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SANTA FE INTENDS TO BUILD ROAD TO FT WORTH

New Gin Will Be Built In Silverton

The site for a new gin in Silverton has been purchased by E. E. Reynolds, Nick Sheid and Bill Smith. The deal was closed Tuesday through Bob Stevenson and M. C. Potter and comprises a whole block in the east part of town.

Mr. Reynolds has been the instructor in Vocational Agriculture department of the Silverton high school for the past three years and had five years ginning experience before coming here. Both the other gentlemen are well known in the community and are experienced gin men.

It is thought that work will start on the new gin in the very near future as it is planned to have it in operation in time for this season's crop.

Odd Fellows Will Have Memorial Service Here June 7th.

The Local Order of Odd Fellows will have a Memorial Service here Sunday June 7th. They will meet at the I. O. O. F. Hall at 2 p.m. and go from there to the cemetery where a service will be held. They will then return to the high school auditorium where there will be a special service to which the general public is invited.

Out of town speakers have been secured and an interesting program is assured.

Everybody Urged to Work on Cemetery Decoration Day.

The citizens committee of the local cemetery has announced that Saturday May 30th, Decoration Day will be set aside as a special day for working on the cemetery. Every one that can possibly do so is urged to assist on that day in beautifying the grounds and graves. The committee consists of R. E. Douglas, T. L. Anderson and C. L. Dickerson and they are anxious to set a record this year in point of numbers and accomplishments in this laudable undertaking.

W.M. Gourley is Secured as Voc. Agri. Instr

Silverton is very fortunate in securing the services of Mr. W. M. Gourley of Farwell, as teacher of Vocational Agriculture for the next year. Mr. Gourley is a graduate of State A. & M. and has a state-wide reputation as a teacher of this work and he will be in a position to do more effective work here than has been done heretofore at this place by the fact that all his time will be devoted to the teaching of this work and to doing community work with the farmers.

Mr. Gourley worked up and had charge of the exhibit from Parmer County at the Amarillo Fair and also at the State Fair at Dallas, and the ones that saw that exhibit need no further recommendation as to his ability. One more class in Vocational Agriculture will be added at the Silverton High School which will combine Farm Management, Rural Sociology, and Farm Book-keeping. The work in the other course in Agriculture will deal with plant production and shop work. This will give this school a very good line of courses in Vocational Agriculture and with this able man at the helm, he will only

Packing Plant Now Operating In Amarillo

The Panhandle's packing plant is in operation. Starting off without a hitch, the Western Packing Company, of Amarillo, butchered 25 hogs Friday and some hogs Saturday.

The opening was most pleasing to the management. A large crowd was on hand at the plant when the first hogs, a herd purchased from H.E. Hendrix of San Jon, N.M., were driven up the chute.

M.M. Merriman of McIlroy's market purchased the first 16 butchers and they will be delivered to his market Monday.

The hogs butchered Saturday were purchased from Gilmore Nunn, son of J. L. Nunn. By next week the plant will be accumulating a large stock of manufactured products and shortly it is planned to have "open house" for a week or more when citizens of the entire country will be invited to inspect the new institution.

The market on hogs will be far ahead of the price that would be netted shippers at other points, it is stated. The price will be 50 cents under Wichita, Kans., which deduction is made for shrinkage, however, the seller will gain freight charges and commission.

M.S. Jordan is buyer for the company. The Western Packing company is capitalized at \$250,000, with W.H. Batcheler, R. T. Emmett and W.B. Douglas as incorporators. Mr. Batcheler and Mr. Douglas came here from Graham, Texas, while Mr. Emmett has been a resident of Amarillo for 10 years.

Trade marks for brands of products distributed by the company

Young Man Drowned At Tule Falls

Lee Reeves, 19 years of age and a junior in Wayland College, was drowned, or rather died of heart failure while bathing in the lower Tule Falls Saturday afternoon. A party of six, from the college were picnicking at the falls, five students and the teacher of economics. The body was brought to Silverton by Garner's ambulance from Plainview and embalmed here by C. J. Witherspoon and Marvin Garner. It was then taken to the Reeves home, 4 and 1-2 miles northeast of Matador and burial was Sunday afternoon at 2 P.M. at Matador.

Lee Reeves was a handsome specimen of young manhood and very popular with the student body of Wayland. He is survived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Reeves, two brothers and three sisters.

Rev. G.W. Tubbs, associational Missionary, preached at the Baptist Church Sunday night.

L. E. Graham, prominent farmer of the Quitaque section was in Silverton Tuesday.

Jas. M. Boyer has returned from a trip to Brownwood where he has been for the past week on business.

have been decided on. First class products bear the brand "EBD," from the names Emmett, Batcheler and Douglas. The other grades will be trade-marked "Fourx" and "Tex," with "Ham From De Pan," as a slogan for advertising hams.

Plains Enjoying Greatest Development Era Despite Under Normal Wheat Yield

By T. E. Johnson
In The Amarillo Daily News.

While the wheat crop of the Panhandle Plains district this year will be but one third of a normal wheat yield, according to latest forecasts, there is no alarm felt by business men and the general public.

On the other hand the Panhandle district today is prosperous and enjoying the greatest development era in its history. Its general crop prospects are splendid, ranges are in the best condition in years, bank deposits are at a new high mark since the post-war era, there is more building now going on in Amarillo and in nearly all Panhandle towns than at any time in the past and generally speaking the country is looking forward to 1925 being one of the best years ever known here.

