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## DIST. COURT OPENS NEXT MONDAY

JUDGE AKIN WILL SERVE  
FIRST TIME SINCE HIS  
ELECTION

**Heavy Civil Docket to be Tried,  
With Only One Criminal  
Case Which Was Reversed.**

District Court will open in Graham next Monday, with Judge J. W. Akin presiding. This will be Judge Akin's first service in the District Court in this county since his election, he having been disqualified in most of the cases having heretofore come up.

About the most interesting case for the term will be that of the County against L. B. Padgett on his official bond, as a great number of the citizens of the county were sureties on his bond while county treasurer.

The civil docket has quite a number of cases, but so far only one criminal case appears, that of Cleve Barnes, who was convicted in the last Court, and had the case reversed by the Court of Criminal Appeals.

Following is the setting of the civil docket:

H. P. Akers vs. Morris Woods, damages.

Morris Woods vs. H. P. Akers, breach of contract.

Sallie Rayburn vs. R. J. Rayburn, divorce.

L. F. Kindley vs. Mrs. Ellen Wood, et al, trespass to try title.

Arthur Speed vs. John Sadberry, et al, trespass to try title.

Scottish American Mfg. Co., vs. R. L. Tankersley et al, foreclosure lien.

Gus Fitche vs. J. L. Yancey, foreclosure on vendor's lien notes.

John Hill vs. N. J. B. Hill et al, partition.

Young County vs. I. B. Padgett et al, suit on official bond.

W. M. Bruster vs. G. W. Garrett et al, foreclosure on vendor's lien.

W. C. Daniel vs. A. T. Thomas, trespass to try title.

John Pohlmann vs. R. J. Johnson et al.

Nola Tevis vs. A. B. Tevis, divorce.

Geo. M. Harmon vs. Melissa Harmon, divorce.

Jennie Elmore vs. J. T. Elmore, divorce.

J. N. Boozer vs. S. L. Thornton, debt.

R. L. Tankersley vs. W. E. Jackson, foreclosure on notes.

F. E. Baldridge vs. The John E. Morrison Co., damages.

State of Texas vs. Unknown Owner, taxes.

State of Texas vs. W. F. Wier, taxes.

Mollie Slade vs. J. T. Slade, divorce.

State of Texas vs. Unknown Owner, taxes.

Mrs. M. J. Clayton vs. S. M. Clayton, partition.

Lula English vs. R. E. English, divorce.

W. W. Hampton vs. Mary E. Hampton, divorce.

Charles B. Gant vs. W. C. Groner, suit on notes.

Henry Groves vs. J. H. Wood, foreclosure.

W. O. Clark vs. John R. Washington, debt.

Dessie Hix vs. Walter Hix, divorce.

J. A. Harmon vs. Chas. Upham and his heirs, suit to remove cloud from title.

M. K. Graham et al vs. S. M. J. Benson et al, damages.

H. K. Ragland vs. C. R. I & G. R. Co., damages.

John Pohlmann vs. Harvey Buckler et al, suit on notes.

Mary B. Fisher vs. John H. Fisher, divorce.

Mrs. S. E. Swancy vs. J. P. McKinley, trespass to try title.

Mrs. Gelle Bishop vs. Louis Johnson, action to recover deed.

Mrs. Susie Harrell vs. J. R. Harrell, divorce.

Mrs. Mary Hampton vs. W. W. Hampton, divorce.

William Waln vs. Belknap Coal Co., damages.

William Bernhardt vs. A. A. Bernhardt et al, partition.

Mrs. Ellen Wood vs. T. F. Kindley, damages.

J. C. Vaughan vs. C. C. Graves et al, foreclosure.

Graham Odd Fellow Lodge No. 361 vs. Springfield Fire & Marine Ins. Co., damages.

Indiana Stove Works vs. D. G. Vick, suit on notes.

Mrs. Maggie Graves et al vs. Dee Howrey et al, partition.

Nannie A. Howrey et al vs. C. W. Johnson, damages.

C. W. Johnson vs. W. A. McBee, trespass to try title.

Chas. Gibbs vs. E. Searcy, damages.

### LES HIBOUX

The Friday Bridge Club met with Miss Lucile Miller last Friday morning from 9 till 11 o'clock.

After playing several games of rook and bridge the hostess, assisted by Miss Zella Allen, served an ice course with angel food and pecan cake.

Mrs. Henry Criswell won the high score prize in Bridge, while Miss Lucile Doty won the cut prize. Miss Irma Lee Peck of Bryan won the Rook prize.

The following members were present: Mesdames F. F. Parrish, E. C. Stovall, Norman, Arnold, Gay, Wadsworth, Hutchison, Q. Street, Fowler; Misses Zella Allen, Dorothy Graham, Eula Logan, Bladen Garrett, Lillian Manning. Invited guests: Mesdames Horace Tidwell, H. E. Griffin, I. T. Gilmer, B. Anderson, Sam Criswell, Crouch of McKinney; Misses Nelle Graham, Lucille and Ruth Doty, Mayzelle Morrison, Hugh Weaver, Irma Lee Peck of Bryan and Atsinger of Florida.

### Christian Endeavor.

Topic—"Zeal for Your Task."

Rom. 12:11.

Leader—Will Johnson.

"Today Our Opportunity."

"Christ's Enthusiasm." John 2:13-17.—Mildred Martin.

"Mistaken Zeal." I. Kings, 18:21-29.—Mr. H. L. Tidwell.

"Zeal for Souls." I. Cor. 9:18-27.—Lucy Morris.

### Presbyterian Church.

Services Sunday morning and night. Sunday school 9:45 a.m. All new people especially invited to be with us. Public always welcome at either service.

Gaines B. Hall,  
Pastor.

### Mount Pleasant.

Rev. Gaines B. Hall will preach Sunday afternoon at the close of Sunday school. Please be on time and take part in the Sunday school and church services.

### OFFERED GOOD POSITION IN PLAINVIEW COLLEGE

Prof. J. F. H. Crabb Receives Flattering Offer from Wayland Baptist College.

J. F. H. Crabb, director of Crabb's School of Music of this city, received a flattering offer last week from Wayland Baptist College, at Plainview, Texas.

The president of the college has been trying for some time to get Prof. Crabb to locate in Plainview, but the offer was refused, so last week he received a letter offering him especially liberal terms if he would accept. This offer was also turned down as Prof. Crabb is evidently satisfied with Graham and expects to have one of the finest classes of music this year that the city has known.

In 1912 and 1913 Prof. Crabb was solicited to take charge of the music department of Howard Payne College at Brownwood, but declined the offer each year.

The following article appeared in a recent issue of a Plainview paper:

Early indications are that 1915-16 will be the best year in the history of Wayland Baptist College. The new president, Dr. O. L. Hailey, has been in the field in the interest of the school.

Dr. Hailey is completing the strongest faculty in some respects that the college has ever had. In this connection he says:

"Prof. T. L. Givault, of the University of Mississippi, will teach history and assist in mathematics and Latin, if necessary. Miss Sophia Donnell, of Baylor Female College, has been secured as voice teacher.

"I expect to close an engagement with a very excellent teacher of expression in a few days.

"But one of the finest strokes of management is the securing of Prof. J. F. H. Crabb for the music department. Prof. Crabb has had several years' experience in teaching in Howard Payne College, at Brownwood, and in Simmons College, at Abilene. He has taken special post-graduate courses in Chicago University and under Prof. Liebling in piano and eminent teachers in violin and other stringed instruments, as well as in wind instruments. He will be first assistant to Miss Jeter in the piano department and teach violin and other instruments. He will organize a band and make things go forward splendidly in the department of music."

### Christian Endeavor Program.

Leader—Miss Estelline Price. Topic—"Throw Yourself into Your Task."

Song.

Responsive Reading—Eph. 6:4-9.

Leader's Talk.

Song.

"Training"—Mrs. Hudson.

"Adaptability"—Miss Clara Price.

"Steadiness"—Miss Norma Copeland.

"Kindness"—Miss Lois Weir.

Song.

Roll Call.

Offering.

Election of Officers.

Mizpah.

Mrs. J. S. Roth of Corsicana, spent from Monday till Thursday of last week in the city, visiting the family of her brother, E. L. Choate.

### Ford Company Begins to Mail 300,000 Checks.

These are busy days—particularly busy days—at the Ford Motor company's administration building, Detroit. Checks—each for \$50—are going out to more than 300,000 Ford owners who by purchasing their cars between August, 1914, and August, 1915, participate in Ford profits to the aggregate of more than \$15,000,000. This disbursement is in itself rather a stupendous task. The checks are being mailed out at the rate of about 10,000 a day, a per diem distribution of \$500,000.

A large and distinct organization has been arranged to complete this task. When the profit sharing plan for Ford owners was announced on Aug. 1, 1914, a department to handle the details was installed in the Ford administration building. For several weeks now a large corps of stenographers has been filling in the 300,000 names in the checks. These names are taken from the original bills of sale.

Open face envelopes are used, the name of the payee serving also as the mailing address. The amount of the check—\$50—is printed on its face.

The work of signing more than 300,000 checks itself offered a problem. Each check carries the signature of one of three assistant cashiers and the most inveterate scribbler might easily develop writer's cramp and grow exceedingly tired of his own name without some device to lighten his labor. There are five checks to a sheet and by a single operation of the pen these five checks are signed simultaneously.

As far as possible the checks are being mailed to the owners in the same chronological order as the cars were purchased. Bill

of sale No. 1, by the way, was signed by Genevieve Morrison, 914 North Florence street, El Paso, Texas. It covers a Ford touring car, motor No. 544,547, bought Aug. 1, 1914.

The profit sharing owners in this huge list range from large corporations, who have bought many Fords for the equipment of their salesmen or for delivery purposes, to thrifty Americans who have invested their savings in their Fords as a pleasure giving, health bringing gift to themselves and their families. And it is a complete democracy. Everybody gets the same sized check—\$50 on each car purchased.

