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MRS. HENDERSON SHOOTS R. M. TODD

SERIOUS WOUNDS BUT WILL NOT PROVE FATAL.

Todd's Little Boy With Him When Shooting Occurs but Bullets Miss Him.

R. M. Todd, who came to Graham a few days before the convening of county court, was shot last Monday morning about 7 o'clock by Mrs. Jim Henderson, proprietress of the Alamo Hotel.

Todd, according to statements of witnesses, left the Dolman House, where he was boarding, starting towards town. His little boy, "Buster," was immediately behind him. When he reached the old Baynes' barber shop stand he heard a pistol fire, and the bullet struck him in the back, just under the shoulder blade. Another shot hit him in about the same position on the other side of his back and two shots grazed his neck, one on each side.

At the first shot Todd began to run, going towards the Graham National Bank. From there he went to John Gay's store where he sat down and called for a physician.

He was taken from the store to the residence of J. W. Fulps, just across the street from where Todd formerly lived, and Dr. W. M. Terrell was called in and dressed his wounds.

Mrs. Henderson was placed under arrest by Sheriff Mal M. Wallace, waived preliminary hearing, and was placed under \$500.00 bond to await the action of the grand jury. The bond was readily made, a number of prominent citizens signing it.

Since Todd's trial in Wichita Falls, in which he was charged with murder and acquitted, he has been making his home in Fort Worth, and came to Graham just before county court convened, to answer to the charge of the illegal sale of intoxicating liquor. In one of these cases he was convicted and the other case was set for next Thursday. He was preparing to leave town when the difficulty occurred.

Nothing has been given the public as to the cause of the shooting, but it is understood that Mrs. Henderson has made a statement to the county attorney.

Mr. Todd's version of the affair, as stated to a representative of The Reporter a short while after the shooting, is that there were two motives that prompted it, but would not say what they were. He indicated that he might give out a statement when his condition was improved, but said that he had not been to the Alamo as was reported in Monday's Ft. Worth Star-Telegram.

Mr. Todd's wife and little daughter, who were in Big Springs, were notified by phone of the occurrence, and came over in a car, arriving here Tuesday.

His mother, father and brother, who live in Wayland, came in Monday. They have returned home, but his wife still remains with him.

A statement was given out yesterday in which it was said that his wounds would not prove fatal, and that he was improving.

Birthday Party.

On Monday afternoon, July 19, Mrs. C. W. Hinson celebrated the fifth natal anniversary of her little daughter, Evelyn, with a pretty party at her home in east Graham.

The color combination of pink and white was used daintily and effectively throughout the house.

The little guests, upon arriving were refreshed with delicious fruit punch, after which many happy games were played, the most amusing of which were two throwing contests. The little girls were first given balls and instructed to throw them at an interesting target, a landscape scene, drawn on cardboard, in which the moon was cut out and the balls were to pass through this aperture. In the contest Kathleen Criswell and Lucille Gay were awarded first and second prizes for throwing the ball through three times in succession. The little boys threw balls at a huge mouth cut from a funny face, and in this contest Robert Lee Price and Robert Hallam won the first and second prizes, all of which were whistling balls.

The dining room was charmingly decorated in pink and white; the table centered with a white cake bearing the five pink tapers and marked with places for the score of little guests. Pink angel food and ice cream were served, after which the tots departed.

Little baskets filled with pink and white candies were given as favors. Many pretty gifts were left for the little hostess.

Mrs. Hinson was assisted in entertaining by Misses Mary Eichelberger and Emma Sue Spivey and Mrs. R. G. Hallam. The following included the list of invited guests: Martha Pearl and W. L. McNeill, Thelma and Kenneth Garrett, Lucille Gay, Gaston, Robert and Mary Louise Hallam, Lucille Eddleman, Kathleen Criswell, Marguerite Johnson, Mattie Queen and Robert Lee Price, William and Eddleman Spivey, Harry Mayes, Lois Johnson, Margaret Vaughan, Mary Love Stewart, Frank and Lillian Duncan and a cousin of the hostess, Mr. Dewey Matthews of Guyton, Oklahoma.

A Family Reunion.

A family reunion has been held at the Ingleside Ranch for the past ten days, at which many of the relatives of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Jeffery were present, and gala times marked the occasion.

Included in the party were Judge and Mrs. Reynolds and three children of Mexia, Mrs. G. H. Stephens of Mexia, and John and Ridley Stribbling and their families of Waco.

Moonlight Picnic.

Several young people enjoyed a picnic at Norris' Lake Saturday, given by Miss Allie Norris in honor of the Misses Sherrill of Haskell. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kay chaperoned the crowd.

After enjoying an hour or so in the orchard and boating, a two-course lunch was served to the following: Misses Ada Rickman, Buford Snoddy, Lillie Morrison, Agnes Craig, Nelle Graham, Ruth Doty Louise Norris and the honoree guests; Messrs. Scarborough Mabry, Wesley Johnson, Paul Deats, S. Boyd Street, Wright McClatchy, J. E. Norris and Mabry Short.

Community Co-Operation

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Frequently two distinct communities are mutually interested in a single enterprise. Such, for instance, is the case where a rural community or town, rich in resources, populous and prosperous, is situated a few miles out from a live railroad town seeking for more trade territory. The one needs good roads for more trade to come in over; the other needs a good road to the railroad and the market.

Two such communities need to get together and build a 365-day road between them and put on a motor truck and motor bus line. The rural community

will profit in dollars and cents and in broader social, cultural and religious life; the railroad town will also profit in dollars and cents and in a bigger community life. Each gets an outlet and an inlet for every phase of community life.

Such a consummation of community ambitions can be accomplished best only by co-operation within each community and between the two.

As between men so between communities, each must be willing that the other profit some from mutual effort in order that both may profit much. Such is the spirit of community co-operation.

Dr. W. O. Padgett Returns With Bride.

Sunday afternoon at Hereford, Texas, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Blacet, occurred the marriage of their daughter, Miss Mary, to Dr. W. O. Padgett of this city.

Miss Blacet, by her charming personality and many womanly graces was endeared to all who knew her and had many friends in Hereford who wish her well down life's journey.

Dr. Padgett is well known to the citizens of Young county having been raised here. He has recently begun practice of his chosen profession in this city and by his courteous and affable manner has made many friends here, who extend congratulations on this happy event.

Dr. Padgett and his bride came in Wednesday night, after a twenty-four hours' delay at Childress on account of a wash-out near Vernon. They are at home to their many friends at the E. McLendon residence in East Graham where Dr. Padgett has apartments.

The Reporter extends congratulations and hopes that their life may be bountifully filled with roses without thorns.

Cattle Die From Dip.

Col. S. R. Jeffery, proprietor of the Ingleside Ranch, has lost a number of cattle recently due to poison dip, used in the treatment of his herd.

About fifteen head have died as a result of the treatment, this being the first he has lost from this cause in thirty years' experience.

Similar trouble has been reported from all sections of the state and cattle owners are at a loss to account for the deaths that result.

The Yosemite Tourist, published in Yosemite Valley, Cal., in its last issue has this item:

Doing the Yosemite.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Caughell of Fresno, and Miss Maud Bell of Graham, Texas, are at the auto camp.

They drove in over the Wamona road visiting the Mariposa Big Trees and many other points of interest enroute.

Q. Woods of Woodson was a Graham visitor Saturday and Sunday, coming over for repairs for his thresher.

LES HIBOUX.

Mrs. Robert Fowler entertained the Bridge Club Friday from 4 till 6 o'clock.

After the guests had arrived the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Morrison and Mrs. Hutchison, served delicious brick ice cream, caramel and devil food cake.

Four games of Rook were played during the afternoon. Mrs. John Gay won the high score prize, a box of correspondence cards. Miss Agnes Craig won the cut prize and Miss Dorothy Graham won the consolation.

Misses Lucille Miller and Agnes Craig were made new members of the Club.

Tom Reynolds Injured.

Tom Reynolds, son of Judge and Mrs. Reynolds of Mexia, Texas, who has been visiting at the Ingleside Ranch, sustained a fractured bone in his right ankle Wednesday afternoon about 4 o'clock, while helping to get a traction engine across Flint Creek, near Graham. Six mules were hitched to the engine and it was being pulled across in the bed of the creek. When it started up on the opposite bank it slipped back and the hind wheel ran over Reynolds' foot.

He was brought to town and taken to the home of his aunt, Mrs. S. R. Jeffery.

The injury is very painful, but the physician who treated him stated that he would be all right in a short time.

Mrs. Emma Dalrymple.

Mrs. Emma Dalrymple, aged 42 years, died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Day, in the Gooseneck community Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock.

The remains were brought to Graham and interred in the Oak Grove Cemetery Wednesday. Religious services were conducted by Rev. Roark, of the Baptist church, of which church Mrs. Dalrymple was a member since the age of sixteen.

Besides her father and mother, two sisters, who live in Concho county, survive.

The Reporter extends sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

Musician.

"Professor, do you think my daughter has any qualifications for the piano?"

"Well, she has two hands, madam."—Philadelphia Ledger.

STATE TAX RATE TO BE MADE 54.6 CENTS.

Will Be Apportioned for General Purposes 29.6 Cents, Schools 20 Cents and Pensions 5 Cents.

The State Automatic Tax Board, according to figures compiled by the State Comptroller's Department, will fix the ad valorem rate for general purposes at 29.6c on the \$100 valuation. Added to this will be other ad valorem tax rates as follows: Twenty cents for schools and 5 cents for Confederate pensions, making the aggregate of State ad valorem tax rates for 1915 54.6c on the \$100 valuation. It will be the highest tax rate ever levied in Texas.

According to law, the Automatic Tax Board met on the 20th, but on account of the absence of Governor Ferguson, who is inspecting the State farms, no action will be taken until the Governor returns. He is expected to return to Austin Saturday.

Tax rate for revenue purposes is based on an estimated tax valuation of the State of \$2,739,459,598, or an increase of more than \$27,000,000 over 1914. Nine counties failed to submit figures and for these counties estimates were taken of last year's actual valuation amounting to \$51,148,657. Those counties failing to make returns were Burleson, Crockett, Crosby, Harrison, Rusk, Starr, Upshur, Upton and Ward Counties. The tax valuation for 1914 for the entire State amounted to \$2,716,000,000.

The total amount appropriated for the fiscal year ending Aug. 31, 1916, amounted to \$9,761,943.40. Revenue collected from other sources than ad valorem amounted to \$2,982,679.81, making a total of \$6,779,263.59 to be collected from taxes. The law provides that to this amount 20 per cent be added for delinquents, cost of collection, etc. This percentage amounts to \$1,355,852.70, making a total of \$8,135,116.29 to be collected.

Collections from all sources other than ad valorem tax for twelve months prior to July 1, 1915, shows the following collections: Insolvents \$3,484.87, redemptions \$116,147.85, polls \$22,108.88, three-fourths occupation \$735,078.25, General Land Office \$16,737.27, State Department \$636,023.10, Attorney General \$101,054.01, Comptroller \$13,197.54, Treasurer \$711,742.85, Insurance & Banking \$66,462.80, Public Buildings and Grounds \$7,936.54, State Health Department \$28,158.60, interest from depositories \$32,506.34, sundry asylums \$23,470.80, inheritance tax \$34,247.82, miscellaneous \$21,370.42, penalty \$8,094.06, assessment of insurance companies \$104,830.79.

Christian Endeavor.

Topic: "Christ in Me." John 15:1-11.

Leader—Romie Martin.

In Me By Faith, Eph. 3:16-21—Bro. Evans.

The Condition, I. John 3:21-24—Will Johnson.

Seeking Admission, Rev. 3:20—Verda Martin.

Music by Mrs. H. L. Tidwell.

Lost in Christ, Gal. 2:20.—Lucille Reed.

Christ's Aim, John 17:23.—Ethel Birdwell.

Aged Citizen Dies.

Mr. Jep Robison, aged 65 years, died Friday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. M. Birdwell.

The remains were interred in the Oak Grove Cemetery Saturday in the presence of a large concourse of friends and relatives.

