the day with Mr. Bill Bunker and family. Mr. Newman selected a cold day, thinking he would find Mr. Bunker sitting by the fire, but instead he was sowing oats. Mr. Newman says Mr. Bunker is like the ground hog; he doesn't get out on sunny days for fear he will see his shadow.

Mr. Chambers is very busy this week as Mrs. Hughes gave him two seed catalogues. He wishes to thank her for them, but wonders why she didn't give him one of her daughters instead of so many catalogues. Well, I will let someone else have my pencil. Homeite.

Salem:

The rain we had here on the 18th put the land in fine shape for plowing and harrowing. Weather very unsettled now with high cold wind from the north.

Spring oats are coming up very slowly.

Bro. Cook filled his regular appointment here Sunday. He delivered a good sermon to a rather small but attentive audience.

Geo. Martin and family of Palo Pinto county are here visiting at the home of Uncle Billy Higgins.

Elmer McLaren has decided that Texas is good enough for him so he will not go to Oklahoma. If he would only look a little more to his own interest,

and marry, we wouldn't have so much bother keeping up with him.

We are informed that some of our neighbors in Ming Bend are going to plant corn this week. The earlier the better, but in the game we have Jack-frost to reckon with.

Sam Criswell of Graham attended church here Sunday. He and his family were visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Criswell.

Mr. Evans and Grandma Martin of Komo, spent Sunday with M. Henderson and family.

Albert Askew and family attended church at Salem Sunday.

Miss Ama Bullard spent Saturday night and Sunday with her Grandma Tipton of Henry Chapel.

Our school has a regular attendance and is moving along nicely.

Henry Criswell was down at his old home and attended church here Sunday.

More Anon, we are sorry we can't give you any light on the questions you asked, but would advise that you write Plow Boy, Mount Pleasant, United States of America, for we are informed that he has a complete file of certain newspapers that treat on the Catholic question very exhaustively and that reach clear back to the time of the sacking of Rome by the Vandals. But More Anon, do you know of any church property in this free land, that is subject to taxation?

Come again Buster and give us another smile and help to elect all the jolly candidates. Many thanks to J. W. Cox and Thos. Price for their contributions on maize and kafir corn.

At this writing (Monday 23rd) temperature is down to 18 degrees on south side of the house, while on north side it is clear down below Egypt. Salemite.

South Bend.

Rain, sunshine, cold and sand have been our portion of weather since I last wrote. On last Tuesday night we had a good rain which was appreciated by all. On Sunday night, just after sunset we had an old time sand storm and norther. The sand only blew for a short while and the norther is still raging today (Tuesday.)

Farmers are still undecided about the oat crop. Some say they are killed, while others do not think so. We hope for the best.

J. J. Scott has been confined to his room most of the time since Saturday morning, with something like rheumatism in his back. We wish for him a speedy recovery.

Bob Harrell is not so well this week. I think they have decided to take him to Fort Worth the first pretty day for an examination by a specialist. We hope to report him better next week.

Grandma Goode was able to attend church Sunday. Very glad indeed to see her able to be out again.

Some few of our people attended the entertainment at Lower Tonk Valley last Friday night and report a good time.

Sorrel Top, where art thou? Don't miss sending in your letter so often; and Dixie we miss you also.

Prof. and Mrs. W. E. Braddock of Murray visited at the home of E. M. Braddock from Friday night until Sunday.

Misses Lela McCluskey and Nona Richardson and S. L. Richardson took Sunday dinner with Annie and Arthur Holcomb.

Hub Rogers and Bertha McBrayer visited the school Friday afternoon. We wonder why they both decided to do so at the same time. How about it, Hub?

Misses Christine Harrell and Naomi Goode took Sunday dinner with their cousin, Mary McBrayer.

Bro. Chunn preached an interesting sermon to a large audience here Sunday at 11:00 a. m. No services Sunday night on account of the sand storm.

Miss Fannie Goode and sister Jennie took dinner with J. J. Scott and family Sunday.

Leroy Britton visited his cousin, Milt Ford and wife of Eliasville Sunday.

Everett Harrell and the writer sat with J. J. Scott a few minutes Sunday.

L. M. Pratt attended the funeral of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Finley Pratt at Eliasville Monday.

Remember these announcements: Preaching Saturday at 11 by Rev. G. W. Black, Sunday school Sunday morning at 10 o'clock sharp and again at 3 o'clock. Everybody welcome. Honeysuckle 2nd.

Flat Rock.

Say, didn't that norther blow up quick Sunday afternoon? I wore my short sleeves to Sunday school, didn't carry my coat and went visiting after Sunday school, so that's the fix the norther found me in.