No Cause for Worry

There was a time when a short wheat crop was a cause for worry. But that day is past. Today there is diversified farming on the plains. Farmers do not depend on small grain. Row crops and cotton, hogs and dairy cows now play a part in nearly every farmer's plans. It is true a 30 per cent wheat crop is unusually low, yet the average is far below the normal. Fall wheat will make whatever is produced this year. There was no moisture for late planting. Fields that would have gone into wheat now are being planted in kafir and maize or other row crops. Rains of the past three weeks have given the

need the continued cooperation of the people in order to do some very effective and valuable work.

entire country, with exception of a few locations, a thorough soaking and there is ample moisture, with the aid of summer showers, to give the Panhandle a record-breaking yield of sorghum crops and cotton. These will make up and possibly more than offset whatever loss there may be in wheat.

That is the main reason why there are no long faces in this section about the failure of the wheat crop.

Development General
But, added to the promised heavy row crop yield is the general development that is taking place over the Panhandle today. There is more building in Amarillo and in other towns than ever experienced, the country is being cut up into small farms, the cattle business is getting back on its feet and there is a marked feeling of optimism.

There is the general belief that the Panhandle "is coming into its own." Amarillo is growing by leaps and bounds. Building records have reached new high marks this year, already totaling nearly \$2,000,000 for the first 4 months. A packing plant is opening. The city is ready to spend \$1,750,000 for a new water works system. Nearly 200 blocks of paving have been authorized for the year. One eight-story office building is under construction. The city is spreading out in all directions. A half dozen additions and subdivisions are being developed here now, in one direction reaching a half mile to the south beyond the Randall county line.

Lumber dealers of this section in their recent meeting here invariably brought reports of sharp

Tries To Keep Marriage Secret Is Found Out

A marriage of more than unusual interest occurred Monday afternoon when Ralph C. Arnold and Miss Abbie L. Shafer were quietly married at the home of Mr. Arnold's brother, Westley, in Silverton, Rev. W. M. Draper officiating.

Now Ralph's friends thought that if he ever succeeded in talking Miss Abbie into marrying him that he would be shouting the fact from the housetops but contrary to all logic and reason he decided that he wanted to keep it quite for a while and pledged the preacher and all present to secrecy. Likewise, contrary to all expectations, the new Mrs. Arnold, when seen by the reporter seemed to be very proud of her husband and was willing to tell the whole world about it.

A short while after the ceremony Ralph secured crutches and hobbled down town just as unconcernedly as possible (no, he wasn't crippled after the ceremony, but a few days ago while unloading a truck,) but his friends had found him out—it's hard to keep anything from Emmett Puckett—and they proceeded to lock him up in jail. Quite a bit of excitement was caused and a large crowd gathered around the jail. Some thought that Mr. Arnold was taken advantage of in that he was unable to protect himself, on account of his crippled foot.

Mr. Arnold however being unable to make bond, steps were taken for having the trial immediately. Finally Judge Ernest Tibbets was secured and agreed to hold the trial but Mr. Arnold's Attorney could not be found at all and he had to be released without trial.

Mr. Arnold is a son of F.M. (Uncle Jack) Arnold and has been a resident of Silverton for 15 years, except for a year or two that he spent in the Northwest, having returned about a year ago.

Mrs. Arnold is the daughter of C. J. Shafer of Tule and is well and favorably known by many people here. Her brother A. C. Shafer owned and operated the local telephone exchange for about a year and she assisted him as operator. It is understood that the couple will make their home in Silverton and the News joins with their many friends in wishing a happy and successful life.

increases in building in the past few months, in their respective communities.

Railways Seek Routes

Railroad systems are fighting for new territory. As the Santa Fe and Burlington plan new lines in the South Plains district, Amarillo is not sleeping on its rights for a route to the North Plains. Before the year is over Amarillo expects a road north.

Increased oil development is another factor in Amarillo's prosperity today. Activity becomes more marked each week and the proven field in Carson, Hutchinson and adjoining counties is gradually expanding.

Lack of rail connections has retarded oil development. That is one reason why Amarillo is determined on a road to the North Plains. Such a line would serve the oil field and also the vast wheat-producing section north of the Canadian river.

Powerhouse Talk Grows

There is constant talk of a giant powerhouse in the heart of the gas field, which coupled with an irrigation project on the Canadian river, would transform hundreds of thousands of acres of range land north of Amarillo into fertile farms.

The proposed new railroad

Will Extend From Silverton Through Benjamin as Soon as Justified Storey Tells Interstate Commerce Commission

IRA NIX IS RECOVERING FROM ATTEMPTED SUICIDE

Ira Nix, son of G.A. Nix, who in a fit of despondency, cut his throat with a razor, in Kansas City, the other day, is on the road to recovery in a hospital there, according to Mr. Nix who has just returned from his bedside. Ira has written a letter addressed to his friends here stating that he is fully penitent for having tried to take his life but that he hasn't the heart to come back and face them unless they write him of their forgiveness and sympathy. His father hopes that a number of friends will write to him and encourage him to return home.

His address is: Kansas City, 4610 E. 27th St.