Religious services were conducted at the home by Revs. J. Hall Bowman and J. E. Evans, pastors of the Methodist and Christian churches.

Mr. Robison came to Young county about twenty-five years ago, engaging in farming and stock raising. He lived an active outdoor life until a few years ago, when he moved to town to make his home with his daughter.

Mr. Robison was a member of the Methodist church, and lived a happy Christian, a devoted husband and father, and splendid citizen and neighbor.

He is survived by his wife, two daughters, Mesdames W. A. Shannon and J. M. Birdwell, of this city and one son, J. E. Robison, of Claypool, Oklahoma, besides a brother, John Robison, who lives in Alex, Oklahoma, all of whom were present at the funeral.

The Reporter extends condolence to the bereaved relatives.

Lawn Party.

Miss Lillie Morrison entertained Wednesday evening with eight tables of Rook, Bunco and Forty-two, for the Misses Sherrill of Haskell. Japanese lanterns were strung artistically above the tables. The hostess served punch during the games.

Miss Lottie Bell Wallace won high score prize, the consolation falling to Mr. Wright McClatchy.

Delicious ice cream and cake were served at the close of the games.

The following were present: Misses Buford Snoddy, Eva Leveridge of Cisco, Ada Rickman, Agnes Craig, Dorothy and Nelle Graham, Ethel Birdwell, Willie Kizer, Lottie Bell Wallace, Lucille Miller, Aline Johnson, Carrie and Frances Sherrill of Haskell; Messrs. Fred Hudson, Jesse Fore, J. B. Norris, Scarborough Mabry, Leslie Scott, Paul Deats, Wright McClatchy, S. Boyd Street, Mabry Short, Marion Burkett, J. P. McKinley, Henry Porter, Wesley Johnson, and R. F. Short.

Presbyterian Christian Endeavor Program.

Topic: "Christ in Me." John 15:1-11.

Leader—Miss Elsie Rubenkoenig.

Song—"All in All to Me." Scripture reading and comment—Leader.

Song—"He is So Precious to Me."

Prayer.

In Me by Faith, Eph. 3:16-21.—Mr. C. B. Jones.

The Condition, I. John 3:21-24.—Miss Lois Wear.

Seeking Admission, Rev. 3:20.—Mr. Nat Price.

Lost in Christ, Gal. 2:20.—Miss Esther Price.

The Indwelling Spirit, Rom. 8:8-14.—Mrs. Hudson.

Prayer.

Song—"Growing Dearer Each Day."

Mizpah.

Mrs. C. T. Horton of Dallas is visiting in the city.

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We suppose the attorney general will be Looney when he gets lost in the Woods.

A trade publication advises the country newspaper to boost its country only when the people are in the spirit to be boosted. Do you think this good advice, and are we ready for boosting Young county?

Wearing a grouch never helped anyone to success. It takes a bubbling, laughing, laughing spirit to make the wheels of progress hum.

Should England refuse to allow us to ship our cotton unmolested to neutral countries, we believe that Germany would gladly bring out her navy and assist us in forcing England to accede to our demands. Possibly that is what Germany has been wanting, and has been playing for time in order to allow us to wake up.

The Belgians are fleeing from their own country for fear they will be forced to fight their allies, as they are expecting Germany to annex their country. And there seems nothing to prevent it, since Germany is in possession of almost the whole of Belgium.

The Archer County News of last week contained a list of "Why's" on the purchase of the various commodities that are essential to our well being, stating that a lot of these things can be raised for "practically nothing." We believe, Chas., that this statement is worse than the one made by the Olney Enterprise when it said that water was three to six feet deep in the streets of Olney and nobody hurt, and all the people in the storm cellars.

It is in every way agreeable for the United States to sell England ready prepared ammunition, but we must not sell our cotton to Holland for fear that she will sell it to Germany, and Germany will manufacture explosives to kill the English. And England has been making this one-sided policy stick, but we rather think that our Uncle Samuel will come alive and change the order a little. We have much more of cotton than ammunition to sell, and our prosperity depends more largely upon the selling of cotton than ammunition, hence it remains for us to see that our cotton is disposed of. If Germany is paying 30c per pound for the fleecy staple, as is being reported, we ought to be able to sell it to Holland at about half that price.

A lady who understands advertising says, "No lady wishes to be looked upon as a shopping fiend; she does not care to go into a store and have a merchant show all his stock in order to find out whether he keeps what she wishes to purchase and whether the article is sold at a price she can afford. It is much easier and pleasanter to look through the advertisements of a paper than it is to bore the clerks and waste her own time." Next to the local news items, the advertisements in a paper stating articles for sale with prices, will keep much of the money that goes to the large cities at home.—Rule Review.

Resolutions of the Bar Association.

1. At a meeting of the Young County Bar Association recently held, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas the Legislature submitted to the vote of the people a change in the constitution, whereby the Supreme Court should have five members instead of three, it is the sense of this association that the proposed amendment ought to be adopted.

2. Because the Legislature in its wisdom advised the increase of membership of the Supreme Court, which would not have been done except for the great need thereof.

3. The State Bar Association at its recent meeting unanimously approved the amendment and requested the activity of the lawyers in approval, it being supposed that the bar is most directly interested, the amendment as a part of the reform now urged for the relief of the court.

4. When the present Constitution was framed in 1876 there were less than thirty judicial districts, now there are 78, together with a great number of counties which have since been organized, and the court business of the State has many times multiplied. The supreme court is greatly crowded. The increase of membership will bring some relief at a nominal cost. We would therefore urge the people to support said amendment. We therefore most earnestly urge that the approaching election to be July 24 that the people of Young county bear in mind the election day and vote for the amendment and the adoption of Section No. 2.

C. W. Johnson, Pres.
Fred T. Arnold, Sec.

Fort Worth Man Develops Jack County Oil Field.

D. W. Goodman, for twenty-five years a resident of this city and an employe of the Rock Island, is interested in the opening up of an oil project in Jack county which he hopes may soon prove to be a decided success. Goodman is vice president of the concern which is chartered as the Goodman Park Oil company.

The company is exploiting a new field three miles east of Jackboro. They have at present two shallow wells in operation, one at a seventy-seven foot level and another 109 feet deep. These two wells now have a yield of about ten barrels a day. The oil produced is of a very

fine quality and is classed as a lubricating oil.

The plans of the company consist in boring a deep well on their present site in the hope of striking large quantities of the same quality of oil that they have in the shallow wells at present. They have already contracted with an Oklahoma concern to drill a well of 1,500 feet or more if necessary.—Ft. Worth Record.

Precaution.

She—I saw the doctor today about my loss of memory.
He—What did he do?
She—Made me pay in advance.—London Mail.

Why Britain Holds up Cotton Cargoes.

It requires approximately one pound of cotton to make one pound of smokeless powder. Ninety per cent of the powder used by European armies is the smokeless variety. The vast amount of American cotton that is going into explosives and the fact that the United States produces about 65 per cent of the world's supply furnishes the chief reason for England stopping this trade from the South to Germany and to neutrals from which it may be reconsigned, and explains why Germany is offering to pay 30c per pound for cotton, more than three times the American market price.

Reports to the War Department show that the battle lines of the Germanic alliance are consuming powder at the rate of more than 300,000,000 pounds per year. This means in the neighborhood of 600,000 bales of cotton. It is assumed that the opposition is burning an equal amount if not more, thus furnishing an idea of the important relation the American staple bears to the war in Europe. When Italy declared war on the side of the allies there was \$10,000,000 worth of American cotton in Genoa, much of which was destined to Germany. Italy's declaration of hostilities cost Germany a large amount of material for its ammunition factories.

It is estimated that 2,000,000 bales of American cotton reached German territory through neutral countries before Italy joined the war. In addition, there was said to have been seized a large amount of cotton and cotton goods in territory taken by Germany, and with a supply of ammunition on hand at the outbreak of the war, figured all the way from 2,000,000 to 50,000,000 pounds of guncotton, together with materials Germany has been able to import since the war began, has brought forth the estimate that Germany's ammunition possibilities are of about four years duration.

England figured that Germany had but eight months' supply of guncotton at the outbreak of the war and has virtually pitted the British order in council against German ingenuity. After August 1 the manufacture of fabrics wholly or partly of cotton is prohibited by the German Government, including clothing, bed sheets, pillow slips, sheeting, etc. Newspapers in Berlin recently censured German women from changing their skirts from the narrow to the wide style because it would necessitate more cotton. These incidents have given rise to belief that Germany proposes to go to the last resort in getting materials for the manufacture of explosives.

British authorities have admitted that Germany has plenty of cotton, economically employed, and recognized that in an extremity Germany could use cotton rags by working it back into cotton linters or threads.

This, however, would produce an inferior grade of guncotton and fall far short of the present requirements. An English publication, justifying the British order in council, pointed out that every shipload of American cotton that reached Germany "finally results in death of 500 soldiers of the allies."

The United States Government has no figures showing the amount of American cotton that is going into guncotton, which is the real force in the guns of Europe, but it is believed to be enormous. Some of the American factories are said to be using between 5,000 and 10,000 bales a week.

The chief feature of interest to the resident of the South is the fact that for every pound of smokeless powder, being 90 per cent of that used in Europe, there is used one pound of cotton. Linters, or cotton that is taken from the seed, is preferred owing to its adaptability in being "worked" and then it is much cheaper than the longer fiber. The English writers furnish a different basis of consumption, by figuring that a bale of 500 pounds of cotton will turn out 900 pounds of guncotton, but the ratio as figured in the United States is about pound for pound.

United States observers judge from the number of arms, small and large, engaged in the war, the weekly consumption of cotton to be between 20,000 and 25,000 bales. A light field piece, say three inches in diameter, requires 1.75 pounds of powder per shot, and the maximum capacity of the gun is about twenty shots per minute. These guns in Europe are eating up between 8,000 and 10,000 bales per week. A twelve-inch gun, in sea coast and naval use, three times as large as the other, require 300 pounds of powder per shot, the large amount of powder being necessary to afford an effective range far beyond the expectancy of the field piece.

The Queen Elizabeth type of guns used in Europe, which are fifteen-inch pieces, and the fourteen-inch guns consume from 350 to 400 pounds of powder per shot. This type of gun guards the Panama Canal.

Ammunition for machine guns use 1,000 bales or more per week. Heavy field artillery, composed of guns of 4.6 inches of another 1,000 bales per week, and about 12,000 bales per week are going into the small rifle ammunition. Smokeless powder manufactured from one bale of cotton will charge 80,000 rifle cartridges. These load 140 to the pound. The English figure that it requires 25,000 rounds of small ammunition (rifle) to defend every 100 yards of trenches daily, and if the trenches are from 500 to 600 miles in length as reported, the ammunition consumption is 200,000,000 cartridges daily or about 2,500 bales of cotton. A sea fight with two vessels engaged consumed from ten to twelve bales of raw cotton per minute.

The use of guncotton was not discovered until 1845, and then by a Swiss chemist who invented it by treating wool cotton with a mixture of nitric and sulphuric acid.

The effect of guncotton is not obtained by setting on fire, as is the case with ordinary gun powder, but when a light is put to it, the consumption is rapid without explosion. To make it explode it must be "detonated." This can be done by hitting it a hard blow on an iron base, but it is usually by a cap.

Under war stress the United States would need 30,000,000 pounds of powder a year, it has been estimated. The present United States plants are far short of that capacity.—Dallas News.

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MOUNTAIN HOME

After an absence of two weeks will try and write. I have been away from home for ten days. I don't know hardly which way to start as I am so tired. I washed about 150 garments this morning.

Corn is certainly fine. Dirt Dobber, you knew the little black pony will sure enjoy biting some of those fine ears of corn.

Mr. and Mrs. Plaster went to Grover Newman's after a stove for Mrs. Plaster Thursday. We know she will be very proud of it.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jones are visiting their daughter, Mrs. S. J. Matlock, who lives in the Baxter community, six miles west of Archer City.

Health is fairly good in this community.

Miss Mary Hilton of Jacksboro spent from Thursday until Monday with her aunt, Mrs. Mary E. Plaster.