The weather we had the past week was fine on farm land.

The farmers have all been busy breaking their land, when it was warm enough to work; and some of the women have their gardens planted.

Mrs. C. J. Cook and children and Miss Laura Cochran spent Saturday night with Rev. S. D. Cook and family of Craig Point and Sunday morning with Mr. Shipley and family of Graham.

Printes Corley, Brit Mayes and little daughter, Anna and Mrs. Iva Fain and baby spent Sunday at R. W. J. Parsons'.

Miss Dollie Martin was sick the past week but is able to be up at this writing.

Mr. Harbert Parsons attended the literary at Lower Tonk Friday night.

Messrs. Bob Corley and Virgil Martin visited Oliver Hazelton Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Taylor and daughter, Miss Maggie, visited Mrs. J. A. Martin one day last week.

Miss Lona Corley and Messrs. Lucian Smith and Billy Martin were callers at Mr. C. J. Cook's Sunday afternoon.

Mesdames Hunter and Nance of Graham were out driving over Mrs. Hunter's farm Sunday.

I had the pleasure of talking with the Kid Saturday afternoon in town. He said he noticed that the editor put his letter on the first page last week. He didn't know whether it was because he was so popular or that the editor wanted to keep him and Plow Boy as far apart as possible. I believe it was the latter. What do you other correspondents think about it? Mr. Kid's all right, all right, as long as you stay on the good side of him.

Miss Laura Cochran and Mr. Billy Martin attended the picture show in town Friday night.

Mr. Moses Vincent has hired to work this spring for his uncle, J. M. Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Parsons have a telephone on the Southwestern line.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Martin were at Sunday school Sunday.

Bro. Roark was unable to fill his appointment Sunday afternoon.

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

The longer I read the Reporter the better I like it for it always furnishes the very latest news up to the time it's printed.

There has been quite a lot of sickness in our community, but nothing serious.

A nice little bunch of young

people enjoyed singing at Mr. Cook's Sunday night.

Our kangaroo court was fine Friday night, the 13th, but we are expecting a better one next time we meet if the weather is good.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Burk and little son of Rock Creek spent Sunday with J. M. Taylor and family.

Mr. Porter and family visited in Rocky Mound community Sunday.

Say Redbird, what has become of Blondie? I'm thinking she will be sorry she quit us about the time that reunion comes off this year.

Mrs. J. H. Alford visited Mrs. Brit Alford Tuesday.

Jim Corley spent Friday night with Brit Alford.

Quite a few of our people went to town Saturday.

I haven't learned all the news so I lay my pencil aside for this time. Candy Kid.

Baylor Springs.

Mr. Editor, as I have never seen any letter from Baylor Springs thought I would send in a letter from our community. There are so many nice letters in The Reporter each week. I think it is a mighty good paper.

The farmers are rejoicing over the nice rain we had last week, which was badly needed.

Mrs. Henry McCoy and Mrs. C. A. Grimmett and their families visited their sister, Mrs. John McCune, last week.

Health in our community is good at this time.

Mr. Sam Gahagan has found a hitching post at Mr. B. F. Manley's gate.

Quite a crowd of our young folks attended the singing at Monument Sunday.

Mr. John McCune and family visited his sister, Mrs. Annie Manley Sunday.

Mrs. John Easley and children visited at Mr. McCune's Sunday.

Mrs. Ludie McCune's mother, Mrs. E. A. Mathis, visited her the past week.

Miss Jennette McCune and little niece, Florence McCune, made a flying trip to Jermyn Saturday.

Mrs. Barnette of Chico has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Easley, the past week.

That's right Mary study your books for vacation will be here right soon.

As this is my first time to write and news is scarce will quit, and if this escapes the waste basket will try to write again. Bright Eyes.

(It gives us great pleasure to welcome you Bright Eyes, and we hope that you will make your visits regular. You stated that you thought The Reporter was a good paper—it is, and the unselfish labor performed by our many correspondents has helped to make it the best paper in West Texas. Help us keep it up to the standard.—Editor.)

White Rose.

As I have been absent for some time thought I would try and write again, as Kid has about decided that the White Rose correspondent lives in Jones county. You are mistaken, Kid, guess again.

Mr. Gachter has been on the sick list the past week.

We had a good crowd out at church Sunday. Rev. Newsum preached Sunday morning and Rev. Wilson preached in the afternoon.

Mrs. Hightower and children

took dinner with Mrs. Stripling Sunday.

Mr. F. M. Berry of Goose-neck was in our community Tuesday.

C. A. Grimmett and family visited Mrs. Grimmett's mother, Mrs. E. A. Mathis, and other relatives near Jacksboro last week.