The large number of women on the list of beneficiaries, too, is significant. Evidently women buy and drive the Ford, not only because of its safety element, but because of its ease of operation and control, its sheer simplicity.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

### Christian Church.

Bible school at 10 a.m.

Communion at 11 a.m.

Preaching at 11:15.

Christian Endeavor at 7:30 p.m.

There will be no preaching at the evening hour on account of the meeting now in progress at Flat Rock school house.

The meeting will continue over the 12th of this month.

To all the above services you have a cordial invitation.

J. E. Evans, Pastor.

Will and Lee Donnell of Eliasville were in Graham Monday.

### GRAHAM RECEIVES FIRST BALE OF COTTON

Brought in by W. A. Barron of South Bend.

The first bale of this season's crop of cotton was brought to Graham last Monday by W. A. Barron of South Bend.

Mr. Barron is farming on the Stovall Plantation.

The bale was not ginned, however, until yesterday on account of the failure of the Graham Gin Co., to be in readiness, occasioned by the high water of a few weeks ago.

The seed cotton for the bale weighed 1405 pounds, and ginned out 520 pounds of lint. It was bought by Tidwell & Sons for \$9.40 per hundred, bringing a total of \$48.88. A premium of \$20.50 was given Mr. Barron, and estimating the seed to be worth about \$7.50, brought the price of the bale up to \$76.88.

**Fourth-Class Mail Must Be Insured Instead of Registered  
Against Loss, After September 1.**

In a recent order from the postal authorities at Washington to postoffices, it was announced that, effective Sept. 1, fourth-class matter, including parcel post, may not be registered. It was, however, stated that insurance might be bought for any parcel being sent as fourth-class matter in any amount equivalent to its value, but not to exceed \$5 in any case on payment of a fee of 3 cents, or \$25 in any case on payment of a fee of 5 cents, or \$50 on payment of 10 cents, or \$100 on payment of 25 cents.

This indemnity for the loss of packages is not allowed in case of parcels sent to the Philippine islands; unless the parcel is lost while in the hands of the United States mail service.

The order further stated that matter addressed to postoffices in the first and second zones of the parcel post mailing system where the haul would be 300 miles or more, must bear postage as if it were destined to a third zone station. There are many cases of this kind in this, the Eleventh division, comprising Arkansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas, the post office officials said.

Advices were also in evidence from the Argentine postal authorities to the effect that all mail entering that country which contained dutiable articles would be held and confiscated unless the addressee was willing to pay the import taxes.

Dr. W. H. Logan left Tuesday morning for Weatherford and other points on business connected with the manufacture of the Lone Star Road Grader. One of the new machines will be completed within a short time at Weatherford, and

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No copy for advertisements or re-  
ports of Clubs or other news items  
will be accepted later than 12 o'clock  
Wednesday before publication day.

Graham merchants are al-  
ways in the front of the pro-  
cession in the selection of new  
goods for their customers, and  
this season's selections outstrip  
anything they have ever at-  
tempted before. You can do no  
better than coming to Graham to  
supply the wants of your  
family.

Mexico's "first chief," Car-  
ranza, does not appreciate the  
efforts of the United States to  
bring about peace in his coun-  
try, but he will find that his  
elimination from future consid-  
eration can easily be accom-  
plished. The refusal by this  
country to sell him arms and  
ammunition will soon bring  
about his downfall, then he will  
be forced to eliminate himself,  
and will likely go the same  
route as did his predecessors,  
Diaz and Huerta.

Gasoline tractors are becom-  
ing more popular for farm work  
as farmers learn the advantage  
of using them instead of horses.

Messrs. Myers & Blue have  
ordered three cars of tractors,  
six to the car, and reports hav-  
ing sold all but three. These  
fifteen engines put to work in  
the Burk Burnett country will  
do the work of quite a number  
of horses and mules.—Burkbur-  
nett Star.

Machinery should rightfully  
take the places of horses and  
mules, especially on the farm.

More and better work may be  
accomplished with a gasoline  
tractor, than can possibly be  
done by horses and mules of an  
equal cash value, but the big-  
gest consideration is the sav-  
ing of many hours of hard la-  
bor to both man and the dumb  
brute. We predict that another  
ten years will find even the  
small farmer a possessor of a  
traction engine, and the sooner  
the man who tills the soil learns  
to do the most of his work by  
machinery the sooner will he  
be independent of the market's  
fluctuations. One cause for his  
independence will be a natural  
desire to protect his investments,  
not only in land, but in the  
machinery that makes pos-  
sible the cultivation of this land,

and instead of being forced to  
dispose of his crops, will be  
able to hold them until prices  
reach a satisfactory level. A  
traction engine doesn't eat ex-  
cept when it is earning some-  
thing.

If those Mexicans along the  
border could be made acquainted  
with a little of Texas' early  
history we doubt if they would  
attempt any more depredations  
on Texas soil, and we believe  
that if Gen. Funston will give  
the boys just a little rope, every  
bandit in that territory will run

MONUMENT

Well, well, I have often heard  
of cold days in August and now  
we are having some cool weather.  
It seems as if we should be  
picking cotton, but there won't  
be any cotton to pick for a week  
or two yet.

A great many boll weevils  
have found themselves homes  
down in this part of the coun-  
try.

Yank, I wish you would keep  
your little pests at home, for  
we don't welcome them down  
here.

We say, recruit the ranger  
force up a few more dozen men,  
equip them with good guns, and  
there will be no need for Gen.  
Funston to issue more rope to  
the "boys." When it comes to

a border Mexican situation,  
Texas' Ranger laddies are  
thoroughly capable of coping  
with the situation, as has in  
the past been proven.—Haskell  
Free Press.

BUNGER

The meeting closed Sunday

afternoon at 3 o'clock at the  
water. Eight additions to the  
church, six by baptism. Five

more professed faith in Christ.

Some sickness at this writing.

Mrs. Mullenax and two of the  
children are sick. Grandma  
Driver is also quite sick, with  
some fever.

Ira Grantham and family and  
Mrs. Rhodes have returned from

their visit and say everything

is all right where they have  
been.

Capt. James, Jim Ferguson,

Lee McLaren and Johnny James

are breaking land for Wils

Copeland. He has two or three

hundred acres to break for

wheat.

G. W. Mahaney and Joe Up-

ham went to Ming Bend Mon-

day afternoon after peaches.

John Couger passed through

here Monday afternoon with the

tracks for his gasoline engine.

A. Grimshaw left Monday for

his home in Eastland county.

Mr. Alfred Parsons and Miss

Stella Smith were united in

marriage at the bride's home at

9 o'clock Sunday morning. We

wish them a long and prosper-

ous life.

H. A. Driver has the prize

cotton stalk of this country. It

contains one hundred and five

bolls and twenty-nine are open.

Jim Price brought the road

plow here Monday afternoon for

repairs. He has joined the

good road movement.

Henry Driver is talking of

buying a self-playing piano. I

can almost hear him playing

now.

R. L. McLaren was here Mon-

day and bought all the fruit

jar tops and rubbers Mr. Driver

had.

Listen to the Gander's snake

story. He seldom tells one but

when he does it is a good one I

am sure.

J. G. Parsons and R. L. Mc-

Laren went to Bud Owen's last

Tuesday morning for peaches.

Will Owen started to church

Sunday and after he had gotten

away from home a mile or

so he looked down at his feet

and said to his wife: "Dear, I

forgot to put on my Sunday

shoes." And then he pulled up

his pants leg and remarked, "I

haven't got on any socks

either."

Goose.

TRY A REPORTER WANT AD

PICKWICK

Oh, yes, Dago, that rain was  
fine. I certainly did appreciate  
it. How do you all like this  
cool weather we are having?  
Isn't it fine?

The meeting last week was  
fine. There were six additions to  
the church. Baptizing Sunday  
afternoon and Sunday night.  
I wasn't there but all said it was a beautiful night.

Mrs. Mark Slay called on Mrs.  
G. W. Underwood Sunday af-

ternoon.

Mrs. T. F. Weldon spent Sun-

day with Grandma and Mrs. G.

W. Underwood.

Mrs. A. L. Davis visited Mrs.

Walter Layton Sunday.

Mrs. Bearden and two daugh-

ters, Pearl and Donnie, of Okla-

homa are visiting Mr. and Mrs.

Walter Layton at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Layton met them

at Newcastle and brought

them down. We are glad to

have them with us again.

Ben Weldon and sister, Miss

Carrie, visited friends in Jack

county last Saturday and Sun-

day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Weldon are

visiting in Grayson county

at present.

Mrs. Nannie Weldon and

daughters, Misses Georgie and

Louette, spent Wednesday af-

ternoon with Mrs. J. S. Whatley

and daughter, Myrtle.

Mr. Richardson of Salem was

in our midst Saturday and he

and W. L. Costello went to Gra-

ford to attend the lodge meet-

ing. Matt McMillan also at-

tended the lodge.

Miss Myrtle Whatley spent

Saturday night and Sunday

with Misses Georgie and Louet-

te Weldon.

The singing at the school

house was well attended Sunday

afternoon, also the singing at

W. L. Costello's Sunday night.

Misses Lena and Hassie Clay

spent Sunday with Miss Lottie

Davis.

Hurrah! for the baseball nine

of Lucille and Pickwick. They

played Graford Saturday and

the score stood 5 to 3 in favor

of Lucille and Pickwick.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Ander-

son of Barten Chapel were in

our community last week.

We have a man teacher for

our school another year but I

have forgotten his name. We

thought we would have the

same teacher we had last year

but she could not accept the

school. We are all very sorry

to lose our old teacher.

Mrs. Stokes and daughter and

son of Jack county are visiting

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Layton at

present.

Robert Weldon took Sunday

dinner with Ben Weldon.