The Editor Eats The Doctor's Samples

Dr. J.J. Breaker, Silverton's oldest physician, in point of service, can do things besides look after the community's health. He is a horticulturist de luxe. Anything he plants, grows! He heard that the editor was from Missouri and so he proceeded to show him just what could be grown in Briscoe County, Texas, the other day. He brought in a big, solid head of cabbage, grown right in his back yard in Silverton this season. He might have thought that

we were going to keep this head of cabbage for exhibition purposes but it looked too good to keep. The wife cooked it up, and say, it was delicious, tender and juicy. Think of it will you?—Full grown cabbage in the Texas Panhandle in the middle of May without any special incubation process. Just set it out and let it grow, with a little windmill water once in a while. And cherries too—he brought a bucket full of ripe cherries out of his orchard. "Can she bake a cherry pie—Billy Boy?" I'll say she can, when she has cherries like those. Man, that cherry pie was 'larapin'. Moral: Plant a garden and set out fruit trees. If they don't bear fruit, ask the doctor. If they do, let the editor sample it.

Miss Mary Cowart is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. Lee Gilmore in Turkey this week.

Vernon—The Vernon Chamber of Commerce held recently a reorganization dinner with more than 250 present. The reorganization was done by Hubert M. Harrison, Manager of Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce. The work will be conducted in the future along the same lines as the Wichita Falls C. of C.

could cut through the heart of the immense gas field and would cross the Canadian river at the point where it is believed the huge dam would be built. Already engineers from the war department have approved the irrigation project. Their recommendations will be made to the next congress. Amarillo and the Panhandle are looking ahead. They are dreaming of big things. Already they are experiencing the start of this era. Development of the Panhandle's resources has begun.

Amarillo and citizens of the plains section realize this. That is why they refuse to worry about a 4,000,000 bushel wheat crop when the normal yield is 10,000,000 to 12,000,000.

The plan of the Santa Fe to extend the Silverton branch to Ft. Worth through Benjamin, or a similar route was definitely suggested by president Storey in a statement issued Tuesday at Chicago. He added that he had advised the I. C. C. of the Santa Fe's plans to build such a road just as soon as development justified.

The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad, through its president, W. B. Storey, filed a protest with the I.C.C. in Washington Monday against the application of the Fort Worth & Denver to build the proposed Fort Worth & Denver City South Plains railroad West from Carey.

The Quanah Acme & Pacific R.R. has also filed a protest through their president, Sam Lazarus.

The Santa Fe argued that the territory was served by lines already built or projected by it, and that to allow the Denver to come into the territory would merely weaken the Santa Fe.

Frank E. Clarity, vice president and general manager of the Fort Worth and Denver Railroad, returned Monday morning from Chicago, where he conferred with Hale Holden, president of the Burlington railroad, and other officials on plans of the Denver for making extensions in West Texas, application for which is before the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Clarity was not surprised at the advice received Monday from Washington to the effect that the Santa Fe railroad had filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission a protest against the proposed Denver Extensions in West Texas, and said that he expects to receive word within a few days as to a setting of a hearing by the I.C.C. This hearing will probably involve the three lines, the Denver, Santa Fe and the Texas Panhandle and Gulf.

As is its custom, the I.C.C. is expected to request the state railroad commission to hold the hearing and there is a probability that one of the interstate commissioners will come to Texas to sit in at the hearing, regarded as one of the most important in the past ten years.

Potential Business to be Shown
Denver officials are busy preparing exhibits for introduction before the I.C.C. to show population, tonnage, crops and other data of the affected territory. Clarity said that the Denver is to submit three proposed routes from the main line to Plainview, starting at Carey, Estelina and Childress, so that the road will be in position to accept the best when the permit is granted. All three are close together.

The T. P. & G's application to build from Fort Worth to Tucumcari, N.M., has been set for next October and that line also has protested against the Denver and Santa Fe extensions. The T. P. & G also has claimed priority of hearing. Just what move the Interstate Commerce Commission will make to clear the entire situation is not known, though with interest at a keen edge railroad officials say they expect a hearing will be held in the very near future. The application of all three roads may be heard at the same time though the state commission already has heard the T. P. & G. request for a permit to build.

Roscoe Fort and family motored to Lubbock Sunday and had a good muddy time of it returning Monday.

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A Page Of Interest To Women

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Your News and
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Edited by Mrs. Paul I. Odor.

SOFA PILLOWS and CUSHIONS

As this page is all our own we will start with something interesting to all women.

Any one who wants to go to a little trouble can make a sofa cushion that is better suited to her own individual need and her household budget than one she can buy. "To make a sofa cushion" usually means to go to a store and buy a muslin-covered foundation that you can cover. This method is very good if the stores have the kind of cushion you need, but if they have not there is no reason why you can not make a foundation yourself, or recover an old cushion if the stuffing is good.

All the world knows that a cushion must first be decorative, half the world knows that the decorative value is lost if the color, material and design are not suitably selected, but only a few wise people know when a cushion must be "soft," when it must be "hard" and when a cushion must be "springy." Interior decorators will tell you that "soft" cushions are only made for use in upholstered chairs and sofas or in chaise longue that are already comfortable to sit in and only need a decoration or touch of color to make them more homelike. But to make a comfortable seat or sofa of a day-bed, cot or couch the background pillows must be large and "hard" and by "hard" we mean very heavy with no give when you push them. "Hard" cushions are also used for the seat of wicker chairs, window seats and for floor cushions. "Springy" is a very expressive term applied to the most used cushions, that are hard enough to stand up, and have resistance; but give a little when you push against them. They are used in the foreground of couches, cots and day-beds, very deep upholstered sofas, wicker chairs, window seats and in couch hammocks porches, canoes and boats.