Mr. McFerron visited home folks in Graham Saturday.

Mr. Andy Higgins' team got frightened while coming from Graham Monday and ran away with him. He said he was going to keep his eyes open next time.

As news is scarce I will get some good writer to take my pencil. Rose Bud.

(Glad to have you come back Rose Bud, and here's hoping that you will not allow the Kid to encroach upon your territory any more. He has quite enough of his own, so just let us hear from you a little more often and tell the Kid to stay in his own back yard.—Editor.)

High School vs. City.

The High School and City baseball teams played their second game on the High School grounds last Wednesday evening. The contest resulted in a complete victory for the city team, the final score being 14 to 8. Harkey, for the city boys pitched a fast game by his terrific speed preventing many hits. The High School received one more hit than their opponents, but the allowed more hits to fall safe than usual, the outfield being the weakest part. The High School will play their first interscholastic game at Olney Monday and are confident of a victory despite the setback received Wednesday evening.

WANT ADS

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Local and Personal Mention

Miss Eula Logan returned Saturday night from a visit to Dallas.

I will pay cash for all your butter, eggs and chickens.
J. L. Graves.

Mrs. S. R. Crawford left Monday for Mexia, Texas, to visit her sister, Mrs. Stephens.

Spaulding Hacks.
We only have a few more Spaulding Hacks left and if you want to save \$35.00 on one you had better get busy.
Norris-Johnson Hardware Co.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Strube of Fort Worth, spent Sunday in the city visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Finch.

Notice.
All who know themselves indebted to the firm of Graves & Ward are respectfully requested to call and settle at once.
R. G. HALLAM,
23-6 Assignee.

Mrs. J. T. Wilkins of Dallas is in the city visiting relatives and friends.

Shot to Pieces
Prices on Planters, Cultivators and Sulky's, shot to pieces. \$5 to \$10 saved. See "VICK'S."

Miss Anna Hamilton of Dallas spent Sunday in the city visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hamilton.

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

Mrs. Gibbs and daughter, Miss Bettie, of Proffitt, were in the city Tuesday. They were en route home from Perrin, where they had been visiting relatives and friends. They paid The Reporter a pleasant visit Tuesday morning.

Had you ever thought how cheap you could buy your groceries at The John E. Morrison Company? They buy in car lots and can save you big money.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Timmons of Tonk Valley were trading in the city Saturday.

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

M. E. Campbell of Connor Creek was in the city on business Tuesday.

Mr. J. H. Robbins of Tonk Valley was in the city Monday on business.

Mule for Sale.
We have a good sized work mule for sale. Cash or on time. See Norris-Johnson Hardware Co.

Mrs. J. M. Whitfield and two daughters, Misses Fay and Flo, of the Oakland community are visiting in Fort Worth this week.

\$5 to \$10
Saved by buying Sulky Plows, Planters and Cultivators at "VICK'S."

Rooms for rent—Furnished or unfurnished. Geo. Black.

LOST—Red pig, about six weeks old, 1½ miles north of Graham, Saturday, February 7. Finder please phone No. 107-lssl. J. A. Gachter.

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

We have just unloaded a big car of MOON BROTHERS BUGGIES and we can show you twenty-one styles. Dust hoods fitted on at the factory, single reaches and everything up-to-date.
Norris-Johnson Hardware Co.

Strayed—From my place in Salem community, one 8-year-old brindle cow, branded AKN on right side. \$5.00 reward for information as to whereabouts.
22-24 Mrs. A. C. Gilmore.

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

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

J. C. Owen was in Archer county this week visiting his brother, J. V., who has been sick for some time. Jim returned home Monday and reported his brother improving.

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

Your attention is directed to the W. C. T. U. column this week, in which appears several items of interest to local temperance workers.

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

8 per cent money. E. C. Stovall.

To The Boys.
Come to our store and see the latest thing out; a buggy equipped with real electric head light on each side. Some style to this buggy. Be sure and come to see it.
Norris-Johnson Hardware Co.

Loans renewed. E. C. Stovall.
\$5 to \$10 saved on Farm Implements at "VICK'S."

IMPLEMENTES OF ALL KINDS
Let us figure with you before you buy. We can save you money. The John E. Morrison Co. JOHN DEERE IMPLEMENTS are the best. You know it and everybody else knows it. We handle them and besides that we guarantee them to do the work. Let us supply all your wants in the Implement line.
The John E. Morrison Co.

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\$25.00 FINE!
For defacing the walls of the Court House.
C. FAY MARSHALL,
County Atty.