Mr. and Mrs. John Matlock and family spent from the 3rd to the 10th with their son, S. J. Matlock, who lives in the Baxter community six miles west of Archer City.

Quite a number from this community attended the barbecue at Jacksboro the 3rd. All reported a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Millet and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Bowman and family of Bryson spent Saturday night at the home of Henry Plaster.

John Matlock, Jr., spent last Thursday night with his father.

Miss Iva Millet of Bryson and Miss Joe Lewis spent Friday night with Mrs. Pearl Rupard. Old Pa, come on with some more good letters.

Dirt Dobber, come on every week with those good letters. I didn't get to go to the picnic at Jacksboro. I didn't think I wanted to go until I got to Jermy and saw so many people getting on the train.

Here, Dirt Dobber, take my pencil. Gray-eyed Girl.

LOVING

Uncle Joe Hawkins, one of the oldest pioneer citizens of this country, died at his home near Loving last Friday, and was buried Saturday afternoon at the Hawkins Chapel cemetery. Uncle Joe had been sick for several days and was ready and willing to go when the end came. He was 82 years old and had been living here for about 38 years. He leaves a wife and several grown children to mourn his death. We join the whole community in offering our sympathy to the bereaved ones.

Prof. Wilmer Jackson and brother, with their families from Alvord, are visiting relatives here.

Threshing has hardly begun here yet, but there will be two threshers here the last of the week and then business will pick up a little. Oats are turning out very well and everybody will have their granaries well filled.

Will Prather and wife of Mexia are visiting relatives here. They report crops good in their county, Limestone.

W. H. Millican has lost twelve head of cattle lately, dying from fever, it is thought.

Mr. and Mrs. Easter of Berwick, passed here last Friday on their way home from a western tour for the benefit of Mrs. Easter's health. Mr. Easter reported great loss from depredations of grasshoppers in Throckmorton county and said that he had seen where they had stripped shade trees in the yards.

James Hickerson and wife are visiting Mrs. Hickerson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Smith.

Green McCluer has about finished his new barn, which will hold his bountiful crop this

year, as well as shelter his stock.

W. C. McGee of Red Top was here Saturday looking for a carpenter to do some building for him. Correspondent.

LUCILLE

We are having some warm, dry weather. A good rain would sure be fine on the late corn. Early corn is good but the boll weevils have sure ruined all of the cotton.

Health of the community is good at present.

Bro. May of Graford filled his appointment Sunday and Sunday night.

The protracted meeting began tonight (Friday night). Bro. Morphis of Graford will hold the meeting.

Misses Ethel and Ida May spent Saturday night at Mrs. Layton's.

Misses Bessie and Bonnie Storm spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wilson of Dark Valley.

Quite a crowd of young people took supper Sunday night at Mrs. May's.

Mrs. Ida Vaden of Gooseneck has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bridges.

Virgil Chick visited his father a few days this week.

Mrs. Ethel Jenkins called at Mrs. Layton's Wednesday morning.

Tip and Other McPherson have gone to Tarrant county to work in the hay fields.

A. Storm started to Mineral Wells Thursday with a load of wheat to have ground.

With the editor's permission I would like to tell Beauty where Geo. Weldon lives. First I will tell you where I live. I live 4 miles northeast of Pickwick.

Geo. Weldon lives 4 miles due south of me, five miles south-east of Pickwick and Beauty lives two miles right up the river from Pickwick. Lucille is two miles northwest of me. You see I only told what she left out. They dip their cattle in less than a mile of me and it must have been two and a half miles from Beauty. When he shipped his cattle they came close by home and when any one tells me to mention any thing nothing but the editor's blue pencil will keep it from appearing in print. I never knew before that Beauty lived in Pickwick. There are only seven families in Pickwick and three out of the seven are relations of mine. I did not say I was kin to Beauty.

There is going to be a picnic at Graford tomorrow (Saturday). Come over all of you and let's take it in.

There was a cream supper at Mr. Garland's tonight but guess Johnnie won't go as it is too far to go.

They are getting along fine with threshing. No breakdowns this week that I have heard of.

Mr. Boyce and son hauled cedar wood two days this week getting ready for the thresher.

Miss Lizzie Edgin of Dark Valley attended singing here Sunday afternoon. There was a young lady with her but I can't remember her name. We ask them to come again.

Shap Denton, Bud Weldon and Sherman Weldon passed through here this morning enroute to Will Irwin's.

Mrs. Donnell and Mrs. Ida Tapp visited Mrs. Josie Spurlock Wednesday afternoon.

Many thanks to the kind editor for the nice stationery sent me.

Today is the day set for all the Correspondents' names to be in. I hope all have sent them.

The oil men are still hauling casing.

I see the editor looking cross so I will quit.

Johnnie Dolittle.

Subscribe for The Reporter.

LONE STAR

All you Correspondents come go with me to an ice cream supper tonight.

Mesdames Silas and John Hill and Miss Alice Vaughn called on Mrs. F. M. Danley Monday afternoon.

Mrs. E. M. Ball called on Mrs. Claud Akers Tuesday eve.

Robert Vaughn is helping R. W. Dooley irrigate this week.

C. W. Henderson and son, Herbert, Archie Akers and Archie Langford helped J. C. Akers stack his grain this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jurde Hale are visiting her brother, F. M. Danley and family. They are on their way to Erath county.

Misses Wallace Henderson and Addie Akers called on Miss Lela Tucker Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Oma Keller helped Mrs. Albert Rogers cook for the thresher Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Akers of Olney visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Akers, from Friday until Monday.

Mrs. F. M. Danley took her daughter, Adele, to the doctor at Graham Saturday.

Several from this place attended an ice cream supper at Miss Mollie Elkins' at Komo Saturday night. They all reported a jolly time.

Ellis Langford went to church at Ellasville Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Burgess visited her uncle, J. C. Akers and family, Sunday.

Grandma Vest returned home after a two weeks' visit with them.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Langford visited Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Henderson Sunday.

Archie Langford ate Sunday dinner with Willie Akers.

Charlie Duncan and sister, Miss Cecil, and Miss Wallace Henderson were out driving Sunday afternoon.

Several from here attended church at South Bend Sunday night.

Raymond Akers is helping Floyd Burgess of Duff Prairie thresh this week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Langford are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Regers of Huffstutle.

Willie Akers is working for Ben Scott this week.

Lonnie Keller made a business trip to Graham today (Monday). Hiawatha.

HULL MOUNTAIN

(Continued from a former communication).

While we were retreating, and fighting, overpowered by overwhelming numbers the horses were in danger of being captured and almost a stampede happened. The man leading my horse lost my saddle-pockets, containing all my stationery and clothes except what I was wearing.

When the enemy stopped pursuing us we mounted and fell back about a mile, dismounted and tore down a rail fence, piled up the rails along the line for protection and waited for the enemy to come on us again.

I had given my canteen to a man in the morning, before the battle began, who was going for water and never got it back, and while we were building rail breastworks I saw a man with it who belonged to another company. I told him he had my canteen and asked him for it and he would not give it up. I was almost famished for water and I went to his captain and told him Perry Glenn had my canteen and wouldn't give it to me, and he told Perry to give the boy his canteen, and I quenched my thirst. That was the first drink of water I had had since the battle began in the morning with the exception of just two swallows a man gave me on the retreat. Just two swallows, and he took the canteen from my mouth. By the time we got the rails piled

up the front of Lee's army marched up from Cold Harbor with a line of artillery half a mile long following. Then Lee rode up at the head of the next division and asked General Gary if the enemy had possession of Malvin's Hill. Gary told him he did not know that there was nothing to prevent them from having possession of it. General Lee said, "I wish you would take your brigade and go see if the enemy is occupying the hill." By this time the infantry had formed a line of battle and was advancing on the enemy and firing had begun, and our boys drove the enemy back as fast as they had driven us that morning. Our brigade mounted and went to Malvin's Hill but did not find any Yankees. We remained there till dark and had not had anything to eat since the night before. When we returned from the hill the whole woods were illuminated with camp fires and the men were cooking and eating their supper. We went into camp without anything to eat or feed for our horses, and the next morning we saddled up and pursued the retreating Yankees all day, capturing several prisoners. Ten of us who had been front guard all day were cut off from the command about sundown and we rambled in the woods until far into the night before we got back inside our lines. We came to some pickets and knew we were in our lines but they couldn't tell us where the command was and we camped for the remainder of the night. Next morning we started out to hunt the regiment and found it about 10 o'clock. All I had had to eat since Sunday night until then was a piece of corn bread about the size of my hand.

When we got back to the regiment and drew rations the bread was corn bread about half cooked and was moulded and resembled spider webs when pulled apart. Hunger had left me and I could not relish the stuff when I got it.

This ends my first experience in warfare, but for only a few hours; for we were exchanging shots with the Yankees again that same evening.

Jolly Girl and Silver Bell, I suspect the editor has become weary of my crude communications. I guess this will have to suffice. Thanks for your compliments, best wishes for you both. Also for The Reporter staff and its Correspondents.

Vote against all the amendments. The constitution has been patched and repatched until there is no room for a patch. Patch by the side of a patch is neighborly, but patch upon top of a patch is negroy. Let's not be negroy. Old Pa.

(True, Old Pa, the constitution has been patched and repatched and still blow-outs occur, but we will have to divorce the A. & M. College from the University of Texas before we will ever stop the biggest and most expensive blow-outs.—Editor.)

UNION RIDGE

Everything seems to be moving along nicely in our part of the community. Crops are looking very good.

Some are still complaining of boll weevils, and some have plowed their cotton up.

Just a few words here, as the Bible says "Blessed are the peacemakers" and I am going to prevail for peace. Suppose the subject of socialism is dropped as there doesn't seem to be much ground gained on either side, but is causing a lot of malice between the writers. Suppose you take up some other good subject. "For whatsoever ye sow that shall you also reap." Now I believe you all will agree with me if there had been as much time spent in writing on religious reviews as there

has been on the subject so long discussed this old world would be far better off, and we would not have so many so-called infidels raging and rearing. Why can't we all be peaceful and make our paper pleasant for all, lay aside malice and all be cheerful to one another? Would it not be better? Yes, I think so.

So it seems that the sowers are having a hard time, at least most of them are. "Repent ye therefore and be converted that your sins may be blotted out."

Quite a number of friends gathered at W. R. Tripp's Sunday a week ago and spent a pleasant day. The guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Denning, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Gladden, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Tripp, and Misses Mary Cullers and Sallie Stanford.

J. T. Ainsworth went to Graham Monday.

Willie and Lawrence Simpson were Graham visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vanhooser were shopping in Graham on Big Monday.

Willie Simpson made a business trip to Jacksboro last Tuesday.

W. B. Hill helped Mr. Vanhooser stack hay last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Huse Denning visited their daughter, Mrs. Sterling Avants today (Sunday).

Uncle George Cullers is here from Mexico on an extended visit to friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Denning visited the latter's mother, Mrs.

Payne, Saturday night and Sunday near Bryson.

The party at John Cook's was well attended Friday night. All reported a nice time.

Trixie, I feel slighted because you didn't whistle at me that day, for I am sure fond of custard. Now I am going to come up some of these days and stay a week all day and see about those things.

Quite a number of Bryson people have passed through our community this week enroute to Rock Creek fishing.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Simpson were guests of W. R. Tripp last Thursday evening.

Miss Lillie Tripp spent Tuesday with Mrs. Estella Gladden.

W. B. Hill and wife were guests at F. A. Gladden's today (Sunday).

Mrs. Nettie Tripp was a guest of Mrs. Fannie Ainsworth today.

Miss Minnie Denning visited Misses Lillie and Nellie King Sunday.

Blue Eyes, where have you been hiding? Many thanks for your pencil.

Many thanks Trixie, I will use your pen next week. I didn't intend to stay so long so here is my pen. Pansy, we are expecting that long letter this week. Yank.

Qualified.

Clerk—What kind of a job are you fitted for?

Gink—I could make good as a cook in a raw-food restaurant.

—Judge.