Material for Covering
A sofa cushion can be made of almost any material that harmonizes with your room. Taffeta is by far the most popular, but do not use it if something else would be more suitable in your home.

Cushions for living-rooms are made of velvet, tapestry, brocades, taffeta, heavy chiffon, satin, sunfast curtain material, or chintz, printed linen and cretonne in plain colors or figured, used alone or combined with another harmonious material.

Cushions for bedrooms can be made of cretonne, chintz, prints, taffeta, chiffon, lace or any material suited to the room, used alone or combined. In sunporches, cretonne, denim, burlap, poplin, sateen, eather bold prints and Roman stripes are effective, and oilcloth, cretonne, burlap and denim are the best for boats and camps.

If you can not find what you want in the upholstery department, buy dress materials; they are often better widths for cushions and offer a wider selection of colors and patterns. Remnants can be used to great advantage.

Making a foundation is clear sailing after you have the filling

or stuffing. You can use feathers, hair or excelsior that you have or you can buy the stuffing.

Floss, or down, is used for stuffing "soft" cushions. Do not stuff them too tightly.

"Springy" cushions can be filled with floss or down packed tightly. Moss or felt need not be packed so tightly and are cheaper and more satisfactory. Hair left from old pillows or mattresses, or excelsior, is splendid.

"Hard" cushions must be filled tightly with hair, felt, feathers or excelsior.

For Economy nothing makes better cushions than excelsior. It sounds dreadful, but when it is packed in very tightly with a layer of cotton batting wrapped around the muslin cover, before the outside is stretched on to make the cushion feel nice, it is impossible to tell what is inside. Bondoior pillows can be stuffed with ordinary cotton batting.

To make a seamed foundation Cut two circles, squares or oblongs of unbleached muslin in extra on each edge for the seams. Corners can be left square or rounded. Seam the two pieces together on the machine, leaving a 10-inch opening. Turning inside out; it is now ready to stuff.

Long Bolster Cushion—Cut two circles of unbleached muslin of the 6 or 8 inches in diameter and one piece as wide as the circumference of the circle and 27 inches long or any length you want the finished cushion. Seam back short end of the long pieces around a circle and seam the long edges, leaving a 10-inch opening, round a circle and seam the long

To stuff Any Cushion—Fill the farthest corners first, then fill the remaining space evenly, paying particular attention to filling the last corners. You can test the hardness, softness or springness by pressing down flat with your hand. When the cushion is filled, overcast the opening.

When cutting quilt scraps make a pattern of an ink blotter. When placed on the material it will not slip around but will lay flat.

Always try to use the materials left from one cushion to make another cushion for the same room.

Cushions of all one material have a strong decorative value. Brilliant-colored plain cushions of taffeta or satin are excellent for use with tapestry, furniture. Rich patterns of brocade, tapestry or figured materials have their place in other decorative schemes. But it is more fun to combine colors and materials when you make a cushion. A plain color can be trimmed with another plain color, but the prettiest effects are obtained by combining figured and plain materials.

This pillow is soft. The original cushion was 26 inches long and the circles at the ends were 7 inches in diameter. This pillow can be made of shirred orchid chiffon over pale pink china silk and trimmed with gold lace and flat flowers. If you have any materials on hand suitable to use make up your own color scheme. Cover pillow with china silk, drawing the material over the ends and gathering it. Cut a piece of chiffon 27 inches long and 36 inches wide. Cut 2 more pieces 46 inches long (or twice the circumference of pillow) and 45 inches wide. Make 1-8 inch heading on the long sides of narrow pieces for the ends of the cushion. Make 1-8 inch tuck half way between the two headings. Draw one edge in tightly for center of end and then the outside edge to fit the circumference of pillow. Draw middle shirring in place. Gather large piece of chiffon lengthwise in 1-8 inch tucks, placed two inches apart, drawing threads in the material to keep it straight, sew this shirred piece to the pillow form joining the ends. Place lace so the edge will cover the joining at ends of pillow. Make a flower for each end and center.

STUDY CLASS MEETS

The 1925 Study Class met, Wednesday, May 20th, in the rest room of the Courthouse and the following program was rendered:

- Mrs. Fogerson—Leader.
 - I. Biographical Sketch—Leader.
 - II. Holmes Wit and Humor Revealed in His Poems.—Mrs. Dick Cowart.
 - III. Holmes Poems, "Served to Order"—Miss Summers.
 - IV. Holmes Attitude Towards Slavery and Towards Dis-union—Carabel Biffle.
 - V. Appreciative Study of "Chambered Nautilus"—Mrs. Douglas.
 - VI. Selected Reading from Holmes—Mrs. Wright.
- The next meeting of the club will be held June 3rd.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Ladies Missionary Society of the Methodist Church met at the Church Tuesday May 19th at 3:30 p.m. The first lesson in the new book—"The Task Ahead"—was studied with Mrs. Douglas as leader. The attendance was very good. The Society would be very glad to have any members of the church study with them. The lesson was interestingly taught and enjoyed by all as it gives us a better insight into the works of our church. Mrs. J.W. Burks of Amarillo, Mrs. Odor's mother attended. The Society met Tuesday May 26th at the Presbyterian Church in Union with the Baptist and Presbyterian ladies for the Bible Study Lesson.

WEDDING?

Bro. W. M. Draper officiated at a wedding Monday afternoon, May 25th. But as yet we have been unable to learn, who! where! or when!