Several from here attended

Sunday school at Lucille Sun-

day and all reported a nice

time.

Mrs. Donenell and Mrs. Tapp

called on Grandma Doan Sun-

day afternoon.

J. P. and Grandpa Nixon

were both in our midst last

week. We are always glad to

#### WHITE ROSE

An error last week was failing to state that R. G. Taylor and family took in church at White Rose. We were glad to have you out "Kid," come again.

We learn that Aunt Mary Wood has been very sick for the past several days, but she is improving at this writing.

Jim Pearce was in Graham Sunday.

My, isn't this socialistic writing bringing objections thick and fast? Some are afraid that it will bite their religion and others try to show how it would be impossible for it to be put into operation. Why are they penning all these remarks at Roseite? I will tell you why, because Roseite has stormed the citadel of capitalism. As long as we advocate reform and preach contentment among the workers, we are in fellowship with the masters; but as soon as we lay down way by which the worker can come into his rightful inheritance the whole ruling classes of the world are turned upon us with ridicule and scorn. And you always find a few "tories" in the worker's line.

For the last thousand years when the workers dared to demand better conditions and a bigger portion of the products of his toil, that great scare crow, the religious booger, was thrown in his face. The greatest way to keep a man in bondage is to make him think that he will spend eternity in fire and brimstone if he revolts.

Socialism does not oppose Christianity, but it is the commercialized form of Christianity that they fight. This commercialized form of the church is the greatest ally of Capitalism. The thinking working man realizes this, and there is no wonder that there is no more harmony between them than the wolf and the lamb.

Plow Boy I note from your qualifications of a good Socialist, as you laid down in your last article, only a few of us will pass inspection. And you think to be a good Socialist we must have the same religious views as Carl Marx. Well you must also accept the same rule for a good democrat. You must have the same religious opinions as Thomas Jefferson, for Jefferson is the model of the democratic party.

Now Plow Boy you see how silly your logic is. Your argument all the way through has been similar stuff. You will not accept the standard definition of socialism but you want to make your own definition. This course will only lead us from the subject and confuse the readers. You have surely forgotten what you started to prove, that is, "we would have no government at all under socialism." If you want a religious argument I am not the man, for I am going to argue socialism, which is the collective ownership and democratic management of the things collectively used and the private ownership of the things privately used.

Why do you want Salemite's definition of socialism if it is not that you know that he will twist the truth? Can't you look in the encyclopedia or dictionary and get a correct definition? Salemite is not the source of knowledge in other states as he is in the bend of the Brazos.

The main reason that I am a socialist is because they have a way stopping the sorry people of whom you spoke in your last article from working the other fellow. This man may or may not have worked you and your friend Walker, but we will presume that he did. Why was this man in that position? He said that under capitalism he could not get work. They fed him a few days and said to him you may get

work down at such a place, but they were doubtful. Now all of this happened under this unsystematized system of capitalism. While under socialism they could have said to the poor man without hesitating, over yonder is a big co-operative farm the state is managing, you can get work there. And a little further down the road the state is grading it up and building bridges, you can get work there and draw your pay every night, if it is necessary for you to do so in order to live. They wouldn't have had to feed or donated charity to him at all under socialism. That man willingly or unwillingly was the victim of capitalism, and the man owning these things and working the other fellow is also a victim of capitalism, and will be removed under socialism, for we will remove the cause of both of them being there.

Yes, come on Salemite and tell us why the socialists didn't stop the European war, and I will also tell you why they couldn't stop it, and I will tell you a plan by which the workers can stop all future wars. Roseite.

#### ROCK CREEK

Hello Mr. Editor and Scribes, how are you all enjoying the rain? Everything has "greened" up down here even to the girls.

Quite a number of our people are taking in the meeting at Bryson. The meeting will probably continue this week, and perhaps Bro. Simmons will preach some for us at Rock Creek. Everybody come and bring some one with you.

I had the pleasure of meeting Trixie Sunday night at church. Of course, she being a wee bit nearsighted or something she did not recognize me at first, but soon discovered me.

Yank, the cannery factory was in operation last week. Could not say when it will be again. As for the tomatoes, they most all have second growth.

Miss Fannie Stoffers of Graham visited from Saturday till Tuesday with we Rockers.

Misses Bessie Burk and Fannie Stoffers called at Mrs. Bennett's Monday.

Sister Simmons, who has been staying at Mrs. Bennett's while the meeting was going on went to Bryson tonight to join Bro. Simmons and they will visit among those good Bryson people.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Foster and little son, Sidney, called on Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Burk Sunday.

Mrs. Dora Harper spent Sunday and Sunday night with Mrs. J. H. Bennett.

Mrs. Roberta Howard returned to her home in Paradise Saturday, after an extended visit with relatives and friends of this community.

Thanks, Candy Kid, for your pencil. I will hand it back before I use it up. Daisy Flat.

#### HUNT

The meeting closed last night (Sunday night) with good success. Several conversions and several additions to the church.

Miss May Burton of Orth spent a part of the past week with the Misses Smith and attended the meeting.

Misses Pearl and Emma Smith, Era Matthews and May Burton spent the day Tuesday with Miss Gerusha Howard.

Miss Alta Groves of Olney spent from Friday afternoon till Sunday afternoon with Miss Mary Ella Patrick.

Grandma Head is visiting her daughter, Mrs. O. S. Perkins.

Mr. W. Os. Rayburn and children spent Saturday with Mrs. Rayburn's home folks.

G. R. Smith went to Olney Saturday.

W. O. Rayburn made a business trip to Graham Saturday.

Some of the people of this community have been attending the meeting at Shinola. They say it sure is a good meeting and much interest is being manifested.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Howard and family, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wadkins and children have been visiting in Archer county. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards and children came home with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gray of Loving are visiting Mrs. Gray's home folks. Mr. Michael and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Perkins spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Ambros Atchley.

Grandma Head spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Vernon.

Mr. and Mrs. Chandler and children spent Sunday afternoon with G. R. Smith and family.

Misses Millie and Ruth Henderson and Bro. Ferguson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Thuet.

Mrs. Sallie Rayburn and Miss May Burton spent Wednesday with Mrs. Rayburn and children.

Grandpa Rushain's folks spent Sunday with W. A. Rushain.

Misses Lela and Nina Bryant, Ollie and Ellen Atchley, Gerald Haygood and Ethel Rothfell spent Sunday with Miss Maude Womack.

How do you all like this winter weather? I for one like it just fine. Horned Frog.

#### INDIAN MOUND

Sunday was one of the loveliest days that we have had here for some time. We hope the weather may continue this way for several days.

Sunday school was well attended, there being fifty-four present.

J. W. Douglass and wife left last Friday a week ago to visit a sick daughter in Denton county.

Trixie, I was afraid that I was not guessing your age right, but if I had guessed you to be any older I would have heard some one thinking the kid was trying to make an old maid out of TRIXIE.

Yank, your corn prices remind me of a little deal I made in Graham a few years ago. I borrowed some sacks there and when I returned them I had three sacks bearing an o. k. brand so they were turned back to me. I asked if they had as soon have pay for them as the sacks and they said I could pay for them, which I did, and they cost me thirty cents. I decided if sacks were worth ten cents each I would sell them some sacks so I offered to sell them what sacks I had and was offered 3 1-3 cents apiece for all the good sacks I wanted to furnish them.

Last Wednesday R. G. Taylor was in Jean, Thursday he and D. W. Beard spent the day at Graham, Friday they visited Newcastle and Saturday R. G. and daughter, Miss Irene, went to Graham.

Saturday afternoon Mr. Hudson Jarnigan and Miss Ethel Johnson of Newcastle passed here enroute to Graham, where they were married about five o'clock by County Judge W. P. Stinson at his residence. They were accompanied by a few friends from Newcastle.

While I was in Graham Saturday I had the pleasure of talking to Old Pa. I saw Roseite and he was handling the cash as usual. I had a long talk with the old Gander and he doesn't think he will bear picking just now. I also met Plow Boy but it was getting so late in the afternoon, we only had a very short talk.

I have wondered why Bluebird had quit writing but I never knew till last week that she is spending some weeks with

her sister at Newcastle.

Mrs. W. R. Dollins is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Sam Douglass, in Stephens county. She is expecting to be away some two weeks.

W. W. Hoggard and family, Dee James and Richard Douglass went to Newcastle Monday.

Mrs. G. W. McComas visited at the home of R. G. Taylor Monday.

John McComas took a load of wheat to Graham Monday.

Mrs. F. C. Borchardt was at Newcastle Monday.

Sunday morning John McComas drove down to Graham and brought out his brother, Floyd. In the evening he took him back to Graham.

Henry Frie is building a house for N. B. Nolan. Hilliard Taylor is helping with the work.

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## Live News from our Correspondents

### KEYSER

Well, as I have been absent for a few weeks will call again. Health is good in this community.

The weevils are destroying the cotton in this community.

Mrs. Ed Sanders of Jermyn has been dangerously ill with typhoid fever but is reported better at this writing.

Arnie Rhodes has been suffering with a sore foot caused from a nail.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Rhodes are rejoicing over the arrival of an 11-pound boy at their home.

Miss Lerah Sampley has returned home from Megargel.

William Smith spent Saturday night and Sunday with Hugh Robinson.

Miss Rosy Rhodes called at Mrs. Keyser's Saturday eve.

Mrs. Hila Keyser and children and Miss Nora Henry spent Friday at Mrs. Keyser's.

The work on the new school building at Keyser has been rather slow on account of so much rain.

Messrs. Lee and Harold Keyser and Doff Cullers made a trip to Markley Thursday after some goats.

Misses Ethel and Clara Ballow spent the day Sunday with Misses Minnie and Rosy Rhodes.

Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes spent Sunday at their son's, Floyd Rhodes.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Ballow and little son of Grapevine, are here on a visit with relatives. They intend to go from here out west.