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Live News from our Correspondents

WHITE ROSE

J. O. Striplan is threshing his grain this week.

W. C. McCombs was in Graham Monday.

Lloyd Hightower took in the picture show in Graham Saturday night.

Bro. Wilson preached a fine sermon at White Rose Sunday morning and another one Sunday afternoon at Mrs. Ellen Woods'.

David Woods was transacting business in Graham Saturday night.

All of you Honorable Scribes are cordially invited to come to Graham Friday, July 30th and hear Stanley J. Clark speak. He will speak in the Opera House about 3:30 in the afternoon. He will possibly speak again in the court house park at night.

Political Demands.

1. The absolute freedom of the press, speech and assemblage.

2. The addition of the graduated income tax, the increase of the rates of the present corporation tax and the extension of inheritance taxes graduated in proportion to the value of the estate and to nearness of kin—the proceeds of these taxes to be employed in the socialization of industry.

3. The abolition of the monopoly ownership of patents and the substitution of collective ownership, with direct rewards to inventors by premiums of royalties.

4. Unrestricted and equal suffrage for men and women.

5. The adoption of the initiative, referendum and recall, and proportional representation nationally as well as locally.

6. The abolition of the Senate and of the veto power of the president.

7. The election of the President and vice-President by direct vote of the people.

8. The abolition of the power usurped by the supreme court of the United States to pass upon the constitutionality of the legislation enacted by congress. National laws to be repealed by act of congress or by referendum vote of the people.

9. The abolition of the present restrictions upon the amendment of the constitution, so that instrument may be made amendable by the voters in the country.

10. The granting of the right of suffrage in the District of Columbia with representation in congress and a democratic form of municipal government for purely local affairs.

11. The extension of democratic government to all United States Territory.

12. The enactment of further measures for general education and particularly for vocational education in useful pursuits. The bureau of education to be made a department.

13. The enactment of further measures for the conservation of health.

14. The separation of the present Bureau of Labor from the Department of Commerce and Labor and its elevation to the rank of a department.

15. The immediate curbing of the power of the courts to issue injunctions.

16. The free administration of justice.

17. The calling of a convention for the revision of the constitution of the United States.

Such measures of relief as we may be able to force from capitalism are but a preparation of the workers to seize the whole powers of government, in order that they may lay hold of the whole system "of social-

ized industry and thus come into their rightful inheritance."

Now dear readers, the above paragraphs are the closing demands that we advocate in our platform. Each and every one of them, if they were put into operation, would help the producers of America. We advocate socialism, which is the collective ownership and democratic management of the things collectively used and the private ownership of the things privately used. Now all that we advocate is socialism, and our platform is the only literature that we all accept. Don't be a religious fanatic but be temperate in all things. Just look at this from a common sense standpoint. Is there any thing in it that will debase the sanctity of the home or debase womanhood? Is not your family privately yours? Your fields, crops, horses and cattle, are they not your private property also?

If a man has time to serve his God getting less than one-half of the product of his toil, surely he can serve him getting the full value of it. Some men oppose socialism through ignorance, some through prejudice and others through the influence of filthy lucre. I may be ignorant but for the life of me I can not see any thing in socialism that is antagonistic to religion.

Well my dear Plow Boy, there is not a solitary passage in your last article that reflects on socialism. We all admit that life is more than food and the body is more than raiment. God has also been wise in furnishing us with Nature's gift, and the point is, have we got sense enough to accept them? Did God create the world with its unlimited amount of wealth for just a few of the children of men? Have we got to produce for a wealthy bunch of grafters so that we can enjoy heaven after death? Is that the curse God placed upon Adam for eating the forbidden fruit, or was it placed upon Cain for killing his brother, Abel? If the above are facts we have no record of them.

Yes, Nature has supplied us abundantly with the necessities of life, but do the people as a whole enjoy them? I say no, and no God or devil is responsible for this. Man alone is to blame.

I am sure glad that you have kept one poor man from the bottomless pit of hades. When mortal man gets that power he is going some, and the victim I consider is in the stage where ignorance is bliss. If I were ignorant enough to believe a mortal man had kept me from spending eternity in a sithering hell-fire of brimstone, my gratitude for him would have no bounds. I would be his slave for these few years that man would have to stay upon this earth; but probably when man is that superstitious he is beyond the stage for gratefulness. Get this; the pits of hell are not chartered for any certain political party. I may be wrong but I think there will be a few democrats and republicans there also. You may believe voting a socialist ticket will put a man into hell, in like manner I do not believe that voting a democratic ticket will give you immortal glory. The New Testament doesn't teach such rot.

Well, for the benefit of Salemite, I will correct some of his paragraphs in his last article. He says that Berger was elected to congress but was kicked out the second term. And then run for mayor of Milwaukee and was kicked out again. When Berger was elected to congress three candidates

were in the race. In the next race democrats and republicans combined and defeated him, but he got more votes than he got in the first race. Berger never ran for the office of mayor of Milwaukee in his life. It was Emit Seidell, and he likewise received about six thousand more votes in the last race than in the first. There was a fusion candidate in the field at that election. Democrats and republicans look alike when the socialists get stronger than either of them.

Now I will explain how our officers are nominated and you will see that there is no bossism in our party. A call for nominations is sent out to all of the locals. We can nominate anybody except ourself. Every socialist in the party nominates or has the privilege of nominating some one. Then after the nomination those who are nominated are sent back to the locals and a referendum vote is taken on them and the one who gets the most votes is declared nominated. You bet your sweet life, Salemite, I had a part in nominating E. R. Meitzen for governor of Texas, and we have him out again.

So man is born perfect is he Salemite? Then every fool and idiot is a perfect democrat. If man is perfect without education, let's burn our schools, dormitories and colleges and live a perfect life.

If the democratic vote had been increasing as fast as the socialist William Jennings Bryan would have been in the president's chair before now.

Don't write so ignorantly Salemite, look in the dictionary and see what an industrial disease is. Intelligent people do not claim mumps to be an industrial disease.

A "ranting" socialist is not so bad for I know several and they are good business men.

Roseite.

HAWKINS CHAPEL

Mrs. Clarence Daily was the guest of Mrs. Odus Stratton Monday.

Mrs. Robert Miller called at Mr. Oatman's last Monday. She was accompanied home by Miss Maudie Oatman, who returned home Tuesday.

Messrs. Dock and Buck Hawkins are in on a visit to relatives.

Mrs. H. H. Stephens and daughter, Mildred, of Indian Mound came over Tuesday to Jim Oatman's, and carried back some fruit that afternoon.

Jesse Oatman had Wright Holt at work for him the past week.

Miss Vera Gatlin of Graham is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Summers.

Miss Hettie Drum paid Miss Ella Oatman a business call last Tuesday.

Rev. Dow Hawkins came in last week to be at the death-bed of his father, Uncle Joe Hawkins.

Grandpa and Grandma Drum of Loving attended church at the Baptist church here Sunday.

Last Thursday evening, July 16th, the death angel visited our community and the spirit of our friend and neighbor, Uncle Joe Hawkins, took its flight to that great beyond. Uncle Joe has lived a life of consecration and devotion to his Lord and Master. He was ready for the coming of his Savior. Uncle Joe was appreciated by all, both young and old. He was an example of true Christian character, and had lived so great a life of service to his fellowman that the following lines were expressed by that life:

"Let me live in a house by the side of the road,
Where the race of men go by
The men who are good and the men who are bad,
As good and as bad as I.
I would not sit in the scorners' seat,
Or hurl the cynic's ban.
Let me live in a house by the side of the road,
And be a friend to man."

The funeral services were conducted by Bro. Snoddy of Graham Friday afternoon at the Methodist church here. A host of friends and relatives were present.

Our hearts are sad that he is gone from us, but heaven has another jewel among its throng. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved family. They have a great consolation in knowing that they can go to him. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth yea, sayeth the spirit, that they may rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

Bros. Black and Harmerson took Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Drum of Loving.

The Bagley children were the guests of T. F. Harman and family Sunday.

Mrs. Lindsey's brother, Mr. Thomas, of Poplin is visiting the former. They both took Sunday dinner with C. F. Newman and wife.

Elzie Tedrow and wife were the guests of Jesse Oatman and family Sunday.

Miss Miller is visiting her brother, Robert Miller, and wife.

Miss Nora Oatman has been indisposed the last four days.

Robert Miller and wife took Sunday dinner with Jim Oatman and family.

The Baptist meeting is in progress at this writing. Bro. Black is doing some splendid preaching.

The road hands were at work the past week.

Gladys and J. W. Oatman were the guests of Mrs. Elzie Tedrow Thursday night of last week.

Bros. Black and Harmerson and A. E. Oatman are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Loftin today (Monday).

MIDWAY

We are needing rain in this part of the country. The feed stuff is burning up.

H. W. Drum and children went to Loving to church Sunday morning.

Uncle Joe Hawkins died last Thursday and was buried at the Hawkins Chapel cemetery Friday afternoon. We all regret very much to give Uncle Joe up. The bereaved relatives have our sympathy.

Luther Drum and Gentry Johnson spent Thursday night with the latter's brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Daily called to see H. W. Drum Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Lee Drum and son, Ross called to see Mrs. Edwards one evening last week.

Mrs. Thigpen was shopping in Loving Saturday.

Messrs. Frank and Wiley Loftin went to town Saturday afternoon.

John Cox and children and Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Cox all went to church at Farmer Sunday.

Miss Hettie Drum called on Mrs. Loftin Saturday afternoon.

H. W. Drum made a business trip to Olney last Monday.

Health in our community is good at this writing as far as I know.

As news is scarce this week I will let some one else have my pencil.

MONUMENT

This is the 21st day of July and people are not thinking about laying by their crops. I guess they will lay by in August.

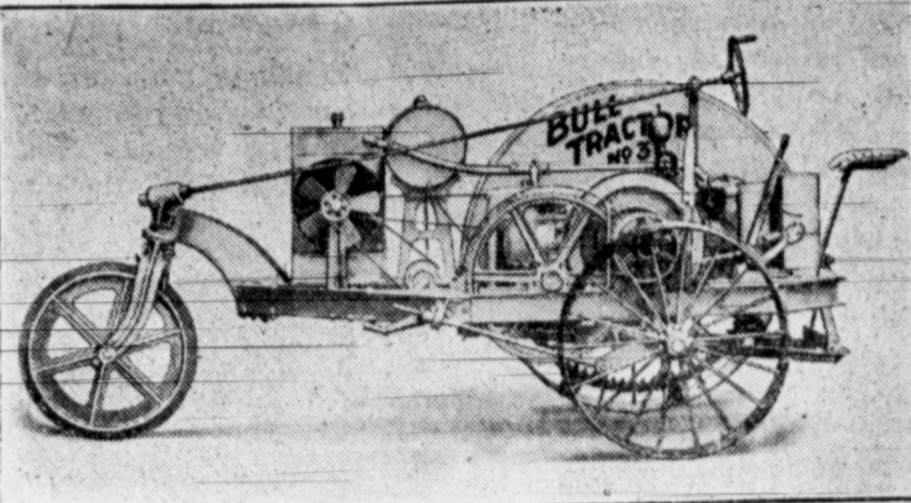
G. W. Alberts, son and daughter, Lawrence and Lorene, left Sunday morning for Wylie, Texas to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Reeves of Loving spent Sunday with J. M. Barnett and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Tiffin of Loving spent Sunday evening with Grandpa and Grandma Reeves.

Miss Lottie Reeves spent Sat-

Big Bull Tractor



I have one of these Big Bull Tractors at work on my farm near Loving.

If you will see its work you will be convinced that it is what every farmer needs. I am pulling a 3-disc plow and section harrow; when I leave off the harrow I can add another disc. If you are figuring on buying write or call me by phone.

D. G. Vick

urday night and Sunday with Miss Estell Umberson.

Mr. and Mrs. Dock Hewitt spent from Friday until Sunday in the Rocky Mound community.

Claude Foster of the Rock Creek community spent Tuesday night with J. H. Cearley.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Long spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Weems of Loving.

Vie Blevins spent Sunday with Cecil Cochran.

Cecil Cochran returned home Saturday from Oklahoma, where he has been spending a few weeks.