Pola Negri, the famous movie actress, is now in Europe but will return to Hollywood in the Autumn.

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LEADING COLORS FOR SUMMER

Colors are very bright and fabrics are gay both for dress and sports. Here are some you will meet in your fashion magazine.

- Flower blue.
- Lavender blue.
- Flag blue.
- Sky blue.
- Geranium color.
- Poppy-red.
- Flame-red.
- Purple-red.
- A soft old rose.
- Pale Pink.
- Deep pink.
- Ashes of roses.
- Olive green.
- Lettuce green.
- Cabbage green.
- Almond green.
- All shades of Beige.
- Many Browns.
- Mouse Gray.
- Ash Gray.
- Silver Grey.
- Iron Grey.
- Straw yellow.
- Lemon yellow.
- Orange.

Society

Miss Carabel Biffle who was operated on in Fort Worth last week is improving rapidly. She is expected to return home the last of the week.

Mrs. P.E.C. Cowart, Miss Mary Cowart and Mrs. Perry, returned Friday from Ft. Worth. While there Mrs. Cowart purchased much new Merchandise for the store.

Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Gilmore were up from Turkey Sunday.

Mrs. Bert Douglas accompanied by her cousin, Bryan Lowe, drove to Canyon last week. While there she will visit Mrs. L.C. Douglas and Miss Hazel Wood.

Mrs. M.L. Kizziar and daughter were in town Saturday afternoon. Driving over from Floydada to take Mr. Kizziar home for the week end. While here they visited with Mrs. Paul Odor.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde D. Wright

and two children, Elva and Jack, left Friday afternoon for an overland trip. They will go to Dallas where Judge Wright will undergo treatment. From there they will go to the White Mountains, and back up into Colorado. They plan to be away about six weeks.

Cool Footwear For the Children



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OUR PLATFORM

- Get a Railroad—any railroad.
- More Brick Business Buildings.
- A Modern Hotel for Silverton.
- A Passable Road across the Tule Canyon.

AND IT STILL RAINS

Silverton is certainly going to be in the swim this year, from all indications. With the prospects for a railroad still bright and possibilities of good crops still brighter, why shouldn't we be? The rain Sunday night was a dandy and put the finishing touch to the wheat. A fair yield is practically assured and many farmers are counting on from 15 to 20 bushels to the acre. We have had plenty of rain to put an excellent season in the ground for cotton and row crops and now all we need is a continuation of warm weather that we had last week to make the seed germinate.

OUR NEW PLANT

This issue of the Briscoe County News is the first to be printed in its entirety in our own new plant in Silverton.

The change from seven to six columns is made necessary by the style of our equipment and the type is being made a little larger at the request of a number of readers.

As our plant now stands, we believe that it is one of the best, in any inland town the size of Silverton, in the country. With a Linotype machine and one of the best models of cylinder presses as a starter, we intend to add other equipment just as fast as the need arises, staying abreast, or perhaps a little ahead, of the growth and development of the town.

THE FATAL FLY

Now is the time to fight the fly. After the recent rains, the flies will be worse. We must not only fight the flies but we must destroy their breeding places. We must keep everlastingly at it.

Until the city council passes the scavenger ordinance, which we are hoping for from day to day, Silverton faces an immediate danger and the only way to avoid a serious epidemic is to use every precaution and method possible, as individuals.

PATRONIZE the ADVERTISERS

As most everybody knows, most of the revenue in running a newspaper comes from the advertisers. A lot of people think that the merchants merely donate that much money for the sake of having a newspaper. The business men of Briscoe County have given wonderful support to our paper and they deserve your support in return. Read their advertisements. Patronize them. It is the most unpatriotic thing in the world to buy anything any where until you have tried your local merchant.

FAIR JOURNALISM

Some worthwhile thoughts were incorporated in the platform of the News-Herald of Ravena, New York, over the signature, "The Editor." If newspaper men generally accepted most of its planks, certainly the profession could be none the worse for the experience.

"I believe in my job. I shall at all times be fair to everyone in my community, expecting frequently to be charged with being unfair. I shall not be afraid to champion the poor man's cause for fear of the wrath of the rich man. Nor shall I be afraid to stand by the rich man for fear of being charged with having sold out to him. I shall respect and honor my profession, believing that it is a high calling."

A newspaper editor who adheres to such a platform is learning something of the real responsibilities and joys of journalism.

A PACKING PLANT FOR THE PANHANDLE

The opening of the Western Packing Company's plant in Amarillo last week, makes a reality of the dream this section has long had—a closer market for the livestock raised here.

The Amarillo concern has spent many thousands of dollars in buildings and equipment and has sufficient financial backing. Experienced men are in charge of the institution and there is no reason why they should not make a go of it. When their products come on the market, Panhandle people should use them in preference to others thereby creating a demand for the raw products that people have heretofore had to ship to Kansas City or Fort Worth. And too, every farmer should think more seriously of raising a few head of cattle and a few hogs to sell to the packing plant, now that it is so convenient.

CLEAN UP CAMPAIGN

Because the Clean Up Campaign started last week we must not get the idea that it will be against the law to continue our cleaning up crusade this week—and next. The idea is to keep up cleaning up until we have everything clean. On account of not being advertised sufficiently in advance no united effort was put forth last

week on the day set for the general cleaning of the business streets but another day will be set just as soon as the weather permits. Also trucks will be secured to call at the private residences for trash. There will have to be a small fee for this service however.