Misses Ballow and Rhodes called on Miss Opal Robinson Sunday, August 22.

Bird Rhodes spent one night last week with Hugh Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Martin have returned home after an extended visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. N. Martin, of near Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. Ab. Bryson and little son, Lounie, of Bryson, and Miss Opal Robinson of Keyser went to Geo. Kinder's after fruit Monday, August 23.

Quite a crowd of young folks from Keyser attended church at Bryson Sunday night.

Blue Eyes.

### HAWKINS CHAPEL

Mrs. Scott Baker and sons of Parker county visited relatives in the community and county for about ten days, returning home last week.

Olin Heifner and family called at Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Newman's last Wednesday.

Barnie Baker came in Saturday, after an absence of some time.

Luther Bagley has been sick the past week with fever.

Elzie Tedrow and wife visited his people at Megargel the last of the past week.

Mesdames J. C. Cross of Megargel and Joe R. Mayes and children of Abilene were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hawkins the past week.

The people of this community and outside did some much needed work at the cemetery last week.

Bert Tedrow of Megargel is visiting relatives here at this writing.

Jesse Oatman has dug himself a storm house.

Jack Miller's family of Westfork came down last week to visit Robert Miller and wife.

Elzie Tedrow and wife took Sunday dinner with Walter Baker and family.

There was Sunday school Sunday as usual.

Jim Oatman's family was enjoying company Sunday.

Part of Mr. Valentine's family are away at this writing visiting.

Miss Blanche Bavoissette entertained a lady friend last week.

There was a crowd of Chapel people in Loving Saturday.

Buford Cunningham is in on business at this writing.

Mrs. Brown of Megargel is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Summers.

Some of the Chapel people have been attending the Baptist meeting at Markley.

There was some rain again the past week.

Mrs. Jim Oatman and children were accompanied to Indian Mound last Thursday by Elmer Stephens. She returned Friday accompanied by Miss Ruby Newman.

Little Freda Oatman was enjoying a birthday dinner Sunday.

The cotton is opening but it will be a light crop as boll weevils are greatly damaging the crop.

There is still some fruit in the community to put up.

Miss Edith Cross is visiting her sister, Mrs. Lloyd Hawkins.

Mrs. Tedrow of Megargel, who has been visiting her sons in Waco and Jack county, is expected in Tuesday.

Mrs. Jesse Oatman was indisposed Sunday. Violet:

### SENATE

I will step in this beautiful Sunday evening and give a few items from this vicinity.

We are having lots of rain, which is fine on the late feed and fall gardens, but I fear it is not very good on cotton. I don't suppose it makes much difference as the boll weevils still reign supreme over the cotton patches. Such is life.

J. W. Barker has purchased the gin at Senate and is busily engaged making repairs and getting in good shape for work this fall, provided Mr. Boll Weevil needs any help.

Mrs. C. E. Robbins returned home from Young county this (Sunday) morning, where she had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. E. Clark.

Jim Chaddick of Plainview is visiting relatives at this place.

The young people of this community are enjoying a singing at Mr. Leatherwood's this evening.

Mrs. J. D. Wood visited Mrs. R. D. Miller Thursday.

Misses Leatherwood visited Mrs. John Matlock, Jr., last week.

Misses Alta, Ella and Ruby Barry are visiting Misses George and Edna Bolen today.

As I am a new beginner and news is scarce I will hand my pencil to Pansy and skidoo.

The Lonesome Kid.

(Thanks for your interesting letter Lonesome Kid, and we venture the assertion that after you have contributed to these columns for a while that you will not be so lonesome and will want to change your name, however that is with you altogether as it suits us very well. We hope you will visit us regularly.—Editor.)

### WYNN HILL

We have surely had some fine rains here lately. Everything looks pretty again.

Big meeting has closed here with twenty-one conversions.

There was preaching here Sunday and Sunday night by Bro. Jordan.

A crowd of boys and girls went kodaking Sunday afternoon, on Wynn Hill and all reported a nice time. There were about twenty-five in the crowd.

There is quite a little north-er this morning (Monday.) It won't be long before the north-ers will be coming right along.

There has been two weddings at Wynn Hill lately. Mr. Fred Amburn and Miss Edna Hanna and Mr. Runnels and Miss Mae Wilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Amburn spent Sunday with Miss Pearl Crum.

Mrs. Heral is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Emma Zellner.

Mrs. Mary Amburn and Mrs. Jessie Zellner are visiting in Montague county.

Preston Crum is in Swisher county on a visit to his uncle.

Mr. and Mrs. Crum and family have just returned from a visit at Seymour.

Plenna Streetman and wife of Seymour have been down on a visit to Mrs. Streetman's mother, but are visiting in Montague county now.

Sunday school at Wynn Hill is getting along nicely.

Carl Harmon and wife were at Wynn Hill Sunday.

Broncho Bob.

### MURRAY

(Intended for last week).

Every one has a pleasant smile on their face on account of the rain which fell last night. It put out stock water, which was getting scarce.

The Methodist meeting closed Sunday night with three conversions, and two joined the church.

May all of God's people pray for these three that they may be faithful to the end, though our hearts are broken for our loved ones who are still unsaved.

J. L. Wootton returned from Goree Saturday, accompanied by his grandchildren, Van, Eula B., and Winston Thornton. Mr. Wootton is moving to Goree.

Miss Mary Carmack happened to a painful accident last Saturday. She got her left hand and arm badly burned. She is not doing so well at this writing.

Miss Maggie Bruce of Woodson is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Megginson, this week.

Mr. Megginson's sister is visiting her now. Ye scribe failed to learn her name.

The young people of Murray enjoyed a nice farewell party in honor of the Misses Luna and Maggie Wootton, at Miss Edith Walsh's. Ice cream and cake were served by Miss Walsh, assisted by Misses Mary and Georgie Carmack, to a number of guests.

Just before all departed a box of little gifts were presented the honorees by Miss Mary Carmack. Also a wish book for each, in which all had written a little wish to them.

We regret to see these prominent people leave our midst but will say we wish them all the joys that can be in their new home.

For fear I will take up too much room I will take my departure.

America.

### MING BEND

Health is good in this vicinity as far as I know.

We certainly have had lots of rain the past week.

Everett Newby, Will Gibbs, Jim Mitchell and Bill Sims went on a fishing trip to Cedar creek last Tuesday, returning Wednesday. They report a jolly good time but did not catch any fish.

Earl Pickard, Joe Sims and Everett Newby all went to Fox Hollow Saturday to play ball.

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Mrs. Annie Moss spent Saturday night at W. R. Gibbs'.

W. L. Newby, wife and two little boys spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Gibbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Roark and Mr. and Mrs. Barnes went to church at Bunker Sunday.

R. E. Sims and family took dinner at Mr. Newby's Sunday and went up to the baptizing in

the afternoon. Miss Reuby Newby accompanied them.

I went to baptizing at Bunker today (Sunday) and saw the Goose and Homeite.

R. A. Kutch had his hands out working the road Saturday.

Jesse Owen and wife have been up at Bunker taking in the meeting the past few days.

Walter Tanner moved to Graham last Thursday.

As news is scarce I will hand my pencil to Busy Bee.

Rainy Day.

### UNION RIDGE

Well, well, those who have been howling about rain surely have plenty now. Everything is brimming full of water and running over.

The thresher passed through our neighborhood enroute to Finis and Dillingham Prairie. They have had a time, bogged down several times and I think every hand on the roads will have to be called out for the next sixty days to repair the road where they have gone over.

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Mr. and Mrs. Tripp, accompanied by John Smith, went to Jacksboro, Tuesday, returning Wednesday.

Willie Simpson went down on Connor Creek Thursday after some horses.

Master Dolph Cullers made a trip to Markley Thursday after some goats.

Ed Keyser was gathering fruit in our community Friday.

Mrs. Emma Avants spent several days this week with her mother, Mrs. S. H. Denning.

The sick of the community all seem to be better.

I believe Tempest and Sunshine has gone to sleep again. What's wrong Tempest and Sunshine? How was your meeting up there? Hope you had a good one.

There's Buster, too, he hasn't made his appearance in quite a while. He surely is snowed under. Buster, you had better get busy.

Some say that the boll weevils have eaten everything they can find here and are now climbing the telephone poles trying to get up to the wire in order to send a message to some unknown place to find something to eat.

The storm here last night sure did slay the peaches. The ground is covered; guess the hogs will get fat.

Harry Walden was a caller at Huse Denning's today.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Corfhure have moved to Wichita Falls.

Aunt Lacy Cook has been suffering with rheumatism this week.

Bill and Jerome Kirbie of Pleasanton, Parker county, are visiting their father, A. F. Kirbie.

Several from here have been attending the Latter Day Saints' meeting at Bryson.

Salemite seems to be worrying very much about Roseite telling him how the socialists intend to get into power and carry out their platform. Salemite, they will do just as the democrats and republicans do; promise big things until they get in, and if they ever do, then do just as they please. The big ones just like Rockefeller will run it.

Mrs. Bert Cook and Aunt Lacy Cook called at W. B. Hill's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Syl. Vanhooser were guests of Wm. Hill Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Simpson were callers at the Gladden home Friday afternoon.

Guess this is all this week as I noticed the blue pencil has gotten part of my letters for the past two or three weeks.

Best wishes to all. Yank.

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### MURRAY

What a pleasant norther there is blowing this morning. It seems like autumn is here, and it soon will be.

There was a singing at Mr. Russell Tyra's Sunday evening.

Sam Wootton returned from Goree Sunday morning. He helped his father move out there.

Rev. F. A. Suttle preached a splendid sermon at the Baptist church Sunday night.

The young people enjoyed a party at Arch Foster's Saturday night.

Miss Luna Wootton has gone to Graham to visit her brother, Joe, this week. She will leave soon for her home at Goree.