Mrs. W. T. Long and daughter, Ethel, took dinner with Mrs. J. T. Marshall of Loving Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Harrison and several others spent Friday night on Flint Creek fishing.

Sure Yank, I will try not to sleep so long any more. You know people who sleep all the time are lazy, but I live on the farm and farmers are always busy. I am glad it is the people up your way who the boll weevils are laughing at and not us, for we have had enough hard luck this year. What the flood left we want to keep, although some are growling about boll weevils.

Misses Ethel and Gladys Long and Ruby Alberts were shopping in Loving Wednesday.

Tempest and Sunshine.

SOUTH BEND

Miss Fannie Goode left Tuesday for a few days' visit with friends.

W. McDavid and family ate Sunday dinner with J. R. Holcomb and family.

Rev. G. Jasper Irvin of Throckmorton and brother, Rev. Chas. W., of Midlothian, are here visiting their sister, Mrs. J. R. McCluskey and helping Rev. Marcus M. Chunn in the meeting.

W. M. Goode and family visited his brother, S. W., and family Sunday.

J. H. Rogers and wife of Duff Prairie attended church here Sunday and ate dinner with V. M. Hale and family.

Quite a few out here from Graham fishing.

J. R. McCluskey was on the sick list Sunday.

Andrew Irvin of Midlothian is visiting his daughter, Mrs. J. R. McCluskey.

Miss Addie Akers and brothers of Lone Star attended church here Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Braddock and daughter, Miss Fannie Goode and Stump Taylor ate Sunday dinner with O. A. McBrayer and family.

Mrs. O. W. Hill visited Mrs. A. F. Rogers Sunday.

Everybody come to the meeting which is now in progress at the arbor. Welcome one and all.

I must go so will close.
Bashful Ben.

Hay Baling.

We have two hay balers in operation and will put up your hay at the following prices.

Johnson grass, 7 cents and board, or 8 cents without board. Oat straw, 6 cents and board, or 7 cents without board.

G. H. Nored,
B. L. Nored,
411tc. Era Threadgill.

PICKWICK

Well, well, we have gotten one more rain at Pickwick, or rather, a light shower, but it was appreciated very much. Corn and feed stuff are fine here but the boll weevils have just about got the cotton.

Silver Bell, I am glad you all are doing so well up there.

Misses Wayne, Costello and Norton spent Saturday night with Misses Clay. They all attended church at Lucille Saturday night and reported a nice time.

Misses Georgie and Carrie Weldon and Robert and Chester Weldon attended church at Lucille Saturday night.

Messrs. McMillan and J. C. Whatley are up at Henry Chapel stacking wheat at present.

Our hearts were made sad last Monday when we heard of Mr. W. O. Porter's death. Mr. Porter lived here until last January, when he left and went to Mineral Wells for his wife's health.

Miss Myrtle Whatley suffered last week from the toothache. If any one wants a remedy just call on Elmer, Eula and Carrie, they can give you one.

R. A. Anderson's brother of Gordon is visiting him at present.

Alton Whatley has returned from Mineral Wells where he has been visiting.

Misses Georgie and Carrie Weldon took Sunday dinner with Miss Monnie Bridges of Lucille.

Jim Smith and grandson and two friends of Jack county have been visiting A. L. Davis and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. and Tom Weldon visited the Nixon family of Graford Saturday and Sunday.

Grandma Stephens is visiting Mrs. Johnnie-Mae Weldon now.

Doan Bros. are working on their new line of fence.

John and Joe Doan went to Mineral Wells last week in their car.

Misses Wayne and Costello called on Mrs. Hart Westé Thursday eve.

Busy Bee was in Pickwick last Monday. Glad to see you Busy Bee, come again.

Miss Adele Clay and little sister, Ola Mae, called on Mrs. L. F. Weldon and daughter, Ruby, Sunday afternoon.

G. W. Weldon's thresher is at Mr. Boyce's now. They will go to Dark Valley when they get through up there.

Misses Eula-Kate Norton and Lee Ella Costello are still taking music lessons from Miss Anna Tate.

Robert Weldon spent Saturday night with Ben Weldon.

Mrs. Silas Wester visited Mrs. Sparkman Wester Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Ollie Costello spent Saturday with Mrs. Ella Wester.

Mrs. Jennie Weldon visited Mrs. Perry Saturday afternoon.

Charley Chick has quit working for Bob Anderson.

Miss Lue Etta Weldon is visiting her brother this week.

Oh yes, Silver Bell, you are a good guesser all right.

Several from here attended the picnic at Graford.

Miss Laura Dalton and a young man from Mineral Wells called on Grandma Doan Friday night.

As I have used all my paper I will go. Beauty.

NORTH MIDWAY

I saw the Kid at a distance Sunday afternoon.

I would have come by Kid, but I saw you had company and being a stranger too, I just didn't come.

Violet, was that you I met at preaching in that vicinity Saturday morning? If I am not mistaken it was you.

George Evitt and Wesley Young went to town Sunday afternoon "dear" hunting.

The dance at Mr. Evitt's Friday night was enjoyed by a large crowd.

There was a party at Mr. Weilenman's Saturday night and a jolly time was the result.

Kid, I think the best way for you and Ploy Boy to settle your personal differences is by a fistic duel, provided you will invite Correspondents to look on, and not through the columns of The Reporter. What good does "rag chewing" come to in the long run? Somebody is liable to be exposed when there is nothing to expose.

Yes, Hiawatha, it was the second night in April instead of June that I saw you. I hope the reunion will be real soon as I have never yet been to one. My absence you spoke of was caused by being too late with my letter.

Perhaps Dago, you would be interested to know we have you skinned on boll weevils. I saw an old weevil showing the young ones how to puncture bolls and I thought it was an old sow feeding her pigs, when I first saw them.

Merritt Cunningham and Miss Sophia Quisenberry were out buggy riding towards Orth Sunday afternoon.

As I have been away from home and don't know all the news will quit. Azure Skies.

PROFFITT

We certainly have been having some warm weather for the last week.

Miss Myrtle Johnson had the misfortune of getting her arm broken, but glad to say she is getting along fine.

The doctor was called to see little Wayne Lewis Thursday.

Will Maples and family of Loving are visiting his father, M. D. Maples, this week.

The Holiness meeting is still going on here.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard and Mrs. Redwine, Misses Edna Maples and Bettie Gibbs called on Mrs. Lewis Friday afternoon.

Walter Dent went to Newcastle Thursday.

Joe Maples and sister, Miss Dennie, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Archie Briggs.

Mrs. Emma Webb and Mrs. Mattie Reeves called on Mrs. Etta Woolfolk Wednesday afternoon.

Hubert Strother went to Newcastle Saturday.

Mr. Wooldridge was a business visitor in Newcastle Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bellamy and daughter, Mrs. Mattie Higgins, were trading in Newcastle Monday.

Well, Busy Bee, what are you doing these days that you can't take time to write the Fox Hollow news. Snowflake.

HUNT

Here we are begging for a seat among the Correspondents. Oh my! Isn't it hot? Looks like it might rain today.

Those who were present at Mr. and Mrs. Ambros Atchley's Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. T. Hulsey, Mrs. H. H. Butler, Mrs. Estell Butler and baby and Miss Millie Henderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wright entertained the young people Saturday night with a cream supper, which was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Michael and Daughter, Miss Velma, are visiting relatives at Loving this week.

Elmer Perkins happened to the misfortune of getting his horse badly cut on the wire.

Misses Pearl and Emma Smith left this morning (Monday) for Johnson county to visit their sister.

Mrs. J. E. Pringle left yesterday morning for Jack county to attend the bedside of her father, who is not expected to live.

Ras Patrick has accepted a position as cook for the Thuet & Butler Thresher this week.

Mrs. Mattie Walker and little daughter, Lalley, from Hunt county are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. McCaghen.

H. H. Butler left last week for New Mexico and other points of the United States for his health.

Mrs. J. B. Henderson and children visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Black Monday.

Mrs. Wallace and son, Fry, from Wills Point are spending the summer with Mrs. B. B. Howard.

Miss Kate Newby had a new caller Sunday evening in the person of Foster Brown.

Mrs. Cole and Miss Kate Newby were callers at the M. C. Clayton home Friday evening.

Miss Maggie Womack and sister, Lois, left this morning for Ennis to make that city their home.

The Missionary Baptist meeting will begin the 29th of this month. Everybody is invited to attend.

Mrs. J. B. Henderson visited at the Perkins home Saturday evening.

Grandma Heed and grandchildren, Lloyd and Ray Perkins, will leave Saturday for Fort Worth, where they will visit relatives a few days.

Messrs. Foster and Hulet Brown made a flying trip to Olney Saturday afternoon.

Henry Pringle and Allen Brown are hoeing for Clint Brown of Indian Mound this week.

Best wishes to the Correspondents and Editor. F. & H.

OAK GROVE

Bro. Lawrence, the Christian preacher, closed his meeting at this place last night, and the Baptist meeting begins today (Monday). Bro. McKenzie, the Archer county missionary, will help Bro. Yancey, the pastor, in the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Miller and family, Mr. and Mrs. Almond Peters and Misses Zilla Harwell and Georgia Waddell visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Madozie Sunday.

C. C. Crowder and Walter Self who have been working near Windthorst returned home Saturday.

Mrs. George Murray and children of Crosby county are visiting relatives and friends in this community this week.

Miss Zilla Harwell visited the Misses Waddell Thursday night and Friday.

Marvin Rushing spent Sunday night with Walter Self.

Frank Prideaux is on the sick list.

Joe Petty and family visited relatives near Jean Thursday.

Joe Peters and family were guests of Boaz Harwell and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Walker visited Mr. and Mrs. Waddell Sunday.

A number of the men and boys of our community went over and worked for Mr. Joiner a day or two last week. Mr. Joiner has been sick for some time and unable to work his crop. Spot.

Lights Out!

"My dear, you look sweet enough to kiss!"

"That's the way I intended to look, Jack."—Princeton Tiger.

Mr. Parsons Says He Didn't Have so Many Chickens.

Mr. Editor and Friends: I will write you a little so you will know I am still alive.

We are having fine weather here. Had a good rain Friday. The crops are fine as can be so far. The corn is just tasseling and feed stuff heading that was planted early. Everyone says the crops are as good now as they were last year and that was the best year in the past six. There has been none too much rain here but it has rained enough to keep the feed growing.

We had a very unexpected death here last week, while it was 35 miles out. Mr. Geo. Slaughter was here the day before he died and was as well as any one apparently, and died the next day at 1 o'clock. The remains were brought here and shipped to Roswell on a special train sent out from Clovis after the corpse and family. Mr. Slaughter was a son of Col. C. C. Slaughter of Dallas and was raised in Palo Pinto town, and many of the old settlers of the south side of Young county knew him when a boy. He was the manager on the famous Long S Ranch. His family lived in Roswell but were at the ranch at the time of his death. Mr. Slaughter was president of a bank in Roswell. I had gotten very well acquainted with him since I came here. He was a very plain and agreeable man, and only 52 years old, I think he told me a few days ago, as we were talking of the old days of Palo Pinto when he worked on the range in the northern part of Palo Pinto county, and at that time seemed as well as I was. But life is uncertain and death sure. We are sorry to see a man snatched from life without any visible warning, but we should try to live each day as if it were our last as far as preparation is concerned. This shows how easily it is for one to be called upon to account for the way he has lived, and what he has rendered to the One who has our life in His hand.

I received The Reporter yesterday. We are always glad to get the paper on Saturday so Sunday we can see what our friends in old Young county are doing.

Now, Mr. Editor, I notice where my friend Mr. McGowen had gotten my letter and I hasten to correct the number of chickens I was going to eat before I could come home, but if the word gets out that I have 500 chickens and all fryers I will have more company than I can furnish lard to fry the chickens in. Now, I am sure I love company and would be glad to have any of my old friends come out to see me, but that is too much of an advertisement and before too many get started you tell them it was a mistake in the linotype and I did not have that many chickens, but I have plenty of chickens and will sure kill them if any one comes this way. Now Mr. McGowen was with me and our appetites were both all o. k. and I thought if anything would cause him to stop off and see me it would be to threaten him with fried chicken or a big baked hen. I am afraid he has lost his appetite, for he wrote me he had old peach cobbler and we have had none yet to speak of, and will leave here before they come in to amount to much.