Many of the report cards have already been turned in and the number of check marks denote that at least a number of people have cleaned up their home places. The editor drove through the residential section Sunday afternoon and results were quite in evidence in the form of painted houses, clean alleys, clean back yards, freshly set out gardens and lawns. What a wonderful thing it would be for our town if we could make this clean up business 100 per cent.

BETTER FARMING DEPARTMENT

Conducted by the Vocational Agricultural Department of the Silverton High School under the direction of Prof. E. E. Reynolds.

FARMING IN DRY WEATHER

Too many farmers seem to have the idea that it pays them to farm only when everything looks prosperous and they have plenty of moisture to carry on the work to the best advantage. This rule may hold good for some places, but for West Texas it means failure to any farmer who happens to use it. On a whole, this section of the country makes good crops each year but they are made by dry-farming methods, and much skill and good judgement should be used. Many farmers from the East come here expecting to carry out the same system they have been accustomed to using. This is a serious mistake, as it will never do. One of the first things that a farmer in a country new to him should do is to look about and select a successful farmer and gain some tips from him until he feels that he has had enough experience to use his own ideas.

Listing Preferred

It is often discussed as to which is the better, listed land, or land which is flat-broke. Of course it is hard to determine just which system is the better, but on a whole the listed land proves to be more satisfactory in dry sections. Some farmers fail to plow their land in the fall, and winter if it turns dry, expecting to plow it in the spring, then go back over it immediately, and begin planting. This is not a wise plan to follow for various reasons. It makes too much work for hands, when plenty of time should be allowed for the planting, and the land should be plowed to catch and hold what moisture falls. Even if the land plowed in dry weather does not plow so well, or plows up in clods, it is much better this way than not worked at all. Of course, the rough surface has to be worked down, but this can be done only at the proper time. It is true that the larger the soil particles on top the greater the evaporation. It would seem that the proper thing to do would be to use a section harrow and form a loose mulch on top to prevent the soil water from rising to the top of the ground and evaporating. A section harrow is

a fine thing to use, but must be used at the proper time. In case of the first-year sod land the harrow will help to tear up the large clods, and not make the top of the ground too loose, or in case of a wet winter the harrow is the thing to use to hold the moisture. This pan will not work in dry weather, as the high dry wind will carry away the loose soil on top and leave the field blown down to the subsoil.

Continue to Stir

After the land has been prepared for planting it should be constantly stirred in order to get the benefit of the moisture. Many farmers have the idea that to plow often means to plow out what moisture they have. This can be done by deep plowing, but on the other hand they can plow and save the moisture. It is estimated that many times the amount necessary to raise a crop is lost in evaporation. Plants must have this in order to get the proper amount of plant food, as they take up the food in liquid form.

Weeds are the worst enemy in a dry-farming belt. They have grown under a handicap until they are stamped with characteristics that give them the advantage over field plants. They will grow where nothing else will live, but they must be kept down in order to keep them from coming in for their share of the soil water and plant food. Immediately after planting, it is a good idea to double back with some type of weed knives, and cut all weeds that have started since planting or were left by the planter. During the planting season the winds do not blow so much as they do in late winter and early spring; therefore, a person can begin to plow up a loose mulch on top, and keep this stirred.

After each rain this makes the top soil run back together. This should be plowed as soon as possible to keep the soil, or capillary, water from escaping through capillary connections. Soil water can go in any direction. If the top of the ground is dry the water rises to the top, and is evaporated by the wind. If this loose mulch

is kept it will protect the soil from the drying winds and sun. Naturally, in a dry-farming country every precaution must be used to get full advantage of what rain comes. By studying the situation carefully and using dry-farming methods, a farmer is able to produce better crops on onethird the amount of moisture that is needed to grow a crop under ordinary conditions. West Texas is noted for being able to produce the best crops on the smallest amount of rain of any place. This is done, however, by using headwork, and a constant stirring of the soil. Instead of waiting for a rain, when it turns dry plowing should be kept up, which means success in the end.

Since the introduction in 1922 of the honor club system in Roosevelt Junior High School, Springfield, Ohio the number of students averaging 90 per cent or better increased from 5 to 22 per cent. All the other junior high schools in the city using a similar plan to stimulate scholarship.

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Quitaque News of Interest

Cleve Gregg and family of Sudan, Texas, who formerly lived here, are moving back.

Mr. Joe Powers little son, Raymond, from Memphis is spending this week with his father who is doing carpenter work here.

Lella Graham has returned from Plainview where she attended Wayland College.

J. E. Martin, who has been with us for some time, has moved his family here.

Mrs. A.F. VanMeter went to Plainview Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J.F. Wise and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wise attended commencement exercises at Plainview Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Orlin Stark went to Amarillo Sunday.

O. R. Tipps, Supt. of Quitaque High School, has returned to his home at Aubrey, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Neely have returned from Clarendon where they have been attending the bedside of their daughter, Mrs. Bingham, who is in the Sanatorium there. They report that she is much better.

Mr. E. P. Lewis and family have moved from Lubbock to their farm north of town.

Mr. and Mrs. W.P. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Will Dalton and Mrs. O.E. Hutcherson visited with Mr. and Mrs. G.B. Hall at Silverton Sunday.

Mrs. W. A. Moore attended commencement exercises at Clarendon beginning Friday where her daughter, Edith, is attending Clarendon College.