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## MILLER BEND

"Is Free Love Taught in Socialist Literature?" is a question that I affirm and will endeavor to prove. Hoping that the reader will bear with me, and will not hold me responsible for the language contained in the quotations which I shall use, and if you are ultra-fastidious, or in other words, if you are afflicted with false modesty I advise you to stop about the next period in order to be on safe ground.

As I shall take my text in the "Communist Manifesto" by Karl Marx and Frederick Engels, I deem it only proper to give the reader a slight introduction to this little document which is the "foundation of socialism" as all informed people know and no informed socialist will dare deny it.

But generally speaking, very few people ever even heard of the "Manifesto." I find that only about one so-called socialist in every ten have ever heard of it and a far less per cent of them have read it. Not many moons ago I was talking with a man who told me that he had been teaching socialism for 30 years, and when I asked him if he had read the Manifesto he replied: "I never heard of it before." Another man who says "I would give ten years of my life to see socialism dominate the United States," says he never read the Manifesto. And so it goes. They don't really know what socialism teaches, and I verily believe they don't care. They know it is anti-capital, and anti-church and that seems to be their platform. They don't seem to think or care that it is both anarchism and anti-Christian too. They simply become socialists without thinking or reasoning the thing out.

Like the Rev. StJohn Tucker, managing editor of the Christian Socialist said concerning Karl Marx. He said, "Marx first became a socialist; then he studied socialism. Every socialist goes through precisely the same process." Now, I believe that's one time the Rev. Tucker told the truth, only I don't think "every" socialist "studies socialism" even after they become socialists. They just "become socialists" and soon develop into chronic rebels against everything but socialism, and their stock in trade for argument amounts to just about this: "This is wrong, therefore socialism is right."

But back to the "Manifesto," and I shall let Frederick Engels' own words, as printed in the opening paragraph of the "preface" of a revised edition of the "Manifesto" serve as introduction to the Manifesto which "preface" is signed, Frederick Engels. London, 30th January, 1888.

Engel says: "The 'Manifesto' was published as the platform of the 'Communist League,' a workingmen association, first exclusively German, later an international, and under the political conditions of the Continent before 1848, unavoidably a secret society. At a congress of the League, held in London in November, 1847 Marx and Engels were commissioned to prepare for publication a complete theoretical and practical party program. Drawn up in Germany in January, 1848, the manuscript was sent to the printer in London a few weeks before the French revolution of Feb. 24th. A French translation was brought out in Paris shortly after the insurrection of June 1848. The first English translation by Miss Helen Macfarlane, appeared in George Julian Harney's 'Red Republican' London, 1850. A Danish and Polish edition had also been published."

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Engel's statement to the effect that the "Communist League" under the political conditions of the Continent before 1848 was unavoidably a secret society, should be significant to the American voter, as no orderly workingmen's organization or league has ever been suppressed in these United States. At the time socialism was conceived in Germany and brought forth in England those people knew nothing of freedom. Neither yet do they know what real freedom of speech and press, such as we have in America, is. Hence those people may have had some semblance of excuse for organizing as they did, but Americans, never. Because we have a republican form of government, and two great political parties, both of which stand for representative government; and thru either of which the workingmen may secure all needed reforms if only they would stand together and demand them. And that without going into "materialism" "New Theology" "free love" and "infidelity."

According to Engels the members of the central board of the Communist League were arrested and seven of the number sentenced to imprisonment in a fortress, varying from three to six year terms—the League dissolved and the "Manifesto" was suppressed from immediately after the defeat of the Parisian insurrection of June 1848 till the year 1864, when the Manifesto came to the front again, and was translated into English in 1872, in New York and was published in "Woodhull & Claflin's Weekly." Thus the satanic child was born in free America—the deepest lair plan the devil ever devised to poison the minds of the working class of America, and thus alienate them from the commonwealth of Israel.

For socialism is a deceitful composition of materialism, infidelity, anarchy and free love. Sugar coated with all kinds of unreasonable, impractical promises to the worthy down-trodden shiftless, never-do-wells.

Oh, why do not the people study the thing in the light of oppressed people, as well as the reason and common sense?

We hope that the foregoing will serve to acquaint the reader with this wonderful little document called the "Communist Manifesto." But lest some might say it is old and therefore out of date, we quote from

the joint preface of Marx and Engels to the German edition of 1872 the following: "But then, the Manifesto has become a historical document which we have no longer any right to alter." So this little document of fifty-eight pages is the Alpha and Omega of socialism, and what socialist would doubt that to him who takes from or adds to the principles set forth therein, to him will Marx and Engels add the plagues that are written thereon.

Marx and Engels are not so violent or radical as are Robert Blatchford, Upton Sinclair, August Bebel, Henry Tichenor, Karl Kantsky and Mrs. O'Hare, and others but the same spirit is manifest in all of them, and if we will but notice it they all admire and quote Voltaire, Rousseau, Darwin, Ingersoll, Huxley, Tom Paine and all atheists and infidels. They roll their Godless sayings like sweet morsels under their tongues.

I shall predicate the next installment upon some quotations from the above mentioned "Communist Manifesto," and I promise to cause my friends Roseite and Gringo to "drink wine of astonishment."

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Ephesian wives: "Wives submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord," and were I one of those unfortunate wives and my stick of a husband did not love me "even as Christ loved the church and gave Himself for it," I would, when the "thing" came quoting that scripture to me reply, "Yes 'doggie' but then you know those Ephesian wives had real men, sure enough husbands." Why, I never think of quoting that scripture to Mrs. Plow Boy because you know there is some little difference in a forked stick with pants on and a real husband. Of course, I wouldn't stand for anyone else to say that, neither would Mrs. Plow Boy.

In last week's "Appeal to Reason" of the date of August 22, in the center of the lower half of the front page is an article under the caption "Never Be a Soldier," by Eugene V. Debs, which only covers in space about seven by eight inches, yet it contains more vulgarity than any volume I ever read. Yes, this great and only "Debs," this candidate for president "from everlasting to everlasting" on the socialist ticket. Yes, I mean none other than "He" in the socialist eye. Debs is a greater man than "our Christ" yet I say unto you that he outvulgars the vulgarest, not excepting even Tichenor and Sinclair. If you don't believe it just take the above mentioned article and spread it out before you when you go to secret prayer or hand it to your Sunday school superintendent next Sunday and let him read it out loud to the school. Then discuss its contents with your wife and children at the breakfast table, calling special attention to his many references to the uncomely parts of the human anatomy. You will not likely have much trouble in securing a copy of the article as our socialist friends made a pretty thorough distribution of the issue of the Appeal containing it.

I am going to ask The Reporter to print it, but I doubt if they will.

Why don't our Uncle Sam shake hands with Germany now and force old England to raise the blockade, also the cotton contraband so we can deliver that three million bales of cotton to Germany? Plow Boy.

## SALEM

Clear and cold this (Monday) night. Almost cold enough for frost.

The late heavy rains put a big rise in the Brazos.

Miss Anna Bullard returned Saturday after a two week's visit at Red Springs in Baylor county.

Alex McLaren returned last week from Oklahoma. His niece, Miss Lelia Foster, and her friend, Miss Annie Weaver, accompanied him home.

Several of the young people here attended church at Connor Creek Sunday evening.

We regret to report Alex Sadberry on the sick list again.

Miss Lena Fortner is visiting at Mountain Home this week.

The cream and cake supper given by Alex McLaren last Friday night was well attended and all report a nice time.

Goose, keep your eye on that Salem bachelor, and notice if his countenance is varnished with cream, for they are death on ice cream and it is said there is one old resident here who courted the first white girl that ever lived in Young county.

Mrs. Sallie Criswell and children left for Fort Worth Monday, where she will join her husband and they will make their home there for quite a while at least.

Marion Henderson and family spent the week-end at Elias-

ville visiting Mrs. Henderson's mother, Mrs. Martin.

Since the rains set in cotton is making a very rapid growth but there is hardly a bloom on it yet. But no man knoweth what the harvest will be.

It was with regret we heard of the death of Tom Gilmore of Spur, Texas. He was one of the old settlers here.

Yank says, "Understand I didn't say I was a full-fledged socialist, but there is going to have to be a change made some way for the poor people let it be what it may." Is it not a fact that there is always a change going on, and that this government meets that change for the best interest of all?

Read the following plea as

to why the cities should have a greater measure of self-government, or all that is attainable without a change in the constitution.

"To say that seventy per cent of the population lived in the country in 1880 against little over half the population now doesn't give the full measure of city growth. A few states contain hardly any rural population. Only three per cent of the inhabitants of Rhode Island, seven per cent of the inhabitants of Massachusetts, and ten per cent of the inhabitants of Connecticut live outside of towns having twenty-five hundred or more population. More than three-quarters of the inhabitants of New York and New Jersey are town folks, and nearly two-thirds of the inhabitants of Illinois. About a third of the population of the country lives in cities of thirty thousand and upward."

The natural resources of this whole country, and especially so of our own state, have yet hardly been scratched. And in no great length of time the cities of Fort Worth and Dallas will meet, blend into one great city and other cities in the state will grow in the same proportion. Thus giving homes for millions of the homeless. The great improvement in farm machinery enables a less number in the country to get all out of the land that there is in it.

Certainly there will be a change but no such radical change as the socialists demand, for the demands made by the socialists, if they had the nerve to stand by and try to enforce them, would lead to revolution. But their own actions have proved that they haven't the nerve, and the reason for this is, they have no cause, and where there is no cause the spirit is lacking.

In this free land of ours the fault lies not in the government but in the individual. Suppose Yank, that on their twenty-first birthday you start one hundred young men out to make their fortunes and to fight life's battles. Give them an even start, or give them nothing at all to start with and thus note the great success made by some of them and the complete failure made by others. And then figure out the cause of the success of some and the nonsuccess of the others. And then try to construct a government that would or could hold them all even in the way of wealth, for that is what Roseite teaches; that socialism is going to do.