I was glad to see in the paper that the Goose had lit, for the Gander had said she had gone north and I did not know how far, and we have had some pretty hard winds and I was afraid she (the Goose) might get mixed up in one of them.

My family is very anxious to start back home and I feel like myself I will be glad to get

home although this cool breeze feels good to me.

Salemite, I saw one of your old acquaintances here the other day. She used to live just north of you. She was Miss Mollie Oldham, and was married while she lived there, but I did not learn who she married. You will remember her, she lived on the Frank Herron place the year after she married. She asked about you. She was a niece or cousin of Green Denson's. I have met lots of people who have lived in Young, Stephens and Palo Pinto counties since I left home.

I sure would be glad to have some of the peaches, that I see in the paper are so plentiful, down there.

As I haven't much news that would interest any of the readers down there I guess I had better go to help one of the neighbors eat up some ice cream. He invited my family over and of course I will have to go to drive the team. I may eat some cream but I am not so fond of ice cream as I am chicken, fried or stewed. But as Mr. Mc will testify, a man here is always ready to eat most anything from a pot of red beans to an ice cream cone and most any time.

I am looking for Mr. Mc next week. I met the train three times last week and he was not there but I still believe he will come, and if he does I will let the editor know.

I remember those happy events you spoke of and oh my! but I was not lonesome around that heavy laden board for the editor stayed right up by my broadside as the Irishman says. Hoping that too much fruit and vegetables will not make the health of the country bad I will close.

Yours very truly,
J. E. Parsons.

Classification of the Schools of Young County.

- No. 1. Bitter Creek, county high school of nine grades.
- No. 2. Monument, county high school of nine grades.
- No. 3. Hunt, county high school of nine grades.
- No. 4. Farmer, county high school of nine grades.
- No. 5. Hawkins Chapel, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 6. Rocky Mound, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 7. Flat Rock, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 9. Henry Chapel, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 10. Gooseneck, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 11-1. Indian Mound, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 11-2. White Rose, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 12. Belknap, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 15. Miller Bend, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 16. Fish Creek, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 17. Komo, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 18. Upper Tonk, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 19. Lower Tonk, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 20. Mount Pleasant, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 21. Lone Oak, county high school of nine grades.
- No. 22. Markley, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 23. South Bend, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 24. Connor Creek, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 25. Eliasville, county high school of nine grades.
- No. 26. Mayes, primary school of four grades.
- No. 27. Salem, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 28. Camp Creek, county high school of nine grades.
- No. 29. Rock Creek, inter-

mediate school of seven grades.

- No. 30. Huffstuttle, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 31. California, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 32. Boggy Valley, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 33. Oakland, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 34. Ming Bend, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 35. Center Ridge, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 36. Colston, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 37. Red Top, county high school of nine grades.
- No. 38. True, county high school of nine grades.
- No. 39. Mountain Home, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 40. Briar Branch, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 41. Shearer, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 42. Loving, county high school of ten grades.
- No. 43. Pleasant Hill, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 44. Lamar, county high school of nine grades.
- No. 45. Lone Star, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 46. Proffitt, county high school of nine grades.
- No. 47. Johnson, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 48. Ingleside, county high school of nine grades.
- No. 49. Wheatland, county high school of nine grades.
- No. 50. Crib Station, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 51. Flint Creek, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 52. Live Oak, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 53. Clifton, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 54. Gray, county high school of ten grades.
- No. 55. Ben Waters, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 56. Orth, county high school of nine grades.
- No. 57. Baugh, intermediate school of seven grades.
- No. 59. Hardy, intermediate school of seven grades.

The above classification will be reconsidered with any board of trustees on July 30 or 31 if the present classification will not meet the needs of your community.

At the above mentioned dates the County Board of Education will pass on all applications for transfers.

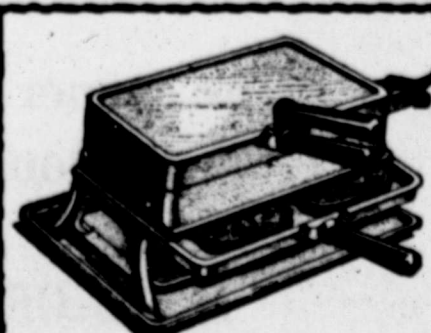
All district trustees who want the grade of your school changed should make your needs known on the above dates.

B. W. KING,
County Superintendent.

Card of Thanks.

We take this method of expressing to our friends in Graham our thanks for the many acts of kindness shown in connection with the long illness and death of our dear husband and father, and your interest in us, and the affection shown our departed one will not be forgotten.

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GOOSENECK

Frank Vaden took a load of watermelons to town Monday.

John Clark and A. L. Conder went to Graham Monday.

The Christian meeting began Friday night and will continue two weeks.

Mrs. Frank Vaden and baby spent Monday with Mrs. W. W. Sparks.

Mr. and Mrs. Newman and daughter, Mrs. Hart, of Coleman county spent two days with G. W. Day and family.

Mrs. Emma Daley is seriously ill.

Mesdames Sparks and Conder sat up with Mrs. Dalrymple Monday night.

Mrs. Mack Rose is on the sick list.

Mrs. Eva Mullenax spent Monday with Mrs. Dalrymple.

Tobert Hall and Roy Parsons have returned home from Megargel.

Murray Conder is chopping cotton for J. M. Reed this week.

Grandma Mahaney is quite sick at the home of her son, G. W. Mahaney.

Misses Lizzie, Nellie and Alma Sparks attended the meeting Monday night.

Grasshoppers are still plentiful. They are still eating roasting ears.

Carl Richardson of Salem has been attending the camp meeting this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dalrymple of Cleburne came and spent a few days with Mrs. Emma Dalrymple, who is dangerously ill.

The hot, dry weather is upon us. We certainly would appreciate a good rain.

No anthrax that we know of.

Eva Conder was dressed in mourning Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Johnson spent Sunday with Mrs. Odell Johnson. Gander.

YANCEYVILLE

Correspondents—are you all asleep? I have been yelling hello for the past half an hour and can't even get central.

The people down here are very busy now as threshing is the order of the day.

Sim Burgess and Henry Steele made a flying trip to Graham Tuesday to get some repairs for the Burgess thresher.

Lewis Rickles, wife and little son passed through here Saturday enroute to Ranger, where Mrs. Rickles intended to leave on the train for Mexico to visit her mother.

Thanks Kid, yes I think myself that I am a very good squirrel hunter, but not so very good at bringing down my game.

Albert McDowell and John Ganh of the Set Ranch called at the Ritchey and Barron homes Sunday.

Quincy Crabtree was in this community Tuesday.

Grandpa Hunt will leave next week for Arkansas. Grandpa says that every time he gets a person just a little bit offended at him they say "You go to Arkansas," and he's going to take them at their word this time. We wish you good luck and good health Grandpa.

Many thanks, Old Pa, for the nice compliment. And, yes, I'm true to my convictions and I'm also a full-fledged Southern girl all right. No, I'm not going to walk over to the republican camp nor the democratic camp either if I can help it, because I just can't be a democrat. Old Pa and be true to myself. You see I never was rocked in a democratic cradle.

Dick Barron and Dewey Ritchey made a flying trip to the thriving little city of Ivan Tuesday.

Thanks, Yank, for your extended hand. Silver Bell will

not hesitate one single moment to place her hand in yours and thank you for your kind, encouraging words. Can't say who Mr. Wilson will call on to pray for peace. If there's any work about it he will call on some tired, old farmer of course and if there is any money in the case he will be rather apt to call on some noted millionaire I suppose.

No, Mr. Wilson nor any of the other big men, are going to face a battle. They do not want to break the hearts of their "own" loved ones. But what care they for the loved ones of the poor old farmer? Well, I can tell Mr. President that the dear old mothers, wives, daughters and sisters of the farmers are as dear to them as Mr. Wilson's loved ones are to him, and I had just as soon tell Mr. Wilson this as to write it on this piece of paper and a little bit rather tell him for then I could tell him a whole lot more. And while all the good it would do it would relieve my mind to some extent and let our President see himself as others see him. This may cause a tempest to gather round my head, for some full-fledged Wilsonite may take it up but that also will be perfectly all right, for Silver Bell is right smart of a wildcat herself when she is struck at just right. But here's hoping that the God of heaven and all the white-souled angels above will hear the prayers and see the tears of the heart-broken mothers, wives, sisters and daughters of the whole world to dwell in the mind of Mr. Wilson and those big men until their hearts are made to feel the awfulness of bloodshed, and may our President send this message out to all the world, "Other nations may continue to be at war with each other but no nation's blood shall redden the hands of

the American people, for they, as a nation, are at peace with the whole world." Thousands would praise him, millions would pray for him, all the dear old mothers, wives, daughters, sisters and sweethearts in the U. S. would bless him.

Beauty, Beauty, don't you ever in this world again say that my cousin, John, is good looking. When John read what you said it pleased him so well he just tossed his hat as high as he could, danced, whistled and sang until he was exhausted; and it took all hands with fans and camphor to revive him. John never heard a pretty girl say that about him in so plain words and it came very near being the death of him. Be careful Beauty I fear one more spell like that and I'll be minus a cousin, John.

Mr. Editor, what those grasshoppers and chinchbugs like being as large as chickens is not enough to make a person notice the difference. I don't believe the hoppers and bugs are feathered out hardly so well as the chickens yet.

Eugene West and wife went to Graham Thursday with oats to sell.

George Wyatt and Jim Dooley commenced making syrup last Thursday.

Jack Perry of Pickwick was in our community Tuesday.

H. L. Nicklas will commence work at the Set Ranch next week.

There was a chicken peddler in this vicinity Thursday trading dry goods for chickens. He didn't seem to be doing much business.

Yes, Homeite, my letters are rather long but you see that is about all there is to them, just the length.

We are sorry to report Miss Agnes Barron on the puny list this week.

B. P. Ritchey is suffering with the toothache at the present time.

A. W. McDowell and Joe Ables passed through this vicinity Wednesday enroute to the Set Ranch from Graham.

Bill Cretsinger is helping with the Pickard thresher on Duff Prairie. Silver Bell.

CEDAR CREEK

Health is fine in this part of the country as far as I know.

Burgess Bros. have just finished up threshing in here on the creek. They went on up the creek.

Mr. and Mrs. White of Komo are visiting the families of H. J. Cretsinger and I. W. Steele.

I. H. Steele and Henry Wesley made a flying trip to Ivan Saturday.

Grandpa Hunt is preparing to return to Arkansas. He said he had to come back to Texas to get seed corn. We have all decided to wait till he gets a bushel or two of corn so we won't have to come back and then we may all go.

Mrs. Lula Steele visited her mother, Mrs. J. H. Wesley, Saturday.

J. K. P. Hughes took his daughter, Miss Vina, to the doctor Saturday.

Mrs. Eugene West visited Mrs. Henry Steele Wednesday.

Grandpa Hunt visited his granddaughter, Mrs. Henry Steele, Saturday night and Sunday.

Homeite, the hogs are not eating my chickens now, but I have two pups here that are killing them. I think if nothing happens June Roses can kill them about as fast as the dogs can.

Henry Steele helped E. L. Cretsinger shear his mules Saturday afternoon.

Most everybody is working with the thresher. June Roses.

HUFFSTUTTLE

We are having some hot weather now. We would be glad to see a good rain.

The feed crops are fine here, and cotton looks fine, but there is nothing on it. The boll weevils are ruining the cotton.

The rabbits, grasshoppers and boll weevils are about to take this neighborhood, but still we feel that we are lucky, inasmuch as we have had no destructive hail storms or cyclones.

The health in the neighborhood is very good.

Bert Campbell was right sick last week but is getting along all right now. He got too hot stacking wheat.

We are expecting the thresher in a week or two.