Dust-No-More Floor Sweep.
For sale in 30 lb. pails and 100 lb. barrels.
The Graham Printing Co.

Sunday School Party.
Saturday afternoon Miss Hugh Weaver entertained her Sunday school pupils with a George Washington party. The day was an ideal one, and at the appointed hour they arrived, and each pupil was given a glad welcome by the hostess.

Numerous games were played and the fun ran high, and only the shades of evening told how swiftly the time had passed. At the conclusion of the games and a lively contest the young guests were invited into the dining room which had been made beautiful by decorations appropriate for the occasion, even to the red and white hyacinths that filled the room with their fragrance.

The color scheme was carried out in the dainty refreshments. On leaving each guest was given a favor, and each boy was loud in his praise of the happy afternoon given them by their teacher.

Those present were: Norman Stovall, Charles McLaren, Noel and Carl Widmayer, Hilliard Mabry, Ernest Howard, Hubert Mayes, Lilburne Campbell, Manning Vick, Garvin Johnson and Billy Dowdle.

The ladies of the W. C. T. U. of Graham will serve luncheon in Graham next Big Monday for the benefit of the W. C. T. U. organization.

Toilet Paper Rolls at Graham Printing Co.

Fountain pen inks, Carter's and Sanford's, 10c up, at

Fritz,
A 3 year old, 16 hands high, weight 1290 pounds, will make the season at the old Johnson place at Bunker. Fritz is a combination Percheron, German-coach and English Pilgrim stallion. Fees to insure \$12.50.
J. L. Rhoades.

8 per cent money. E. C. Stovall.

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

8 per cent money. E. C. Stovall.

The State of Texas, County of Young: You are hereby notified that the firm of Graves & Ward, of the County of Young and State of Texas on the 18th day of February, 1914, executed a deed of assignment conveying to the undersigned all of their property for the benefit of such creditors as will consent to accept their proportionate share of their said estate and discharge them from their respective claims, and that the undersigned accepted said trust and has duly qualified as required by law.

All creditors consenting to said assignment must within four months after the publication of this notice make known to the assignee their consent in writing, and within six months from this date file their claims as prescribed by law with the undersigned, who resides at Graham, Texas, which is also his postoffice address.
Witness my hand this the 23rd day of February, 1914.
R. G. HALLAM,
23-5 Assignee, Graves & Ward

Experiences of an Old Confederate Soldier.
I was born and raised in Thompson, Warrington County, Georgia; joined the army at Dalton, Georgia, December, 1863, and was at the General Review at that place, and at the sham battle fought there. Was also in the battle at Rezaka, Georgia and at Pine Mountain, Georgia, where General Pope was killed; and in New Hope, Georgia at the cross roads; was in the battle at Kenesaw Mountain, Georgia, and we fought

CRABB'S SCHOOL OF MUSIC
PUPILS' RECITAL
High School Auditorium, Friday Evening, Feb. 27.
PROGRAMME.

- Under the Banner of Victory..... Franz von Blon
Sadie Eddleman and Louise Graham
- Faust (Transcription)..... Leybach
Eloise Morrison
- L'Absence..... Ant. Gillis
Edith Birdwell
- Valse Brillante, Op. 34, No. 1..... Fr. Chopin
Berenice Miller
- Clarinet Solo "You'll Know"..... J. W. Casey
Joe Hall Morrison, Jr.
- (a) Telling Secrets..... Evelyn McLendon
(b) The Donkey..... Marjorie Hudson
(c) Who Cares?..... H. D. Hewitt
Lone Short and Mary Glen Vick
- (d) The King's March..... Frances Bell
(e) Rocking the Cradle..... Rosemary Bowman
(f) Little Fairy March..... Streabbog
Mary Glen Vick and Frances Bell
- (g) Courtly Dance..... Helen Widmayer
(h) The Last Train..... Dora Willie Taliaferro
- Vaspar Chimes..... F. G. Rathbun
Miss Lilly Morrison
- The Shepherd's Evening Song..... Chas. D. Blake
Lone Short
- Spanish Dance..... Moritz Moszkowski
Edith Birdwell and Mildred Martin
- Valce Caprice Op. 7..... R. A. Newland
Miss Beulah M. Bell
- Distant Chimes Op. 395..... Carl Bohm
Sadie Eddleman
- Cornet Solo Serenade "Love's Response"..... H. C. Miller
Oliver Loving, Jr.
- Rosy Dawn Polka..... Martilee Loeb-Evans
Lucy Morris
- Cardinal Flower..... Adam Geibel
Lois Morrison
- Grand Polka de Concert..... H. N. Bartlett
Mary Ellen Burkett and Berenice Miller
- Rocky Brooklet..... Theo. G. Wettach
Mildred Martin
- Cornet Solo, "Beauty's Dream"..... Chas. J. Rockwell
John E. Morrison, Jr.
- Song at Sunrise..... Chas. Fonteyn Manney
Grace Bowen
- Valse in C Minor..... Fr. Chopin
Miss Carrie Dow
- Consolation (with violin obligatto)..... Mendelssohn
Mary Hudson
- In Happy Song..... Kohler
Manning Vick and Silas Jeffery
- Orchestra Selection.....
Piano, Eloise Morrison; Clarinet, J. Hall Morrison, Jr.;
Cornet, John E. Morrison, Jr.; Violin, J. F. H. Crabb