Now we are going to ask you to read "Comrades," a short history of socialism written by R. W. Kauffman and published in The Saturday Evening Post of August 21st. We ask you to read this as evidence of how far the socialists fell short of practicing what they preach, and to show the wretched failure they made in preventing war when the actual test came, at the outbreak of the present war.

The following is Dr. Ridpath's description of conditions in France when the French Revolution broke out:

"There were twenty-three thousand monks in France; there were sixty thousand curates and vicars; there were thirty-seven thousand nuns; there were two thousand five hundred monasteries; one thousand five hundred convents and sixty thousand churches and chapels. In all there were a hundred and thirty thousand persons who enjoyed themselves in the work of saving France from her sins. But they did not begin with themselves. There were one hundred and fifty thousand nobles in France. One-fifth of the land in France belonged to the clergy, one-fifth to the nobility, and one-fifth to the communes and the king. This made three-fifths and it was the best land in France."

The common people of France

or the third estate as they were then termed had just cause for revolt, and when the time came to try their nerve they didn't

vote as a unit for King Louis XVI. Read the history of that revolution and see what happened.

And it is always thus where the cause is just—always liberty or death. As an instance of this Poland, as a nation is dead.

Salemite.

## HUFFSTUTTLE

We are having a regular winter rain today. It has rained all day. The wind blew a perfect gale from the north all day yesterday.

Our protracted meeting began last Saturday night. I am afraid it is going to get rained out. Rev. J. H. Littleton is doing the preaching and has been delivering some very interesting sermons.

Jerry Moreland and family of the Murray neighborhood have been attending the meeting.

Mrs. Russell Tyra and daughter, Miss Jewel of Murray, and Miss Schillier of Graham attended church here last Sunday.

Mrs. Nannie Cloud and daughters, Misses Eula and Marie, of Murray attended church here last Sunday.

I started this letter last week but didn't get it finished so will write some more and send it on.

The meeting closed last Sunday. Bro. Summers, the missionary for Stephens county, preached a splendid sermon Sunday morning.

Quite a number of people from Crystal Falls attended church here last Sunday.

We are having lots of rain now. We had a nice rain last Saturday night and had a big rain Monday night. I guess these rains will make some cotton if the boll weevils do not begin work on the cotton again.

Mr. Moreland, who has been visiting his children here, has returned to his home in Ardmore, Okla.

Mrs. Lizzie Ott of Graham is visiting friends and relatives here.

Miss Ethel Ott is sick this week. Hope she will soon be well.

Miss Allie Fawks of Murray visited Mrs. Ab. Campbell last Thursday afternoon.

Larry Pratt and family of Elavissville passed through here last Tuesday on their way home from a trip to Haskell.

Toff Stoker and family of the Sunshine community attended church here last Sunday and took dinner with his father, R. G. Stoker.

People here are planting fall gardens since the rains.

There has been a good deal of fruit canned in this neighborhood this year. People are preparing to live more at home next year.

It has been so warm today I think we will have some more rain.

Guess Who.

## Different.

He: But you didn't object to my holding your hand at the summer resort last week.

She: That's different. We are alone now and there isn't another girl in sight to be jealous of me.—Boston Transcript.

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#### YANCEYVILLE

Hello Correspondents, how are you all by now? Please make room for me and I'll try to write a few lines this week as I was absent last week.

Most of the men are still working with the thresher. We are expecting the Pickard thresher to be in this community the last of the week to finish threshing the grain.

E. L. Cretsinger and family and S. M. and J. W. Gann visited at the Ritchey home Sunday.

J. W. Gann will leave this week for Tulip, Ark., to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Gann.

The sad news reached here last Thursday of the death of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Herron Newby of the Fox Hollow community. The sorrowing parents have our heartfelt sympathy in their sad hours.

Dick Barron, Mrs. Henry Nicklas and children and Lila Ritchey visited Mrs. Barron and children at Graham Saturday.

The Cretsinger and Steele families are attending church in Jack county this week.

We are glad to report Mrs. A. Rickles and Miss Vina Hughes on the road to recovery.

The oil men are in this community at present.

B. P. Ritchey says it is too late to gather corn, as he finished gathering his corn Monday.

Thanks, Yank, but don't you think that Silver Bell rings entirely too loud some times? She has been informed that she does, anyway.

Lila says it is curious to her why John tells everyone he sees on Sunday that he is going to see her and then goes to Mr. Costello's. Can anyone tell us what the attraction is?

Mrs. Barron, Johnnie and the girls came out from town Tuesday to spend the week with friends and relatives at this place.

Yes, Tempest and Sunshine, I to, hope that Grandpa Hunt will enjoy himself while in Arkansas.

Trixie, I guess your age to be 20. How far did I miss my guess?

All right, Mr. Editor, if you did accept my invitation and couldn't come without walking, I sure do not blame you for not walking.

A few words to Hard Times and others. It seems that the good letters written by Gringo and Roseite have struck some of our writers like a thunderbolt. Please don't be too hasty,

stop and let Gringo and Roseite reason with you. Why is it that you all preach that a socialist "can't or won't" be a Christian? Hard Times doesn't know any socialists among the land owners and the wealthy.

All right Hard Times, we'll let it go that way, but aren't the working class of people the salt of the earth? And if this salt degenerates whence shall humanity derive strength? The working people are called the light of the world. The socialist party is a working man's party. They are trying to let their light so shine before men that they may see and understand the idea and aim of the socialist doctrine. We are trying to live under conditions so we can practice the golden rule.

One who accumulates wealth by exploiting others cannot treat them at the same time as brothers. People cannot come into communion with God so long as they are compelled to live contrary to His natural laws.

God cannot be a God of hate, but must be a God of love, and only by following the natural laws of the world can people fit themselves for that higher life which will make them one with God.

Therefore the working class

must first rise out of its servitude and claim the world for its own. This requires great sacrifice and much strength, and only by walking on this narrow path and being firm can we hope to win the victory and we socialists believe that in due time we will win and our ideals will surely prevail. And then peace and freedom will settle on earth.

D. A. Upham returned home Tuesday. He has been visiting relatives in the Caddo and White Flat communities since May.

Roy Barron and Will Slay walked from Graham Sunday evening. Roy says he is up on his walking.

Jim Hunt and wife have moved into the house on the Winter place. We welcome them to our community.

Ben Upham and wife attended the Sparks-Upham wedding at Bunker Sunday.

Mr. Editor, I intended to visit The Reporter office while in town Saturday but did not find time so sent that "handsome" cousin of mine that Beauty has been flattering so much down there, so guess that did as well as if I had come, only John said Mr. Graham wouldn't compliment him on being pretty and he was very badly disappointed.

We people received a nice little refreshing shower here last Wednesday and the ladies are already talking of planting a fall garden.

John W. Gann visited the Barron brothers Wednesday.

Jim Hunt is hauling cordwood to the South Bend gin.

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

Dick Barron took John Gann to Graham Thursday, where John boarded the train Friday morning for Arkansas.

Bill Cretsinger and wife went to Graham Saturday to meet Mrs. Cretsinger's sister from Dallas county, who will visit here for a few weeks.

Uncle Josh West called at the Ritchey home Friday morning.

Misses Jessie Wyatt and Lila Ritchey called on Mrs. Vera Hunt Friday evening.

Dick Barron's horse fell with him Monday night as he was returning from the thresher, hurting his arm pretty badly. We think Dick has about decided to walk next time rather than to ride a scarry horse.

We are very sorry to report John Vernon Couger on the sick list but wish for him a speedy recovery.

George Slay called at E. L. Cretsinger's Friday morning.

Quilla Hunt and children will leave for the western country in a few days.

A. W. McDowell was a pleasant caller at the Ritchey home Sunday eve.

Bro. Riddle preached at this place Sunday and Sunday night.

Here, Yank, take my pencil and finish this letter please.

Silver Bell.

#### DUFF PRAIRIE

Here I am again with just a little news.

Lucian Adams and wife spent Wednesday with J. Quincy Adams and family.

Virge Ingram and family came in Thursday to visit his father, J. M. Ingram, and family.

W. P. Martin and family called on Mrs. Braddock Friday afternoon.

W. O. Groene came in Saturday night after a week's visit at Abilene.

Smith Gann and Roy Barron are cutting maize for J. Quincy Adams.

Miss Ivey Martin spent Sunday with Miss Willie Mae Corbett.

Mrs. Lillie Adams and Mrs.

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Addie Crabtree spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Groene and children.

I guess this is all the news I know this week. Will try to learn more before I write again.

Here, Bashful Ben, please take this old pen, I'm sleepy. Sorrell Top.

#### Nothing to Be Said.

Judge—You admit, then, that you stole the loaf of bread?

Woman Prisoner—Yes, your honor.

Judge—What have you to say for yourself?

Woman—Nothing, your honor. If it was lace or jewelry, I might plead kleptomania, but we can't try that when it's bread.—Ex.

#### VANCEYVILLE

Move over comrades, please let me have this chair by the Gander.

Now, Gander, come forward and give account of yourself, and the next time you tell aeman that Silver Bell can look "be sure" to caution him not to ask that cousin of mine, and my friend whether the Gander was telling the truth or not. You see those boys said you were mistaken, and in that they were right, for Silver Bell can't cook, indeed she can't.

Sam Starnes and family left for their home in Dallas county Thursday, after spending a few days with relatives at this place.

Henry Nicklas and family have moved to Mrs. Barron's farm on Cedar.

Mrs. George Wyatt and chil-

dren visited Mrs. Vera Hunt

Wyatt is breaking a horse for Mr. West. We haven't learned whether Mr. West is going to have George train the horse like he did the mule or not.

D. A. Upham and Dewey Riteley are in the fishing business now.

Jess Upham was riding in this vicinity Tuesday.