F. A. Otts and Sherman McCready are working with a thresher in Throckmorton county.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Brittain of Throckmorton visited Mrs. Brittain's brother, Ab. Campbell, last Thursday and Friday.

Sam Jones and family of Woodson visited his mother, Mrs. Sarah Jones, last Saturday night and Sunday.

Jim Moreland and family and Brittain Campbell and family visited at Walter Moreland's last Sunday.

Ira Otts called on Bert Campbell last Sunday afternoon.

Miss Effie Moreland visited Miss Ethel Otts Tuesday afternoon.

A. B. Campbell attended the Odd-Fellow's lodge at Eliasville Tuesday night.

Mrs. Nellie Franklin is visiting her nephew, Dill Peacock. Guess Who.

The Reason.

"Pa, what do they put water in stocks for?"

"To soak the investors with my son."—Boston Transcript.

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MOUNTAIN HOME

This is Monday and it is raining. We sure do need a rain on the late feed stuff.

Mr. J. E. Parsons, I have been wondering why you quit writing to The Reporter but you have been real busy if you ate all those 500 chickens. I am going to have chicken for breakfast, come down.

W. C. Bunker and family spent Thursday night with J. K. P. Hughes and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Owen and Henry Owen were all sick last week but are better now.

Tom Bunker and family have been taking in the meeting at Gooseneck the past week.

Beauty, Dreamy Eyes is sick. I will go to see her Tuesday and stay with her.

Ben Smith and family of Runnels county are visiting relatives in this community. They say crops are fine out there. He raised 2600 bushels of oats this year.

Mrs. Frances Bunker and children spent last Monday with Mrs. Joetna Caudill. Mrs. Bunker helped cook for the thresher. Mr. Caudill threshed 608 bushels of oats and 75 bushels of wheat. Mr. Pickard went to Sid Copeland's from there and is threshing there. He is doing fine over there.

G. G. Smith and family visited his relatives on Caddo Creek in Stephens county from Friday till Sunday and they intended going fishing while they were there.

Chock Pickard and R. M. Williams took dinner with T. M. Bunker Friday and spent Friday night with Bill Bunker, and they all had a nice time playing forty-two.

Yank, I am glad you have had the chance to see more than one pretty rainbow. I may have seen one when I was a child.

June Roses, where were you going Friday when I passed?

School Girl, I was glad to see a letter from you.

Dreamy Eyes, have you let your bonnet fall on the stove any more? You must hurry and get well, and write to the paper, for I am like the editor, I miss every Correspondent when they fail to write.

Goose, I hope you have received a Reporter by now.

Gander, you must see that the Goose gets the paper or he might get sick.

Goose, you just send your letters on, we can get to read them and if you see Mr. Parsons you tell him to send in some more good letters.

Tom and Bill Bunker will go to Graham today (Monday).

Here Beauty, take my pencil.

Homeite.



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SALEM

Rev. Fred Patterson, assisted by his father from Bell county, and the Rev. Hall Bowman, conducted a week's meeting here closing Sunday. The attendance was good and there were three additions to the church.

Billie Shahan of Henry Chapel spent Sunday night with Rob Henderson.

Miss Grace Gibson of Paducah is visiting her parents and sister, Miss Alice, here this week.

Misses Amma Bullard and Nannie Henderson spent Saturday night and Sunday with Misses Bessie and Ressie Hinson.

Mrs. Maggie Gilmore took Sunday dinner with Mrs. T. K. Criswell.

Several of the young people here attended Sunday school at Henry Chapel Sunday afternoon.

G. D. Hinson attended church here Sunday.

Miss Lizzie Otts of Graham visited Mrs. Nettie Henderson several days last week.

Mrs. J. E. Dowdle and son, Ed., visited at the home of J. A. McLaren a few days last week.

It is argued here that Lawrence McLaren violated the law of nations when he furnished the boll weevils a file to sharpen their instruments of destruction on.

Come again Silver Bell, and tell us if Mr. West's hogs are still shaking with the ague. If it were the serpentine cucumbers he fed them on they will shake in spinal form, and all over the county before they quit. And in most all cases when in the last stages of the disease a button and seven or eight well-developed rattles appear, and from this time on until death the noise made by a large herd is almost deafening.

Reference: Dr. Vonheidlestammer of Berlin.

Charley McLaren marketed a load of shelled corn in the city Tuesday at 80c per bushel.

When we have more time we will renew our efforts to reach Roseite and Gringo with a life line, for we are determined, and will yet save them if they will be guided by a plain line of facts.

INDIAN MOUND

Sunday school was good Sunday, there being eighty-two present.

Mrs. Rhea Cox of Newcastle is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. McComas.

Mesdames W. R. Dollins and F. C. Borchardt are on the sick list.

Miss Potts is visiting at the home of J. J. Grubbs.

Mrs. McCullough and children visited at the home of W. N. Fisher last Thursday.

Mrs. Harrison of Dallas has been visiting friends here.

Grandpa Grubbs of Spur returned home last Friday, after visiting here some days.

Mr. and Mrs. Bridges and son attended church here Sunday and took dinner at the home of J. S. Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan of Dakin visited at the home of Mrs. Lizzie Bryan and attended church here Saturday night.

Charley Dollins and wife and Miss Fields are spending some days at the home of Mrs. Mollie Dollins.

If Plow Boy only knew how little attention was paid to what he wrote about the Kid where I am known it would be a burden to him to have to write it. If the little Boy has anything else he wishes to say about the Kid all I have to say is just let'er fly.

I wish all the Correspondents would hurry up and guess at the Gray-eyed Girl's age because I am waiting to receive that card.

Snowflake, I heard that you

were in Graham Monday but I failed to meet with you. I wish I had met you as nothing gives me more pleasure than getting acquainted with the Correspondents.

Our meeting began last Friday night. Bro. Evans from Abilene, Texas, and his son, J. W. Evans, of Loving are conducting the meeting.

J. J. Taylor, wife and baby, and sister, Miss Mattie and brothers Roy and Merrian, of Loving attended church here Sunday and took dinner with R. G. Taylor and family.

Tempest and Sunshine it is too bad that you are somewhat offended at the Kid because he never made himself known. Please excuse me this time and I'll try not to do so any more, as you have guaranteed me that it would be all right with Mr. H., and I believe it would, for if I am not mistaken as to who he is, he picked cotton here last fall.

Yank, I have been to Farmer one time. I only spent a few minutes there as I was passing by. I have been to Jean a few times. I was up there one day during the Baptist Association two years ago. I don't think you know me. I guess it is my little bud that only weighs 220 pounds whom you have seen. I have never met you I don't think, but I imagine that you are entitled to Prof. before your name, are you not?

Misses Fay and Inez Fisher ate Sunday dinner with Misses Gertrude and Irene Taylor.

Azure Skies, it seems that I am away every time you come by. Set a time to come over and I'll be at home.

Thanks, Beauty, for the use of your good pencil. I was not needing it very bad as I have a good one on hand. And last Saturday when the mail came I received a good one from a business firm at Paris, Texas and it was ready for use when it got here. I know because it was ready sharpened.

Mrs. Mollie Dollins left Saturday morning for Padgett to be at the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Steadham, who is quite sick.

The little daughter of E. G. Williamson is on the sick list.

There is more news but the thresher and the meeting will prevent me from reporting it.

Kid.

TONK VALLEY

Looks as if it might rain this (Tuesday) morning. I wish it would and settle this awful dust.

Rev. Hall was to preach at Tonk Valley Sunday but on account of the interest manifested in the meeting he is holding at Mount Pleasant he thought it best to go back there.

We enjoyed a good Sunday school here Sunday.

Mr. Hudson took supper at John George's Sunday night, and accompanied them to the meeting at Mt. Pleasant.

Little Gladys Timmons and Ruby Fay Jones are sick with diphtheria. They are reported better today.

Will Seddon is able to be up.

Mrs. O. K. Freeman was a visitor in the city Thursday.

Miss Delilah Robbins and brother, Walter, attended the band concert in the city Friday night.

The thresher is at Mr. Lowrey's today.

Ray Jones, Carl Knight and Carrell Robbins left this morning for a month's stay in Archer county to work in the harvest.

Miss Ruth Knight is visiting her grandmother near Loving.

Miss Nita Bryan of Rocky Mound spent a few days last week with her aunt, Mrs. H. L. Busch.

Mr. Kid, I thought I knew that Mr. Man who was with you Monday, but didn't know for certain.

The Jolly Girl enjoyed a visit at Mr. Busch's Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Dago, don't you think it is our time to give the editor a reunion instead of him giving us one every time?

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Wixom spent Sunday at Mr. Robbins'.
Jolly Girl.

MILLER BEND

The boll weevil seems to be taking a rest, presumably on account of the dry, hot weather, and cotton is doing better than it has for some time. We don't need but half a crop of cotton though, as we still have half of last year's crop on hand owing to the English blockade and their practice of seizing and holding ships carrying our commerce. Though it is said that this blockade is illegal, and though our state department protested three months ago, yet no reply to the protest has been received. Meanwhile there has been a great deal of "firmness" talk to Germany for sending a few silly Americans to the bottom of the deep, while thousands of hard working farmers and laborers of all classes are suffering on account of this illegal British blockade. Funny isn't it? There must have been some Plow Boys on the Lusitania.

If you had a good friend and he was too cowardly to befriend you, would you appreciate him? Certainly you would not. Neither can we appreciate a newspaper that is too cowardly to speak out and defend the side of a question, and the people whom it thinks are in the right.

Rev. Gaines B. Hall, Presbyterian pastor at Graham, is conducting a protracted meeting at Mt. Pleasant. Rev. T. M. Cunningham is leading the song services. These men of God are doing some good preaching and singing.

Yank, I think you are right when you say Old Pa has backslid on the socialists. That sure was a funny caper he cut when, after reading "Plow Boy on Socialism" he decided to return to the "fold." He evidently thought because he had been away that others had strayed too.

Well, Old Pa, that reminds me that you were among those who helped (?) me in my race for commissioner? Do you remember telling any one that I was a socialist? Now don't deny it Old Pa, for it was my neighbor and friend to whom you were talking. Now, Old Pa, as to the articles in the Dallas News, I challenge you to show a single line stating that I was a socialist. True I had a discussion on the land question with Dr. Smith of Munday, Knox county, but you very well know that I favored limited ownership of land, whereas socialists advocate government ownership.

Plow Boy.

KEYSER

It is looking like rain today (Monday). Hope it will give us a shower.

Miss Minnie and Arvil Rhodes spent Sunday with Floyd Rhodes and wife.

Miss Allie Gully attended church at Bryson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Keyser and children spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Keyser.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Sampley and children, Mr. and Mrs. Pink Rhodes and daughter spent Sunday at the home of J. L. Rhodes.

Harold Keyser has returned home from a visit to Henrietta.

Misses Opal Robinson and Rosy Rhodes called on Miss Nora Henry Sunday eve.

F. N. Ballow and family attended Sunday school at Bryson Sunday.

J. L. Rhodes and sons went fishing last week.

As news is scarce I will go.

Blue Eyes.

BEE A B O O S T E R

Local and Personal Mention

The Master Key at the Airdome tonight.

Mrs. R. A. Duncan is in Indiana visiting relatives.

R. W. Easterling of Indian Mound was here Tuesday.

Miss Nora Logan is visiting in Whitt and Mineral Wells.

Go to the polls tomorrow and vote for the Sackett resolution.

Lee Repass of Ivan was a business visitor in Graham Tuesday.

Mrs. J. T. Boyd of Loving was shopping in the city Tuesday.

You should vote on the constitutional amendments tomorrow.

A. Clay Smith of Flint Creek was a visitor in the city Tuesday.

Asberry Caudill of Cedar Creek was trading in the city Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Young of Eliasville were visitors here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Grubbs of Jean were visitors in Graham Monday.

Messrs. W. N. Fisher and Beard of Indian Mound were in Graham Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Steele of Cedar Creek were visitors in the city Monday.

All friends of higher education should vote for the Sackett Resolution tomorrow.