Mrs. I. S. Rucker, son Gibbs, and daughter, Pauline, left Thursday for Denton County to visit relatives. Miss Hazel Tipps accompanied them, going to her home at Aubrey Tex.

Philip Hamilton was a business visitor in Memphis Thursday.

Miss Lanham attended commencement exercises at Childress last week end, also visited relatives.

J.C. Strawn, wife and little son Joseph, from Electra visiting Mr. Strawn's sister, Mrs. Frank Tunnel.

Miss Seney Peersons and Miss Myrtle Wise spent the week end with Miss Grace Wise who is attending Wayland College at Plainview.

W.P. Hall, Will Dalton and Oscar Hutcherson motored over to Plainview Friday.

Miss Georgia Bain spent the week end at Childress with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. McReynolds of Floydada have been helping the Quitaque Lumber Company invoice.

R. L. Vinyard of Folly community was in Quitaque shopping this week.

M. C. Potter and Sheriff Chas. Garrison were in town Tuesday.

M. A. Morris, who formerly lived here and who now lives near Silverton was in town Wednesday shaking hands with old friends and acquaintances.

Jack Hewgley is putting in a hamburger stand east of the Ozark Inn.

Anyone desiring fancy fence building should see Finley Brewton and Ray Hutcherson.

Mr. Arthur Whaley from Estelline was in town Sunday.

Bro. Wilson of Silverton attended Conference here Saturday.

Mrs. Hicky is visiting her daughters, Mrs. W. E. Lowe and Edith Hicky.

Davis Gibson, who has been attending Wayland College has returned home.

Mrs. Sue Burton returned from and extended visit in South and East Texas.

Alton Johnson and A.F. Van Meter, who have been attending school at Wayland College, are home for the Summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore of Turkey are visiting their son, Joe Gilmore.

J. O. McBride spent week end with his family at Aspermont.

Mr. and Mrs. Sharp of Turkey spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Russell.

Edith Moore, who has been attending Clarendon College has returned home.

W.P. Hawkins took his son Guy and daughter, Edna, to Plainview and had their tonsils removed. Both are doing nicely.

Miss Grace Wise has come home from school at Wayland College.

Mrs. O. E. Hutcherson entertained the young folks with an ice cream supper Friday night in honor of Finley Brewton.

Mr. W. S. Gregg left Tuesday morning for Colorado Springs for his health.

L. E. Graham went to Silverton, Tuesday.

GASOLINE ITEMS

Farmers are busy in the fields this week, some planting and others getting ready to plant. The recent rains give promise of a prosperous year for 1925.

J.F. Wise and Son are doing some repairing on their gin, getting ready for the coming gin season. It will be almost a new gin when finished.

Maxine Frieze and Margaret Campbell, of Silverton, visited the teachers at this place last week.

Quite a number in the community attended the Picnic at Mem-

phis Friday. All report a good time, lots to eat and drink.

O. L. Baisden has painted his new garage.

The carpenters are working on the new community house this week.

J.B. Chandler and family of Ark City, J.C. Boggs and family of Turkey, visited L.J. Bedwell and family Sunday.

Pauline Clark of Turkey spent a few days in Gasoline last week visiting her aunt, Mrs. Thornton.

Mrs. W.E. Morrison is on the sick list this week.

Edd Holbrook and family attended Sunday school at Quitaque Sunday.

J. C. Preston and family of Quitaque visited C.W. Ethridge Sunday.

W.A. Twilla will move soon to his new place near Kent. We regret to lose these good people but wish them success in their new home...

HAY LAKE HAPPENINGS

Mrs. G. W. Lee has returned to her home in this community.

Alvin McCutchen has been confined to his bed with the mumps the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Lee and family visited Mrs. Lee's parents Mr and Mrs. Seay, Sunday.

Miss Elizabeth Scott and brother, W.E., have returned from Arkansas, where they have been attending school.

Mr. and Mrs. T.C. McCutchen and E.G. Crowell spent the day with relatives at Flomot, Sunday.

Mrs. A.T. Brooks has returned to her home seven miles East of Silverton. She has been sick, but is reported much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Mart Seif and Reginald Riddell spent Sunday afternoon with the McCutchen young folks.

Mr. J.F. Duck and daughter, Peggy, spent part of the week visiting the Cornett family.

Mr. and Mrs. N.M. Sawler spent the week end at their old home place.

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Mrs. Jim Shaver has returned home from the Plainview Sanitarium.

Hereford—T.D. Moss of Dimmitt is the newly elected Secretary of the Hereford C. of C.

Electra—This city has ordered a car of poison to feed the grasshoppers.

A large crowd attended the singing at F. T. Lee's Sunday night.

Lubbock—The contract to build depots and section houses from Doud to the New Mexico line on the Santa Fe railroad was let to D. N. Leaverton of Lubbock.

Cisco—The first meeting of the new Executive Board of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce will be held in Wichita Falls, June 11.

Munday—Munday trade territory will be very materially benefited when the new bridge across the Brazos river north of here is completed.

"ALWAYS READ"

Col. Leslie Page

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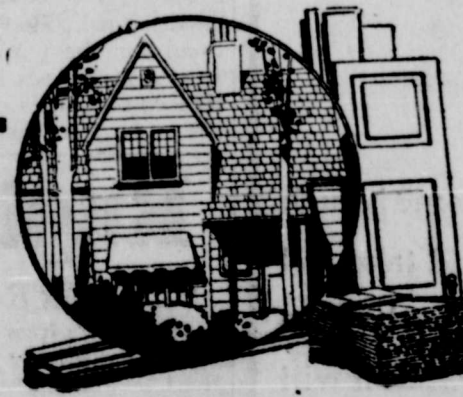
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LOCALS

Pascal Jones is reported to be very sick.