Mrs. Daisy Nicklas and children and Lila Riteley visited at the Creagh home Monday.

S. M. Gann can sure outrun a biting dog. We don't believe that Smith could tell how he outran the dog but we "do know" that he could show them.

The Pickard and Burgess threshers are now at a standstill on account of so much rain.

B. P. Riteley called at Bivouac Thursday eve.

Found—A postcard picture. The picture is that of a "very" pretty girl sitting on the back of a fine looking black horse, near a lot gate and inscribed on the gate a single word "Cas." The picture very much resembles School Girl's sister, John, \$5.00 will get the picture and no questions asked.

Thanks, Salemite, and will say that if I thought Roseite needed my help I would not hesitate one single moment to offer him my assistance. However, Roseite doesn't need help from anyone on his platform. He is capable of giving the platform and all the planks in it.

Yes, Salemite, it is perfectly natural I suppose for the majority of people who own homes of their own to say that there are others who are doing nothing and making complete failures.

Salemite, I know men who have worked just as hard as you or any one else possibly could, and have started in with as great a determination to own a home; or build to the skies, as you say. A man who has to dig a home out of the earth while a landlord stands by to take a half, or even a fourth, is going to be a "long" time building to the skies.

A few questions Salemite, please. Did you ever rent? Did you buy your land by working another man's land and paying him the third and fourth? Did you during this time have to pay for every bite of grass that your horses and milch cows ate? Did you make enough each year to pay your grocery bill and save a few dollars toward paying for that home? If so please tell us how you did it.

Capitalists take all the risk do they? No class, Salemite, has lied so freely and violated all concrete justice so flagrantly as the capitalist class. "Thou shalt not kill" has been thundered from their pulpits in all variations but no class has spilled human blood so wantonly and on such flimsy pretexts as they. "Nevertheless they have the effrontry to claim that no class is so capable and so justly entitled to rule the world as they. History brands them as the most incapable and aimless class that ever held the helm of society, and it will write upon the grave of the bourgeois the flowing epitaph: 'Here lies the capitalist class, a traitor to its ideals, an incompetent in government and an enemy of mankind.'"

Mrs. John Couger and son, Leroy, carried the mail to Ivan Thursday.

No, Homeite, there isn't any meeting going on here. The Baptist meeting will begin here Saturday night before the second Sunday in September. Yes, you people have some very good roads. Mr. Jones and hands were working on the road near the school house the day I went to town.

Thanks, Kid, yes I'm much better now. You see dad told

me he was not going to buy me a cotton sack and I'm feeling fine since I heard that.

J. M. Hunt and family moved to the Clem Vaughan farm Saturday.

Yes, Johnnie Doolittle, I think myself you had better stay here and I believe you will.

We were very much surprised Friday to see John Gann come walking in from Tulip, Arkansas. He had been away so long (eight days) that we hardly knew him. He brought the glad tidings that uncle and family were doing well and were well pleased, living at home and boarding at the same place.

John brought back a pocket full of green persimmons to catch Texas suckers—with and while Silver Bell hates to say it, she will have to admit that Jim Barron and herself were the first ones caught, but we will know the next time we see a green persimmon without being told.

Little Thomas and Edna Cret-singer called on their cousin, Lila Riteley, Saturday morning.

Thanks, Jolly Girl, but I'm all right now.

Welcome, Two August Bugs, to our happy band. Come often with the Ivan news.

Plow Boy, have you forsaken us scribes? Come on, don't be absent. "Course" I think the Kid is very much mistaken in you causing one of our lady Correspondents to stop writing, if I Kid was speaking of the one I think he was, I know he was mistaken. Neither do I believe that any Correspondent caused it.

So here, Plow Boy, take my pencil and favor us with a good letter next week. Silver Bell,

#### NORTH MIDWAY

As I have been absent a week I will send an extra line or two to make up for lost time.

Plenty of rain now to do for a while, and a norther blowing to make us cool. Isn't it pleasant?

Corn gathering time is right here. Goose, you had better gather your corn in the rain rather than to have the rats eat it in the field.

A jolly crowd of young folks went to preaching at California Sunday night on a hay wagon.

Miss Esther Young, who has been visiting friends in this vicinity, returned to her home at Padgett last Saturday.

Wesley Young has returned home from Padgett, where he has been working with a thresher.

Mrs. J. B. Terrell has returned home from Graham, where she had been for over two months.

Ernest Jones has the smallpox.

George Quisenberry has the mumps.

John Trimble has been visiting relatives here the past week.

Messrs. Ray and Watt Key have been visiting Tom Trimble the past few days.

Norman Cunningham has a new buggy now and says he is going to get a flying machine before long.

Misses Velma Weilenman, Nan McKinney, Mae Iva and Annie Lee Norris, Cora and Edna Wiley and Messrs. Henry and Lonnie Vandy spent Wednesday afternoon with Miss Roxie Williams.

Some of the young folks had started to preaching Tuesday night in a wagon when all of a sudden the team balked, a shower moved over and in ten minutes everybody was wet.

Misses Sophia and Joe Quisenberry spent Tuesday afternoon with Miss Roxie Williams.

P. G. Cunningham was over in the Proffitt community Monday. He took oil and provisions for his threshing outfit.

Merritt Cunningham and Dewey Wiley went to a party at True Friday night. Merritt was complaining of sore feet

and Dewey of blistered fingers Saturday morning. I guess they got in the fire.

Miss Bessie Weilenman, who has been at Long Beach, California since May, returned home Monday afternoon. She reported a very interesting and instructive time.

Messrs. Eddie Evitt, Norman Cunningham, Dewey Wiley and Merritt Cunningham, and Misses Ethel Cunningham, Joe Quisenberry, Faye Trimble and Sophia Quisenberry attended the baptizing at California Sunday afternoon.

Messrs. Norman and Merritt Cunningham and Misses Joe and Sophia Quisenberry attended church at California Creek last Sunday night.

The protracted meeting on California Creek that is being conducted by Rev. Pursley is proving a success, there being three additions up to Tuesday night. Three more joined Sunday and were baptized that afternoon. Services Sunday night brought the meeting to a close.

Messrs. Burl Martin and Adrian Upperman of Graham called to see the Misses Weilenman Sunday afternoon.

J. W. Jones and family of Loving came to G. W. Wiley's Sunday afternoon, accompanied by William Galbreath of Dublin, Texas, returning home Monday.

T. L. Lisle and daughter, Fay, returned to their home at Bunker Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Terrell attended church Wednesday night.

Misses Norris spent Saturday night with Misses Wiley.

I will again ask the California writer to pardon me for trespassing.

As I have written all I know and some I don't know will pull out.

Azure Skies.

#### CEDAR CREEK

We are having some fine rains here now. It just rains whenever it takes a notion whether we want it to or not.

Miss Charity Belle Steele is on the sick list this week.

Q. R. Hunt left Friday morning on his way to Fisher country to pick cotton.

Cross Barron and Ed Richardson spent Thursday night with Henry Steele.

E. L. Cret-singer and family and H. J. Cret-singer spent Friday with J. H. Wesley and family.

Miss Nettie Cret-singer took dinner with Henry Steele and wife Thursday.

Mrs. Ben Upham is on the sick list this week.

There was a nice crowd at church Sunday. Bro. Riddle of Caddo will begin a protracted meeting Saturday night before the second Sunday in September. Everybody welcome.

Ben Upham and wife spent Friday night with Henry Steele and wife.

Uncle Josh West has returned home, after a month's visit at the Hunt Ranch. He ate dinner with Henry Steele Monday.

J. W. Steele, E. L. Cret-singer, J. H. Wesley, Henry Wesley, Cross Barron and Ed Richardson cut a bee tree Friday but did not get any honey.

Well, I guess it will rain again tonight, for it looks like it now. If it keeps on raining you all can come down and help me eat blackeyed peas and Mexican beans if they will satisfy your appetites. I had rather go to the Correspondents' reunion. When will it be Mr. Editor?

I will close for this time.

June Roses.

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## Local and Personal Mention

Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Bell of Loving were trading in the city Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Self have moved to the P. A. Martin home in east Graham.

Mrs. Susie Barron and children spent last week at their farm near Ivan.

Rev. T. M. Cunningham of Eliasville was a visitor in the city Tuesday.

Eddie Price of Oklahoma is here for a visit to his sister, Mrs. Will Miller.

Leslie Scott returned home last Saturday from an auto trip through West Texas.

Sheriff M. M. Wallace and daughter, Miss Myrtle, spent Wednesday in Markley.

Mrs. L. A. Ringgenberg spent several days with Mrs. W. S. McJimsey this week.

Mrs. Princeton Wynns of Dallas is in the city visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Wynns.

New McAlister coal just arrived. Phone orders to 49 C. C. Johnson.

Miss Evans of Terrell, Texas is back to take up her work as milliner with R. F. Short & Co.

The Reporter enjoyed a visit from Cal Rutherford of Loving, who was here on business Monday.

### New Fall Skirts.

We have just received a big shipment of New Style Skirts. S. B. Street & Co.

Frank Meece left Wednesday for Mineral Wells, after a visit of several weeks with friends here.

R. J. Johnson and H. C. Williams of Newcastle were transacting business in the city Wednesday.

You Need McCall Patterns. For the new style dresses. We have all patterns made. S. B. Street & Co.

Bill Stewart spent Monday and Tuesday in Wichita Falls. Wichita nearly went dry while Bill was there.

J. R. Connally of Jean was a business visitor in the city Monday. He paid The Reporter a call while here.

Land Abstracts furnished on short notice. King & Marshall, 31tfc Abtracters.

Miss Lou Stroud of Floresville, came in Tuesday night to take charge of the millinery department of S. B. Street & Co.

Mrs. W. P. Stewart, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Street, has returned to her home in Dalworth.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Campbell spent the last of the week with Mrs. M. R. Jarnagin in the Henry Chapel community.