off and on for fifteen days.

I was with the army until they got to Atlanta, Georgia and the Fifth Georgia Regiment was ordered to Charleston, South Carolina, with a full head of steam and the gauge pulled wide open; if any soldier got off he was to be court-martialed and shot.

We arrived at Charleston some time in the night and was marched out to James Island (secessionville.) and just about daylight the Yankees charged us with five lines of battle, and by two o'clock we had driven them back to the gun boat.

They used their artillery on us then and we had to lay down and stay till night. We stayed there six weeks and went from there to Papeatalago, there they charged us with five lines of battle of negroes, and you could walk a hundred yards on dead negroes. We stayed there five or six weeks. The railroad was our breastworks. They shot the track in two in front of us and shot a hole in a boiler.

We went from there to Savannah, Georgia and helped to sink the Atlantic gunboat. Next we went to Florence, S. C. and guarded prisoners there for about six weeks. Leaving Savannah we went to Chero, S. C. It was three days march and I had three crackers in the three days. My pants wore off to my knees, and you could trail lots of the boys by the blood on the frozen ground; there we fought the Chero battle. Then to Fayetteville and on to Avens Burr and had a two days battle there. From there to Bentonville, N. C., and had a bat-

tle on the 19th, 20th and 21st of March. General Bragg waived his hat and said here is the place to do your work, if you whip them you have gained your independence and if you get whipped you are ruined forever. General Johnston was opposed of using the artillery but General Bragg wanted it used fast and a heap of it.

On the 19th we took the Federals fourth line of breast works and we camped just on one side and they on the other. On the morning of the 20th we commenced early and the night of the 20th we held our first line of breast works and they held their first line. On the morning of the 21st she opened up again and the 24th we fell back ten miles and Sherman fell back ten miles.

General Lee surrendered on the 9th day of April and General Johnston on the 26th at Greensboro, in 1865.

I belonged to Company D, Fifth Georgia Regiment, Jackson's Brigade, Walker's Division, Hardee's Corps and Bragg's Army. If any one sees this that belonged to any part of my company I would love to hear from them.
W. M. Stanford,
Farmer, Texas.

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For cheap money on land apply to Arnold & Arnold.

For Bono's Benefit.
In the issue of the West Texas Reporter of late date a communication from Markley, signed Bono, which among other things stated, that Markley had received blamed little of the benefit of the Road Tax, so for the benefit of Bono and citizenship of Markley, in particular, that they may know the facts and that Bono may be constrained to find out the facts before making another statement, I submit a report of the receipts and disbursements of the Special Road tax for the last four years, which includes all monies received and disbursed to this date:

Monies received by Special Road Tax in the Markley School District \$415.56
Less Commission, County Treasurer 20.77
Less Commission of Tax Collector 7.89
Amount due Markley School District to be expended on Public Road, to this date, for 4 years.... 386.90
Disbursements in said School District as follows:

W. W. Gregg, blacksmithing \$20.50
J. M. Wallace, groceries... 61.80
Feed to Camp Teams... 142.50
Salary to Road Hands... 414.00
Amount expended above Road Tax received \$251.90
Above figures do not include the material for culverts or for the opening of new roads. The above data is of record in the County Judge's office, and will be gladly furnished to any one interested, showing the date of disbursement and the party to whom it was paid.

A. C. CASEY,
Commissioner Precinct 4.
The above statement is true and correct as compiled from the date of the commissioners' court records.

E. W. FRY,
County Judge.

Want Ads

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

WANTED—Cook and table waiter. Dolman House.

WANTED—At once, a girl who wants a home, for helping to do house work. Apply to A. O. Fudge, Graham, Texas.

Pair work mules for sale. Cash or on time. Baker & Son.

For Sale—Five good fat hogs for sale, 200 to 250 lbs, by E. M. Ball, South Bend, Texas.

For Rent—3 room house on Live Oak street, west side. Apply to
21-1f. Mrs. Susan Moore.

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