T. Hall of Bunker was a caller at The Reporter office while in the city Tuesday.

A. G. Love of Roaring Springs was in the city this week meeting his many friends.

Messrs. Simpson and York of Bryson were business visitors in Graham Wednesday.

Leslie Scott was in Weatherford, Jacksboro and other points on business last week.

Dr. R. A. Duncan leaves in a few days for Chicago, where he will attend Polyclinic.

McCall Patterns.
We have all styles and all sizes of these patterns.
S. B. Street & Co.

Mesdames Dee James and W. W. Hoggard of Indian Mound were shopping in the city Monday.

Miss Alice Vaughn of Lone Star paid The Reporter a pleasant visit while in the city Saturday.

Mrs. Gaines B. Hall and two children left last week for a visit with her parents at Comanche, Texas.

Do you want to see the University of Texas absorb the A. & M. College? If you do not vote for the Sackett Resolution.

Land Abstracts furnished on short notice.
King & Marshall, Abstracters.
31tf

E. B. Owen made a business trip to Woodson and other points in Throckmorton county this week.

Bring your chickens to the Union Wagon Yard. Will pay the top price.
40tf W. L. Howry.

Land Abstracts furnished on short notice.
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31tf

J. E. Workman and family returned Monday from several days' tour of West Texas and New Mexico in their car.

We offer choice of any Ladies' Hat in the store for only \$1.00.
Ladies' Trimmed Hats \$1.00.
S. B. Street & Co.

A thriller tonight at the Airdome. The Master Key becomes more interesting with each succeeding episode.

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

Mrs. Meece and daughter, who have been visiting here, have gone to Henrietta to visit Judge and Mrs. R. F. Arnold.

Men's Work Clothes.
Best Shoes, Overalls, Gloves and Shirts in Graham.
S. B. Street & Co.

Mrs. F. M. Danley and daughter, Adele, of Lone Star, made The Reporter a pleasant visit while in the city Saturday.

Get busy boys and girls and see who wins the bicycles in the Airdome contest. You can win if you work.

Ladies' Fine Dress Skirts.
All skirts have been marked down to special bargain prices.
S. B. Street & Co.

Alfred Parsons and Tolbert Hall of Gooseneck passed thru Graham Tuesday enroute to Megargel, where they will work in the harvest.

Carl, Arnold, who recently graduated from the medical department of T. C. U. at Fort Worth, was a visitor in the city last week.

Miss Ethel Birdwell left yesterday to spend three weeks with Miss Lillian Hall on the farm near Farmer.

Dress Goods Bargains.
We have on our bargain counters a big lot of dress goods worth from 25c to 75c yard at choice for 15c.
S. B. Street & Co.

Slippers at 50c.
One lot Misses' and Children's Slippers, former price up to \$2 to close out at choice for 50c.
S. B. Street & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Tidwell and daughter, Mildred, returned Saturday from a trip to Los Angeles and San Francisco, California and Denver, Colorado.

Mrs. Ira T. Gilmer and little daughter, of Gulfport, Miss., arrived in Graham Tuesday night for a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Morrison.

Almost Given Away.
One lot Children's Slippers, former prices \$1.00 to \$1.75 to close out at choice for 25c.
S. B. Street & Co.

John C. Bower spent several days the first of the week at Ingleside Ranch working on a big traction engine for Col. S. R. Jeffery.

Jack King, who has been here for the past two weeks visiting his brother, County Supt. B. W. King, returned home last Thursday.

Dress Goods at 9c.
Extra Special Bargain in Wash Dress Goods, former prices up to 35c, to close out at 9c.
S. B. Street & Co.

Misses Lena and Ida Owen, Stella and Ella Smith and Alta Driver of Bunker, were pleasant callers at The Reporter office while in the city Monday.

Mrs. H. L. Lane and little sons, J. R. and J. W., of Sinton, are in the city visiting her mother, Mrs. H. M. Jones. They made The Reporter a pleasant call Wednesday.

Rev. R. L. English, pastor of the Baptist church at Newcastle, and Rev. J. L. McCord of Loving, who are conducting a revival meeting at Flint Creek, were in the city Tuesday.

Palm Beach Suits for Men.
We have a complete stock of Genuine Palm Beach Suits, light and dark colors, all sizes, the best made, price only \$7.50.
S. B. Street & Co.

Lucian Smith, who has been working at Artesia, New Mexico for the past several months, returned to his home here Monday night.

Vote for the Sackett Resolution and divorce the A. & M. from the State University, and thereby preserve the A. & M. from being abolished.

Misses Frances and Carrie Sherrill of Haskell, are visiting in the city, guests of the families of C. M. Rickman and J. B. Norris. The young ladies have been the recipients of many social courtesies the past week.

We Have the Goods.
Our stock is the largest and most complete in Graham and you can always find the goods you want and at the lowest possible prices.
S. B. Street & Co.

When you have finished reading this paper kindly hand it to one of your friends who does not take it and solicit his subscription. We will appreciate it.

Ask your neighbor to subscribe for The Reporter.

Card of Thanks.

We, the family of F. J. Hawkins, want to express to the neighbors and friends our thanks for the many kindnesses shown us in the recent illness and death of our loving father. May God's richest blessings rest upon you.
Mother and Children.

Ladies' Hats \$1.00.
Choice of any Ladies' Hat worth from \$2.50 to \$6.50 now only \$1.00.
S. B. Street & Co.

Oscar Martin, who established the Haskell Free Press, at Haskell, Texas in 1886, and continued as its editor for thirty years, died at his home of heart failure, last week. Mr. Martin was one of the pioneers in the newspaper business in this section, and the Free Press was always one of Haskell's best assets.

Presbyterian Church.
The pastor will preach Sunday morning and night. Public invited.
Gaines B. Hall.

Receives New Tractor.
D. G. Vick received his new Bull Tractor Wednesday, and took it out to Mr. Padgett's farm near town to give a demonstration of its pulling ability. Quite a number of farmers and business men went along to see how it would work, and all expressed themselves as very much pleased with the way it "walked about" with its load. Mr. Vick has accepted the agency in Graham for this new tractor. You will see his advertisement on another page.

Honoring the Misses Sherrill.
One of the most delightful events of the season was the porch party given by Miss Ada Rickman last Tuesday evening honoring her cousins, Misses Frances and Carrie Sherrill, from Haskell.

The cool porch of the Rickman residence, which was tastefully decorated with ferns, was converted for a short while into a suitable setting for the active festivities of the guests. The first hour of the party passed quickly in the introductions of the guests to the honorees and the other strangers present. After this ten games of Progressive Rook, Forty-two, and Bunco were played, in which keen competition was shown among the guests. Mr. William Johnson won the gentleman's prize, a box of stationery, while Miss Ethel Birdwell won the lady's prize, also a box of stationery, in a cut with Miss Lucile Miller.

Following the games, the hostess, assisted by Misses Alice and Louise Norris, served a delicious ice and cake course to the following guests: Misses Agnes Craig, Adele Jeffery, Nell Graham, Lucile Miller, Berenice Miller, Ethel Birdwell, Lillie Morrison, Eloise Morrison, Ruth Doty, Lorena Wallace, Buford Snoddy, Eva Leverage, Willie Kizer, Carrie Sherrill, Frances Sherrill, Alice Norris, Louise Norris; Messrs. Evans, Mabry Short, Paul Deats, R. F. Short, W. McClatchy, Leslie Scott, J. C. Rickman, Scarborough Mabry, Floy Hinson, Fred Hudson, S. Boyd Street, Sherrill Norris, J. B. Norris and William Johnson.
A Guest.

Ladies' Skirts \$1.00
Three dozen Ladies' Wool Dress Skirts, former prices \$3 to \$7.50, choice for only \$1.00.
S. B. Street & Co.

Read the advertisements in this paper, you may save money enough in one transaction to pay for several papers thereby.

Why Not an Export Tax?

It is difficult to write with calmness on the proposition advanced in the British house of lords to limit imports of cotton to neutral countries to the precise amount of actual needs calculated on the average amount of imports which they had employed at home during the last few years.

At first glance the proposition seems too absurd to deserve attention, but since it was made by Lord Crewe, the president of the council, it must be taken as made in all seriousness and that it is the intention of Great Britain to again break down the price of cotton and condemn the people of the South to another year of poverty and distress.

Although Lord Crewe says that it is the intent of Great Britain to effect this by friendly negotiations with the neutral countries, the fact remains that England was able to restrict the output of cotton from the United States earlier in the war by means of its infamous orders-in-council which were in fact a notification to all neutral countries that trading between them would be permitted by Great Britain only under regulations such as she might see fit to impose.

And it should be further understood that it is the purpose of the war party in England to make cotton absolute contraband, even when sent to a neutral country only for the purpose of legitimate manufacture.

Great Britain will not modify its orders-in-council although the seizure of neutral ships and the following confiscation of their cargoes rest solely upon the degree of suspicion her naval commanders may have respecting the ultimate destination of both ship and cargo.

To the British commander the manifests of the vessels and the character of the cargoes are of no value whatever in determining his actions.

He is ordered to consult only his suspicions, and it must be admitted he has obeyed the orders of the admiralty to the letter.

With the ships clearing from American ports and now held in British prize courts, although they are numbered by the score, The Record is not now dealing; it is with the proposed limitation of cotton imports by neutral countries in the future that this paper has to say.

First, that the proposed action is a direct attack upon the prosperity of one-half of the states of this union.

Second, that in effect it will declare an export blockade against the commerce of the United States.

Third, that it proposes to dictate to all neutral nations receiving cotton from the United States how much they shall import and to what use they shall put it after it has been imported.

Fourth, it is another denial of the freedom of the seas.

Fifth, its acquiescence in by neutral nations would make them allies of Great Britain in the prosecution of the war, and virtual vassals of that country. If England may say successfully to a neutral nation in 1915 because she, England, is at war, "you shall not import cotton from the United States," she may say to the same nation and to all nations the following year when all may be at peace, "you shall not import foodstuffs from the United States without my permission."

The mild protests that have been made by the state department hitherto against the seizure of American vessels and cargoes by the allies have produced no results. England regards these protests with such contempt that some of them have never received a reply.

Is it possible that the cotton

crop of the South is again to be menaced or sacrificed under the present policy of the state department?

There is a power in the United States greater than the state department. It is the congress of the United States. There is a power greater than congress—the American people.

Congress might be called together in extra session to determine whether the representatives of the whole people are willing that half of the country shall be made victims again to the selfish policies of America's greatest commercial enemy, Great Britain.

In the defense of the cotton growers of the southern states a retaliatory policy should be adopted by our government. There is certain to be a greater demand for cotton than ever before.

If Great Britain carries out her threat and attempts to bankrupt the growers of cotton then this government should prohibit the exportation of cotton.

This may bring the rulers of Great Britain to their senses.

If the neutral markets for American cotton are to be destroyed then why supply Great Britain with cotton?

Or better still, why not a heavy export tax, this tax to be refunded when it is shown that the cotton grower has received more than 10 cents per pound for the fleecy staple?

Our people should be protected.

We have a Democratic administration. The South is responsible for this administration.

Texas nominated Woodrow Wilson at Baltimore.

There are millions of cotton growers. Their rights should be respected and their property protected.

Why not a heavy export tax? Why not a retaliatory blow in defense of the producers of the most important of all American staples?

The people are the masters. The people should speak out.

The people should organize.

THE PEOPLE SHOULD ISSUE ORDERS TO THEIR SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES. THE TIME HAS COME TO ACT.—Fort Worth Record.

Want Ads

For Sale.—Baby walker, in good condition. Apply at this office.

For Sale
Second hand Deering Row Binder; been used 2 seasons, in good condition.
Price \$50.00. D. G. VICK.

For Sale—Good Jersey milk cows for sale. My place in Tonk Valley.
J. T. Rogers.
42-3p P. O. Graham.

For Trade.
Eleven head young mules, four horses, nice residence in Graham for tract grass land.
Apply W. I. Tidwell & Sons.

House for Sale Cheap—Good 5-room house and two lots, with up-ground cistern, new barn, big garden and chicken yard, within 200 yards of school building. Long time to pay.
Apply at 43-44ch. Reporter office.

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