Mr. and Mrs. A.P. Donnell left Thursday on a three weeks trip. They will visit their children at Canyon and Sudan.

Found: Pair of spectacles in case. Owner may have same by paying for this ad.

For Sale: 300 bu. early Mebane cotton seed for planting. \$1.00 per bu.—L. E. Graham, Quitaque, Texas.

Grover Amason, who was off-week for ear trouble, is reported to be getting along nicely. He is expected home the last of this week.

Sheriff C.C. Garrison made a trip to Gatesville Saturday returning Tuesday morning. He took a local boy to the reformatory there.

Thomas Earl Daniels has returned from the hospital at Plainview where he had undergone an operation for appendicitis.

G. C. McDaniels general manager of the Amarillo Globe and G. L. Sullivan, of the circulation department, were business visitors to Silvertown Wednesday.

C.R. Pennington, a former resident of Silvertown, but now living in Abilene, where he is local president of the Abilene Division of the Southern Benevolent Association, has been here for the past few days. Mr. Pennington was a pleasant caller at the News office and complimented the paper very highly.

Walter (Bill) Cowart was a Senior at Wayland College this term. The graduation exercises were held Monday morning at ten o'clock. Bill came over Sunday afternoon to take his mother, Mrs. P.E.C. Cowart, over to see him graduate. But it rained. When he started back Monday he got stuck in the mud and he had to take his graduation by absent treatment. Too bad Bill.

NOTICE

The Board of Trustees of Silvertown Independent School District, Silvertown, Texas, will meet in regular session Saturday, June 6th, 1925 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and requests that all citizens living 4 miles or farther from Silvertown, in a northeasterly and northwesterly direction within above named school district, meet them for the purpose of discussing school needs in their respective communities. —R. M. Hill, Pres. J. E. Arnold, Secretary

Rupture

EXPERT HERE

Seeley Co's truss expert from Chicago will personally be at the Fagg Hotel, and will remain in Childress Wednesday only, June 10th. Mr. Seeley says: "The Spermatic Shield will not only retain any case of rupture perfectly, but contracts the opening in 10 days on the average case. Being a vast advancement over all former methods—exemplifying instantaneous effects immediately appreciable and withstanding any strain or position no matter the size or location. Large or difficult cases, or incisional ruptures (following operations) specially solicited. This instrument received the only award in England and in Spain, producing results without surgery, injections, medical treatments or prescriptions." Warning—All cases should be cautioned against the use of any elastic or web truss with understraps, as same cut where the lump is and not where the opening is, producing complications necessitating surgical operations. Mr. Seeley has documents from the United States Government, Washington, D.C., for inspection. Our representative will be glad to demonstrate without charge or fit them if desired. Business demand prevent stopping at any other place in this section. . . . P.—Every statement in this notice has been verified before the Federal and State Courts.—F.H. Seeley, . . . Home Office: 117 No. Dearborn St., Cal.

is the last Sunday and day in May. Choir practice on each Thursday Evening. Let every one that will sing be present each week. Fred A Wilson, Pastor.

W. M. Wood and Mrs. Kate Quillin went to the wrestling match at Plainview Friday night. They saw the Russian Lion throw Cal Farley of Amarillo.

R. B. Kizziar and Frank Ceere of Altus, Okla were here Wednesday visiting M. L. Kizziar.

For Rent: Three rooms for housekeeping or bed rooms. See Mrs. Quillin at City Cafe.

The clever, electrically lighted tourist's guide at the Super Service Station is the work of Miss Anna Summers, daughter of M. K. Summers, one of the proprietors of the Station. The map shows the main highways in the Panhandle of Texas and gives the road distances to the principle towns of this section. Mr. Summers is not only proud of the map but of his daughter as well, who received the Beyer Medal this year for having made the highest grades of any pupil in the high school for the term. Lorena Summers, her sister, also won a medal for second place.

The second team of Silvertown challenged the Cubs to a base ball game Tuesday with the new suits of the Cub at stake. The Cubs will continue to wear the suits to the tune of 8 to 0. The boys put up a good ball game, however.

W. A. Baker of the Baker-Campbell Co., of Floydada, was in Silvertown Tuesday looking for a location to put in a store here.

LOST: A 32 x 4 1-2 Ford Trunk Tire and Rim somewhere southwest of Silvertown. Bring to News office for reward.

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CHURCHES

The Epworth League definitely decided to establish their play ground. This is to be located West of the Methodist Parsonage on a vacant lot. They plan to put in a tennis court and croquet court. They also expect to place lights on the ground so as to be able to play after dark. They have a committee, consisting of Mrs. D. Cowart, Miss Anna Summers and Mrs. Wilson, to arrange ways and means of financing the project.

The Epworth League conference meets in Herford Saturday and Sunday, several of the Leaguers expect to attend this. Mrs. Nichols is on the program Saturday night.

The Methodist church welcomes everyone to worship there Sunday morning. Sunday School at 10 a. m. There is a class for everyone. Preaching at 11 a. m. by pastor. Leagues will meet at 7:30 p. m. and preaching again by the pastor at 8:15. Make this a "Go to Church Sunday" as it

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