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

Mrs. John Graves and little daughter, Kathryn, left Saturday for a week's visit with her parents in Jacksboro.

Robert and Bismark Bower and Louis Rubenkenig spent several days in New Orleans this week on a pleasure trip.

New Fall Millinery. First shipment of our New Fall Hats for Women and Misses has just been received. Call and see these new hats. S. B. Street & Co.

Miss Winnie Gilmore of the Connor Creek community is spending the week in the city, visiting Mrs. C. C. Johnson.

Hart, Schaffner & Marx Suits. For Men are now in stock. See the New Fall Styles. S. B. Street & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Y. Black were made happy last Friday over the arrival of fine twin boys at their home.

Mrs. Omer Beckham returned home last Thursday from Galveston. Mrs. Beckham was in the storm, but escaped injury.

Land Abstracts furnished on short notice. King & Marshall, 31tfc Abtracters.

Miss Neweta Flint left Wednesday for Corsicana, where she will remain for some time. She will study music there.

County Treasurer R. Loftin moved to his home recently purchased from Mrs. Logan, in east Graham, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Black are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine ten-pound baby girl, who came to grace their home last Sunday.

### Ladies' Coat Suits.

Let us show you some of the Newest Style Coat Suits for early Fall wear. S. B. Street & Co.

Mrs. J. L. Clark left yesterday for her home in Huntsville, after three weeks' visit with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. M. H. Chism.

W. W. Reid and son of Profitt were transacting business in the city yesterday. They paid The Reporter a pleasant call.

Joe. Loving and Mrs. Roach, who have been visiting the family of J. L. Flint, returned to their home in Weatherford yesterday.

### Styleplus \$17.00 Suits.

Are the very best brand of Men's Suits on the market at the price. Fall stock just in. S. B. Street & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Voules and the Misses Cornish, who have been visiting in Mineral Wells, returned home Wednesday.

D. D. Cusenberry, who has been touring West Texas for several weeks came in Tuesday. He left Thursday for his home in Murray.

Mrs. Callie Shannon and daughter left Wednesday morning for Denton, where Miss Matie will enter upon her Senior year's work in school.

W. E. Choate, of the Conner Creek community, had a battle royal last week with a den of rattlesnakes. At the close of the encounter he had killed 27.

### New Fall Ginghams.

Domestics, Outings and other cotton goods at the lowest possible prices. S. B. Street & Co.

Mrs. Masters of the Masters community, who has been under treatment of physicians at the Beckham Sanitarium for several weeks, is greatly improved.

J. T. Farrar, manager of the Loving Union Gin was a business visitor in the city Wednesday. He paid The Reporter a very pleasant call while here.

Mrs. Mason and son who have been visiting her mother, Mrs. M. E. Sloan, returned to their home in Pampa, Texas, last week.

Mrs. W. M. Goode, Jr., and son of South Bend, who have been visiting relatives in Ark., returned home Tuesday night. They were met at the train here by Mr. Goode.

Mrs. J. S. Roth of Corsicana, who has been visiting her father, W. F. Choate, of the Connor Creek community for the past three weeks, returned to her home Tuesday.

Miss Ethel Birdwell, who has been spending several weeks with Miss Lillian Hall near Farmer, returned home yesterday. Miss Lillian returned with her for a visit here.

### New Fall Dress Goods.

Call and let us show you some of the new dress fabrics we are showing for Fall Dresses, Skirts Waist and Suits. S. B. Street & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Gilmer, who have been visiting Mrs. Gilmer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Morrison, returned to their home in Gulfport, Miss., Thursday morning.

J. E. Parsons and family, who have been making their home in Littlefield, Texas for the past year, returned home Tuesday. Their many friends will be glad to learn of their return to Graham.

### Queen Quality Shoes.

For Women are the best style and best fitting shoes made. Let us show you the new Fall styles. S. B. Street & Co.

Frank A. Forbes, a one time resident of Graham, but now superintendent of the Interstate Cotton Oil Refining company of Sherman, was a business visitor in Graham last week.

Mrs. J. H. Thomas and little baby have been seriously ill for several days. Mrs. Thomas has typhoid fever and the baby cholera infantum. It is hoped that a change for the better may be noted in a few days.

W. H. Jernigan and Miss Ethel Johnson of Newcastle were married in this city last Saturday. County Judge W. P. Stinson performing the ceremony at his residence. They were attended by several friends from Newcastle.

Tom Harmon of the Hawkins Chapel community was a business visitor in the city Monday. Mr. Harmon reports excellent feed crops, good corn, and exceptionally fine fruit for his portion of the county this year.

J. E. Dowdle received his new Overland last week, which he purchased recently, and is now enjoying the pleasure of motorizing and breathing the fresh, invigorating air derived therefrom. The car is a classy one and is a source of delight to he and his family.

John Rubenkenig, who has been in Weatherford for the past two weeks working on the new Lone Star Road Grader, returned home last week. He reports the Weatherford people enthusiastic over the new grader, and says that it will prove quite an industry there in a short time.

Elder and Mrs. D. J. E. Clark, Mrs. Chas. E. Robbins of Senate, Mrs. Obe Clark and Miss Dora Martin of the Dakin community, were shopping in Graham Saturday. While here they paid The Reporter office a pleasant call. Elder Clark left us a bucket of nice peaches, for which we are very thankful.

Wallace-Sloan is away for a weeks' sojourn in Mineral Wells Houston and other points. Mesdames J. B. Smith and W. P. Nittler were pleasant visitors at The Reporter office yesterday.

Will Miller returned home last Friday night, accompanied by Mesdames F. H. Price and J. C. Meininger, mother and sister of his wife. They will visit here a short time and recuperate from the effects of their experience in the Galveston storm.

E. O. Wilson and family of Myers Branch returned home Wednesday from a trip to Denton and Wise counties, where they visited relatives. They were accompanied on their return by Mr. H. F. Durham of Alvord, who is here on a prospecting trip.

### Frankie.

Thursday, August 12, 1915, the death angel entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herron Newby and claimed for its own their little son, Frankie, aged one year and nine days.

Dear parents, we know it is impossible to silence your grief with words. Your hearts plead for utterance in tears. We know that no one can fill your little darling's place in your hearts; and you would not have the void filled, even if you could. It will be a sacred thought in all the years to come, that little Frankie shed radiance in the home throughout his short life.

Dear parents, it is in such hours as this that hope spreads her pinions and you rest your faith on the belief that your darling is not dead. He is only gone from you for a little while. We lowered the corpse into the tomb but not your darling Frankie. Over the river he has gone only a little in advance of you. Some one must go first. Perhaps in the ways of a kind Providence it is best that it should be your darling babe, who is to welcome you on the other shore.

"Happy infant early blest,  
Rest in peaceful slumber, rest."

His Aunt Vera.

### GOOSENECK

Oh, my! isn't this a fine day? Some are talking of rustling winter clothes.

We have had some fine rains here lately.

G. W. Rose has been suffering with a very sore hand, caused by a mesquite thorn.

Mrs. Eva Mullenax and baby are quite sick at this writing.

J. A. Ferguson has gone to South Bend to work for Wils Copeland.

Herron Newby and wife visited with Jim Reed and family this week.

G. W. Rose says he had a snake killing at his place this week. Sixteen young ones and one old one were killed. How is that?

Uncle Billy Higgins preached here Sunday and Sunday night.

John Clark, Bob McLaren and Oscar James, with their families, attended the baptizing at Bunker Sunday afternoon.

Bob McLaren and H. M. Johnson were rustling peaches this (Monday) morning.

Mrs. Nora Rose is on the sick list.

We noticed that Murray Conder and Walter Beach have been swapping sweethearts.

Willie Conder and Frank Parsons attended the singing at Andrew Smith's Sunday night.

The Gander has been so busy going to church that he hasn't much news.

Gander.

Mrs. W. P. Nittler of Hale Center is the guest of Mrs. J. B. Smith in East Graham this week. Mrs. Nittler will leave today for a few days visit with her relatives in Murray before her return.

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### WILL DISCONTINUE ALARM SYSTEM

On account of the fact that the present fire alarm system has shown several defects and false alarms have occurred recently the city has decided to discontinue the use of the present system until it can be better perfected.

Citizens are notified that in case of fire to telephone the alarm to either central office, as the connections on the alarm system have been temporarily removed.

GEO. BLACK, Ass't Chief.

The Southwestern Telephone company does not assume any responsibility for failure of any fire alarm phoned to its office reaching any portion of the fire department, and will only handle same by connecting subscriber with proper number.

J. H. THOMAS, 49p Manager.

### Private School.

I will open my private school in the Episcopal church on the same date as the Graham Public School, Sept. 6. The tuition will be the same as that charged by the public school.

Mrs. Mae Voules.

### School Book Notice.

School books are strictly cash. We are compelled to treat every one alike, therefore we will not under any circumstances vary from this rule, so please do not embarrass us by asking for credit.

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Girls Wanted—At Graham Steam Laundry. 48tfc

For Sale—Two registered Duro male pigs, the big bone kind, \$10.00 each. 48-9c At Ingleside Ranch.

For all kinds of good wood and sawing, also all kinds of tool grinding call the Wood Yard. Ind Phone 152-4 rings. 45tfc.

For Sale or Trade for Feed. One brown mare, highly bred, fast pacer, 15½ hands high. 48tfc. F. F. Parrish.

STRAYED—From Dolman House, young bull dog, answers to name of "Pat." Had on collar with name of "J. J. Gallaher." Please return to Dolman House and oblige.

Mrs. M. A. Dolman.

Jack For Sale. A Black Diamond jack, four years old, cash, terms or trade. 49-2p C. E. Turner.

Lost—Between Graham and South Bend, pair new Walkover shoes. Finder please return to Reporter office and receive reward.

49p V. L. Poindexter.